

**IDAHO BUILDING CODE BOARD
VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING**

Tuesday – February 19, 2019 – 9:30 a.m. (MST)

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

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 19, 2019 MEETING

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

Chairman Andrew Bick called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m. (MST)

Board Members Present:

Andrew Bick, Chairman
Jason Blais, Vice-Chairman
Stan Browning
Kent Soelberg
Allen Jensen
John Cotner
Chuck Bleth-Teleconference

DBS Staff Members Present:

Ron Whitney, Deputy Administrator
Spencer Holm, Deputy Attorney General
Jeff Egan, Building Program Manager
Larry Jeffres, Regional Manager, Region 1
Patrick J. Grace, Regional Manager, Region 2
Adam Bowcutt, Regional Manager, Region 3
Lisa Stover, Building Program Supervisor
Renee Bryant, Administrative Assistant 2

◆ **Open Forum**

There were no new issues to discuss under open forum.

◆ **Approval of the February 19, 2019 Agenda, and Board Meeting Minutes for October 16, 2018, November 13, 2018 (Special), December 11, 2018 (Special), January 15, 2019 (Special) and January 29, 2019 (Special)**

MOTION: John Cotner made a motion to accept the agenda and minutes as presented. Allen Jensen seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

◆ **Discuss and Review 2018 codes; International Building Code (IBC), International Existing Building Code (IEBC), International Residential Code (IRC), International Energy Conservation Code (IECC)--Residential, and International Energy Conservation Code (IECC)--Commercial**

This meeting is to review items of concern generated from the four special meetings held in November and December 2018, as well as January 2019, regarding possible adoption of the 2018 codes.

A document by Jerry Peterson, DBS Energy Program Manager, and David Freelove, Idaho Energy Code Circuit Rider, titled *2018 Residential IECC Discussion Update* was e-mailed and distributed to all interested parties. A cost analysis of the 2018 IECC should be complete by mid-March, with a summary of the findings available at the April 2019 board meeting.

An e-mail from Teri Ottens, Idaho Association of Building Officials, states the following individuals will provide proposed code changes to the Board: Jason Blais, Board Member – IBC; Patrick Sullivan, city of Nampa and Charlie Allen, city of Ammon – IRC; Jerry Peterson and Dave Freelove – IECC (Residential); and Eric Makela, New Building Institute – IECC (Commercial). Although there are no major amendments to the IEBC, Board Member Blais offered to present any changes to the Board.

Governor Brad Little recently issued Executive Order 2019-02, *Red Tape Reduction Act*. To propose a new rule for publication in the Idaho Administrative Bulletin, the Division must submit to the Division of Financial Management an impact statement; identifying the impact the proposed rule will have on individuals and small businesses. In addition, at least two existing rules will need to be repealed or significantly simplified, or a statement clearly and thoroughly stating why existing rules cannot be simplified or eliminated.

As part of the negotiated rulemaking process, the April 16, 2019 and June 18, 2019 meetings will be held as public hearings. Should the Board need to finalize negotiated rulemaking, a special meeting will be held on August 20, 2019. Deputy Attorney General Spencer Holm offered, and Chairman Andrew Bick agreed, to provide the Building Code Comment Submittal form to anyone that is interested. In addition, the Deputy Attorney General explained the timeline for negotiated rulemaking.

Greg Wilson, Senior Policy Advisor, is the Division's liaison with the Governor's office. Chairman Bick requested Mr. Wilson's contact information. Regional Manager Patrick J. Grace offered to share information he will receive on a basic rulemaking class to be held on February 22, 2019.

Board Member Blais noted at the November 13, 2018 special board meeting, there were items of conflict in Chapter 10, *Means of Egress*, sections 1010.1.4.4 and 1010.1.9.8 of the 2018 IBC regarding school safety. Deputy Administrator Ron Whitney offered for the Division's Office of School Safety and Security to review and provide input on the language.

ACTION: Deputy Administrator Whitney will meet with the Division's Office of School Safety and Security to review the language in Chapter 10, Sections 1010.1.4.4 and 1010.1.9.8.

◆ **Program Manager Report**

Legislation – On January 21, 2019, Building Program Manager Jeff Egan presented the Board's proposed rule, Docket No. 07-0301-1801, to the House Business Committee, where it passed. The proposal is to revise the incorporation by reference of the IECC by removing reference to a chapter of the code regarding energy efficiency and adding a table regarding piping volume and maximum piping length. It has not been heard by the Senate Commerce and Human Resources Committee; however, since it has been approved by the House, if it does not get brought up in the Senate, the amendments become permanent anyway.

House Bill 108 – This bill amends existing law to provide for building plans examiners, to remove reference to the International Conference of Building Officials, and to revise a

provision regarding inspector certification. It passed in the House Business Committee and has been referred to the Senate Commerce and Human Resources Committee.

Plan Reviews/Inspections – The Division entered into contracts with the cities of Arimo and Fairfield to provide building plan review and building inspection services.

◆ **Administrator Report**

In the absence of the Administrator, Deputy Administrator Ron Whitney presented the report.

Legislation (Cont'd) – With the exception of the one rule mentioned by Building Program Manager Egan, all rules submitted by DBS have passed both the House Business and Senate Commerce and Human Resources Subcommittees.

◆ **Adjournment**

MOTION: Jason Blais made a motion to adjourn the meeting. John Cotner seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 11:02 a.m. (MST)

ANDREW BICK, CHAIRMAN
IDAHO BUILDING CODE BOARD

RON WHITNEY, DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR
DIVISION OF BUILDING SAFETY

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