

WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION OF BUILDING OFFICIALS

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MINUTES – 2018 Spring Business Meeting Leavenworth, Washington May 3-4, 2018

# Call to Order

The spring business meeting of the voting representatives was called to order by President Tom Phillips on May 3, 2018 at 8:05 a.m.

# Roll Call

The following executive board officers were present:

Tom Phillips	-	President
C. Ray Allshouse	-	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President
Kurt Aldworth	-	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President
Jon Siu	-	Immediate Past President

The following executive board directors were present:

Pete Rambow	-	Certification & Registration
Lee Kranz	-	Technical Code Development
Angela Haupt	-	Finance
Rick Prosser	-	Education
Todd Blevins	-	Outreach
Ray Cockerham	-	Emergency Management
John Brickey	-	Government Relations
Andy Higgins	-	Accreditation
Trace Justice	-	Past President
Gary Schenk	-	Past President

The following management personnel were present:

Tara Jenkins	-	Executive Director
Troy Jenkins	-	Jenkins Management Solutions, LLC

## **Introductions**

The active member voting representatives, associate members and guests introduced themselves. (Registration list on file at WABO office).

# <u>Agenda</u>

The President presented the proposed Agenda for the May 3-4, 2018, Spring Business Meeting.

# **MOTION**: It was moved and seconded that the Agenda be approved as **amended**. The motion carried.

# <u>Minutes</u>

The President presented the proposed Minutes for the WABO Winter Meeting on January 25, 2018.

# **MOTION:** It was moved and seconded that the Minutes be approved.

The motion carried.

# President's Report

President Tom Phillips reported that John Brickey, Amy Brackenbury and himself met with Matthew Hepner from the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) to discuss electrical code issues. WABO and IBEW both share concerns with the underground economy.

## Executive Board Report

Tom Phillips shared highlights from the Executive Board meeting held on March 6, 2018.

- ICC President Jay Elbettar requested to hold the ICC Summer Board meeting at Semiahmoo in Blaine, WA and invited the WABO Executive Board to attend.
- Jim Sayers e-mailed Tom Phillips announcing his candidacy for the ICC Board.
- WABO strategic plan will be updated in 2019.
- WAsafe (WABO, AIA WA, SEAW) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was established with WA State Military Department – Emergency Management Division (EMD).
- Several WABO members applied for the TCD scholarship to attend the ICC Committee Action Hearings (for Group A) in Columbus, OH.

# 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President's Report

Ray Allshouse expressed how impressed he was with the meeting attendance. It is not easy to be away from the jurisdiction, but much can be gained with talking to other code officials. The intent of the organization is to provide resources to help you. Ray also encouraged the mother organization to provide necessary resources as well.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President's Report

Kurt Aldworth reported that the strategic plan will be updated in 2019 and requested member input to fulfill the changes. At the Fall 2018 meeting Kurt Latimore will revisit WABO's prioritized initiatives. At the 2018 Annual Business Meeting two professional development seminars will be held. Kurt Latimore will kick off the strategic planning session with "8 Essentials to Lead to a Successful Change" and MyBuildingPermit will present "Electronic Permitting Process" geared toward the building official. The professional development for this meeting is "Force Transfer Around Openings Design" which will be presented by Jared Hensley, P.E. from APA. He encouraged members to stay for the presentation.

## Immediate Past President

Jon Siu informed members of the Awards Program Nomination Form that is included in the meeting packet. Four awards will be granted at the upcoming Annual Business meeting and nominations are needed. The Executive Board appreciates the membership input on award nominations.

## **Election of Board of Directors Nominations**

Jon Siu announced that the WABO Board of Director elections will be held at the Annual Business Meeting in July. There are three chair positions that will be open, Technical Code, Government Relations, and Certification & Registration. Members can also run against incumbents, you must be one of two voting representatives for the jurisdiction and obtain management approval for involvement. Jon encouraged members to get involved. If interested in running, please fill out a Nomination for WABO Leadership Form. For more information on serving and time commitments please contact any of the Officers.

Meeting recessed for committee meetings at 8:45 a.m.

Meeting reconvened at 1:05 p.m.

## **GUEST REPORTS:**

## **SBCC**

Jim Tinner reported that HB 1622 passed legislation and effective July 1, 2018 the fee for residential permits will increase from \$4.50 to \$6.50 and commercial permits will be \$25. The SBCC has not seen an increase in fees since 1989. Legislation is looking at the SBCC incorporating CLT into the codes; SBCC will look at incorporating into the 2018 codes. The Technical Advisory Groups (TAG's) have completed their work on group 1 which include the International Building Code, International Existing Building Code, International Fire Code, and the Commercial Energy Code. WA State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will create all IWUIC maps for the state. No extra funding was provided so timeline is not known for completion.

