

State Codes and Standards Committee
Codes Amendment Subcommittee
Minutes

April 22, 2009

The Chairman called to order the special 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.

In Attendance: Louis Free, Chair
John Butkus
Thomas DiBlasi
Robert Hanbury
Donald Harwood
Henry Miga
Michael Musco
Andrew Rizzo
Michael Sinsigalli

Also present: Lisa Humble, OSBI
Janet K. Ainsworth, Esq., DPS Legal Affairs
Joseph Kingston, OSFM
Robert Ross, Director, DFEBS
David Maiden, Town of North Haven
Joanne Rees, AIA Connecticut
Bruce Spiewak, Bruce J. Spiewak AIA Consulting
Architect LLC
Frederick Wajcs, CL&P, C&LM

The subcommittee voted to accept the minutes of the March 25, 2009 meeting. The subcommittee will consider the minutes of the April 8, 2009 meeting at the May 13, 2009 meeting.

The subcommittee reviewed draft position statements submitted by Henry Miga, Lisa Humble and Frederick Wajcs. It was agreed that the new code draft needs to concentrate on energy efficiency. The sustainability requirement was described as a moving target – the rating systems referenced within section 29-256a of the Connecticut General Statutes are ever evolving. Adoption of the

2009 family of International Code Council codes will provide a greater level of compliance with the requirements of the statute than the ratings systems. There was further discussion of the extent of Connecticut amendments to the codes and the need to expedite adoption because of the urgency injected into the process by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

For the next meeting, Henry Miga, Louis Free, Donald Harwood and State Building Inspector Lisa Humble will develop a one-page position statement. Such statement will include comparisons of energy savings between the various editions of national standards.

The next meeting will be held on May 13, 2009 in Room 348 between 2 and 4 p.m.

/s/

Louis Free, Chair
Codes Amendment Subcommittee

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