

***Minutes of Monday, March 16, 2020 Chapter Meeting
Teleconference***

Meeting called to order at 10:00 am

Those in attendance:

Dennis Hirsch – Miles City - President	Tad Lisowski - Whitefish	Tim Lloyd – State DLI
Cody Gunn – Billings – Vice President	Kim Mack - Helena	Eric Copeland – State DLI
Karen Courtney – Laurel Secretary/Treasurer	Skip Gee - Helena	Kraig Stevenson – ICC Gov’t Relations
Rick Benton – Lewistown – Past President	Russell Murphy - Colstrip	Jim Sayers – ICC Board
	Mike Nasheim – Butte-Silver Bow	

- Introductions
 - Established that there is a quorum present (5 members per by-laws)
- Secretary/Treasury report:
 - Account Balances:
Savings: \$3,145.81
Checking: \$4,102.71
16 Active Memberships renewed
2 Associate Memberships renewed
Reminder that Dues are due by May 1, 2020. If you have not received an email stating that membership has been renewed, then it hasn't been received.
 - Motion to accept Treasurer Report – Motion to accept by Cody Gunn, Rick Benton 2nd. Motion passes.
 - Minutes from January reviewed – Motion to approve by Rick Benton, Cody Gunn 2nd. Motion passes.
- President's Comments:
 - Coronavirus disaster – many cities are shutting down or reacting to this pandemic. Has not heard that is affecting any building departments at this time.
 - Jim Brown sent out a message earlier in regard to not being able to attend the call today because they have shut down.
 - On CEU's if you have any questions, had not stated a place to contact if you have any question on your CEU's.
 - Our conference has been cancelled. We will receive an update on that later.



- Vice President's Comments:
 - We will forward the message from Jim to the membership regarding how the CEU's will be addressed.
 - They have been discussing that no expirations, since currently we cannot get any CEU's.
 - Do have a contact that is asaylor@iccsafe.org if you are close to losing your certification or membership that you can talk to at this time.

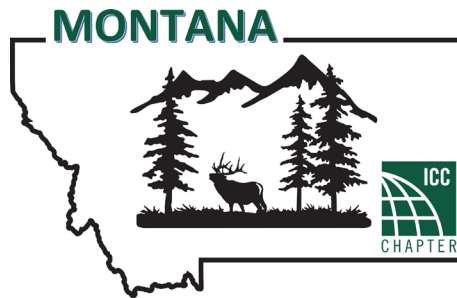
Old Business-

State update:

- Energy Code update – Eric Copeland
 - Eric is still working on the drafts and nearly has that complete. After that it will go to legal for their review. Hopes are to have it ready to go to Codes Council in May for their review. If all goes as scheduled will be looking at midsummer for adoption.
 - Also working on the tall wood buildings also known as Cross Laminated Timber construction that part is in legal review right now. Department is planning to adopt at the same time as the Energy Code.
- Building Codes Conference Update – Tim Lloyd
 - As you are aware this decision came down to the wire.
 - Developments are happening quite fast pertaining to virus.
 - Decision was made Friday at noon to postpone the conference.
 - Had discussion with ICC contact on possibility for webinars for people.
 - Looking at possibility of another conference or smaller conferences possibly in 2-3 months if this slows down.
 - First thing State needs to do is total up the invoices from the hotel and the instructors that they had contracts with. Unsure at this time what that total cost will be.
 - The Department is aware that many inspectors rely on that training for CEU's. It does state in ARM that you have to maintain your certification. Looking at possibly allowing additional time with an Emergency Rule (these are only valid for 90 days). The department does not want to do anything to jeopardize any local programs, therefore they will do all that they can to assist in keeping those going.

ICC Comments-

- Kraig Stevenson – ICC Gov't Relations
 - Follow up to what Mr. Lloyd stated.
 - As the State has rules about Montanan's keeping their certifications, ICC is accredited with their training program in what they have to offer for certification categories. ICC is checking with their accreditor to see if there is additional flexibility or what can be formulated into a plan to do much along the same lines as the State to some of these things being offered online.



- Currently there are a number of things in the Learning Center that are free on demand that you can get CEU's. Kraig will get that list together and send to the Bureau and the Chapter.
- Thanked Chapter for submitting their Annual report. Stated that there was a second page that pertained to the Chapter rewards program. You can gain points for extra benefits for being a Chapter. These include items such as a complimentary registration for an additional chapter member to attend the ABM, complimentary registration and travel to the chapter leadership academy.
- Building safety month proclamations can be done online. Encourage Chapter members to take a look at that for their local jurisdictions and as well the Chapter itself to do a Montana Chapter Proclamation.
- Jim Sayer – ICC Board
 - Spring Building Safety Conference in Atlantic City have been cancelled. Most of the State meetings have been postponed and looking to be rescheduled.
 - Cody asked if there has been any information on the Chapter Leadership in June. Jim had not heard anything concerning that yet.
 - Jim covered Region II report – Chris Corleas attended EduCode on scholarship and is expressing interest in the Board Shadow Program.

Other Discussion -

- Cody Gunn –
 - Chapter needs to look at what we would like to do for the next meeting. With the uncertainty of what is currently going on we do need to look at getting committees together and moving forward without the in-person meetings.
 - Dennis asked what the feeling was on either continuing to have over the phone or meeting in small groups.
 - Cody asked when the next meeting was supposed to be – Planned for April teleconference.
 - Rick asked if the next in person meeting would be in June or July in Billings. Yes, depending on what happens with the virus situation.
 - Cody can schedule for a large conference room in Billings when we decide on date if needed.
 - Question if that is when elections would be held so that could be taken care of. Dennis asked if we had to have someone there to give oath of office. Kraig stated that he believed if necessary, they may be able to do the oath of office remotely.
- Kim Mack –
 - Question for the Bureau pertaining to the Swimming Pool and Spa Code. In ARM 24-301-175 (2) deleting section 3109 Swimming Pool Enclosures and Safety Devices from the IBC and replaced with ISPSC. In the 2018 IBC section 3109 is Swimming Pools, Spas and Hot Tubs. As far as enforcement, local Health Department and State DPHHS have a lot of other



regulations that they enforce. Previously, we were enforcing the enclosures and barriers for commercial projects. With the way this is written now, are we enforcing the entire book or still just the barrier requirements which is in section 305 of the ISPSC?

- Tim – Would like additional time to look at this question. He believes the intentions were for any jurisdictions that enforce the IBC should also adopt the Pool Code and should be enforcing anything applicable provisions in that code that would apply to commercial buildings. If it is more a question of overlapping jurisdiction, he would ask for more time to look into it.

Next meeting scheduled for April 21, 2020 at 10:00 AM via teleconference. Depending on situation at the time of April conference call we will decide on when the in-person meeting will be scheduled in Billings.

Motion to adjourn made by Cody Gunn, seconded by Rick Benton.

Adjournment at 10:30 am MST

Karen Courtney
Chapter Secretary/Treasurer