

**The Building Code Standards Committee  
will meet on May 13, 2010, at  
One Capitol Hill, Conference Room A  
Providence, Rhode Island**

**642nd  
2010**

**Meeting**

**1:00 p.m.**

**May 13,**

- 1. Call to order**
- 2. Public Hearing Regulation SBC-2 State One and Two  
Family Dwelling Code**
- 3. Appeals 10-04 Nova Records Management is  
requesting a variance for installation of Smoke and Heat Vents in an  
existing building.**
- 4. Approval of Minutes of last meeting**
- 5. Correspondence**
- 6. Committee Reports**
- 7. Legislation**

**8. Old Business**

**9. New Business**

**10. Announcements**

**641st**

**Meeting**

**1:00 p.m.**

**April 8, 2010**

**1. Chairman Stillings called the meeting of the Building Code Standards Committee called to order at 1:13 p.m.**

**2. Appeals: None**

**3. A motion was made to pass the minutes from the February 11, 2010 meeting by Mr. Newbrook and seconded by Mr. Gagnon. Motion passed unanimously.**

**4. CORRESPONDENCE: None**

**5. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Certification Sub-Committee met this morning and interview four people for Certified Eligible Officials. Mr. Brown recommended that Mr. Michael Scallon, Mr. Donald Pelleschi, Mr. Charles Pytel all be approved. Mr. Kurt Stenberg for Alternate Building Official of Portsmouth and Mr. William LaDuke Building Inspector of Scituate, David Keach for Building Inspector Mr. Newbrook seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.**

**6. LEGISLATION:**

**Both in the house and the Senate side have introduced bills that have been written regarding Certification of Building Officials and**

**Building Inspector I and II and also the Property Maintenance which is the clarification of the roll that this Board has adopting the Property Maintenance Code. This Legislation has been referred to the Municipal Government Committee. A bill has also been introduced for a fifteen (15) day review for the Fire Marshall's instead of the ninety (90) days that the law currently allows. The Fire Marshall's Review Board has come up with a tailored plan that would allow fifteen (15) days for the fire alarm plan review which can be done within this time and that the fire plan review does not hold up to the exception to that would be foundation permits. The Review Board and Fire Marshall's office come up with a tailored plan for the number of days for particular plan review which would most likely be based on size (square footage) of the facility. Allowing only the State Fire Marshall to approve an extension for any of the time limits and that it is all uniform across the state, we are also asking for preliminary review of the plans. Really trying to move in the right direction with a lot of this and trying to address some of the problems that have been brought to attention and working with the Legislature on it. Should be seeing some master bills coming out in the House and the Senate addressing these issues.**

## **7 OLD BUSINESS:**

**Provided to all Board members is a card that lists the Rhode Island Building Code books that will be available for purchase. You should be able to purchase code books within the next couple of weeks.**

**There have been 100 copies pre-ordered. These 100 copies will be supplied as followed, one copy to every city or town (39), one for every Board member (23), one for everyone on the Contractors' Registration Board (15), one for everyone on the Building Code Staff (18), two for the Building Code Library, one for the Governors Library, one for the Secretary of States Library, and one for the Department of Administration Library. We are hoping to have them for you by our next meeting. It was asked if codes would be able to purchase on disc instead of books. Unfortunately, you will not be able to purchase the Rhode Island Codes on disc. You are able to purchase the ICC Codes but not Rhode Island. We are hoping the next code cycle to be able to work something out with ICC and be able to at the same time keep prices reasonable. Code books will be available regular book bound and also spiral.**

## **7. NEW BUSINESS:**

**Copy of the amendments to SBC-2 Building One and Two Family Code**

**has been provided to you. In this copy that was provided is the amendment to chapter three section R302.2. Looking to hold the public hearing on this change at our next meeting, May 13, 2010 at 1:00 pm. This change is what we had discussed when we looked to adopt the code. Since we are not requiring sprinklers in Town Houses. ICC reduced it from two hours down to one hour because everyone had to have sprinklers; we felt that we needed it to stay at**

**two hours since we are not requiring everyone to have sprinklers. A motion was made to approve the changes and hold a public hearing on Thursday, May 13, 2010 at 1:00 pm by Mr. DeBlois and seconded by Mr. Newman. Motion passed unanimously.**

**We need to put a committee together to review sprinkler systems. This committee needs to report back to the Board with their findings by February 2011. The Sprinkler System Committee will consist of the following people from the Board: Mr. Carlson (chairman), Mr. DeBlois, Mr. Howe, Mr. Nash, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Balemian and Mr. Ducharme from the Building Code Commissions office. It was mentioned that Mr. Chartier would like to be a part of the committee. After discussion it was decided that the committee feels that there is no need to have an outside source. If once the committee meets and feels they would like to invite him to come then they may do so.**

## **9. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Next week is the Eastern States Building Officials Federation Conference in Newport. Monday, we will be going over Building Code changes; Tuesday will be split into two sessions. One session will be Fuel Gas, Plumbing and Mechanical and the second session will be Energy Code changes on the new code. Wednesday will be sprinkler systems to commercial buildings and Architects, Engineers and Emergency Task Force**

## **10. ADJOURN:**

**There being no further business to come before the Building Code Standards Committee, a motion was made to adjourn by Mr. Gagnon and seconded by Mr. Newman. The meeting was adjourned at 1:47 PM.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**John P. Leyden  
Executive Secretary**

**BUILDING CODE BOARD OF APPEALS:**

**Members Present: B. Balemian, R. Brown, , R. DeBlois, J. Fink, D. Gagnon, W. Howe, W. Nash, D. Newbrook, M. Newman, G. Preiss, R. Stillings,**

**Staff Members Present: T. Coffey, J. Leyden and J. Enos**

**Members Absent: D. Aschman, B. Bernard, J. Carlson, T. Chabot,**

**R.Collins, B. Davey, P. DePace, A. Durand, A. Durand, J. Pagliaro, D. Palmisciano, S. Turner**

**Staff Members Absent: None**

**The next meeting of the Building Code Standards Committee will be held on Thursday, June 10, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. at One Capitol Hill, Conference Room A.**