

IDAHO BUILDING CODE BOARD

February 22, 2022 – 9:30 a.m. (MT)

Division of Building Safety
1090 East Watertower Street, Suite 150, Meridian
1250 Ironwood Drive, Suite 220, Coeur d’Alene
155 North Maple Street, Blackfoot

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 22, 2022 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 9:31 a.m. (MT)

Board Members:

Andrew Bick, Chairman
Sam Zahorka
Kent Soelberg
Kelly Daniels
John Cotner
Nick Guho
Ron Johnson
Rob Brooks
Jon Laux
Jeremy Maxand

DOPL Staff:

Michelle Bird, Bureau Chief
Michael Hyde, Executive Officer
Yvonne Dunbar, Legal Counsel
Ron Bassett, Board Services Manager
Mike Paschal, Region 1 Supervisor
Lisa Stover, Building Program Supervisor
Renee Bryant, Board Support Supervisor
Linda Pratzner, Board Support

Recognition

Chairman Bick recognized previous Board Member Jason Blais for his years of service on the Board and welcomed newest Board Members Sam Zahorka and Kelly Daniels.

DOPL Organization Chart Update

Bureau Chief Michelle Bird presented the reorganization update of DOPL. The transition of eleven agencies into one organizational structure is underway. Each board is assigned a board support team and designated Executive Officer. Michael Hyde is the Executive Officer for this board.

Public Comment

Johanna Bell, Associations of Idaho Cities, commented on the support the Association received from DOPL staff last summer on the training development of the Idaho Building Code to their elected officials.

Approval of the October 19, 2021 Minutes

There were no minutes to approve; therefore, this item will be added to the next agenda.

Board Business

Proposed Legislation – House Bill 582 (previously 503) has been amended to allow non-profit organizations to pull building and sub-trade permits without a licensee performing the electrical,

plumbing or HVAC installations on new construction of single-family homes. Permits and inspections will still be required. Several board members brought up concerns with this amended bill. Chairman Bick inquired whether the Board could create a statement against this bill due to the burden on building departments and general safety. Executive Officer Hyde will update the Board on the outcome of this bill.

House Bill 614 adopts the 2018 International Building Code, 2018 International Energy Conservation Code, 2017 National Electrical Code, 2015 Uniform Plumbing Code, 2018 International Mechanical Code, 2018 International Fuel Gas Code, and Parts V and VI of the 2018 International Residential Code in Idaho Code. The legislation adds all current adopted codes in Idaho Administrative Rule by the respective regulatory boards into Idaho Code. It is anticipated the bill will be approved by the House and Senate.

House Bill 660 creates the Idaho Energy Conservation Code (IECC) in Title 39, Chapter 97, Idaho Code. The new chapter adds the current adoption of the 2018 IECC by the Building Code Board into Idaho Code. The legislation prohibits local jurisdictions from adopting any energy codes that differ from or are more extensive than the requirements of the IECC. This chapter shall not be applied retroactively to codes or amendments by local jurisdictions prior to July 1, 2018.

Discussion of Adopting Building Codes on a Set Cycle – Chairman Bick asked the board members to begin looking at regular code cycles for recommendations to the legislature. Executive Officer Hyde will research this topic and add it to the agenda for the April Board meeting.

Idaho Code § 39-4116 Local Government Adoption & Enforcement of Building Codes – With regard to local ordinances, Chairman Bick questioned the authority local jurisdictions have when it comes to state building codes. Executive Officer Hyde recommended reviewing city and/or county ordinances that have been adopted and bring this topic to future board meetings for further discussion.

Zero-Based Regulations (ZBR)

Prospective Analysis Process – This process is to review, repeal and replace the IDAPA rules. Executive Officer Hyde provided a clean copy of the rules to the board members and recommended they review for any changes. There will be further discussion on this topic at the April meeting.

Discuss IDAPA 24.39.30 Rules of Building Safety (Building Code Rules) – This topic will be reviewed at the April meeting.

Next Steps in Zero-Based Regulation Process – Executive Officer Hyde requested the board members review the IDAPA rules and send any recommendations to him before April 1, 2022. ZBR will be a topic at the April meeting.

Division Updates

Building Program Report – Since October 2021, there have been 205 building permits issued- for a total of \$85,000 in revenue. In addition, 67 plan reviews have been conducted, which generated revenue of \$95,000.

Financial Report – There is currently no report.

Adjournment

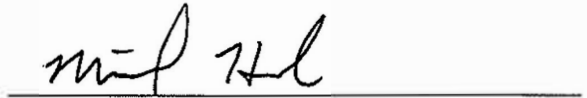
With no further comments or questions, Chairman Bick asked for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION: Board Member Laux made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Board Member Johnson seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 11:28 a.m. (MT)



ANDREW BICK, CHAIRMAN
IDAHO BUILDING CODE BOARD



MICHAEL HYDE, EXECUTIVE OFFICER
DIVISION OF OCCUPATIONAL AND
PROFESSIONAL LICENSES

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