



# Sacramento Valley Association of Building Officials

## Chapter Meeting Minutes April 9, 2021, 10AM Zoom Meeting

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### 1. Call meeting to order

Meeting was called to order by Madame President Toledo (MPT) at 10:05 am.

### 2. Thank you to host : Greg Anderson

MPT introduced and expressed a thank you to our meeting host: Greg Anderson, Building Official of Citrus Heights.

### 3. Welcome by host- City of Citrus Heights

Greg welcomed all expressing it is easier as he does not need to explain exits and or restroom locations.

### 4. Flag salute

Terry Knox had flag on his phone and lead all in a salute.

### 5. Self-introductions

Nancy Springer reported that there were 21 people in attendance.

### 6. Review of Meeting Minutes from previous month – Motion to approve Second; discussion; Vote

**Motion** to approve made by Joe Cuff and seconded by Steve Burger. **Motion carried- Minutes approved.**

### 7. Executive Board Reports:

#### a. Secretary/Treasurer Report – Nancy Springer i. Budget

Financials for period ending 03.31.2021, a balance of \$62,469.17 for Total Checking/Savings and \$74,630.71 for total assets (includes Liabilities & Equity).

#### b. Vice-President's Report – Nick Henderson

We as a component group, need to submit a mission statement and some information about each one of the committees that you are chairing on by 04.13.2021. Website is coming up and we need to be able to get the information on its own pages so that we can link it to each one of the committees.

NH also mentioned that Brian Frenger from Elk Grove would be the Host for the next meeting. MPT thanked all for their input.

**c. President's Report – Michelle Toledo**

**i. Website update**

MPT website is launching. Roll out date will be April 15<sup>th</sup>. Will post on site currently “under construction” will continuing to add content to it and updating different areas. In regards to Class Registration – click on old site will direct you to new site and everything should transfer over. The Jack Atkins Scholarship is up on the website to apply. Open to ideas of presentations we would like to see at our future meetings.

**ii. Used the 2020 Education voucher**

The 2020 education voucher has been redeemed. Thank you to Christina, Yelena and Terry for handling. We were able to work it out with ICC and use the 2020 education voucher. Awesome news.

**iii. Open to ideas of presentations we would like to see at our meetings**

If anyone has amazing ideas for presentations – that would be great! All ideas are appreciated – send MPT an email.

**d. Past-President's Report – Jim Mangino**

Not here and MPT said he didn't have anything to report.

**8. Code Quiz – Brian Frenger**

Brian provided the code quiz. All involved in responses. Good feedback. Thanks to Brian noting they are always fun.

**9. Committee Chair Reports**

**a. Code Review and Development – Greg Mahoney**

Greg expressed thanks to Jay for providing him with some information on The Building Standards Commission Code Advisory Committee for Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing and Energy. The meeting was about a week or so ago. He went through the matrix and noted there is about 16 of them from building Standards Commission and he has not had a chance to go through all of them, but will review what the committee recommends. More in depth report next month when he has a chance to go through those. They did advise or recommended the adoption of Appendix M – a performance based method for sizing water distribution system being proposed and mentioned at last chapter meeting. Long overdue for this. Will come up in the intervening cycle.

Jay is also working with the LA Basin chapter for voting recommendations. You'll have this review out shortly and we'll provide to interested chapter members. Jay would like a more collaborative effort from SVABO regarding recommendations. The ICC code hearings will start April 11th so that's coming up and they will last through April 21st. Governmental voting will start approximately 2 weeks after the hearings are over. Our committee will get together before the governmental voting to review recommendations. That's one of the main purposes that the code development committee is to provide recommendations to our members who are voting members, so that you don't have to go through all the proposed code changes. Trust them for appropriate recommendations.

Coming up April 28<sup>th</sup> and April 29<sup>th</sup> the Advisory Committee for Green Building will be meeting to go over the proposed changes. Most changes are around EV charging and went over some stats on parking spaces.

BSC Meeting on April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 – light agenda.

He was approached a few months ago and asked if he would help push this Zero Energy (AIA trying to get it through). He met with Building Standards Commission staff and the Energy Commission staff and CBI and after he got an understanding of what they are trying to do, he told them that he couldn't help them because he can't support that and what they're looking for. In addition to some energy code requirements that are already in place, they are trying to get is, and it's going to be a tier, so it's voluntary. They want to regulate where you buy your power from. There would be a regulation or a requirement to buy green energy or clean energy and what he told him was by the time they are buying energy, we are out of the picture. We cannot enforce that. That is after final inspection. How and where people get their energy should not be in the building standards. That's not a building standard. We should have absolutely no role in that, and so that was my position and he thinks that He will probably be attending that meeting and speaking out against, zero energy. He feels like the green code already is a place where there are a lot of special interest groups and agencies that want to kind of clarify their issues. He just doesn't think that should be the intent of building meeting.

