

State Codes and Standards Committee
Codes Amendment Subcommittee
Minutes

September 14, 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.

In Attendance: Louis Free, Chair
John Butkus
Thomas DiBlasi
Robert Hanbury
Henry Miga
Andrew Rizzo, Jr.
Frederick Wajcs
William Zoeleer

Also present: Dan Veronick, Office of State Building Inspector
Joanne Rees, AIA Connecticut
Bruce Spiewak, AIA Connecticut

2. **Minutes:**

Minutes of the August 10, 2011 meeting were approved.

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

3. **Communications:**

No new correspondence was received.

4. Old Business

CAS Chairman Louis Free provided an update on the status of the IECC amendment (Legislative Regulation Review Committee, Regulation No. 2011-017 - STATE BUILDING CODE-2005 CT SUPPLEMENT 2011 AMENDMENT TO ADOPT THE 2009 INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE). Kevin Kopetz obtained the AG's office signature and resubmitted to the Legislative Regulation Review Committee on August 30, 2011. The revised regulation should appear on the next Legislative Regulation Review Committee meeting agenda held on the fourth Tuesday of the month (September 27, 2011).

CAS Chairman Free reviewed the intent for the CAS to send correspondence to all proponents who submitted code change proposal for the 2009 family of codes requesting them to review the 2012 code language and resubmit, if necessary, their code change proposal coordinated with 2012 sections and language for CAS to consider the proposal. The C&SC web-site will be updated in the near future to reflect this requirement.

No additional action was taken with regard to old business.

5. New Business

The CAS was provided copies of a document titled "2011 Amendments to the 2009 International Residential Code" dated 8/2/11 Draft containing Chapters 1 and 2. The document contains yellow highlights with red text in areas that require CAS and OSBI discussion. Information notes are provided in blue italic text. Two items that require coordination is the Wind Borne Debris Region area and how it is to be defined (south of Interstate 95, south of Amtrak line or a combination), and Seismic Design Category C for Townhouse (areas of Greenwich and Stamford).

The CAS and OSBI reviewed and took action on the following Chapters of the 2009 International Residential Code:

1. Chapter 17 Combustion Air: No Changes
2. Chapter 18 Chimneys and Vents: No Changes
3. Chapter 19 Special Fuel-Burning Equipment:
(Amd) Installation - Approved.
4. Chapter 20 Boilers and Water Heaters: No Changes
5. Chapter 21 Hydronic Piping: No Changes
6. Chapter 22 Special Piping and Storage Systems: No Changes
7. Chapter 23 Solar Systems: No Changes

8. Chapter 24 Fuel Gas:

(Amd) G2402.3 Terms defined in other codes - Approved.

(Add) G2411.1.1 Corrugated stainless steel tubing (CSST) - Approved with the following revision. Change (Add) to (Amd).

(Amd) G2412.2 Liquefied petroleum gas storage - Approved with the following revision. Change "Public Safety" to "Construction Services".

(Amd) G2515.1 Prohibited locations - Approved.

(Amd) G2423.1 General - Approved with the following revision. Change "Public Safety" to "Construction Services".

Sections 2424 through 2453 review are still pending.

9. Additional Discussions:

Add to Chapter 1 "Any reference to the ICC codes shall mean the Regulation of Connecticut State Agencies known as the State Building Code adopted pursuant to section 29-252 of the Connecticut General Statutes."

Henry Mega suggested that with the reported anticipated delay in adoption of the Connecticut Fire Prevention Code from 1/1/2013 to 1/1/2014, the Codes and Standards Committee should give serious consideration to recommending to the Commissioner of Construction Services legislative changes to relevant regulations regarding hazardous materials so that the statutes reference the most recent editions and not outdated editions.

Dan Veronick will attempt to have Chapter 3 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 at the next meeting.

6. Adjournment

The next meeting will be held on September 28, 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