

SAN DIEGO AREA CHAPTER ICC

Meeting Minutes for January 21, 2003

1. Call to Order

President Westling called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM

2. Roll Call

<u>Representing</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Ken Larsen	Canyon Lake	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Pat Kelley	Carlsbad	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Brad Remp	Chula Vista	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gary Fausett	Coronado	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Clay Westling	County of San Diego	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clay Westling	Del Mar	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dan Pavao	El Cajon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dean Davidson	El Centro	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Richard Esgate	Encinitas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dan Fagan	Escondido	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bob Ghiloni	Imperial Beach	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Jessie Wu	La Mesa	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mark Beauchamp	Lemon Grove	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kathleen Trees	National City	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Greg Anderson	Oceanside	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Richard Esgate	Poway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ali Fattah	San Diego	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Carl Blaisdell	San Marcos	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Richard Esgate	Santee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Richard Esgate	Solana Beach	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mike Kratz	Vista	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Chapter Officers in Attendance

President	Clay Westling	County of San Diego
Vice-President	Dan Fagan	City of Escondido
Secretary	Mark Beauchamp	City of Lemon Grove
Treasurer	Ali Fattah	City of San Diego

Associate Members and Guests

Lou El-Khazen	City of Chula Vista	
GinaJack Gibbard	San Diego Community College	ROD
Mehdi Shabyab	City of San Diego	
Aaron Goodman	Willdan	
Sandy Woodhouse	County Assessor	
Susan Murdock	Calif. Contractors Association	
Tim Owens	City of San Diego	

3. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the November Meeting were approved.

- 4. Treasurer's Report:** Checking account balance is \$ 12,766.34. The treasurer reported that a savings account will be opened upon transfer of duties to the incoming treasurer.

5. Communications

- a. Chapter President's Report.
 - CALBO ABM break sponsorship discussed and the chapter agreed to spend \$350 to sponsor refreshments at a break.
 - A letter was received from ICC informing the membership to contact ICBO's office with issues relevant to evaluation reports, certification, etc. they are still being handled by ICBO for their members.
 - RSVP for the installation dinner due Friday January 24, 2003. Tony Elmo the president of CALBO will do the installation.
 - NFPA has sent yet another letter to City managers and one was received by the City of Escondido.
- b. ICBO Report: No report
- c. Legislative Report:
 - AB 24 if passed into law will require pool alarms by July 1, 2004 to detect motion or vibration in the pool with an approved device.
 - SB 54 if passed a jurisdiction must notify mobile home park complainants when their complaint will be addressed. Also requires a permit to move or shift a park lot line.
- d. CALBO Report:
 - A presentation is being made by Brad Remp on behalf of CALBO to the League of California Cities Committee on Housing and Community and Economic Development to aid in the selection of the next codes (IBC vs NFPA 5000).
 - The next CALBO Board meeting is in Monterey. Regional Board meetings scaled back to 3 this year since the Board was stretched thin last year. The next closest regional meeting will be in Pasadena on February 3.
 - Brad Remp is running for 1st Vice President of CALBO and requested the San Diego Chapter of ICC's support and endorsement.
 - CALBO committees will open up a new years and members are encouraged to apply and participate. Apply now.
 - California Energy Commission's video conference seminar held in Chula Vista was a success.
 - HCD's committee on CBC Chapter 11A has entered into phase II of the rewrite with very vocal comments from the disabled community. Parking area retrofit in existing multi-family complexes is being looked into.
 - The California Attorney General proposes to authorize City Attorneys and District Attorneys to prosecute Title 24 and ADA violations and to levy fines. This could be a shift of State responsibility to the local level without funding. There will be less pressure on local building officials (questions about time frames of handling complaints, diligence in enforcement, etc since shifted to the attorneys). The unfortunate thing is that the local authority needs to go to court to levy the fines rather than levying civil penalties locally.
 - CALBO ABM registrations available at www.CALBO.org for February 25-28. Apply now. You can fly to San Jose or to Monterey via Phoenix.

6. **Old Business:** None.

