INDIANA FIRE PREVENTION AND BUILDING SAFETY COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Details

Date: October 3, 2023

Time: 9:00 AM

Location: Government Center South – Conference Room 1 & 2

Member Attendance

Name	Present		Means of Participation
	Yes	No	
Logan Cook	\boxtimes		In Person
John Crisp			NA
Harold Davidson	×		In Person
Todd Hite	\boxtimes		In Person
Scott Miller	⊠		Electronic Means (MS Teams)
James Murua	×		In Person
Scott Pannicke	×		In Person
Michael Patarino			In Person
Michael Popich	×		In Person
David Porter			In Person
Kenneth Wagner	\boxtimes		In Person
Michael Zehner	\boxtimes		Electronic Means (MS Teams)

Notes

Additional information may be available at the Commission's Web Page.

Also in attendance:

Dustin Dyer, Director of Boards and Commissions, IDHS

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Review and Action on September 2023 Meeting Minutes
- 4. IDHS Reports and Updates
 - i. IDHS Variance Determinations Report as required by 675 IAC 12-5-6.2(f) Isaac Delgadillo

5. State Building Commissioner Interpretations

- i. CEB-2023-13 675 IAC 14-4.4 2020 Indiana Residential Code, Section R408.4.
 Access
- <u>CEB-2023-20</u> 675 IAC 18-1.6 2014 Indiana Mechanical Code, Section 507.2.1 Type I hoods.
- iii. <u>CEB-2023-21</u> 675 IAC 13-2.6 2014 Indiana Building Code, Section 202 DEFINITIONS. HIGH-RISE BUILDING.
- iv. <u>CEB-2023-24</u> 675 IAC 14-4.4 2020 Indiana Residential Code, section R302.2.3 Continuity

6. Rulemaking Update(s)

i. Electrical Code Update Committee Bylaws and Membership – Commissioner Popich expressed concern that only revising the previous draft proposed rule might not be reflective of the makeup of the new Commission and that simply revising the draft proposed rule might not get support. Commissioner Pannicke moved to approve with a modification to allow previous proposals to be reviewed upon majority vote, and to substitute Rod West for Tim McClintock.

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Logan Cook	\boxtimes	
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	×	
Todd Hite	\boxtimes	
Scott Miller	\boxtimes	
James Murua	×	
Scott Pannicke	×	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich	×	
David Porter	\boxtimes	
Kenneth Wagner	\boxtimes	
Michael Zehner		\boxtimes

ii. Fire Prevention Code Update Committee Bylaws and Membership – "Shall adopt" an electronic meeting policy.

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Logan Cook		
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	×	
Todd Hite	\boxtimes	
Scott Miller	\boxtimes	
James Murua	×	
Scott Pannicke	×	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich	×	
David Porter	\boxtimes	
Kenneth Wagner	\boxtimes	
Michael Zehner	\boxtimes	

- iii. **Building Code Update Committee Bylaws and Membership** Adopted with fire, with same changes.
- iv. Lift Device Update Committee Bylaws and Membership Clarify university representative to "university elevator shop representative." Substitute one State Inspector for Industry Consultant. Allow previous items from draft proposed rule to be revisisted by majority vote. Mr. Pannicke volunteers to be Commission representative. Shall adopt electronic meeting policy.

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Logan Cook	\boxtimes	
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	\boxtimes	
Todd Hite	\boxtimes	
Scott Miller	\boxtimes	
James Murua	×	
Scott Pannicke	×	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich	×	
David Porter	\boxtimes	
Kenneth Wagner	⊠	
Michael Zehner	×	

v. Authorization of Initial Notice of Intention to Readopt Rules – Tyler Burgauer presented the Commission with a list of rules that are being readopted and due January 1, 2024.

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Logan Cook	\boxtimes	
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	\boxtimes	
Todd Hite		
Scott Miller	\boxtimes	
James Murua		
Scott Pannicke	\boxtimes	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich	×	
David Porter		
Kenneth Wagner	⊠	
Michael Zehner	\boxtimes	

7. Proposal – Allow copy of 2007 ASME A17.1 in Testing Area for Indiana Elevator Mechanic Exam – No written public comment was submitted to the Commission by the due date save for Mr. Selke's explanation. Mr. Selke and Mr. Watson presented, noting that many jurisdictions allow for completely open book testing, as opposed to asking for one of the manuals. Mr. Pannicke suggested clarifying what condition the book must be in to disallow additional information (margin notes, highlighting, anything that might give the tester an advantage). Commissioner Cook expressed concern that there was little information on which questions were being missed more. Bart Giesler expressed concern that the test isn't the issue, but the education of the test takers. Kevin Chalmers suggested reviewing open book test standards. Mr. Cook abstains.

