

State Codes and Standards Committee
Codes Amendment Subcommittee
Minutes

August 10, 2011

- 1. Call to Order:** The Chairman called to order the regular meeting of the Codes Amendment Subcommittee of the State Codes and Standards Committee. The meeting was held in the third floor conference room (room 348) at 1111 Country Club Road, Middletown, Connecticut.
- 2. In Attendance:** Louis Free, Chair
Thomas DiBlasi
Robert Hanbury
John Jackman
Henry Miga
Michael Musco
Andrew Rizzo, Jr.
Marjorie Shansky
Michael Sinsigalli
Frederick Wajcs

Also present: Daniel Tierney, Office of State Building Inspector
Joseph Kingston, Office of State Fire Marshal
Dan Veronick, Office of State Building Inspector
Joanne Rees, AIA Connecticut
Mike Wallace, UTC Fire & Security

3. Minutes:

Minutes of the June 8, June 22 and July 27, 2011 meeting are pending final drafts before Subcommittee action.

4. Communications:

Correspondence received from Francesca Provenzano regarding supporting radon documentation for Code Change Proposal No. 11R-IRC.

5. Old Business

No action was taken with regard to old business.

6. New Business

CAS Chairman Louis Free provided an update on the status of the IECC amendment. Kevin Kopetz has obtained the Acting Commissioner for the Department of Construction Services signature on the certification pages and will be submitting to the Office of the Attorney General for review for legal sufficiency. The AG's office anticipates a quick turn-around and then the revised Regulation No. 2011-017 will be submitted immediately to Legislative Regulation Review Committee before the first Tuesday of the month (September 6, 2011). The revised regulation will appear on the Legislative Regulation Review Committee meeting held on the fourth Tuesday of the month (September 27, 2011).

The committee discussed the logistics for review and adoption of the 2012 International Code Council Family of Codes and NFPA 101. Dan Tierney is checking to see if the 2012 ICC Codes order had been placed through DPS for the CAS use prior to the July 1st deadline. The committee agreed to establish a deadline of March 30, 2012 for public submission of Code Change Proposals to the 2012 ICC Codes. The C&SC web-site will be updated to reflect this in the near future. In addition, Louis Free will prepare for the committee's review a draft letter to 2009 ICC code change proposal proponents informing them to review the 2012 code language and the requirement for resubmission of their code change proposal, if still desired, coordinated with the appropriate 2012 sections and language in order for CAS to consider the proposal.

The code change format the CAS will use is the following:

- a. Changes to Comply with State Statute
- b. Changes to Coordinate with Other Codes where conflicts occur
- c. Changes to Correct Errors (Existing Connecticut Supplement)
- d. Changes based on Approved Code Change Proposals

John Jackman, Chair of the Fire Prevention Code Advisory Committee, discussed revisions to regulations regarding hazardous materials (Chapter 541). It is the Fire Prevention Code Advisory Committee's intent to have regulations adopted so the building official is the lead authority in one and two-family dwellings. A suggestion was made to revise the Fire Code to include an exception for one and two-family dwellings as a way to address this. A discussion followed. John noted that the next Fire Prevention Code Advisory Committee meeting is set for Tuesday, August 23, 2011 at 1:00 PM in room 348 and that all are encouraged to attend as they attempt to wrap-up open issues.

Dan Veronick will attempt to have Chapter 1 of the Connecticut Amendment to the 2009 IRC completed for distribution at the next meeting. The committee and OSBI will pick-up with the 2009 IRC review starting at Chapter 11 at the next meeting.

7. **Adjournment**

The next meeting will be held on August 24, 2011 at 1:00 PM in Room 348.

Louis J. Free, Chair
Codes Amendment Subcommittee

KEY: **ICC** **International Code Council**
 IBC **International Building Code**
 IEBC **International Existing Building Code**
 IRC **International Residential Code**
 NEC **National Electrical Code**
 NFPA **National Fire Protection Association**

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