

State Codes and Standards Committee
Codes Amendment Subcommittee
Minutes

January 25, 2017

1. Call to Order: The Chair called to order the regular meeting of the Codes Amendment Subcommittee of the State Codes and Standards Committee. The meeting was held in North Plaza Hearing Room C, 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, Connecticut.

2. In Attendance:

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| Louis Free, Chair | David McKinley |
| John Butkus | Henry Miga |
| Paul Costello | Michael Musco |
| Thomas DiBlasi | Eric Shutt |
| Robert Hanbury | Carlton Smith |
| George Iskra | Fredrick Wajcs, Jr. |

Also present: Joseph Cassidy, State Building Inspector
Darren Hobbs, Office of State Building Inspector
Johnny Carrier, Home Builders Association
William Nash, International Code Council

3. Minutes:

No action was taken on previous meeting minutes.

4. Communications:

State Building Inspector Joseph Cassidy reported that approximately a dozen code change proposals have been received, are being logged into a tracking chart and should be ready for distribution at the next CAS meeting.

5. Old Business

- a. 2018 CSBC and CSFSC – Code Review Work Groups: Status Reports and Constituency Coordination Updates:
 - i. Accessibility (IBC Chapter 11, A117.1, IEBC): David McKinley reported that the work group has held two conference calls to date to review changes. Another conference call is scheduled for February 2, 2017.
 - ii. IBC (General): John Butkus requested clarification on the scope of work group reviews. In addition to reviewing 2016 Connecticut Supplement amendments and determining if they still are needed, work groups should review major code changes between the 2012 and 2015 codes including the introduction of new technologies.

- iii. IBC (Structural): Thomas DiBlasi reported that the 2016 Connecticut Supplement structural amendments mostly likely will remain the same this code cycle because 2012 IBC structural requirements are mostly the same as the 2015 structural requirements since both codes use the same ASCE references which are on a six-year change cycle.
- iv. IBC (Resiliency / Weather) and IRC (Resiliency / Weather): Lou Free reported for Don Harwood that the work group has scheduled a teleconference on Thursday, January 26, 2017.
- v. IEBC and IFC (Existing): John Butkus stated that the work group has nothing to report at his time.
- vi. IECC and IRC (Energy): Fred Wajcs reported that the work group has reviewed and identified the 2016 Connecticut Supplement energy amendments that have been incorporated in the 2015 IECC. The work group is currently reviewing solar-ready dwelling provisions and worst-case atmospheric testing (both referenced in the Appendix).
- vii. IFC / Fire Safety (New): Lou Free reported for Donald Harwood that the work group is blending their reviews with the members of the 541 Committee to maximize the effort. Meetings have been held and future meetings scheduled.
- viii. CFPC Coordination: Lou Free reported for Michael Sinsigalli that because both the Fire Safety Code and Fire Prevention Code are in transition, the work group is currently in a holding pattern for now. During the Fire Prevention Code Advisory Committee meeting held the week of January 16th, there were some concerns raised regarding how the hazardous materials regulations are being reached. Consequently, this will be one of the issues that the work group will be monitoring as the codes are being worked on. In addition, the proposed statute changes regarding this issue will also be of a concern.
- ix. IMC and IRC (Mechanical): George Iskra reported the work group review is mostly completed and there will be three new code change proposal related to guards for roof-top equipment, drain traps for condensation lines and definition for discreet plumbing products. The work group will be ready to make their presentation at the next CAS meeting scheduled for February 8, 2017.
- x. IPC and IRC (Plumbing): Eric Shutt stated that the work group has nothing to report at his time.
- xi. IRC (General): Robert Hanbury stated that the work group has nothing to report at this time.

- xii. IRC (Sprinklers): Lou Free reported for Keith Flood that there is no update in regards to the residential sprinklers.
 - xiii. NEC and IRC (Electrical): Michael Musco reported that the work group review of the NEC will follow the IMC and IPC reviews. Lou Free requested Joe Cassidy to forward the presentation slides covering the major changes in the 2017 NEC that was provided by Jeff Sargent, NFPA.
 - xiv. CT Supplement Drafts: T. Brouwer/D. Hobbs/J. Kingston: Joe Cassidy reported that drafts of the 2018 Connecticut Supplements are being developed based on information provided by the various work groups.
- b. 2018 CSBC and CSFSC – Code Review and Adoption Schedule
- i. Work Group Presentations scheduled for the February 8, 2017 CAS meeting.
 - 1. IMC and IRC (Mechanical): Carlton Smith
 - 2. IPC and IRC (Plumbing): Eric Shutt
 - ii. Work Group Presentations scheduled for the February 22, 2017 CAS meeting.
 - 1. Accessibility (IBC Chapter 11, A117.1, IEBC): David McKinley
 - 2. IEBC and IFC (Existing): John Butkus
 - 3. NEC and IRC (Electrical): Michael Musco

6. New Business

No new business was conducted.

7. Adjournment

The next meeting of the CAS will be held on Wednesday, February 8, 2017, in the North Plaza Hearing Room C, 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, Connecticut starting at 1:30 PM or immediately following the adjournment of the State Codes and Standards Committee monthly meeting.



Louis Free, Chair
Codes Amendment Subcommittee

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| KEY: | CSBC | Connecticut State Building Code | IFC | International Fire Code |
| | CSFPC | Connecticut State Fire Prevention Code | IMC | International Mechanical Code |
| | CSFSC | Connecticut State Fire Safety Code | IPC | International Plumbing Code |
| | IBC | International Building Code | IRC | International Residential Code |
| | ICC | International Code Council | NEC | National Electrical Code |
| | IEBC | International Existing Building Code | NFPA | National Fire Protection Association |
| | IECC | International Energy Conservation Code | | |

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