

Northern Nevada Steering committee meeting

Minutes for the meeting of Tuesday, June 28, 2011

Mike McCullogh, NNICC Northern Nevada Steering Committee Chairman, called the meeting to order and determined a quorum was present. Steering Committee members present: Mike McCullogh, NNICC; Mark Meranda, City of Sparks; Don Jeppson, Washoe County; Kevin Gattis, Carson City; Jess Traver, BANN; Alan Bennett, City of Reno; Jim Ball, City of Fernley

(1) Approved March 22nd meeting notes.

(2) Review sections 502.4.5 and 503.2.5.1 that were tabled for research.

502.4.5 Outdoor air intakes and Exhaust openings.	Failed	Unanimous
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503.2.5.1 Demand controlled Ventilation (SNA).	Failed	Unanimous
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(3) Consider BAWN amendments 403.2.2 and Table 405.5.2(1).

403.2.2 Compliance testing	Withdrawn	Bann, acting as the only nationally chartered home builder's organization in the area, thought that the frequency of testing should be determined by the local jurisdictions.
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Table 405.5.2(1)	Withdrawn	Jess Traver checked with the national builders association and a prescriptive table had not been created to allow equipment trade offs. DOE has already stated that they will not modify ResCheck.
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(4) Consider 7 "omission/compatibility" amendments.

An additional amendment was added to this agenda item to bring the current 2006 IRC energy provisions in to compliance with the 2009 IECC.

202 General Definitions	Passed	Unanimous
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402.2.9 Crawl space walls.	Passed	Unanimous
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403.2.2 Sealing (Mandatory)	Passed	Unanimous
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403.2.2.1 Joints and seams	Passed	Unanimous
503.2.5.1 Demand Controlled Ventilation	Passes	Unanimous
503.2.7 Duct and plenum Insulation and sealing	Passed	Unanimous
Chapter 11 2006 IRC	Passed	Unanimous

(5) Future code adoption

The committee reiterated its goal to start the review process of the 2012 suite of building codes this year. The target completion date to have the code package completed and ready to adopt is January 1, 2013 with an effective date of July 1, 2013. There was a discussion regarding how to review the new codes and allow stakeholders to comment on proposed amendments. Because of the reduction in staff that all jurisdictions have experienced, the sub committee system used in the last adoption process may have to be changed or partially abandoned. Alan Bennett from the City of Reno made a suggestion to post the amendments on a web site. This idea was embraced by the committee as a way to obtain public input. Don Jeppson from Washoe County stated that the county had used this process that included the ability of users to post comments when Animal Control was consolidated and received praise from people involved in the process even if they did not entirely agree with the results. Don thought that the county used third party software that may be available to the steering committee. Don was to research before the next meeting. It was agreed that a single web site, perhaps the local ICC chapter website should be used with the jurisdictions and trade organizations placing a link on their respective sites to direct the public.

There was a general discussion regarding sub committees and how to form them. IAEI the local electrical chapter has already volunteered to review the NEC changes. It was suggested that structural and energy sub committees be formed. Additional sub committees will be discussed later. Chair Mike McCullogh noted that during the past adoption process the sub committee chair was always a jurisdictional employee. A process for sub committee membership was not established. The committee did decide to adopt the International Mechanical Code this next cycle. It was noted that during the last adoption process the steering committee at that time decided that the IMC should be used in the next code adoption to avoid compatibility issues with the "I" codes. Reno Fire has already adopted the 2006 IMC. Adoption of the IMC will require a companion fuel gas code since the gas appliance requirements are not included in the IMC.

There has been interest by some of the outlying jurisdictions to participate in the adoption process. It was discovered that the distances involved and the time required was insurmountable during the 2007 amendments for these jurisdictions. A suggestion that teleconferencing may allow other jurisdictions to participate was made. Various entities were named that had teleconferencing abilities including UNR, ABC, Contractors Board and Washoe County. Jess Traver from BANN was to research whether UNR's system, which was used by the state for the energy code process, could be

utilized. Required manometer testing and licensing was examined and tabled for further discussion. Jess Traver was to provide the NRS changes regarding manufactured housing including portable buildings to the group.

(6) Set next meeting date if necessary

No date was set. Once finished the amendment package will be distributed and reviewed by the steering committee.