

2009

**President:** Will Foss  
**Vice President:** Jim Zicaro  
**Secretary:** Mehdi Shadyab  
**Treasurer:** Phil Scattergood  
**Past President:** Pat Healy

**Meeting Location:**  
 City of San Diego, Development Services  
 9601 Ridgehaven Court, San Diego, 2nd Floor Training Room

**Meeting Time:** 9:00 AM – 11:15 AM

**1. Call to Order**

President Will Foss called the meeting to order at 9:08 AM.

**2. Roll Call**

<u>Building Official</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Will Foss	Carlsbad	X	
Lou El-Khazen	Chula Vista	X	
David Calvani	Coronado	X	
Clay Westling	County of San Diego	X	
Mark Beauchamp	Del Mar	X	
Dan Pavao	El Cajon	X	
Bob Williams	El Centro	X	
Mark Beauchamp	Encinitas	X	
Joe Russo	Escondido	X	
Ed Wilczak	Imperial Beach	X	
Jessie Wu	La Mesa	X	
Mark Beauchamp	Lemon Grove	X	
Luis Sainz	National City	X	
Jim Zicaro	Oceanside	X	
Richard Esgate	Poway	X	
Afsaneh Ahmadi	City of San Diego	X	
Carl Blaisdell	San Marcos	X	X
Richard Esgate	Santee	X	
Mark Beauchamp	Solana Beach	X	
Rick Snider	Vista	X	X

Chapter Executive Officers in Attendance

President	Will Foss	City of Carlsbad
Vice President	Jim Zicaro	City of Oceanside
Secretary	Mehdi Shadyab (absent)	City of San Diego
Treasurer	Philip Scattergood	City of Oceanside

Associate Members and Guests

Rich Geary, Hoover Treated Wood products  
 Ali Fattah, City of San Diego  
 Mike Kratz, City of Vista  
 Nancy Martinez, City of San Diego  
 Karyn Beebe, APA  
 Russell Ek, Ken Bell, Simpson Strong-Tie Co.  
 Patrick Healy, County of San Diego  
 Gina Adams, RCP Block & Brick

Jeff Landon, FBC Building Solutions  
 Joe Polder, Simpson Strong-Tie, Co.  
 Rusty Anderson, County of San Diego

3. **Approval of Minutes** :

- Approval of Minutes from meeting of May 19, 2009.....(Approved as submitted).

4. **Treasurer's Report:** [Philip Scattergood]

The treasurer reported:

- Checking balance of: \$ 4,232.21
- Saving balance of: \$ 22,109.62

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- Total balance of: \$ 26,341.83 .....(Approved as submitted).

5. **Committee Reports**

a. **Executive:** [Chair: Will Foss]

- Executive meeting went over Ali Fattah's request for funds to attend the ICC annual meeting in Baltimore and would put it up for approval during old business.
- Wanted to support Ali Fattah in representing chapter proposed code changes to ICC

b. **Codes:** [Chair: Ali Fattah]

- Committee did not meet this month and Ali mentioned at least two participants are no longer attending for various reasons, but, possibly one new member from Chula Vista
- Proposing a few code changes on behalf of chapter: Attic ventilation for flat roofs and vaulted ceilings, due to it being difficult to meet code now using alternate design that was acceptable in previous code; Garage ventilation using CO sensors and what level of sensitivity to use for sensors for intermittent fan operation instead of fan running continuously (haven't come up with any findings to support sensitivity levels).

c. **Disaster Preparedness:** [Chair: To be determined]

- No specific report, but, Ali Fattah and Dan Pavao both mentioned more specific training would be needed and appreciated.
- Ali also mentioned that Dan Kaiser had discussed Emergency Call out info and that with people moving on or retiring that more volunteers would be needed.
- It was mentioned potential volunteers might not apply due to lack of understanding of what is expected of them.
- Dan Pavao mentioned he has been the CALBO first alternate Emergency call out for approx. the last three years and as of yet has not received any exhaustive training so far.

d. **Education and training:** [Chair: Gina Adams]

- Gina was not present, but, Pat Healy commended her for doing an excellent job and that she could use help in organizing some of the events with jurisdiction members since she is not part of a jurisdiction herself.

e. **Electrical:** [Chair: Nancy Martinez]

- The committee met on June 4, 2009. Here is some of the issues discussed:
  - Photovoltaic – micro inverters, DC disconnects at separate structures, etc.
  - PV systems on separate structures was discussed if a DC disconnect required on separate building, while not required by code if conductors do not pass through structure it was considered a good idea to have a DC disconnect anyway.
  - SDAENL – Newsletters would require a re-edit for the 2008 NEC adoption as 2011 CEC, no re-work being done at this time
  - The San Diego Electrical Training Center (SDETC) is continuing its classes for AHJs and will try to have updated flyer available; the training is on every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month from 2:00pm to 4:00pm at 4675 Viewridge Ave, San Diego, CA 92123 (858)569-6633.

