

2009

**President:** Will Foss  
**Vice President:** Jim Zicaro  
**Secretary:** Mehdi Shadyab  
**Treasurer:** Phil Scattergood  
**Past President:** Pat Healy

**Meeting Location:**  
 City of San Diego, Development Services  
 9601 Ridgehaven Court, San Diego, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Auditorium

**Meeting Time:** 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

**1. Call to Order**

President Will Foss called the meeting to order at 9:08 A.M. .

**2. Roll Call**

<u>Building Official</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Will Foss	Carlsbad	X	
Lou El-Khazen	Chula Vista	X	
Gary Fausett	Coronado		X
Clay Westling	County of San Diego	X	
Mark Beauchamp	Del Mar	X	
Dan Pavao	El Cajon		X
Bob Williams	El Centro		X
Mark Beauchamp	Encinitas	X	
Joe Russo	Escondido		X
Ed Wilczac	Imperial Beach	X	
Jessie Wu	La Mesa		X
Mark Beauchamp	Lemon Grove	X	
Luis Sainz	National City	X	
Jim Zicaro	Oceanside	X	
Richard Esgate	Poway	X	
Afsaneh Ahmadi	City of San Diego	X	
Carl Blaisdell	San Marcos		X
Richard Esgate	Santee	X	
Mark Beauchamp	Solana Beach	X	
Mark Kratz	Vista		X

Chapter Executive Officers in Attendance

President	Will Foss	City of Carlsbad
Vice President	Jim Zicaro	City of Oceanside
Secretary	Mehdi Shadyab	City of San Diego
Treasurer	Philip Scattergood	City of Oceanside

Associate Members and Guests

Patrick Healy	County of San Diego
Joe Polder	Simpson Strong-Tie Company
Rich Geary	Hoover Treated Wood Products
Jeff Landon	FBC Building Solutions
Ali Fattah	City of San Diego
Nancy Martinez	City of San Diego
Tiffany Kirk	SDG&E
Rich Houle	uponor, Inc.
Bob Payne	Keyline Sales, Inc.
Karyn Beebe	APA

3. **Approval of Minutes** :

- Approval of Minutes from January 20, 2009.....(Approved as amended).

4. **Treasurer's Report:** [Philip Scattergood]

The treasurer reported:

- Checking balance of: \$ 3,013.61
  - Saving balance of: \$ 22,105.98
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- Total balance of: \$ 25,119.59

5. **Committee Reports**

a. **Executive:** [Chair: Will Foss]

- Possibility of amending Chapter By-Laws to allow other than jurisdictional members to serve as the Chapter officers.
- Possibility of creating an 'Installation Dinner/Event' committee to assist the in-coming Chapter President in planning and holding the event. The in-coming Chapter President will decide whether to have such a committee or not.
- Photos of the 2009 installation dinner will be posted on the web for general viewing with a link on the Chapter's web page.
- Possibility of re-vamping Chapter's web site:
  - Pat Healy: IAEI has a comprehensive website. Possibility of having the same host for creating and maintaining a new Chapter web site should be looked into.
  - Lou-El Khazen: Chapter already approved expenditure for \$1,000.00 to be spent on software upgrade by the current host. Chapter approved software upgrade to be made. In addition, Chapter officers and committee chairs to be trained on modifications and revisions to the Chapter's web page content.
  - Will Foss: Training to be scheduled for March 17, 09 after the Chapter's meeting.

b. **Codes:** [Chair: Ali Fattah]

- Committee members can have their code questions discussed in the committee. This is one of benefits of attending the committee. Code committee is held every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month. Everyone is welcome to attend.
- Committee met on Feb. 11, 09.
  - Committee to move forward on new policies. Some of the topics to include: Corridors, Area of refuge and accessible means of egress, Fire resistance penetrations, R-factor for cantilevered column systems, Mixed occupancy area analysis, Common plancheck corrections, Existing buildings, Conventional framing lateral bracings, Regional standards drawings, Truncated domes, Chapter 11A disabled accessibility within dwelling units, Trellis and PV installations, Fire wall structural independence, Existing non-structural requirements in residential care, Exterior wall and opening protections of existing buildings undergoing additions, Incidental use and occupancy separations.