The last item which is SB617 and he wanted to thank Jeff Thomas for making him aware of this at the Napa Solano Chapter meeting. He spoke with CALBO , Shane and they writing a letter on opposing it. The letter will be respectful and diplomatic and he is thinking that he would like to draft a letter that is **not** so diplomatic. That kind of identifies some of the problems that are going to happen if this bill goes through. This bill speaks to solar contractors.. whereas, they utilize this app to go through a checklist and then get their permit issued automatically without any involvement from us, and then also allows for virtual inspections. He just can't see anything good about this, mentioning that we already have expedited the permitting process for them. He is willing to draft a letter if SVABO is behind it and then put it out to other chapters of ICC in California and ask them for their support on our position to oppose. Motion was made by Terry Knox to have Greg draft a letter on behalf of SVABO. Motion seconded by Nick Henderson-..(did not note there was a formal vote on motion for approval- though President and VP both agreed for him to write letter. No opposing discussion or comments followed ) .

**b. Education Committee – Terry Knox/Steve Burger**

Steve Burger had his 5 day permit class and David Sparks did the load source class. He had 141 in attendance. For the month, it brought in \$17,300.00.

We have 180 registered this coming month for the classes in April  
Next class is Hoarding, the NEC and an IBC means of egress. We also have an enhanced Concrete Slab class (specialty concrete) and a WUI class (instructor is fantastic).

In June, we have the Building Department Leadership Skills, a Load Path for Wood Frame Structures, with a Wall Bracing walk through and then from the ground up, which is again designed for that permit tech.

Steve spoke to hoarding class: is being taught by female Arizona Building Official she did it for the permit tech series couple of years ago in Arizona. Pass it along to your CE people, it is good class.

The electrical class Terry talked about Jeff Fecteau works for UL excellent instructor, he explains at his level, He is just good so he recommends getting our staff signed up shared the stuff we have been trying to post again on Facebook and LinkedIn so if we see it, please share it.

Discussion followed on surveys: A little survey is typically sent out by admin after each class- responses are returning good. Then we spoke to doing an educational institute in September. We keep hearing were that they want webinars vs institute because the institute is more localized. Plus with COVID can't do live yet. They just sent survey out again 20 something responses in. Being hopeful but we will see based upon results. Terry went over some of the questions and results on previous survey. The survey goes out across country. Discussion on whether it should go out to just members or national. Steve discussed it could go either way and up to board. Terry mentioned the exposure we would receive by going national but up to board. Talk of COVID and CA opening up in June – other states with new strains- all is unknown. Further discussion on education training and institute, on site vs webinars, etc. Let the survey go for another week and then get those results and then as a board, we can meet on that and make a decision.

Greg M mentioned that Consumes College and Los Rios Community College School District will not have in person, learning in the fall.

MPT thanked all.

### **c. Outreach Committee – Greg Anderson**

Greg Anderson spoke to SRBX (Sacramento Regional Builders Exchange) to check on their activities (<https://sacramentobuilderscaassoc.wliinc32.com/events>). The design Build Competition and it looks like they are going to be holding that they got a date set for May 6<sup>th</sup> 2021 from 12:00pm – 1:00pm. The only difference is it's not going to be held at Consumers River College this year. Going to individual campuses, but there's no detailed information currently available. Nick spoke to they are going virtual – company insect (JG) zoom meeting northern and southern – May 6<sup>th</sup> Nick is a judge and additional items on their calendar: A lot of different events throughout the spring and summer. They've got a golf tournament coming up on April 23<sup>rd</sup> 2021. Then in May, they have a spring bourbon and builders at 5:00pm on June 15<sup>th</sup> 2021 Lastly on June 24<sup>th</sup> 2021 there will be training on Bluebeam baseline- sounds pretty like pretty good training.

Currently in super science, we have a little outreach program that kind of started with our code enforcement we have a home that is falling apart for this elderly couple – live in living rm – hoarding happening- there was a work day by CE and Building (Citrus heights group) .They are in process of cleaning up an da little more – hauling and all. Greg spoke more on the needs to make house operational, functional and adaptive. Trying to put together a date. On a Saturday for more cleanup and will let us know.

Another project, The Overcomers Project, which is downtown. It's the Women Overcomers Program that I was working with Craig Sarmento. That's still on the table now that things are calming down a little bit with COVID. I think in the next month or two- will keep us posted. MPT thanked Greg.

Terry had to leave meeting but pitched a bid for a socializing event needed by all...to maybe have a golf event for our membership only- he is tossing it out for thought. Steve stated ... since Terry gone lets vote him as chair of such committee.

**d. Scholarship Committee – Jay Hyde**

Scholarship applications are out and available. He will meet with Michelle to discuss further.

**e. Permit Technician Committee – Tasha Karver**

Unable to attend at this time nothing to report. Tasha is going to get together with Michelle to work on setting up meetings.

**f. Installation Dinner Committee – Andrea Coley/Michelle Toledo**

Andrea reported we are still on for December 11<sup>th</sup> at Lake Natoma in Folsom. (COVID controlled) Hopefully in person.

