



May 1, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Redwood Empire Association of Code Officials

1007-B West College Avenue # 326 Santa Rosa, CA 95401

The May 1st meeting was held at Cattlemen's Restaurant Petaluma

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 by Tony Piazza, which was followed by the pledge of allegiance.

2. SELF INTRODUCTIONS (Officers, Guests, Members)

There were 15 members and guests in attendance.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES -

A motion and second were made and the minutes of the April meeting were approved.

4. OFFICERS REPORTS

President: Tony Piazza - No report

Vice President: Charles Lucas - No report

Secretary: Jay Bradford - No report

Treasurer: Steve Buffenbarger- Checking Balance: \$26,486.08

Past President: Glenn Schainblatt – Not Present

5. LIAISON REPORTS

AIARE: No Report

CSI: **Charles Young:** Charles announced the May 10th Meeting and that the tours of the new Russian River Brewery that is currently under construction at 4:30 pm and 5:30 pm with a limit of 20 people was full.

SCFPO: No Report

ICC Rep: **Chris Ochoa:** Chris emailed the May ICC Announcements attached to the [May 1, 2018 Agenda](#).

Tony Piazza: Tony highlighted Building Safety Month, ICC premiumACCESS free one hour webinar May 2 and the June Leadership Academy in Denver.

CBOAC: No Report

CALBO: No Report

CEC Representative: Chris Olvera: Chris summarized CEC announcements which are attached and included information on the 2019 Building Energy Efficiency Standards Rulemaking acceptance, new requirements for mechanical acceptance testing, promoted the new [Blueprint](#) and [2018 Minstitue presented be SVABO](#)

IAEI: No Report

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Education Committee: Carolyn Glanton: Carolyn gave an overview of energy code trainings which are attached to these minutes.

Web-Site Committee: No Report

Sustainability Committee: No Report

7. PROGRAM

Simpson Strong Tie: Product Overview was presented by Adam Hill of Simpson Strong Tie

- New DG Firewall Hanger
- New SET-3G Epoxy
- WSW Strong Wall
- Strong Frame Moment Frame

8. CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tony Piazza: Tony introduced a request form an individual Jim Sayers seeking support for the ICC Board of Directors. Members declined to entertain a motion as no members had known Mr. Sayers.

9. NEW BUSINESS

Tony Piazza: Tony introduced FPO: Community Risk Reduction Bureau Manual; Substantial Remodel Calculation Guidelines attached to the [May 1, 2018 Agenda](#). Follow by a group discussion.

10. OLD BUSINESS

No topics discussed.

11. LEGISLATIVE NEWS

Tony Piazza: Tony discussed SB 1226, 2018: Position Statement attached to the [May 1, 2018 Agenda](#).

John LaTorra: John emailed the legislative updates and they will be added to minutes (see "Legislative Report" attached below).

12. Open Forum

A discussion of the color of tactile warning adjacent to a vehicular way was had with safety / federal yellow being agreed upon as the required color.

A discussion regarding Arc Flash Analysis was had relating to electrical equipment installed in public right of way. There was no conclusion.

An announcement for the Northern California American Public Works Association monthly meeting held in Fairfield on May 24th was made. Topics include a presentation on the [Oroville Dam and Spillway Incident](#).

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:48 pm by Tony Piazza.

Next meeting will be June 20, 2018, at the Petaluma Community Center, 320 N. McDowell BLVD, Petaluma, CA 94954.

Legislative Report

John LaTorra May 2018

Note: Several new bills introduced before 2/16/18 deadline have been added to the list. Bills that died have been removed. Approximately 4,500 bills introduced in the two-year session. Recent activity in **bold**.

AB64- Cannabis licensure, **held in committee**

AB345- increases the maximum fine for municipal code violations to \$300/500/1,000; for building code violations to \$500/750/1,500; **now voluntary income tax for disaster assistance**

AB366- allows a permit to be issued for a detached dwelling unit on at least 5 acres where water is delivered by a licensed water hauler and fire response time is no more than 15 (or 20 for > 10 acres) minutes

AB565- requires the adoption of alternative building regulations to include provisions for housing artists, artisans, and other similarly situated individuals

AB735- requires AED for public pools with lifeguards

AB1250- specific standards for county personal services contracts

AB1857- requires CBSC to **assemble a working group of specified categories to develop functional building recovery standards by 7/1/20. The BSC shall produce a guidance document if standards are not adopted for the 1/1/23 building standards effective date.**

AB2069- medical use of cannabis subject to reasonable accommodation. Can fire for under influence at the workplace or if lose federal funding.