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Logan Cook (A)		
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	×	
Todd Hite	\boxtimes	
Scott Miller	\boxtimes	
James Murua		\boxtimes
Scott Pannicke		\boxtimes
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich		\boxtimes
David Porter	\boxtimes	
Kenneth Wagner		\boxtimes
Michael Zehner	×	

8. Proposal – Allow Amusement Industry Manufacturers and Suppliers International (AIMS) as an equivalent certification organization pursuant to IC 22-15-7-4(b)(2). Matt Cronley presented.

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Logan Cook	\boxtimes	
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	×	
Todd Hite	\boxtimes	
Scott Miller	×	
James Murua	×	
Scott Pannicke	×	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich	×	
David Porter	×	
Kenneth Wagner	×	
Michael Zehner	×	

9. Variances

a. Tabled

i. 23-06-27(a)(b) Chronicles Event Center (Brownstown) – Melissa Tupper presented. Structural evaluation uploaded into DFBS yesterday afternoon. Commissioner Cook noted that structural reports indicate need of repairs and renovations. Proponent indicated those are being completed. Condition: All suggested repairs within the structural report are completed prior to occupancy.

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Logan Cook	\boxtimes	
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	×	
Todd Hite	\boxtimes	
Scott Miller	\boxtimes	
James Murua	\boxtimes	
Scott Pannicke	×	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich	×	
David Porter	\boxtimes	
Kenneth Wagner	\boxtimes	

Michael Zehner	\boxtimes	

ii. 23-07-23 Tri-Point Merchandise – New Building (Topeka) – Amish retain building with living quarters, only operates during daylight hours. No electricity to run pumps for sprinkler system. Operating 2-3 years before being converted to office. Commissioner Pannicke asked if a second door could be added to living quarters for egress. Condition: 3-year variance (Dec 31 2026), additional egress door on west side of living quarters.

Name	ame Vote	
	Yes	No
Logan Cook	\boxtimes	
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	\boxtimes	
Todd Hite	×	
Scott Miller	×	
James Murua	×	
Scott Pannicke	×	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich	×	
David Porter	×	
Kenneth Wagner	×	
Michael Zehner	\boxtimes	

iii. 23-08-43 Fall Creek Pavilion Renovation (Indianapolis) – Proponent requests that variance be tabled while testing is in progress. Commissioners Hite and Davidson abstained, as they were recused on the prior vote.

Name	Vote	
	Yes	N
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Logan Cook	×	
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson (A)		
Todd Hite (A)		
Scott Miller	\boxtimes	
James Murua	\boxtimes	
Scott Pannicke	×	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich	×	
David Porter	\boxtimes	
Kenneth Wagner	\boxtimes	

Michael Zehner	\boxtimes	
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b. New

i. **23-09-24 Walmart 4235 (Terre Haute)** – Standard Walmart proprietary sprinkler. No proponent. Moved to tabled.

Name	Vot	Vote	
	Yes	No	
Logan Cook	×		
John Crisp			
Harold Davidson	×		
Todd Hite	\boxtimes		
Scott Miller	\boxtimes		
James Murua	×		
Scott Pannicke	×		
Michael Patarino			
Michael Popich	×		
David Porter	\boxtimes		
Kenneth Wagner	\boxtimes		
Michael Zehner	×		

Untabled:

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Logan Cook	×	
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	\boxtimes	
Todd Hite		
Scott Miller	\boxtimes	
James Murua	\boxtimes	
Scott Pannicke	\boxtimes	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich	\boxtimes	
David Porter	\boxtimes	
Kenneth Wagner	\boxtimes	
Michael Zehner	\boxtimes	

Approve:

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Logan Cook	×	
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	×	
Todd Hite	\boxtimes	
Scott Miller	\boxtimes	
James Murua	×	
Scott Pannicke	×	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich		\boxtimes
David Porter	\boxtimes	
Kenneth Wagner	\boxtimes	
Michael Zehner	\boxtimes	

ii. 23-09-25 2417 Spy Run Avenue (Fort Wayne) — Ed Rensink presented with owner. House cited by fire department for incorrect occupancy. Limited documentation on previous use. Currently being used as short-term occupancy. Cannot pass Chapter 34, installation of a sprinkler would require significant cutting and intrustion. Building is on historic preservation register for Fort Wayne. Fort Wayne FD is opposed. Proponent requested tabling until a 13B system can be explored.

