

**SOUTH CAROLINA BUILDING CODES COUNCIL**  
**Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building**  
**110 Centerview Drive, Kingstree Building, Room 204**  
**Columbia, South Carolina, 29210**

**Monday, June 15, 2009**

**Minutes**

**10:30 am**

**Public Notice:**

Public notice of the meeting was properly posted on the bulletin boards at the main entrance of the Kingstree Building and by notice mailed to all requesting persons, organizations and news media in accordance with §30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

**Call To Order:**

Chairman Hodge called the teleconferenced meeting of the Building Codes Council to order at 10:35 a.m. Council members present via telephone and verified by roll call included: Frank Hodge, Gregory Parsons, Ernest F. Dorsey, Richard Sendler, Frank Hill, William McDowell, Van McAlister, Thomas Brock, and James Ham. The absence of Chris Cullum approved and absence of John White noted.

Staff members participating in the meeting included: Gary Wiggins, Administrator, Sheridan Spoon, Advise Attorney, and Jennie Meade, Program Coordinator.

Others present participating in the meeting included: Brian Pietras, Mark, Nix, Robert Harkins, Bruce Spicher, Ann Roberson, Joseph McDonald, Michael Lowman, Lisa Jones, John Reich, and Ray Hoshall.

**Approval of Agenda:**

Chairman Hodge asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Being none, he called for a motion for the approval of the agenda. Mr. Schumann made the motion which was seconded by Mr. Hill and the vote was unanimous.

**Administrators Comments:**

Chairman Hodge recognized Mr. Gary Wiggins and asked him if there were any Administrators Comments. There were none.

**Old Business:**

Chairman Hodge asked Mr. Wiggins to address the Old Business item, Wind and Seismic Report. Mr. Wiggins stated that staff was instructed at the last meeting to research the action that Council can take to implement the recommendations presented by the Seismic and Wind Study.

Chairman Hodge called for comments from Council. Mr. Richard Sendler stated that he believed the letter from FEMA didn't say a lot and was vague. Chairman Hodge disagreed stating that he believed that many communities of South Carolina would be affected. Mr. Stubbs and Mr. Dorsey stated they agreed with Chairman Hodge. The discussion continued and addressed the question if Council has the authority to implement what the studies recommend. Mr. Spoon stated that legally Council does not have that authority without going through the adoption process.

Chairman Hodge called for comments from guests. Mr. Darbis Briggman of North Charleston sent an email stating that he is not in favor of change. Mr. Pietras also stated that the Structural Engineers Association of SC does not support the change. All other comments were in the form of questions and clarification of the approval process. There were no further comments from guests.

Mr. Sendler made the motion to adopt the seismic maps as presented by the Citadel/Clemson study. Mr. Van McAlister seconded the motion. The vote was 3 ayes, 7 nays, and 1 abstention. The motion fails. Item fails by lack of motion.

Chairman Hodge called for a motion on the Wind issue. No motion was made.

**New Business:**

There was no new business.

**Dates of Next Meeting:** Wednesday, August 26, 2009, in conference room 108.

**Adjournment:**

Mr. Dorsey moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Chris Cullum.

The teleconference meeting of the South Carolina Building Codes Council was adjourned at 11:06