



Sacramento Valley Association of Building Officials

Chapter Meeting Minutes March 12th 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 : Sal Gonzales

MPT introduced and expressed a thank you to our meeting host: Sal Gonzales, Wes Sacramento.

3. Welcome by host- City of West Sacramento

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

4. Flag salute

Nick Henderson had flag on his phone and lead all in a salute.

5. Self-introductions

MPT thanked all for attending and stated we will be doing self-introductions differently. And turned it over to Nancy Springer (NS), Secretary- Treasurer to explain. She explained that all need to type their names, titles and jurisdiction/Company in the chat section.

There were 29 people in attendance.

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

Motion to approve made by Joe Cuffe and seconded by Terry Knox. Motion carried- Minutes approved.

7. Executive Board Reports:

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

Financials for period ending 02.28.2021, a balance of \$61,257.68 for Total Checking/Savings and \$76,055.68 for total assets (includes Liabilities & Equity).

b. Vice-President's Report – Nick Henderson

Discussed forming an awards committee due to MPT and himself would not be picking people from their jurisdictions. Discussion on having such a committee, however, it was

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brought to group past history. Winfred brought up how it was meant for the president to make these decisions for awards and their contributions to the chapter. He was not sure he was in agreement with forming a committee. He suggested it would be best to keep with spirit of original intent of President select those deserving of the awards. Further agreements and discussion on Win's remarks. Joe added that there was nothing in the bylaws. Terry mentioned in agreement with Win that historically it has always been the president's choice for the awards. Win clarified – ok to accept input from others but Presidents call. MPT mentioned that she might provide a survey of suggested nominations. Steve mentioned Arizona discussing similar topic and provided input. NS mentioned past history as well in support of Terry and Wins' comments. Nick Henderson (NH) mentioned that we would just keep it as is with President making decisions on awards and keep meeting moving forward.

NH also mentioned that Citrus Heights would be the Host for the next meeting. MPT thanked all for their input.

c. President's Report – Michelle Toledo

i. Website update

MPT wanted to update us on website. She spoke with Audie Whitt who is working on it. We have the staging page (graphics, color, etc) and they are still working on getting content. She will push them harder to get it going but wants it to be up sooner than later but has good content, flows properly, and people will not stumble through it not being able to locate items. She wants to see some existing content added. It is in the works and happening – hopefully, soon.

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.

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

Jim reminded membership that May is around the corner and it is ICC Building Safety Month – proclamations are out and Roseville will be doing theirs. Just a reminder. MPT thanked Jim.

8. Code Quiz – Brian Frenger

Brian provided the code quiz reminding us all we need to brush up on our code studies! MPT thanked Brian.

9. Committee Chair Reports

a. Code Review and Development – Greg Mahoney

Greg apologized for his disappearance act earlier on screen but he is back now. Not much happening. They had a meeting. It was Jay Hyde's last one as chair. Greg mentioned appreciation for all he has done.

Greg mentioned a recent meeting last week he attended with a group of individuals (Mia from BSC, Kevin Day, Gary Klein and Associates, 2250 partnership, etc) meeting revolved around an effort to adopt Appendix M of

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Plumbing Code. Have HCD and others adopt Appendix M...A performance based method for sizing water distribution systems – what's in code is very outdated and been around for many, many years. It is time given water efficient fixtures required to install proper sizing. There are thoughts that we may be installing too large of pipes. Research has been happening. This method would be less expensive and more efficient (less water). He mentioned he is in support but it is a bit late to game and may need to wait for intervening cycle – it will be brought up at next BSC code advisory committee mtgs in interest to be adopted. They most likely will suggest outreach.

Greg mentioned that Jay and Michael B (City of Sac) working on some code changes: Jay added we have three (3) code changes in for proposals for the upcoming ICC hearings (it is published – needs to review and will share) and looking to Los Angeles Basin Chapter for recommendations for voting (input). He also mentioned that we all need to register all eligible staff to vote at code hearings registered – so they can vote. We can make a difference. Sometimes votes are that close.

Greg closed with that as Chair, one of his goals will be state code development and will focus his efforts and pleased that Jay is willing and will be still participating in the development of the international code development.

