



# Building Board of Appeals Work-Study Session

Wednesday, January 9, 2019

4:06 PM

Library Auditorium

7401 E. Skoog Blvd.

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## I. Call to Order

## II. Roll Call

Chairperson Salicos asked for roll call attendance to be taken. Members present: Chairperson Salicos, Member Nigh, Member Norton, and Member Pape. Members absent: Vice-Chairperson Jarpe and Member Leithead. Staff Present: Woody Lewis, Building Official; Warren Colvin, Senior Building Inspector, Tom Hungerford, Building Inspector, and Kristi Jones, Administrative Support II.

## III. Discussion Items

1. Review updates to the Town Code relating to the adoption of the 2018 IBC (International Building Code) and companion codes.

Woody Lewis, Building Official, stated that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the upcoming adoption of the 2018 Building Codes. Mr. Lewis reported that they are working diligently with the other municipalities within the Quad Cities to have consistency between the jurisdictions and to implement the new codes effective July 1, 2019 to provide a smooth transition for contractors. He explained that the goal is to adopt the International codes with as few changes as possible to maintain a good ISO (Insurance Service Office) rating. Mr. Lewis noted that municipalities are audited every five (5) years and the next audit will be in a couple years.

Warren Colvin, Senior Building Inspector, briefly discussed the materials the Board had been given in their packets that include the significant changes to the International Building Code (IBC), International Residential Code (IRC) and other companion codes. He mentioned that the National Association of Homebuilders did an assessment of what a home (single family residence) would cost to build under the 2012 IRC compared to the 2018 IRC. Due to the changes and clarifications within the 2018 IRC, the results showed a savings of \$2900 to \$5200 per home within our area.

Mr. Colvin explained that the goal of the municipalities is to hold public meetings in various locations throughout Yavapai County to receive feedback from contractors and citizens. He noted that during the next few months, they welcome any feedback from the Board that they can share with the other jurisdictions. Mr. Colvin reiterated the importance of adopting the International codes with minimal, if any, changes. He indicated that the International Code Council spends several years working on the updates before finalization.

Continuing, Mr. Colvin discussed the upcoming timeline. He stated that there will be a multi-jurisdictional meeting the week of January 21<sup>st</sup> to create the presentation that will be used at the various informational meetings with contractors throughout the County. The City of Prescott has a meeting scheduled Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> with a tentative time of 1 pm to 2:30 pm. The Town will hold an informational meeting for contractors on Thursday, February 21<sup>st</sup>. Yavapai County Contractors Association (YCCA) would like to hold additional meetings in Chino Valley, Ash Fork, and Verde Valley. Mr. Colvin anticipated that another Work Study meeting will be scheduled in early March to discuss any feedback and suggested changes as a result of the County wide meetings. He noted that the goal is to have the Board meet towards the end of March to make a formal recommendation.

Member Norton asked what time the meeting on February 21<sup>st</sup> would begin and expressed his interest in attending.

Mr. Colvin stated that it is tentatively scheduled from 11 am to 2:30 pm.

Mrs. Jones explained that Board members are welcome to attend any of the presentations; however, if four or more members plan to attend, that constitutes a quorum, and we would need to post that there would be a quorum fifteen (15) days in advance of any meeting.

Chairperson Salicos inquired as to which International Code is the priority for upcoming jurisdictional meetings.

Mr. Colvin stated that the IRC is probably the priority; however, they will be addressing all the International Codes during the presentation with a heavier focus on the most significant and impactful changes.

Member Pape asked if the contractors will be provided with hard copies of the significant changes.

Mr. Colvin stated that YCCA had received the same information as the Board. He believed they have printed out several copies as the idea of multi-jurisdictional meetings was facilitated by YCCA.

Mr. Lewis announced that Yavapai County has asked for the Town's support

with their meetings and presentations and said they would welcome any Board members attendance at their meetings as well.

Chairperson Salicos asked Mrs. Jones if she would send an email with all the meeting dates.

Mrs. Jones stated that once all the meetings were set she would send it out to the Board and she would put together a schedule of the various meetings and which Members would be in attendance. The Board was in agreement that only 1 or 2 Members needed to attend each informational meeting.

Member Norton noted that he found four clerical typos in the significant changes. He provided those to Mr. Colvin for correction.

Member Nigh asked if Mr. Colvin viewed the 2018 International Code changes as an improvement.

Mr. Colvin replied "yes." He indicated that they are more user friendly.

#### **IV. Adjournment**

Chairperson Salicos called for a motion for adjournment.

Member Norton made the MOTION, seconded by Member Pape to adjourn by voice call vote. Board members voted as follows: Chairperson Salicos YES, Member Pape YES, Member Nigh YES, Member Norton YES.

MOTION carried with 4 ayes and 0 nays

The January 9, 2019, Building Board of Appeals Work-Study Session adjourned at 4:36 p.m.

  
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Vice-Chairperson Jarpe

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