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Minutes of 07/17/2025

Division Staff Justin Touchstone, Executive Officer
Present: Amanda Lee, Board Support Specialist

The Public Hearing, held in Twin Falls, was called to order at 8:15 AM (MST) by Executive Officer (EO) Justin Touchstone.

2024 Building Code Review and Public Comment Session

This public hearing is to gather comments about the key changes between the 2018 and 2024 International Residential Code (IRC), the 2018 and 2024 International Building Code (IBC), the 2024 International Energy Code (IEC), and the 2009 Idaho Accessibility Code (IAC) based on the 2009 A117.1 and the 2017 A117.1 American National Standard (ANS), as issued by the International Code Council (ICC)

International Building Code

Gabriel Hammett with the Twin Falls Fire Department and Jon Laux of Twin Falls County discussed the importance of heat detection with the increase of electrical vehicle chargers being installed in rural areas. Mathew Long with the City of Twin Falls recommended drafting a more detailed description of “occupied” in the IBC to ensure proper safety with carbon dioxide detectors.

International Residential Code

David Freelove with the Association of Idaho Cities expressed concern that load combinations may cause issues with the new snow load requirements. Mr. Hammett, Mr. Laux and Mr. Long emphasized the importance of regulations and requirements for electric vehicle charging station installations to ensure safety from electrical and battery fires. Mr. Long and Mr. Laux discussed the requirements for retaining walls. Mr. Long and Mr. Laux inquired about the regulations on accessory dwelling units and how they affect tiny home regulations.

International Energy Code

Jerry Peterson with the ICC presented suggested changes to the IDAPA 24.39.30 regarding the International Energy Conservation Code. These include changes to 600.05.d, e, f, and g, 600.06.e, h, i, j, k, and l. Mr. Boyter, Mr. Long and Jon Victor with the City of Twin Falls discussed the importance of ensuring moisture does not get sealed inside walls between two vapor barriers to prevent mold growth.

ADJORNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:56 AM.