## International Code Council

Kraig Stevenson was not available for a report.

## ICC Region II

Trace Justice reported that Region II meets monthly and is the most active region. Many ICC Board members are involved in the monthly teleconferences. Region II is focused on raising the profiles of Building Officials and also involved in Permit Tech Nation. Region II nominating committee has partnered with WPLBO's candidate forum, and have already endorsed Jim Sayers, Jim Brown and Greg Wheeler. Region II will wait until WPLBO's candidate forum for the rest of their candidate nominations.

# <u>IABO</u>

Gary Schenk announced that IABO is currently improving their website and reviewing their bylaws. Two new members have been added to the Board and they are considering becoming an ICC Preferred Provider. IABO is currently looking for a funding source to provide scholarships for code officials to attend the code hearings.

## Western Pacific League of Building Officials (WPLBO)

Gary Schenk announced the candidate forum will be held August 23-24, 2018 in San Francisco, CA. The ICC nominating committee has asked in the past to sit in on the WPBLO candidate forum, if asked again WPLBO will decline the request. OBOA has notified WPLBO that they will no longer be able to keep their commitment in the organization.

## Labor & Industries

Stephen Thornton, Chief Electrical Inspector, announced that he is conducting stakeholder meetings regarding new rules and laws around the state and encouraged members top attend. If a jurisdiction is experiencing any issues please contact your local L & I office and they will come and help.

Kelly Mayo, Factory Assembled Structures, reported that jurisdictions will receive an L & I notification on any modular unit that will be arriving which will include a list of items that needs to be completed on site. He encouraged members to send any questions on Factory Assembled Structures to <u>fas1@lni.wa.gov</u>. Kelly mentioned that county fair season is coming up and food trucks will increase. All L & I approved food trucks will have an insignia near the front door.

## **State Electrical Board**

John Brickey encouraged members to attend the electrical board meetings to gain a better understanding of what L & I is doing. L & I has a pilot program on remote inspections and have found that some homeowners do not want their home captured on film. John informed the membership that cities can establish their own electrical program.

## MyBuildingPermit.com

Michele Miller reported that King County is officially on board with MyBuildingPermit. The Annual Business meeting is scheduled for June 7, 2018 and encouraged members to attend to learn about their improved status site.

## Liaison Reports

## WABO/SEAW

Lee Kranz announced that the purpose of the WABO/SEAW committee is to build dialogue between engineers and building officials to create consistency. The committee is working on a questions and answer forum. Individuals will be able to submit a question to the forum which will be reviewed by the committee who will come up with a consensus on an answer. Lee reminded members that White Paper # 1 is available on the WABO website for review and encouraged members to volunteer for the committee.

# A117.1 Committee

Ray Allshouse reported on behalf of Stephen McGlocklin that the Access Board has launched a YouTube channel for design.

## American Institute of Architects (AIA)

Ray Allshouse announced that he is involved with multiple chapters of AIA: the WA Council where he focuses on legislative issues that affect architects; and the Seattle Chapter where he is active with the codes committee.

## Cross Connection Control Advisory Committee

Dave Cantrell reported the WA State Department of Health (DOH) Cross Connection Control Committee is developing a guidance manual for water purveyors and local jurisdictions. Water purveyors and jurisdictions will work together.

Meeting recessed for Committee meetings and Cracker Barrel Discussions at 2:25 p.m.

## Friday, May 4, 2018 8:05 a.m. – Meeting reconvened

## <u>Outreach</u>

Todd Blevins provided a small recap of the mentor program. Todd asked all the mentors of the first time attendees to provide a small introduction and the first timers to speak on their meeting experience.

## New Business

Tim Bardell, P.E. from B7 Engineering led a discussion on the roles of an architect and an engineer in buildings exceeding 4,000 square feet.

## Unfinished Business

None

## **Announcements**

Lee Kranz announced that WABO, ICC and the SBCC will be working together to create the WA State Custom Codes for the 2018 code cycle. The WA State amendments will be incorporated into the model codes (with the exception of the UPC) and the anticipated release date will be in March of 2020. Lee asked jurisdictions to hold off purchasing the 2018 model codes until the WA Custom Codes are released. ICC will have to wait for the release of the amendments from the SBCC before collaboration can begin. Group 1 is anticipated to be released to ICC December of 2018 and Group 2 is anticipated to be released December of 2019. Group 2 release date will make the March 2020 publication date very tight. ICC has purchased General Codes which has better software which may speed up the formatting process.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m. for Professional Development.