

**SOUTH CAROLINA BUILDING CODES COUNCIL  
KINGSTREE BUILDING, ROOM 108  
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 26, 2004**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Frank P. Hodge, Chairman  
Gregory P. Parsons  
Gable D. Stubbs  
Frank Hill, Jr.  
Lloyd D. Schumann  
Eugene G. Beckman, III  
Wendell Davis  
Kenneth P. Padgett  
James A. Ham, Jr.  
Ernest F. Dorsey  
Thomas E. Brock

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Jerry T. Witherspoon  
Van M. McAlister  
Michael M. Thomas  
William T. McDowell, Jr.

**STAFF PRESENT**

Gary Wiggins  
Jennie Meade  
Rick Wilson

**OTHERS PRESENT**

John McLeod  
Wade Faires  
Siggi Vanentin  
Billy Kennett  
James Whittaker  
Douglas M. Smits  
Ward Braswell  
Robert Yarnall

John W. Wasson, Jr.  
Dave Fautley  
Joheida Fister  
Vaughn Wicker  
Channon Chambers  
Robert Harkins  
Paul LaVene

Sonny DuBose  
Gerald Poss  
David Williamson  
Reginald McBeth  
Benjamin A. Collins  
Paula Kennett  
Jann M. Barr

**NOTE:** the Notice and Agenda for the May 26, 2004 meeting of the South Carolina Building Codes Council were posted in accordance with Section 30-4-80 of the 1976 amended Code, relating to the Freedom of Information Act.

**1. Call to Order**

The May 26, 2004 meeting of the S. C. Building Codes Council was called to order at 10:30 AM by Chairman Frank Hodge.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

Chairman Hodge asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Mr. Lloyd Schumann made the motion to approve the agenda as written. The motion was seconded by Mr. Frank Hill and the vote was unanimous.

**3. Approval of Minutes**

Chairman Hodge asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the February 25, 2004 meeting. Mr. Hill made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ernest Dorsey and passed unanimously.

#### **4. Approval/Disapproval for Absent Members**

Chairman Hodge inquired about the absent members. Mr. Thomas, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. McAlister had contacted staff about previous commitments. The motion was made by Mr. Hill and seconded by Mr. Dorsey to excuse these absences. Mr. Witherspoon was also absent and did not respond to staff's messages. This absence has been tabled to next meeting.

#### **5. Old Business**

None

#### **6. New Business**

##### **A. Introduction of new member**

Chairman Hodge introduced Mr. Thomas E. Brock and welcomed him to Council.

**B. Adoption of the 2003 International Building Codes Series** – Chairman Hodge asked Mr. Gary Wiggins, staff, to address this issue. Mr. Wiggins reviewed the three stages required for the adoption of the codes. Council has completed the first two stages and entering the third, formal adoption and notification for local jurisdictions and industry of that adoption. After much discussion of the legalities and time frames, Mr. Hill made the motion to adopt the International Residential Code, effective July 1, 2005, and the rest of the International series, effective January 1, 2005. Mr. Greg Parsons seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

**C. Recognition of past member** – Chairman Hodge read a Certificate of Recognition for Linda Lark. Ms. Lark resigned prior to this meeting.

#### **7. Public Comments**

Chairman Hodge called for any public comments. Mr. Wade Harris, American Society of Civil Engineers passed out commentary on multiple hazard provisions of the 2003 International Residential Code. Available at [www.asce.org](http://www.asce.org). Mr. John Cone stated his concerns of the document.

Mr. Robert Yarnell had a question dealing with the modification to the 2003 code and when they would become effective.

Mr. Reginald McBeth recommended that the Council keep the Fire Code under the Building Code.

Mr. Sonny DuBose, SC Energy Office stated that the Energy Office was working with HBA on two projects, Earth Craft Homes.

Mr. Gary Bass had a question dealing with possible cutting of the training budget caused by the state budget cuts and also if the State has plans on changing the registration program from a two year program to a three year to be in line with the ICC. Mr. Wiggins

answered that the funding for training and certification comes from the Senate Finance Committee and is a flat amount every year and has not been touched. The two-year registration program is controlled by state law. ICC sets its own cycle for certification.

Mr. Cone stated that there was an issue that did not make it to the study committee in time to be scheduled but had been heard for the 2000 codes. It was an issue that everyone agrees with but missed the deadline. There is a bill in the legislature that would provide that with anything adopted, or modified in 2000 does not have to be reconsidered in 2003. If the legislation passes, that would bring this issue back into play.

### **8. Date of Next Meeting**

The next scheduled meeting is August 25, 2004.

### **9. Adjournment**

A motion for adjournment was made by Mr. Hill and seconded by Mr. Jay Ham. The meeting was adjourned at 11:12 AM