

MINUTES
BUILDING CODE ADVISORY BOARD
December 14, 2011

- I. **The Chairman, Jacek Tomasik, called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. in the Vista Center 1st Floor Conference Room 1E-60, Palm Beach County Planning, Zoning & Building Department, 2300 North Jog Road, West Palm Beach, Florida.**

A. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jacek Tomasik, Chair
William Ray Higgins, Vice Chair
Steven Kennedy
Doug Wise
Michael Fichera
Rebecca Caldwell
Greg Miller
Joe Byrne
Gary Kozan
Scott Worley
Howarth Lewis

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Maury Jacobson
Bette Lowe

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ashley Salvati, Recording Secretary
Michael Fox, PBC, CPT Supervisor

Gentry Benjamin, Asst. County Attorney
Bob Boyer, PBC, CPT Coordinator

- B. A motion was made to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2011 meeting. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.**

II. **ADDITIONS & DELETIONS – NONE**

III. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. Code Interpretation – NONE

B. Code Amendments – Rebecca Caldwell

1. Chapter 1 Amendments to the FBC

- Ms. Caldwell said that the developments of the subcommittee's work on Chapter 1 is to make it closer to what the state has proposed.
- Mr. Kennedy pointed out a scrivener's error in 104.1, the 2nd line, that "authorized" should be "authority".
- Ms. Caldwell discussed Section 105.1 and flood-resistant flight elements.
- Mr. Fichera suggested adding "fire protection system" to 105.1 following "mechanical, plumbing, or..."
- Ms. Caldwell said that several BCAB recommendations were added in Section 105.2.
- Mr. Worley brought up the line from Section 110, referring to "keeping the worksite clean." Ms. Caldwell suggested striking it. Mr. Lewis motioned to keep it because it may be considered further subjective. Discussion. The motion was seconded, and passed.

Mr. Worley made a motion to approve the Chapter 1 Amendments, with the two discussed changes. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

C. Product Evaluation – NONE

D. Regulatory Climate Oversight Committee – Doug Wise

- Mr. Wise wanted to remind everyone to return their acceptance form and promote the use of the universal permit application.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

1. Solar Assisted Air Conditioning System – Staff

- Mr. Fox presented the technical advisory for board approval.

Mr. Worley made a motion to approve the technical advisory. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

2. Ridge Vent Failure – Rebecca & Doug Wise – Letter for January Meeting

- Ms. Caldwell, Mr. Wise, and Mr. Byrne are to compose a letter for January's regularly scheduled meeting.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. ASCE 7-10 Mapping – Rebecca Caldwell & Doug Wise

- Mr. Wise showed on the presentation how difficult it was to choose landmarks such as I-95 or the Florida Turnpike because of the three different lines on the map. Instead, he described the layering feature and that interpreting with this feature between the lines is allowed, but is not mandatory.

2. NFIP Changes – Rebecca Caldwell

- Chairman Tomasik suggested postponing the topic to the next meeting.

3. Election of New Chair and Vice Chair

- Ms. Caldwell nominated Ray Higgins for chair. Mr. Wise seconded the nomination, and it carried unanimously.
- Mr. Wise nominated Mike Fichera for vice chair. Mr. Lewis seconded the nomination, and it carried unanimously.

VI. FUTURE BOARD MATTERS FOR JANUARY

1. Global Disaster Housing – Temporary Containerized Housing

2. Insulation Concerns – Ray Higgins

VII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

1. Next meeting – January 17, 2012

VIII. STAFF COMMENTS

The meeting was adjourned at 4:12 p.m.



Jacek Tomasik, Chair

Respectfully submitted,
Ashley Salvati, Recording Secretary