**10. Agency Reports**

**a. CALBO – Shane Diller**

Shane not on call. However, Jay H mentioned the virtual Job Fair on April 14<sup>th</sup> – info on website. Nick mentioned ABM and CSG sponsoring golf tournament on the 16<sup>th</sup>. Greg m mentioned he spoke to Shane and they have about 100 attendees who are registered and the hotel is going to cut it off at 150.

**b. California Energy Commission – Javier Perez**

We have not heard from Javier and heard he was promoted.

Nancy mentioned that Kyle Kraus was promoted. He's now the Deputy Director, Division of Codes and Standards at Ca Dept of Housing & Community Development. Nancy to reach out to see if we can get someone to attend or report to meetings.

**c. ICC – Susan Dowty/Jim Sayers**

May is Building and Safety month... Susan has new background representing this...

SRBX event, they reached out and she connected with them, inspected the virtual platform with ICC as a partner... so that's why I became involved. Checked in with the organizer, Jordan Blair to see if they were still accepting more judges, they are so if anyone is interested in judging that event, which takes place last week in April. Will provide the link to sign up, and to get the orientation, which is on April 14 for how the inspected platform works.

She is going to pick on Jeff Thomas today; Jeff was on the Napa Solano meeting earlier this week. It is all merging and she talked about the American Rescue Plan and that it's the latest stimulus package. That's come down from Washington DC, and that there's lots of money and she indicated how much money was available for Fairfield it about \$40,000,000.00 worth of project allocated to the 21,000,000. ICC did a webinar on how building departments can use this money due to COVID. Susan reviewed the different local jurisdictions and the amounts available.

Susan provided the April announcements link in chat and here:

[https://cdn.ymaws.com/boaf.net/resource/resmgr/icc/2021\\_april\\_icc\\_chapter\\_updat.pdf](https://cdn.ymaws.com/boaf.net/resource/resmgr/icc/2021_april_icc_chapter_updat.pdf)

The Chapter Leadership Academy is virtual it's been in person in the past and it's something that if you're thinking about being an officer or if you are an officer. Everyone is welcome and it's free and what I like about this year is they're really going to talk about the structure of a chapter. The officers within a chapter and what their duties and responsibilities are.

Group A committee Action Hearings – try to attend – it's on ICC main webpage – link . You can receive CEU's for attending.

ICC does have scholarships- deadline is June.

Check out the new Podcast...They have a new pulse podcast dropped and it is the senior VP of government relations, Sarah Yerkes interviewing the CEO Lakisha Woods of the National Institute of Building Sciences (NIBS). Listen to the next podcast as it is a superstar.  
MPT thanked Susan.

**d. CSLB – Nancy Springer**

NS reported that CSLB had their board meeting on 03.25.2021. No updates  
MPT thanked Nancy.

**e. CBSC –**

Check your emails for a new meeting they just announced.

**f. CBOAC – Shelley Loughran**

Shelly had to jump off and she says there's an upcoming virtual annual business meeting a two day event April 20<sup>th</sup> 2021 and 21<sup>st</sup> 2021. So check the website for details on that.

**11. Old Business**

Winfred Deleon spoke to current operations in the City of Sacramento: Still working from home. City has not made any decision about getting back into the office so we are still working from home. Getting some pressure from some other developers to do final inspections. As far as the counter is concerned, it a slow rollout plan that we developed about 8 months ago.

**12. New Business**

Nancy S spoke to a question on “all gender” bathrooms. Recent complaints to Sacramento County BOS in reference to AB 1732 (Ting) All Gender identification of single user toilet facilities. Q: Who is responsible for inspections of a business or place of public accommodations where it requires this identification of single user toilet facilities as all gender toilet facilities. Bill stated that if they had that single user that they had to put that sign up. Who enforces this? Unclear who is responsible? How is everyone else handling the requirements outlined in the bill.

Greg M asked when we might start having in person chapter meetings. Overall discussion on vaccines, COVID-19 and ability to receive approval to attend in person meetings.

**13. Announcements**

Any thought to when we might have in person chapter meetings? There is a new guideline for people that already been vaccinated? That basically they're saying that you know you can meet in person in the room. Review the CDC website.

**14. Building Trivia Question in leu of 50/50 Raffle**

MPT said she had a really, really hard trivia question: What is the rarest M & M color? Nancy Springer won the Starbucks card for \$10.00 naming Brown as the color of the rarest M & M.

- WWW stands for what? World Wide Web
- In what year was the first year air Jordan sneaker released – 1984.
- What does .com stand for- Dot Commercial.

**15. Today's Lunch/Program/Meeting :**

Joking ... What's for lunch- No Lunch/ No program/Next meeting in Elk Grove  
Greg A. will look to see if we can have an in person in Citrus Heights.

**16. Adjourn**

MPT thanked everyone.  
Meeting was adjourned around 11:52 a.m.

*Submitted by Nancy Springer, SVABO Secretary-Treasurer*