



Minutes of Tuesday, May 11, 2021 Chapter Meeting

Meeting called to order at 10:00 am

Those in attendance:

Karen Courtney – Laurel - President	Dennis Hirsch – Past President	Jim Yeagley – Cut Bank
Russell Murphy – Colstrip – Vice President	Ben Lich - Billings	Erik Copeland – State of MT
Travis Fenton – Billings - Secretary/Treasurer	Mike Nasheim - Butte	Kraig Stevenson - ICC
Kim Mack - Helena	Rick Benton - Lewistown	Jim Sayers – ICC
Kale Rasmusson - Sidney	Jessica Iverson - Billings	Jack Applegate – Region II
Ben Aaby - Bozeman	Jim Brown – Gillette	

Introductions -

- Established that there is a quorum present.
- VP Russell Murphy opened the meeting with an announcement Karen will be joining late.

Vice President's Comments -

- Russell mentioned Karen has been working on setting up some education opportunities for the fall.
- May is Building Safety Month
- Region II call will be 5/12 at 11:00 MST

Secretary/Treasury report -

- Meeting minutes from March reviewed: Motion to approve by Dennis, Rick 2nd. Motion passes
- Account Balances:
 Checking: \$5749.26
 Savings: \$3146.09
- Motion to accept Treasurer Report – Motion to accept by Dennis, Rick 2nd. Motion passes.

ICC Board Member/Staff Comments -

- Jim Brown
 - ABM in Pittsburgh
 - ABM will look a little different this year
- Jim Sayers
 - ABM will allow more free time this year



- Building Safety Month proclamations
- Meeting in October will be face to face
- Jack Applegate
 - Asked a question regarding ICC scholarships for ABM
 - No word on scholarships yet. Registration should begin in June

President's Comments -

- Karen was able to join the meeting at this point
- Karen requested ideas for training opportunities
 - Suggestions include Legal Aspects of Code Administration and Code Enforcement in Small Jurisdictions
 - Email for 1:00 meeting about SB178

ICC Board Member/Staff Comments continued -

- Mr. Spencer – no update
- Kraig Stevenson
 - Wants feedback on Wildland Interface Fire requirements to help a neighboring state with their adoption of requirements

Region II Staff Comments -

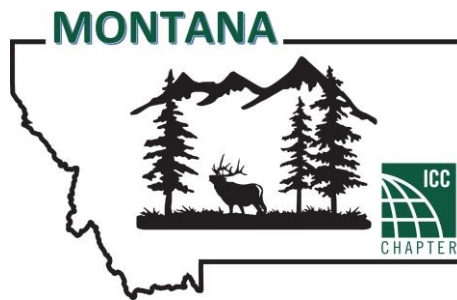
- Russell mentioned monthly meeting 5/12 at 11:00 MST
- Region II social gathering on Monday at ABM

State Update -

- Eric Copeland
 - Education conference done 100% virtual was a success with 480 participants
 - Considering a hybrid live/virtual model next year
 - Moving forward with adoption of 2021 codes end of this year or early 2022
 - Listening sessions coming soon – virtually
 - Would like class for certified jurisdictions about adopting codes and processes – will schedule in fall
 - State has had large turnover in staff with many retirements. Transitioning from single discipline inspectors to combination inspectors

SB178 Update -

- Eric Copeland
 - Meeting at 1:00 this afternoon
 - Building codes council has convened
 - Passed new law to prevent enforcement of fire sprinklers in 1 and 2 family dwellings.



- Need to amend requirements
- Mike Nashiem
 - Asked about updates to 2018 IFC update
 - Eric responded IFC adopted by Dept of Justice. They are working on it. Fire Marshall waiting for resolution before official adoption. Maybe adopt 2021 or 2018 first then 2021.

New Business -

- Continuing Education classes in fall
- Send ideas to Karen
- ABM for MT Chap in fall

Other Discussion -

- Mr. Spencer
 - Thanked MT Chapter for letter of support
- Jack Applegate
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 - Look at community college program in Oregon
 - Offers 2 year associates degree program
- Jim Sayers
 - Recommends program
- Ben Aaby
 - Introduced himself as interim CBO for Bozeman in place of Bob Risk

Schedule Next Meeting -

- Next meeting scheduled for July 13, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Adjournment -

- Motion to adjourn. Motion passed.
- Adjournment at 10:45 am MST

Travis Fenton
Chapter Secretary/Treasurer