

**Illinois Energy Code Advisory Council**  
**September 24, 2013 – 1:00 p.m.**  
**CDB's Board Room, Springfield**  
**Videoconferencing CDB Conference Room, Chicago**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**In Attendance:**

Lisa Mattingly, Chairman, CDB  
Ryan Nation, Hanson Professional Services Inc.  
Bruce Selway, DCEO  
Ted Schieler, Home Builders  
Scott Dettmer, Dettmer Homes/HBAI  
Don Plass, Building & Fire Code Academy  
Bruce Maxey, BLDD Partnership, LLC  
Thomas Ayers, Building Official, City of Rock Island  
Dan Hohl, AIA Illinois  
Mike Waldinger, AIA Illinois  
Bob Neale, International Code Council  
David Wytmar, Groundwork, Ltd.  
George Patterson, Bennett & Brosseau Roofing Inc. (via videoconferencing)

- Chairman Mattingly called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.
- Chairman Mattingly introduced the new council members and gave their backgrounds.
- Chairman Mattingly opened with discussion of the meeting minutes from February 6, 2013. Chairman Mattingly asked if anyone had any changes. Bruce Selway stated the number of people trained was incorrect. Mr. Selway stated 442 people were trained on Right Sized HVAC Design and 1,193 people had attended the IECC training. Chairman Mattingly noted these corrections.
- Chairman Mattingly then called for a vote to approve the minutes, noting Mr. Selway's corrections. Tom Ayers motioned for approval. Don Plass seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- Chairman Mattingly stated at the last meeting there was discussion of a rule change of adding a residential construction contracting member, which is Scott Dettmer; also to change the number of council members from 6 to 7; and lastly the Chairman would not vote unless as a tie breaker or necessary to make a quorum. Those rules were finalized through the JCAR process and are in effect.
- Mr. Selway gave an update on DCEO's training. He stated over this next year they are looking at 84 diverse training sessions, with some targeting new people (for example, Realtors and Appraisers).

- Mr. Selway also introduced the Energy Code Enforcement Assistance Program. This is a Pilot Program for 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Energy Code Plan Reviewers and Field Inspectors. Several jurisdictions were considering dropping energy codes from their rules because they do not have the resources to get information and/or they do not have the technology to enforce the codes. Jurisdictions thought this would allow them to “opt out” of the code. Legal councils for DCEO and CDB both have agreed this would not relieve those jurisdictions of their responsibility to follow the codes.
- Mr. Selway went on to say that in an attempt to reduce or stop jurisdictions from doing this, DCEO would offer assistance. They targeted 180 people as a control group to get trained immediately and start providing these services. They will probably end up with approximately 145 trained. Several municipalities are sending their staff to training.
- Mr. Selway continued by noting the 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Inspectors will be certified through the ICC at no charge. After passing the required test (which is given at no cost for the first time only), they are required to sign a Memorandum of Understanding at the end of their training which states they will actively perform the duties they have been trained for. Under this program those certified will be able to provide 3<sup>rd</sup> party assistance.
- Mr. Selway said the 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Energy Plan Reviewer/Inspector will then go out and market themselves to builders. The builder would hire the 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Inspector to do the energy code component of inspections. There is a predetermined checklist that they will use and after they perform an inspection they will provide it to the jurisdiction and the builder. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Inspector would then be paid by the builder on a predetermined/pre-negotiated price.
- Mr. Selway stated that after the inspection, the builder can provide a receipt to the Building & Fire Code Academy and receive a reimbursement of up to \$400 (not more than they paid) for that service.
- It was that there are large areas in Southern Illinois are not eligible for training because there are no qualified utility providers in those areas.
- Mr. Selway stated that upcoming very soon we will have a customized DOE version of REScheck – Illinois specific amendments. It will be on DCEO’s website when available. It will also be available on DOE’s website.
- Chairman Mattingly asked Mr. Selway if the Energy Code Enforcement Assistance Program will be on-going into next year. Mr. Selway stated they will assess the success of the program at the end of this year. He also said they are not sure if any or how much funding will be available.
- Mr. Selway also said the predetermined checklist for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Inspectors will be on the Building & Fire Code Academy’s website.

- Mr. Selway continued on and stated the ICC will maintain a list on their website of those that become certified. You will be able to search to see who is available in each area to perform the inspections.
- Chairman Mattingly stated that the council has 12 months to adopt from the time the code is published and 6 months thereafter to make it effective. She asked the council what they feel are acceptable time frames for organizations to review the code and make comments to the council on amendments they would like to see. 18 months may seem like a long time, but the process of going through JCAR, internal discussions, going to the Capital Development Board and also to the Governor's office are a lot of steps that take time.
- Chairman Mattingly also stated there have been discussions of having subcommittees look at the amendments that are being proposed.
- The council discussed the timeframe and the idea of subcommittees. It was decided they would like to do them concurrently; public comment period will begin one month after the code is published and run for five months and then it will be closed; the subcommittees will meet three months into the comment period and then again beginning the month after the comment period closes; and then council will meet 2 -3 months after the comment period closes to discuss and vote on proposed amendments recommended from the subcommittees. Everything should be done no later than the end of April 2015, so that it can go to the Capital Development Board. A motion was made by Tom Ayers to accept the timeline as set forth and it was seconded by Bruce Maxey. Motion passed.
- Tom Ayers suggested that the council convene one month after implementation to review the rules.
- Chairman Mattingly asked that the council let her know which subcommittee they would like to sit on. Everyone can email her with it.
- There was discussion by the council regarding the Energy Code and how people are doing with the changes.
- Chairman Mattingly will set up a meeting late winter/early spring to discuss the changes to the 2015 IECC.
- Bruce Selway motioned to adjourn. Tom Ayers seconded the motion. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.