

FACTORY BUILT STRUCTURES ADVISORY BOARD
VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING

Tuesday – November 15, 2016 – 9:30 a.m. (MST)

Division of Building Safety
1090 East Watertower Street, Suite 150, Meridian, Idaho
1250 Ironwood Drive, Suite 220, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
2055 Garrett Way, Building 1, Suite 4, Pocatello, Idaho

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 15, 2016 MEETING

NOTE: The following report is not intended to be a verbatim transcript of the discussions at the meeting, rather to record the significant features of those discussions.

Chairman Markus Alley called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. (MST).

Board Members Present:

Markus Alley, Chairman
Jeff Chrisman, Vice-Chairman
Mike Jensen
Ken Clay
Ken Roche
Michael Hampton
Brian Mattson

DBS Staff Members Present:

C. Kelly Pearce, Administrator
Steve Keys, Deputy Administrator-Operations
Ron Whitney, Deputy Administrator-Administration
Patrick Grace, Deputy Attorney General
Fred Sisneros, Financial Manager
Bill Hatch, Public Information Officer
Larry Jeffres, Regional Manager, Region 1
Shelly Farris, Regional Supervisor, Region 3
Renee Bryant, Administrative Assistant 2/Board Support

◆ **Open Forum**

Teri Ottens, Idaho House Alliance (IHA) Representative, addressed the following topics:

Manual Update – The last update of the Idaho Manufactured Home Installation Standard Manual was in 2004. IHA, DBS, installers and building inspectors have been working together to update. The manual is the criteria for relocating and installing used manufactured homes. Copies of the draft manual will be provided to the Board at the February 7, 2017 Board meeting. IHA would like the Board to consider a rule change to adopt the revised manual.

Continuing Education Unit (CEU) – IHA is an approved CEU provider. Manufactured home installers and inspectors are required to obtain four hours of CEUs every year. Over the last year, IHA has trained 51 installers and 64 inspectors. Attendees evaluate the course with five being the highest score (excellence). On an average, IHA received a score of four. The primary complaint is the information provided is repetitious and a waste of time and money.

Rule Change--Continuing Education – HUD requires installers and inspectors to attend eight hours of continuing education every three years. Idaho's rule requires four hours every year for a total of 12 hours every three years. IHA asked the Board to consider changing the rule

from four hours a year to eight hours every three years. IHA would like to teach a two-hour refresher course two of the three years with a four-hour class every third year.

Deputy Administrator-Operations Steve Keys stated HUD is currently in the process of auditing all of the state installation programs and anticipates they will have some demands on the installation program in order to qualify for renewal.

IHA offered, and the Board agreed, to present a proposed rule change at the February 7, 2017 Board meeting.

Park Model Definition – The only definition for park model recreational vehicles is in the Manufactured Home Residency Act and it is inconsistent with current industry standards and HUD requirements. Jack Lyman, IHA Representative, stated IHA is going to create a definition in the Transportation section of the statute and then refer it elsewhere in the code. With a definition, park model recreational vehicle owners will be able to register their unit.

◆ **Approval of the November 15, 2016 Agenda**

MOTION: Jeff Chrisman made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Ken Clay seconded. Vote called. All in favor, motion carried.

◆ **Approval of the September 20, 2016 Board Meeting Minutes**

MOTION: Ken Roche made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Jeff Chrisman seconded. Vote called. All in favor, motion carried.

◆ **Operational Report**

Citizen Complaint – Addressed was a citizen complaint on the purchase and installation of a modular home. The Board nor Division has any jurisdiction over the integrity of dealers, retailers and installers of modular structures. The way the Board is currently structured, a complaint would go through the Idaho Bureau of Occupational License's Idaho Contractors Board; same as a complaint relative to a stick built home. The Deputy Administrator-Operations suggested the Board consider expending its authority liken to the manufactured home side where there is some oversight of the industry.

Tri-State Agreement/Licensing – An Oregon representative with the Tri-State Commission called the Division. Oregon and Washington have put forth a proposal where buildings destined to their jurisdictions, or with their tags, would require licensed individuals to install electrical and plumbing fixtures. Essentially, this is the same requirement Idaho already has for modular buildings built in Idaho.

◆ **Administrator Report**

Financial Report – Addressed were the Factory Built Structures Fund FY 2017 financial statements, as of September 30, 2016 and October 31, 2016.

A Tale of Two Cities – The Administrator compared fiscal years (FY) 2008 and 2018 budgets. The approved budget in FY 2008, and the requested budget for FY 2018, was/is a

little over \$14 million dollars. Compared to 2008, the Division is doing more with less employees.

Budget – The following items have been included in the FY 2018 budget: 1) Electronic license renewal program, 2) Videoconference system replacement, 3) 21 vehicles and 4) Nine full-time employees (3 electrical inspectors, 2 building plan reviewers, 2 customer resource team members, 1 administrative assistant and 1 compliance officer).

Inspections – Today, the total number of mechanical, electrical and plumbing inspections statewide, to include the Hailey and Ketchum building programs and electrical/HVAC programs for Meridian, is at a historic high of approximately 600 inspections.

Solar Projects – There have been several major solar facilities built, or being built, in Idaho. They are located in or near Grandview, Kuna, Blackfoot and American Falls.

◆ **Adjournment**

MOTION: Ken Roche made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jeff Chrisman seconded. Vote called. All in favor, motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 11:17 a.m. (MST)

MARKUS ALLEY, CHAIRMAN
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CHRIS JENSEN, ADMINISTRATOR
DIVISION OF BUILDING SAFETY

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