c. **Disaster Preparedness:** [Chair: To be determined]

- Will Foss: Brad Remp, Chair of the committee has retired as the building official of the City of Chula-Vista. No report. New chair of the committee will soon be determined.

d. **Education and training:** [Chair: Gina Adams]

- Tiffany Kirk: SDG&E will be offering four one-half day training classes on variety of subjects (Energy, HVAC, etc.) on March 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> and April 1<sup>st</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. However classes are filled-up and registration has already closed. A few seats are specifically reserved for Chapter membership ICC membership for those who are interested.

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- e. **Electrical:** [Chair: Nancy Martinez]
- The committee met on February 5, 2009.
  - Photovoltaic:
    - Manufacturer's installation instructions are part of the listing of the product.
    - Need to clearly identify location of service disconnects for utility and power sources.
    - OSHA-compliant access must be provided for inspectors perform inspections.
  - Smart Metering:
    - Will start in March in Escondido area. To be completed by August 2009.
    - Immediate life-safety issues with services: in-place procedure will continue. Trouble department will respond. Meter techs will not perform meter change out if they see a problem. They will notify SDG&E Service Standards. Service Standards will notify AHJ. AHJ will be Building or Code Enforcement.
    - Likely to pose a Hazard: These situations will be handled the same way but with a reduced level of urgency.
    - If meter techs are unable to complete the meter change order, they will leave a notice on the premises.
    - Non-compliant service locations: meter techs will complete the change out they will note the non-compliant condition for follow-up by others.
    - Smart metering has been mandated by the State of California, PUC for time-of-use metering; all regulated utilities will be complying.
  - SDG&E Service Guide and Standards addendums, updates for 2009 are available on their web site.
- f. **Green Building:** [Chair: Will Foss]
- Did not meet. No report.
  - Green Building Standards is available on line.
  - Lou El-Khazen: Chula-Vita is scheduled to present the Green Building Standards to their City Council on March 3, 09.
- g. **Plumbing / Mechanical:** [Chair: James Pine] Reported by Jeff Landon
- The Committee met on February 4, 2009.
  - HCD Draft Proposal Changes: HCD is seeking input on proposed changes for the next code cycle.
  - PEX: BSC, DSA, HCD and OSHPD all adopted PEX into the 2007 Plumbing Code on January 22, 2009. The adoption has two limitations: 1) PEX must be permanently sleeved in burial situations, and 2) there will be limits on how long recirculation systems can operate with various types of PEX. The NSF-CLR markings currently indication chlorine resistance will be replaced by a new version of ASTM 876 in the near future. This new version will have marking on the pipe indicating the amount of time it can be circulated.
  - Electrical water heaters in garage: it was agreed they need be on an 18 in. stand.
  - Roof top mechanical equipment: CMC, Sec. 904.10.3.4 requires a light at the access opening.
  - Tankless water heaters: Many T-24 approved plans require a recirculation system with a tankless water heater. One city has been receiving negative feedback on the combination of the two, with plumbers saying that it just does not work. It was discussed that we would seek some piping diagrams on the tankless water heaters and clarification.
- h. **Special Inspections:** [Chair: Mehdi Shadyab]
- The Committee met on February 11, 2009.
  - Pursuant to the requirement of CBC 07, Section 1706, drafted a 'Contractor's Statement of Responsibility' as a suggested standard form to be used by the jurisdictions. Presented this form to the Chapter membership to review and discuss in the March 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.
  - Policy presented to the Chapter membership: A final draft on the "Minimum Special Inspector Certification Qualifications" . Motion approved unanimously by members. This policy will be posted on the Chapter's web site.
  - Policy presented to the Chapter membership: "Should the structural observations be performed by the registered design professional in responsible charge of the design of the structural system (of record) or, any other registered design professional, employed by the

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owner?" Chapter moved to amend; to have the registered design professional in responsible charge of the design of the structural system (of record) or his/her designated registered design professional to perform structural observations. Approved as amended.

