

**CODES AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE  
CODES AMENDMENT SUBCOMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES**

**January 24, 2024**

A meeting of the Codes Amendment Subcommittee of the Codes and Standards Committee was held on-line using Microsoft Teams Meeting platform. The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:31 PM.

**CAS in Attendance:** John J. Butkus, AIA, Architect  
Johnny Carrier, Builder - Residential  
Anthony Cinicola, Building Official  
Paul Costello, National Building Trades Labor  
Hank Cullinane, HVAC Trades  
Terry Deveney, Builder - Nonresidential  
Thomas DiBlasi, PE, Structural  
Louis Free, AIA, Architect, CAS Chair  
Donald Harwood, Public Member  
David McKinley, Public Member - Accessibility  
Henry Miga, Building Official  
Michael Musco, PE, Electrical  
Fred Wajcs, Jr., Public Member

**DAS in Attendance:** William Abbott, OSFM, State Fire Marshal  
Anthony Arborio, DAS Construction Services, Building Official  
Royal Brooks, DAS Construction Services, Building Official  
Michael Fuschi, DAS Construction Services, Building Official Supervisor  
Danielle Hart, DAS Construction Services, Administrative Staff  
Omarys Vasquez, AIA, NOMA, OSBI, State Building Inspector  
David Woods, OSFM, Fire & Life Safety Supervisor

**Also Present:** Joseph Cassidy  
William J. Nash, Senior Regional Manager, International Code Council  
Dragana Thibault, Northeast Energy Efficiency Partnerships

**1. CAS MINUTES**

- a. A motion was made by Thomas DiBlasi and seconded by John Butkus to accept the draft meeting minutes of the January 10, 2024 CAS meeting. No discussions, all voted in favor, none opposed, motion is APPROVED.

**2. COMMUNICATIONS**

No correspondence was received since the last CAS meeting. State Building Inspector Omarys Vasquez confirmed that all CAS correspondence and code change proposals gets sent to the Codes and Standards Committee which then gets sorted by staff and directed to CAS.

### **3. OLD BUSINESS**

- a. 2025 Connecticut State Building Code and Fire Safety Code Development
- i) ICC 2024 Codes and ICC Premium Access Update. State Building Inspector Vasquez reported that Peter Zvingilas is looking into the status of obtaining ICC Premium Access for CAS members.
  - ii) DAS DRC – CAS SharePoint Drive. Under “ Documents > 2025 Code Development > 20\_References” are redline versions of the 2024 IBC, 2024 IEBC and the 2023 Draft for ICC Standard A117.1 Accessible and Usable Buildings and Facilities. State Building Inspector Vasquez reported that the redline versions of the 2024 IFC, 2024 IMC and 2024 IPC will be uploaded to the CAS SharePoint Drive after this meeting.
  - iii) 2024 IRC Availability Update: Chair Free requested William Nash, Senior Regional Manager, International Code Council, to provide an update on the status of the expected availability of the 2024 IRC. Mr. Nash reported that the hearings for nine (9) appeals related to the 2024 IECC have been scheduled for February 21, 22 and 23. After the appeal hearings there is an anticipated 30-day process which is the end of March. Assuming there are no further challenges, we appear to be on track for the 2024 IRC and 2024 IECC being published and available in the middle of this year.

State Building Inspector Vasquez asked if the red line version of the 2024 IRC minus Chapter 11, which is tied to the energy portion of the 2024 IECC appeals, is available for the Work Group to review. Mr. Nash stated many states are going through the same exercise and asking the same question, so there will be a version of the 2024 IRC draft put into the digital code platform without Chapter 11 in the near future for states to review.

Johnny Carrier asked on the status of the publication for the significant changes handbook that usually goes with the new codes. Mr. Nash responded that work on producing the 2024 Significant Changes to the 2024 ICC Codes is in process and will notify the CAS when they are published and available.

- iv) Work Group Assignments. Chair Free reported that many of the past Constituency representatives who assisted the Work Groups with the code review are no longer employed by the group they represented. State Building Inspector Vasquez stated she is currently coordinating with Darren Hobbs and has reached out to former State Building Inspector Joseph Cassidy for additional information.
- v) Work Group Meetings. Several Work Groups are in the process of scheduling working code review sessions.
  - (1) Thursday, January 25, 2024 - 2024 IFC Chapter 11 - CMFA Code Study Work Group
  - (2) Thursday, February 1, 2024 - Accessibility Work Group
  - (3) Friday, February 2, 2024 (Tentative) - Electrical Work Group

- vi) Proposed Subcommittee Meeting Schedule (Two-Month Look Ahead).
- (1) February 14, 2024 Reserved for general CAS business and questions. Work Groups to schedule separate work group review sessions.
  - (2) February 28, 2024 Accessibility Work Group Presentation. 2024 IBC, Chapter 11; 2024 IEBC, Section 307; 2017 ANSI A117.1.  
CAS: David McKinley, Work Group Chair; John Butkus, Louis Free.  
OSBI: Omarys Vasquez.
  - (3) March 13, 2024 Mechanical (commercial construction) Work Group Presentation. 2024 IBC, Chapter 28; 2024 IMC.  
CAS: Illona Prosol, Work Group Chair; Hank Cullinane, Michael Musco, Eric Shutt.  
OSBI: Michael Fuschi

#### **4. NEW BUSINESS**

No new business.

#### **5. GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Terry Deveney introduced himself as the newest member of the Code and Standards Committee replacing Glenn Neilson for Builder - Nonresidential.

#### **6. ADJOURNMENT**

Thomas DiBlasi made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:55 PM, Donald Harwood second the motion. No discussion, the vote was all in favor and none opposed, the motion for adjournment is APPROVED.

The next Codes Amendment Subcommittee meeting is set for Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 1:30 PM or immediately following the Codes and Standards Monthly Meeting and will be held on-line using Microsoft Teams Meeting platform.



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**Louis Free, Chair**  
**Codes Amendment Subcommittee**