

NORTH EAST BUILDING CODE ASSOCIATION, Inc  
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NEBCA Meeting Minutes for August 18, 2009 ( O'Connor's Restaurant, Worcester, MA )

Board of Directors Meeting (9:00 am) & General Membership Meeting (10:00am)

Board Members Attending: Paul Moriarty (v-prez); Tom Mahar (sec); Jim Sansone (Tres);  
Don Vigneau (corr sec ); Charlie Warren (CT); Ray Madden ( RI ) .

Others attending: Ron Piester – NY / ICC Board of Directors; Dottie Harris ( NY and  
ICC Gov Rep); and Dan DeDentro (RI).

Action taken / Discussion of Issues:

- 1 Draft Minutes of April 21, 2009 meeting at O'Connors Restaurant, Worcester, MA.  
were discussed, minor changes made, and approved. Will be posted to NEBCA  
web-site as approved minutes.
- 2 Treasurer Jim Sansone presented his report as of August 18, 2009 , seconded and  
approved. ( balance of \$13,864.12)
- 3 V-President Moriarty proceeded with the meeting in absence of President Mulvey; he  
did not have any remarks and proceeded to state reports:
  - NY: Updates to the NY State version of the I-Codes is at GORR ( Governor's  
Office of Regulatory Reform); upon approval, next step would be Public Comment  
Period. NY State still has no money allocated to purchase Code Books or the ICC  
Memberships for municipalities.
  - MA: public meeting / hearing of BBRs ( Board Buildings Regs and Standards) –  
with Jan 1<sup>st</sup> deadline; ICC Bldg Code with “minimum” amendments; Mass “stretch”  
Energy Code adopted and optional for municipalities / requires training for building  
officials – home builders pushing for mandatory stretch code
  - CT: adopted Ct 2009 amendments to 2006 ICC code; adopted 2006 ICC Energy  
Code / next will be to adopt 2009 I-Code in 2011.
  - RI: no report / Request for a letter from NEBCA to support ICC code  
Change proposal ( From Access Board) - Don Vigneau will e-mail proposal  
to Members to consider before our next NEBCA meeting (Oct 20).
  - ME: committee working on coordinating Codes / proposed adoption  
changed to June, 2010

VT: Bldg Code effective June 1<sup>st</sup>; VT is newest ICC Chapter and held its first meeting; VT has Bldg Code but no Residential Code (except for Montpelier) NSPE chapter is active.

NH: working on adoption of I-Codes

4. V-P Moriarty inquired of the ICC Bd of Directors rep ( Ron Piester) if it could be determined how many design professionals ( engineers and architects ), Home Builders, fire officials attend the ICC Code Hearings? Ron said he will see what information may be available.
5. Dottie Harris, ICC Government Rep., briefed on the following:
  - Green Construction Code being developed to be ready by 2012 (see ICC Web-site )
  - Federal legislation – Stimulus Tool Kit on ICC website.
  - DOE to convene group meeting in D.C. to work on Energy Code change Proposals ( see ICC website)
  - Also, a Swimming Pool Safety Code ( provisions from various I-Codes), targeting industry)
  - Noted NY State code updates list an appendix which refers to other State Agency's responsibilities
6. Ron Piester and Dottie Harris gave a power-point presentation on the up-coming Code Development Hearing in Baltimore, Maryland ( with a special thanks to Sharon Kent-Wheller back in Albany who “made the projector work” via phone call). They briefed on proposed hearing schedule / annual business meeting/ and the next code change cycles until 2012.
7. Dan DeDentro told us that the May, 2009 issue of Journal of Light Construction had an article on Energy and also on Residential Sprinklers that were worth reading.
8. Meeting adjourned. Next meeting will be Oct 20, 2009 at O'Connor's and the Education / Meeting notice will be sent prior by Don Vigneau ( topic to be Concrete - cold weather ).

tpm (minutes up-dated as of: Oct 20 , 2009 )