



ICC Building Safety Association of Vermont, Inc.

Meeting Minutes

Date: January 16, 2009

Location: Hartford Fire Department, Hartford, Vermont

Attending

Rob Pickett, President
Steve Leinoff, Vice President
Ward A. Smyth, Secretary/Treasurer
Jay Pilliod
Mike Bedard
Glenn Moore, Director
Lois Tweedy
Ryan Borkowski
Stan Borkowski
Tim Branstetter
Dean Zoecklein
Peter Ramus

Rob Pickett & Associates, LLC
Hartford Fire Department
Turtle Creek Builders Ltd
Efficiency Vermont
Hartford Fire Department
Montpelier Fire Department
Activator Property Inspections
B.O. Hanover, NH
Northern N.H. towns
Retail Lumber Dealers Association
Kessel/Duff Corporation
City of Lebanon, NH

Opening of Meeting

- 1) President Rob Pickett called the meeting to order at 8:48 a.m.
- 2) Participants introduced themselves around the table and signed in.
- 3) Rob called for an approval of the 1/16/2009 Agenda. Approved unanimously.
- 4) Ward re-read the amended Minutes from 11/13/2008 and the new Minutes for 12/18/2008. They were both motioned and seconded. Vote was unanimous.
- 5) Rob viewed the website: www.BuildSafeVT.org, Bill Atkinson has volunteered to be webmaster. Please send any information you have to Rob or Bill for inclusion on the website. Ward has paid the Web-hosting for one year in advance to GoDaddy.Com.

- 6) We listened to Dotty Harris from ICC (on cell-phone).
 - a. Due to the economic environment ICC has had some layoffs and had to cut back some services. This will impact us as a new Chapter, in that we can still obtain instructors, but they will be available by Webinar, not live.
 - b. We can still get a live instructor at a rate of about \$2,200 for the first day, Workbooks are about \$14/each.
 - c. There will be a "Fire-side Chat" with the ICC national President on 1/22/2009 at 11:00 am.

Membership

- 7) Ward discussed the membership list to date.
 - a. 16 ICC national/BSA-VT members.
 - b. 12 BSA-VT members
 - c. Total BSA-VT members = 28.

Education

- 8) Bob and Steve have not been able to get together: Steve would like to get a survey together to pole the needs and requirements of our membership

Code Review

- 9) Glenn held a general discussion about what they thought we might do. He still wants to hold a meeting and will attempt to schedule that with the others.

Financial/Treasurer

- 10) Ward presented Balance sheets, P/L statements and information about the bank accounts and money received for January 2009, as well as totals from July 2008 through January 2009. He stated that there was a bill outstanding to him for approximately \$57 to GoDaddy.Com. He has not yet sought additional members to the finance committee; he is awaiting a larger membership count.
 - a. Dues income to date (2009): \$120.00
 - b. Net checking to date (2009): \$618.01

New Business

- 11) Rob announced that he is looking for a volunteer to be Treasurer.
- 12) We discussed and agreed to standardize our meetings for the third Thursday of each month with one or two Telcom Board meetings called between
- 13) Rob obtained the required signatures for our National Chapter application.

- 14) Rob reviewed the logo entries (thanks Lois!). He asked everyone to consider any additions and these for next month.
- 15) Jay offered a tabletop booth space at the upcoming Better Buildings by Design Conference. This is a donation at no charge. He also offered that VEIC would be willing to entertain a donation to us for about \$250 for an educational sponsorship.
- 16) Jay stated that Burlington Electric has a similar efficiency program and may be able to offer us a contribution. He will follow up on that.
- 17) Jay also offered that Efficiency Vermont may also be able to help with speakers at our upcoming Conference.
- 18) Ward presented some information about a new website being developed by a group called the Vermont Green Home Alliance. This will be a central location for customers, builders and the general public to go and find out about "Green". It will present all of the programs available in Vermont without any bias.
- 19) Ward also explained about a Builder/Remodeler Registration/Certification Program he chairs for the Vermont Homebuilders. The Registration portion of the program is being launched in early March with hopes of registering a majority of Vermont builders and remodelers. The program will require minimum standards for entrance.

The next meeting date was set for February 19, 2009 at 8:30 am at the Montpelier City Hall. Glenn will coordinate this. We may have a speaker on the new Sprinkler requirements. Rob closed the meeting at 11:10 am.

These minutes are respectfully submitted as the discussions and actions taken at our above noted meeting.



Ward A. Smyth
Secretary/Treasurer