



REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF TUESDAY, November 18, 2008

MINUTES

The November 18th, 2008, regular business meeting of the Foothill Chapter of ICC was held at the City of Rancho Cucamonga. 19 people were in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER

President TRANG HUYNH called the meeting to order at approximately 1:05 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

- PRESIDENT..... TRANG HUYNH
- SECRETARY/TREASURERMERRY WESTERLIN
- BOARD MEMBER..... ERIC BEILSTEIN
- BOARD MEMBER..... CHAZ FERGUSON
- BOARD MEMBER..... SARKIS NAZERIAN - ABSENT
- BOARD MEMBER..... ANDY SHIPPER
- BOARD MEMBER..... PETE GOODRICH

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

A motion to approve the minutes of the October 21st meeting was made by Pete Goodrich of Chino and seconded by Ron Espalin of Willdan. The motion was approved.

SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT

Secretary/Treasurer Merry Westerlin reported that the checking account had a balance of \$8,250.64 and the savings account had a balance of \$1,475.67.

Consulting. Chaz Ferguson made the motion to accept the proposal and move forward with the website. Andy Shipper seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

NEW BUSINESS

- President Trang spoke about the past weekends fire, and stated that he had contacted several of the Building Officials who had been subjected to the fires. None of the Building Officials needed assistance, which was a good sign. The number of homes/structures lost was discussed. 35 homes were lost in Yorba Linda.
- The members decided that in the spirit of the holiday season the Chapter will not conduct the regularly scheduled meeting in December.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Rich Shields of Grand Terrace spoke about the 5 criteria which must take place in effort to receive FEMA funding in the event of a disaster. The Repair and Reconstruction Ordinance was discussed. The ordinance can be found on the CALBO website. Many in the group were under the understanding that if the ordinance was not adopted and in place at the time of disaster, then FEMA was not obligated to fund for that disaster. Rich asked if each jurisdiction could review this ordinance and discuss it at the next meeting.
- Chaz Ferguson added to the disaster conversation with the point that NIMS training is required for the Building Official by FEMA in order to receive funding after the disaster. Building Officials need to be certified through NIMS 400 and permit technicians through NIMS 100.
- President Trang asked if any jurisdictions participated in the "Great American Shakeout". This program, which was put on by the County of San Bernardino was developed to create public awareness of earthquake preparation for the probable event of a major earthquake. Ron Espalin and Jim Barrett participated in the City of Loma Linda. The Fire Department in Loma Linda performed windshield inspections. Simulated damaged areas were inspected by the building personnel. Ron stated that the exercise was a good experience for preparation. President Trang stated that the Victoria Gardens Mall hosted an event to inform the public about earthquake awareness. Several local agencies participated. The event was attended by many school children and parents. The Rancho Cucamonga Building & Safety handed out information on water heater strapping. Jim Waters, Rancho Cucamonga's Building Inspection Supervisor, stated that this was a good exercise for building inspectors as they did windshield inspections and inspected the dedicated points in divided areas of the city. Jim stated that without the use of cell phones and radios, communication was the biggest obstacle. Discussion of communications ensued from previous

COMMUNICATIONS

- Andy Shipper of Fontana was asked by President Trang to give the group a few highlights of his jurisdiction - Fontana. Andy gave an overview of the new Lewis Community Center, aquatic center, outdoor hockey/ sports arena, park, etc. etc. This new addition to Fontana is an impressive addition.
- President Trang announced that Khang Nguyen, Building Official of Costa Mesa had been given the honorable award of Building Department of the Year by ICC.
- Matt Winter of Upland handed out the Building Standards Bulletin 08-01. The bulletin explains SB 1473, which will become law on Jan. 1 2009. Governor Schwarzenegger signed the bill which, among other things, establishes a fee for Building Departments to collect. This valuation based fee will be collected on both residential and nonresidential permits. The fee will be used by the State for education efforts associated with Green Building. Ten percent of the fees collected by the Cities may be retained for administrative cost.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Membership ~ Andy Shipper-- No report
- Education ~ President Trang discussed future meeting topics. The Board had discussed the possibility having the disabled access training in March, 2009. Chaz Ferguson of Rialto discussed an interesting seminar which he had recently attended concerning photovoltaic systems and the challenge that firefighters have when these rooftop systems interfere with fire department access during fires. Chaz will try to obtain the power point to share with the group in Jan. 2009.
- CALBO Liaison ~ Jay Elbettar-Absent.

OLD BUSINESS

- President Trang handed out a Staff Report from the City of Rancho Cucamonga relating to a stimulus package that Rancho Cucamonga has been working on with the BIA. The conclusion to their recommendations included extensions of building permits for up to two years on projects of 25 or more homes pulled at the same time, as well as a development impact fee deferral. This program will only be offered for 6 months and included a fee for implementation of \$1,060 for each deferral agreement.
- President Trang explained an internet website proposal which the board had been reviewing. The estimate was for the creation and education to maintain a website for the Chapter. The Board was in support of the proposal of \$458.00 from Vertiscap

earthquakes. The challenges of technological systems seem to be a major hurdle. Satellite phones, private radio systems within Cities, and high tech computer systems were discussed. Eric Beilstein, Building Official for San Dimas stated that he had recently been involved in an exercise with Homeland Security to match the City's computer system with the Homeland Security system in effort to receive information from the state level in an emergency event.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:29 P.M.

NEXT BUSINESS MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, January 20, 2008

LOCATION: City of Rancho Cucamonga
10500 Civic Center Dr.
Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91729

TIME: 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

NOTE: There will be a meeting for BOARD MEMBERS ONLY. This meeting will be from 12:00 to 1:00PM and lunch will be provided.

Respectfully submitted,

Merry Westerlin
Secretary/Treasurer

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