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Logan Cook	×	
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	×	
Todd Hite	\boxtimes	
Scott Miller	\boxtimes	
James Murua	×	
Scott Pannicke	×	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich	×	
David Porter	\boxtimes	
Kenneth Wagner	\boxtimes	
Michael Zehner		

iii. **23-09-26 Kitley Elementary FA System (Indianapolis)** – Roger Lehman presented. Alarm in addition will use a different strobe pattern from existing building. Proponent notes that old system is not adaptable and cannot be modified to comply with new

system's pulse pattern. David Carpenter, IFD, also spoke and presented clarification on how the strobe pattern and sound works, as well as the layout of the school. **Condition:** Physical barrier separation implemented to separate strobes as remodel progresses.

Name	Vo	Vote	
	Yes	No	
Logan Cook	\boxtimes		
John Crisp			
Harold Davidson	×		
Todd Hite	\boxtimes		
Scott Miller	\boxtimes		
James Murua	×		
Scott Pannicke	×		
Michael Patarino			
Michael Popich	×		
David Porter			
Kenneth Wagner	⊠		
Michael Zehner	×		

iv. **23-09-27 Wesley Place Apartments (Indianapolis)** – Logan Cook recused. Request to allow sanitation piping to be uninsulated in unheated parking garage. **Motion:** deny.

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Logan Cook (R)		
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	\boxtimes	
Todd Hite	\boxtimes	
Scott Miller	\boxtimes	
James Murua	\boxtimes	
Scott Pannicke	⊠	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich	\boxtimes	
David Porter	☒	
Kenneth Wagner	☒	
Michael Zehner	×	

v. **23-09-28(a)(b) River Village Cabins – Phase 2 (Brookston)** – Logan Cook recused. Requesting not to use fire dampers where partitions are penetrated, no 13 or 13R system. Requesting to use a 13-D system in lieu of 13 or 13R.

Name	Vo	te
	Yes	No
Logan Cook (R)		
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	×	
Todd Hite	\boxtimes	
Scott Miller	\boxtimes	
James Murua		
Scott Pannicke	\boxtimes	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich	\boxtimes	
David Porter	\boxtimes	
Kenneth Wagner	\boxtimes	
Michael Zehner	\boxtimes	

vi. 23-09-29(a)(b) Greencroft Healthcare Remodel (Goshen) – Requesting grab bars in new and renovated patient rooms to use a non-code-compliant version that clips. Derek from RTM presented.

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Logan Cook	\boxtimes	
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	\boxtimes	
Todd Hite	\boxtimes	
Scott Miller	\boxtimes	
James Murua	\boxtimes	
Scott Pannicke	\boxtimes	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich	\boxtimes	
David Porter	\boxtimes	
Kenneth Wagner	\boxtimes	
Michael Zehner	\boxtimes	

vii. **23-09-30 201 West Carmel Drive Building Conversion (Carmel)** – Ed Rensink. Chapter 34 conversion. Requesting scores of 1, 1, -1. Converted from a warehouse into various-use sport center.

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Logan Cook	\boxtimes	
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	\boxtimes	

Todd Hite	×	
Scott Miller	\boxtimes	
James Murua	\boxtimes	
Scott Pannicke	\boxtimes	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich	\boxtimes	
David Porter		
Kenneth Wagner	\boxtimes	
Michael Zehner	\boxtimes	

viii. 23-09-31 Syracuse ES Early Learning Infant-Toddler Room (Syracuse) – Requesting single means of egress in infant room for 8 children. Condition: Room remains an infant room and variance becomes void if use or occupancy changes.

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Logan Cook	\boxtimes	
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	\boxtimes	
Todd Hite	\boxtimes	
Scott Miller	\boxtimes	
James Murua	\boxtimes	
Scott Pannicke	\boxtimes	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich		\boxtimes
David Porter	☒	
Kenneth Wagner	\boxtimes	
Michael Zehner		

ix. **23-09-32 Walmart 5443 (Indianapolis)** – Hannah Murray presented. Using proprietary sprinkler system.