7. **Good of the Order/Uniform Code Interpretations:**

- Mehdi Shadyab discussed the proposed policy on Fire Damage repair and Townhouses both of which are nearing completion. The latter policy is being held up with the fire Marshall requiring direct access to rear yards to emergency escape openings into sleeping rooms.
- Cathleen requested a backup for the disaster preparedness liason. Dan Pavao volunteered and Ali suggested Werner Landry from the City of San Diego.
- Dean Davidson of El Centro brought up a problem with a contractor using roofing felt as furring strips behind drywall within a stud wall cavity and prohibited the use. His jurisdiction is being bombarded with calls from PEX sales people. He will be waiting for official work from the state. Brad Remp explained that we need to wait for something to come out of HCD, a sentiment shared by Mr. Fattah.
- Greg Anderson discussed the budget cutbacks proposed in Oceanside and expressed a concern that cutbacks can reduce staffing and impact service therefore requiring fee reductions in light of

- threatened litigation over fees. Was wondering who prohibits the undergrounding of copper pipe.
- Mike Kratz discussed his review of the NFPA 5000 vs IBC and echoed Mr. Fattah's sentiment that the former is too complicated to read and follow. He says that code requirements are poorly presented. Mr. Remp said that the Fire Officials are also reviewing plans under the requirements of both codes similar to the effort at the City of San Diego. Tim Owens said that NFPA 1 is available for free download in pdf format.
 - Brad Remp echoed the frustrations of many that no one has the time to review the IBCX and NFPA 5000 to make competent educated arguments for the citizens in their respective jurisdiction. Mr. Remp also discussed a proposal by DSA to cede control over the enforcement of schools to the local Building Official. Issues such as the fees to charge, review for all codes not just enforcement of the building code, structural reviews by a registered SE amongst other issues will have to be resolved first. Also jurisdiction passed only for new construction.
 - Lou El Khazen announced an opening for a Building Inspector III in Chula Vista.
 - Dan Pavao discussed issues with the use of hand held PDA's and the difficulties in going paperless.
 - Ali Fattah announced that he is working on NFPA 5000 and review of projects to do a comparison. He inquired as to whether any one is still interested in helping? He has a list of questions to compare the codes in the plan checking process. Ali feels that the NFPA 5000 is a more complicated code. The state agencies have a code coordinating council. It was developed to compare the codes at the state level. The meeting would not be open to the public. It will be just for state agencies. CALBO and other organizations would like to attend the task force meeting. It is being called a workshop for the state agencies to learn about the codes.

8. **Question of the Month.** None

9. **New Business:**

- Brad Remp requested the chapter's endorsement for his quest for election as CALBO 1st Vice President. The chapter unanimously voted to endorse Mr. Remp and Clay Westling will write a letter on behalf of the Chapter. Next year's CALBO ABM will be in Long Beach and the following year will be in Yosemite. An idea to sponsor a hospitality suite put forward by Richard Esgate was not supported due to the low number of persons from the Chapter attending the ABM.
- Clay Westling discussed an e-mail from Brad Remp floating the possibility that the chapter reconsider its affiliation with ICC to remain neutral such as the Sacramento Valley chapter. It was decided to remain an ICC chapter until the state chooses the codes for the next cycle at which time the issue will be reviewed.

10 **Committee Reports**

- a. Education and Training:
Aaron Goodman reported he is scheduling three courses. Meeting location for the tentative dates will be announced in a few weeks.
- b. Executive: Covered under communications
- c. Codes:
Lou El-Khazen said that the committee looked at trellises that are 50% open. The policy will be revised and brought back with amendments clarifying that the height to be a minimum 7 ft for the underside clearance and to clarify that zoning rules must also be satisfied and may be more restrictive than the policy.
- d. Electrical: No report

- e. Plumbing/Mechanical: No report
- f. Technology:
Lou el Khazen has reserved a room at the County of San Diego for an ad-hoc group to give direction to the web site effort. First meeting is scheduled for March 5th and will be held on a biweekly basis. The new address is www.ICCSanDiego.org. Minutes and agenda will be published on the site as well as educational opportunities.
- g. Valuation:
Ali Fattah will get the valuation spreadsheet to Chula Vista. The cost cap for disabled access is incorrect the correct amount should be \$98,000 or so.

10. **Program**: no program.

Dan Fagan reminded those in attendance that there will be a code update program in February.

12. **Adjournment**

President Westling adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

MINUTES RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

Ali M. Fattah
Chapter Secretary