

**DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
UNIFORM DWELLING CODE COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 13, 2014**

PRESENT: Michael Coello, Philip Borchardt, Brian Wert, Peter Krabbe, Jesse Jerabek, Amy Bliss, Steven Gryboski, Mike Marthaler, David Dolan-Wallace, Benjamin Lukens, and Mary Schroeder

STAFF: Jeff Weigand, Policy Director; Daniel Agne, Bureau Assistant; Steve Dobratz, Section Chief; and Duane Hubeler, UDC Engineering Consultant

CALL TO ORDER

Michael Coello, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. A quorum of ten (10) members was confirmed.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: Jesse Jerabek moved, seconded by Amy Bliss, to adopt the agenda as published. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Amy Bliss moved, seconded by Steve Gryboski, to approve the minutes of December 10, 2013 as published. Motion carried unanimously.

2013 ACT 23 REPORT

Mary Schroeder entered the meeting at 9:06 A.M.

MOTION: Mary Schroeder moved, seconded by Jesse Jerabek, to create a summary statement of each item of the Act 23 Report on housing for all items, related to cost saving, time saving, and ease of use of the code, for review at the next Council meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

FAIRFAX AND DCA 6 DECK HANDOUTS

MOTION: Mary Schroeder moved to keep the Southeast Wisconsin Building Inspectors charts for Deck Span Tables. Motion failed for lack of a second.

MOTION: Brian Wert moved, seconded by Philip Borchardt, to use the least restrictive Deck Span Table by the American Wood Council, and add a chart for 2x6 Joists based upon the Fairfax County Typical Deck Design Details. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Jesse Jerabek moved, seconded by Amy Bliss, to use the Fairfax County Typical Deck Design Details specifications for Stair Stringers. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Mary Schroeder moved, seconded by Michael Marthaler, to require any Deck Stairway with over a 24-inch drop to have Frost Protection where the base of the stairs bears, with explanation and definitions in the commentary. Motion carried with a majority.

Amy Bliss and Brian Wert voted No in the above matter.

MOTION: Brian Wert moved, seconded by Mary Schroeder, to update SPS 321.04 (2) (a) to separate Handrails from Guardrails, and that the 2013 Act 23 Report should reflect the same. Motion carried unanimously.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO SPS 320 AND 321 RELATING TO MANUFACTURED HOMES

MOTION: Amy Bliss moved, seconded by Peter Krabbe, to adopt the changes to SPS 320 and 321 recommended by Ross Kinzler of the Wisconsin Housing Alliance, related to Manufactured Homes. Motion carried unanimously.

FASTENER SCHEDULE IN IRC TABLE R602.3(1), COMPARED TO UDC APPENDIX SCHEDULE AND PROPOSED WALL BRACING TABLE

MOTION: Brian Wert moved, seconded by Jesse Jerabek, to adopt the IRC Fastener Table and the Rafter Table into the 2013 Act 23 Report. Motion carried unanimously.

R VALUE – ATTIC ACCESS COVERS

MOTION: Mary Schroeder moved, seconded by Peter Krabbe, to add to the 2013 Act 23 Report a recommendation to leave the R-Value for Attic Access Covers as currently stated in UDC, and require the insulation value over the Attic Access Cover be at least R20 for Foam or R38 for Fiberglass. Motion carried unanimously.

DETAILS NEEDED ON PLANS – WALL BRACING

MOTION: Jesse Jerabek moved, seconded by Mary Schroeder, to add to the 2013 Act 23 Report a recommendation to allow full-height Concrete to be counted as part of the required Wall Bracing material. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Jesse Jerabek moved, seconded by Michael Marthaler, to add to the 2013 Act 23 Report a recommendation to require Wall Bracing Plans to include a Legend detailing bracing method and lengths or number of panels. If more than one Prescribed Rectangle is used, these should be defined in the plan. Motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF FROST PROTECTION, IN SPS 321.16

MOTION: Brian Wert moved, seconded by Steven Gryboski, to add to the 2013 Act 23 Report a recommendation to remove “Ramps,” and replace with “Stoops/Landings” in SPS 321.16, and amend SPS 321.15 (1) (e) to exempt Ramps. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Amy Bliss moved, seconded by David Dolan-Wallace, to add to a future agenda an appearance or discussion with accessibility experts to discuss best practices for installing ramps. Motion carried unanimously.

NON-RIGID MATERIALS FOR HANDRAILS OR GUARDRAILS

MOTION: Mary Schroeder moved, seconded by David Dolan-Wallace, that the 2013 Act 23 Report should modify code regarding use of non-rigid materials for guardrails, requiring application of 4-pounds of force on a 4-inch sphere to verify compliance. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Michael Coello moved, seconded by Amy Bliss, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 3:11 P.M.