AB2108- **Hijacked, must be at least 12 years old to play tackle football. Pulled**

AB2132- authorizes waiving or reducing building permit fees for improvements to accommodate a disability for a person at least 60 with a qualifying disability. **Local jurisdiction shall adopt an ordinance if they want to allow.**

AB2263- **A local agency shall not impose parking standards on a qualified historic structure unless being converted into a high intensity use building.**

AB2475- **requires Dept. of General Services to review every 5 years existing sustainability, energy efficiency, and water efficiency for landscapes of state-owned properties.**

AB2482- **permits an individual to work up to a 10-hour/day work schedule without requiring overtime pay**

AB2485- prohibits a **local official** from being accompanied on an inspection of a commercial property **or business** by a financially interested individual.

AB2560- imposes a tax from 6-10% on prison construction contracts. The taxes are deposited with the State Department of Education for early intervention programs at pre- and after-school programs

AB2681- **upon identification of funding by OES**, requires the Building Department to create an inventory of potentially vulnerable buildings and submit the inventory to OES for buildings constructed to 1976 or earlier UBC or specified types constructed to 1995 CBC or earlier, certain peak acceleration areas or counties

AB2911- requires the State Fire Marshal to recommend building standards and a list of low-cost retrofits to protect structures from fires spreading, **include tree removal or pruning**

AB2913- provides that a building permit would remain valid if the work commences within 3 years of its issuance or is not suspended for more than 3 years, 180-day extension(s)

AB2927- **amend for California Earthquake Authority insurance and tax requirements**

AB2939- requires ministerial approval of building permits for ADU's, permits unlimited number of ADU's in multi-dwelling zoned areas, mentions 5 units or more

AB2994- requires BSC to adopt standards requiring grab bars in public restrooms. **A place of public amusement constructed after 1/1/25 shall include an ambulatory accessible toilet compartment complying with CBC Chapter 11B, Section 604.8.2**

AB3001- requires Energy Commission to consider greenhouse emissions from fossil fuel combustion in the cost-effectiveness analysis, zero net emissions from natural gas/propane

AB3002- **requires local jurisdiction to make available a notice regarding disability access**

SB71- requires BSC and CEC to adopt regulations requiring solar electric or solar thermal systems. **Amend to now deal with unauthorized removal (stealing) of solid waste**

SB431- authorizes a local building inspector to waive requirements for a maximum five-year period for illegal ADU's constructed prior to 1/1/2008; requires jurisdiction to adopt ordinance.

Died

SB721- requires the inspection of decks, balconies, and elevated walkways (3 or more units) by an architect, civil engineer, structural engineer, certified construction inspector, building official (not working for a jurisdiction), or other person licensed by the Department of Consumer Affairs, suggest 180 days vs 120, CALBO working with sponsor

SB827- transit rich housing development exempt from density, FAR, parking, and height limitations (up to 55' or 85' depending on street width). **Failed, probably dead**

SB831- ADU's not counted in FAR, not a new dwelling for impact fees including school district, offstreet parking not required even if converting a garage, approved if not processed in **60** days.

Requires Building Official to approve at least 10-year delay in enforcing codes if not Health & Safety.

SB969- requires garage door openers to have battery backup for new and replacement openers

SB1226- allows a jurisdiction to determine the date of construction for a non-permitted ADU and apply the code requirements in effect at the time of that determined date. **Declaratory of existing law. Note: see oppose position paper I prepared.**

SB1397- requires AED for specified existing structures for permits \$50,000 or 2,000 or 3,000 square foot alterations; all assembly, auditoriums, and movie theaters

SB1405- spot bill for future Ghost Ship requirements

SB1415- violations of municipal codes, building, and fire codes processed the same as state code violations. **Amended 4/23**

SB1416- authorize local jurisdiction until 1/1/24 to collect fines for nuisance abatement and require fines to be used for enforcement of state and local building and fire codes, including a revolving fund for rehabilitating substandard housing.