MPT thanked all.

b. Education Committee – Terry Knox/Steve Burger

Terry provided a breakdown of February education report mentioning very good education. They had two (2) webinar classes: Plan Review class by Steve Thomas, great instructor who had 108 students over two (2) days and an Electrical Inspection class by Jeff Fecteau another great instructor who had 79 attendees over two days. Total of 187 students and a collected revenue of \$12,175.00.

For March: A five (5) week class by Steve Burger – Permit Tech class and a Load Source class. Terry mentioned to monitor our website as we are getting people all over the place: 15 states: NC, TX, AL, GA, all over the place. They are advertising nationally, Facebook, linked in, etc. Steve mentioned that MPT is out there sharing on LinkedIn and encourage all to join LinkedIn and share our educational information to get word out. We want to increase those numbers and keep this going.

Jay mentioned Terry shared his program with his architectural group and thanked him.

MPT thanked all.

c. Outreach Committee – Greg Anderson

Greg not in attendance. Nothing to report.

d. Scholarship Committee – Jay Hyde

Jay is working on things and will report next meeting.

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e. Permit Technician Committee – Tasha Karver

Tasha- nothing new but wanted to thank the BO's for sending over their lists and getting excited about the first meeting. It will be in April and email her if you have any techs to add. Happy Friday to all. MPT mentioned this list is a daunting task due to outdated emails. She thanked BO's for allowing their techs to go and for providing updated emails and Tasha for moving forward.

f. Installation Dinner Committee – Andrea Coley/Michelle Toledo

MPT reported we are shooting for December (COVID controlled) -it's happening – sending out good positive vibes- looking forward to it happening.

10. Agency Reports

a. CALBO – Shane Diller

Shane reported we might have noticed CALBO NEWS went out with information: They have a first: a virtual Job Fair on April 14th – info on website. Additionally, they are planning the next conference - not an ABM- no voting or various. A hybrid – May 16th through 21st – info on CALBO website – program out shortly – confident we are moving forward with COVID to quasi norm. Can register on website: Offering virtual and on site hybrid type offerings like last December of the traditional Ed week training (Wednesday through Friday) and on Monday and Tuesday – general session type offerings- includes typical state agency programs and stuff. See website – Newport Beach by Fashion Island.

Knee deep in model code activity with links from state pages to CALBO pages. Check it out and share.

Legislation, they were told it would be a quiet year and the focus would be on pandemic and recovery. Instead, our legislators have introduced over 2300 bills. We are monitoring 50 of them from ADU language to seismic infrastructure, resiliency issues and wildfire exclusion language and code language in others. See website for bill trackers last week of March or early April for more bill information.

They feel we are turning a corner and getting to quasi normal with Ed weeks hoping to be back in San Ramon and Ontario next year and next actual real ABM as we know it in March of 2022 in Los Angeles. Contact Shane if you have questions or needs.
MPT thanked Shane.

b. California Energy Commission – Javier Perez

Javier not in attendance- Nothing to report. MPT will reach out to him.

c. ICC – Susan Dowty/Jim Sayers

Susan mentioned she is looking forward to CALBO Job Fair and sent out tweet and tagged every community college she knows up and down state – check it out and share on twitter.

In respect to code development for 2024 I code s- your jurisdiction needs to be an active member today as today is very important date as you need to be a member – a little grace period. Then go in and validate your voters. There will be voting recommendations from both this chapter and LA Basin Chapter for our use and voting is important as Jay mentioned.

Code Hearings will be April 11th through May 5th and virtual...will be a little tricky. Encourage all to register to view, speak etc. as it is a great process. Here is a link to register – no deadline can do last day. We do have a CA member who is on code development committee – Doug Hughes – now with City of Windsor. So exciting .He is on Swimming Pool Committee.

Here is where you can register for upcoming April 11- May 5th Committee Action Hearings: <https://www.iccsafe.org/about/news-and-events/2021-cah/>

April 19th through the 22nd – Live Learn classes – call for instructors went out with today last day to submit.