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- f. **Green Building:** [Chair: Will Foss]
- Skipped
- g. **Plumbing / Mechanical:** [Chair: James Pine] Reported by Jeff Landon
- The Committee met on June 3, 2009. Here is some of the issues discussed:
    - SDG&E presented this month on Odor Fading similar to what they presented our chapter and the necessity for SDG&E to receive 'as-built' plans for their future use. There will be a 2 year phase in of their changes in practice
    - Old Business: Recycled water - it was reported there is a proposed bill that would take away the authority for proposed code changes away from the Water Resources Board and give it to the Building Standards Commission. Discussion of the related purple pigmented domestic water pipe and it was brought up that a couple manufactures (Charlotte Pipe, and Wirsbo AquaPex) would have new pipe available for reclaimed water.
    - New Business: Report of AB32 a program designed to reduce the Carbon Footprint of California; in order to meet the reduction goal it needs to retrofit 1,000 homes a year (a potential boost for the economy).
- h. **Special Inspections:** [Chair: Mehdi Shadyab]
- No report.
- i. **Valuation:** [Chair: Clay Westling]
- Clay Westling was not present
  - Will Foss: Still not completely finalized yet, but, The valuation table should have a disclaimer stating that the table is developed for information only and each jurisdiction has the sole privilege to decide as to how and for what purpose the valuation table should be utilized.
  - Was discussion of how PV systems are valued and fees for such, David Calvani mentioned the Sierra Club survey showed Coronado as up to \$300.00 higher in fees than other jurisdictions in San Diego County and the director of Coronado wanted more of an understanding of how other jurisdictions charge fees. It was pointed out that the fees Coronado might be charging are accurate for the work to be done by the jurisdiction, but, some of the other jurisdictions have some sort of subsidizing in place to compensate the department in order to pass on reduced cost to customer (some consider it contributing to Green building, the county has fall under their Homeowner Relief Act). The fees are all over the place due to varying reasons some examples are: Chula Vista \$45; City of San Diego \$90; County of San Diego No Fee; while others based on valuation) It was also brought out that most jurisdictions that are subsidizing only subsidize residential installations.

## 6. Communications

- a. **Chapter President's Report:** [Will Foss]
- Will mentioned that City of San Diego has a complex fee study they will take to a subgroup committee tomorrow night for review prior to presenting it to the city council in August.
  - Dan Pavao wanted to know if other jurisdiction are going to adopt the Green Building Standards or Not adopt them; it was then pointed out that a lot of the provisions would come more into play with the 2010 CBC and until then a wait and see approach would more than likely be done.
- b. **CALBO Report:** [Dan Pavao]
- The Western Pacific Building Officials part of WABO were concerned about the fees being paid by ICC
  - A contact (Joe Weiser? unsure of spelling) from Building Officials of Mississippi want to propose a new organization National Association of Building Official –NABO, and feel it

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could have better representation from ICC than what they feel is limited representation now.

- It has been a concern that code proposal changes are too numerous and the volumes are too large for groups to even go through them let alone individuals; it could be better to only have ICC or CALBO chapter approved code proposal changes submitted to ICC in order to make it a more manageable process.
- January 1, 2011 all residences to have fire sprinklers and who will do the plan checks and inspections? Dan Pavao said surprisingly a lot of Fire Marshalls said they did not have enough staff to handle the task, so the potential for building dept. staff is likely. Jeff Landon mentioned the potential for multipurpose/combined fire and potable water systems in the future. Jim Zicaro mentioned if hybrid systems are being used it would not be reasonable to have separate inspections anyway and the building inspector would probably be more suited for the task anyway.

c. **ICC Report:**

- No report

d. **Legislative:** [Jim Zicaro]

- AB210 introduced in February 2009 would clarify that a city or county can enact more restrictive building standards than in Title 24 because of local conditions, includes green building standards.
- AB433 amended in April 2009 proposed to require ventilation systems in newly constructed residential buildings located within 500 feet of freeways and roadways, as specified.
- AB828 amended in May 2009 proposes to require the California Building Standards Commission to insert the provisions of the new California Green Building Standards in Part 11 of Title 24, into the relevant preexisting parts of Title 24.

7. **Old Business:**

- Approved to fund Ali Fattah to represent the chapter at annual ICC meeting in Baltimore for the amount of \$1,453.20, which was the lowest estimate he gave us and would cover up to 5 days.

8. **New Business:**

- Report

9. **Question of the Month:**

- None

10. **Good of the Order/Uniform Code Interpretations**

- Skipped to allow time for Energy Commission representative to give presentation on overview of 2008 standards

11. **Adjournment**

President Will Foss adjourned the meeting at 11:15 AM.

MINUTES RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

*Phil Scattergood for Mehdi Shadyab*

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Mehdi Shadyab, P.E., J.D.  
Secretary, ICC-San Diego Area Chapter