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Logan Cook	\boxtimes	
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	\boxtimes	
Todd Hite	\boxtimes	
Scott Miller	\boxtimes	
James Murua	\boxtimes	
Scott Pannicke	\boxtimes	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich		

David Porter	\boxtimes	
Kenneth Wagner	\boxtimes	
Michael Zehner	\boxtimes	

Commission broke for lunch from 12:16 – 1:00pm.

x. 23-09-33 Rose Wall Manufacturing (Greenfield) – Brad Prosell, owner, presented. Ruesting not to have a fire hydrant in 400 feet. Would require running fire hose across US 40, \$60-70k. Total project cost is \$120k. Fire hydrant 800 feet away. Fire department notes that they cannot use the 800 foot fire hydrant due to cul de sac. Condition: installation of dry hydrant per fire department specifications.

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Logan Cook	\boxtimes	
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	\boxtimes	
Todd Hite	\boxtimes	
Scott Miller	\boxtimes	
James Murua	\boxtimes	
Scott Pannicke	\boxtimes	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich	⊠	
David Porter	⊠	
Kenneth Wagner	\boxtimes	
Michael Zehner		

xi. 23-09-34 Hartford City Public Library (Hartford City) -- Dustin George presented. ADA accessibility issue. Walkway over butterfly garden does not meet accessibility requirements. Would require doubling footing by widening walkway which would double the cost of the project (\$20k-40k). NVR as Commission does not have jurisdiction. Tabled while alternate designs are explored.

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Logan Cook	\boxtimes	
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	\boxtimes	

Todd Hite		
Scott Miller	\boxtimes	
James Murua	\boxtimes	
Scott Pannicke	\boxtimes	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich	\boxtimes	
David Porter	\boxtimes	
Kenneth Wagner	\boxtimes	
Michael Zehner	\boxtimes	

xii. 23-09-35(a)(b) New Hope Wesleyan Church (Corydon) – Not require fire suppression in A/B occupancy over 300 occupants and one-hour fire barrier instead of two-hours. Will install fire suppression system in 3-5 years. Willing to install fire alarm to mitigate some concerns. Fire department is directly across the street. Condition: Posted occupancy within sanctuary does not exceed 299, NFPA 72 2010 Edition Fire Alarm System.

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Logan Cook	\boxtimes	
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	\boxtimes	
Todd Hite	\boxtimes	
Scott Miller	☒	
James Murua	\boxtimes	
Scott Pannicke	\boxtimes	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich	\boxtimes	
David Porter	\boxtimes	
Kenneth Wagner	\boxtimes	
Michael Zehner	×	

10. Industrialized Building Systems Renewals

- i. T.R. Arnold & Associates
- ii. Hilborn, Werner, Carter, & Associates

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Logan Cook	\boxtimes	
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	\boxtimes	

Todd Hite	\boxtimes	
Scott Miller	\boxtimes	
James Murua	\boxtimes	
Scott Pannicke	\boxtimes	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich	\boxtimes	
David Porter	\boxtimes	
Kenneth Wagner	⊠	
Michael Zehner		

11. Report on Administrative Review

- a. OALP Non-Final Orders Commission Review/Action Required as Ultimate Authority
 - i. Non-final Order of Dismissal Singh Basra

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Logan Cook	\boxtimes	
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	\boxtimes	
Todd Hite		
Scott Miller	\boxtimes	
James Murua	\boxtimes	
Scott Pannicke	\boxtimes	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich	\boxtimes	
David Porter		
Kenneth Wagner	\boxtimes	
Michael Zehner		

ii. Non-final Order of Dismissal - Southlake/Tri-City RBA Corporation

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Logan Cook	\boxtimes	
John Crisp		
Harold Davidson	\boxtimes	
Todd Hite	\boxtimes	
Scott Miller	\boxtimes	
James Murua	\boxtimes	

Scott Pannicke	\boxtimes	
Michael Patarino		
Michael Popich	\boxtimes	
David Porter	\boxtimes	
Kenneth Wagner	X	
Michael Zehner	\boxtimes	

- b. New Cases
 - i. Firebrand Ministries
- c. Ongoing Cases
 - i. Scannell Properties *Monitoring Only*
 - ii. Lone Star Equities Inc. c/o JRB Management
 - iii. The Paramount Heritage Foundation, Inc.
- d. New Filings Commission Review/Action Required
 - i. None
- e. OALP Final Orders No action required.
 - i. Mesker Park Zoo and Botanic Gardens
- 12. Final Comments/Closing Remarks Chairman Murua
- 13. Next Meeting Wednesday, November 8, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. Eastern Time in CONFERENCE ROOM C of the Indiana Government Center, 302 W. Washington Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204. Virtual meeting details TBA.

A public notice with specific details regarding the format of the meeting will be provided on the <u>Commission main web page</u> in advance of the meeting date.

14. Adjournment