**6. Communications**

- a. **Chapter President's Report:** [Will Foss]
  - The Code Council Board of Directors has acted on recommendations to amend By-Laws addressing voter eligibility and voting procedures developed by the President's Advisory Committee, agreeing to forward an amended report for membership comment. For additional information refer to ICC web site at [iccsafe.org](http://iccsafe.org).
- b. **CALBO Report:** [Dan Pavao]
  - No report.
- c. **ICC Report:**
  - No report.
- d. **Legislative:** [Jim Zicaro]
  - S.B. 1608: Test date for certification as construction-related Certified Access Specialist (CASP) is coming up. See DSA web site for the test dates.
  - S.B. 1473: Requires new fee collections by local building departments for remittance to the Building Standards Commission.
  - A.B. 2554: Requiring a 90-day notice before returning mobilehome park enforcement jurisdiction to the Department of Housing and Community Development.
  - Federal legislative bills: H.R. 4461 and S. 2458: proposing to enact the Community Building Code Administration Grant Act through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for jurisdictions who seek to build up their local building and fire code administration and enforcement capabilities.
  - Important Dates to remember:
    - On January 1, 2009, all 2008 Chaptered (passed) legislative bills become effective.
    - March 16-20, 2009: 19<sup>th</sup> Annual California Fire Prevention Institute Workshop in Santa Ynez. For registration details refer to the web site at [firepreventionofficers.org](http://firepreventionofficers.org).
    - March 23-25, 2009: ICC Code Form in New Orleans Louisiana. For registration details refer to the web site at [ICCsafe.org](http://ICCsafe.org).
    - April 28, 09: CALBO Leadership & Advocacy Day at the State Capital. See schedule at [calbo.org](http://calbo.org).

**7. Old Business:**

- None.

**8. New Business:**

- None.

**9. Question of the Month:**

- Lou El-Khazen: For the foreclosed home which is under construction, is the new owner entitled to get a copy of the construction permitted plans from the authority having jurisdiction, by the established set procedures or other easier methods?
  - Will Foss: The intent of the law is to protect the architects and engineers who have prepared those plans to be able to defend themselves in an event of a law suite.
  - Ali Fattah: In the City of San Diego, the new owner must follow the set procedures in order to be able to obtain a copy of the permitted construction plans.

10. **Good of the Order/Uniform Code Interpretations**

- Rich Houle (uponor, Inc.) and Bob Pane (Keyline Slaes, Inc.) gave a short presentation on PEX piping systems approval in California.
  - Rich Houle: A package of information will be distributed to the Chapter membership regarding PEX approval in California.
  - Bob Payne: Training on PEX piping systems is available free of charge.
  - Will Foss: Add a web link in your email package for membership to obtain additional information.
- Ali Fattah: 1) The supplement to the building code (blue pages) show significant changes. Insert into your codes. 2) L-Occupancy is a new occupancy group designation in the code for the use of a building or structure, or a portion thereof, containing one or more laboratory suites.
- Rich Geary: There is a new lumber product called 'TimberSIL'. This new product combines wood and glass materials to form a material that protects wood from rot, decay and common wood problems. For additional information refer to the product web site at [woodwontburn.com](http://woodwontburn.com)
- Clay Westling: Does anyone inspect a building damaged by a vehicle, for the fire department? Membership responded "yes" if the fire department makes a request.
- Karyn Beebe: APA is offering training workshop opportunities in March. More information will follow. Wood Works is offering a technical workshop on Multi-story wood structures on March 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Joe Polder: Simpson Strong-Tie is offering a connector workshop on April 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. Information flyer will be sent to the Chapter membership.

11. **Adjournment**

President Will Foss adjourned the meeting at 12:22 PM.

MINUTES RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

*Mehdi Shadyab*

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Mehdi Shadyab, P.E., J.D.  
Secretary, ICC-San Diego Area Chapter

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