Building Safety Month – hoping Governor will declare May as Building Safety Month – working with public advocacy group and BSC to make that happen. They are asking all jurisdictions to do a proclamation and get them on the ICC website. <https://www.iccsafe.org/advocacy/building-safety-month/2021-building-safety-month/> . Susan mentioned past Building and Safety Months: Spoke to tiny houses and shear walls with graham crackers with MPT and Nick when with Moreno Valley and some of the things he did when working there. He wanted to put the information out and have it advertised all over was a good way to get it out and serve the community. Share your ideas with each other. LA Basin Chapter have a Public Relations Officer and they have a whole page on website dedicated to Building Safety Month. They ask jurisdictions to share there. Check it out. Theme: **Prevent, Prepare, Protect –Building Codes Save**.

ICC has a “Pandemics Task Force” that look sat everything code operations has had to deal with and has 7 work groups: Architectural, Fire Safety, Structural, Plumbing& Mechanical, Electrical, Operational, and Environmental .You can join reach out to

ICC Podcast - Episode #37 FEMA’s recent report *Building Codes Save – A Nationwide Study of Loss Prevention*.

A note on ICC Board candidates and we will be receiving request for support.

Here is ICC’s March Report: <https://www.iccsafe.org/wp-content/uploads/2021-March-ICC-Chapter-Update.pdf>

MPT thanked Susan.

d. CSLB – Nancy Springer

NS reported that CSLB has board meeting on 03.25.2021.Webex meeting from 900 am – 1200 pm . Two points of interest: an update on battery storage energy

systems debate and SB304 raising value of \$500 to \$1000 for requiring a license.

My appointment is up in June and we are looking for those that may be interested in the spot. Feel free to contact me.

MPT thanked Nancy.

e. CBSC –

No representative in meeting. MPT discussed if we should take it off agenda. Greg M spoke up if Mia does not attend we can bring up information and mentioned there are the code advisory committees coming up in a couple of weeks. Plumbing and Mechanical, March 24th and 25th and how interesting it is on code dev at state level.

f. CBOAC – Shelley Loughran

Save the date April 20th and 21st – virtual meeting – check out CBOAC website – Shelly will report more next meeting.

MPT thanked Shelly.

11. Old Business

Nothing to report

12. New Business

Winfred inquired to vaccines for building Inspectors. NS mentioned that if you are code enforcement tied to law enforcement you can or if veteran, you can get in fast. Those over 50 with medical issues need to check in with Primary care doctors. MPT mentioned that Folsom with Fire they can get the vaccine or opt out and sign a form. At their station they we redoing second vaccines but no longer.

Win asked about electrification and if there is a push by their jurisdictions- what are you facing and what challenges – please check in with him and share. Greg M mentioned he wrote an ordinance for City of Davis a few years ago. He spoke to future wiring that will be required by energy code in near future. People don't like cooking with electricity- he suggest they use conduction cooktops. NS mentioned Sacramento County has a draft Climate Action Plan now available on the Planning website and has information on "electrification " requirements.

Steve Burger asked about how people are dealing with building code and residential code where it speaks to using one code over the other not both. He has it coming up in Arizona – just curious. Win – the issue has come up and confusing – challenge is if original design came in under residential code- then and addition under building code and no one is tracking it.

Greg M asked what difference does it make both are approved codes and provide safe built structures.

13. Announcements

NS mentioned Sac County hiring for Building Inspectors, Principal Building Inspectors, Supervising Building Inspectors, and an Assistant Building Official.

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Fairfield has a Mid-level Plans Examiner position.

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

MPT asked a trivia question: What is the world's largest office building?

Prize: Starbucks \$10.00 card

Joe's guess: US Capitol

Roxanna's guess: Pentagon – is the winner

15. Today's Program:

MPT wanted to go around the room and just have a round table discussion/forum on issues we may be having we want to bring up.

For example, she has struggles with tents for these restaurants due to COVID and them putting in heaters and she has to do violation write-ups. Scott Z mentioned wind loads on these tents and emergency response plans. He mentioned how Folsom has not slowed down and with work south of 50 it is busy and hard to keep up with the workload. More discussion on this topic by others.

NS mentioned how applicant's expectations seem to be angrier than normal and want things right away. Others agreed similar experiences.

16. Adjourn

MPT thanked everyone. *(oops...My recorder shut off so did not get true end of meeting here)*

Meeting was adjourned around 1145-50pm

Submitted by Nancy Springer, SVABO Secretary-Treasurer