



FIRE CODE UPDATE COMMITTEE

Minutes for the August 16, 2024 Meeting.

Name	Present		Means of Participation
	Yes	No	
Joshua Frost	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
Andrew Gorgol	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
Derek Holman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
James Murua	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
Shelly Wakefield	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person

MEETING DETAILS

Date: August 16, 2024

Time: 9:00pm

Location: Indiana Government Center South, Conference Room B

1. Call to Order

Chairman Murua called the meeting to order at 1:01pm.

2. Roll Call

A roll call was taken to determine member participation. A quorum was met. See above for details regarding attendees and means of participation.

3. Review of July Minutes

Committee **approved** minutes without corrections. Correct meeting date. **Approved.**

4. Review of Code Change Proposals and Fiscal Impact

- i. 234 – 101.2 – Scope – Tabled.
- ii. **341 – 316.6.2 – Outdoor Storage** – Mr. Gulley presented to answer questions concerning easements. IC 32-23 covers easements in Indiana. Mr. Murua believes that, since property owners are submitting plans, this amendment may not be

necessary. Amend to “granted and approved.” **Approved as amended.**

- iii. 329 – 319.3.11 – Performance-based Design Alternative – **CHECK RECORDING.**
- iv. **331 – 320.4.2.1 – Technical Opinion and Report** – Indiana does not require permits. Attempts to eliminate the word. Substantial discussion was had on the nature and substance of “reports.” **Approved.**
- v. **332 – 323.1 – Scope** – Alters code requirements for horse racing stables. Only four or five racing courses in Indiana, but many other equestrian events such as horse pulls, show jumping, etc. 34,000 equine facilities that house 160,000+ horses for \$4.6B in assets and revenue of \$92M. Substantial discussion was had on what constitutes an equestrian facility and which agricultural uses would be exempted, as well as the recent statute concerning overnight boarding facilities for dogs and cats would apply. Withdrawn.
- vi. **231 – 323.3 – Definitions** – Withdrawn.
- vii. **337 – 323.3 – Facility Management Responsibilities** – Withdrawn.
- viii. **349 – 323.5 – Open Burning** – Withdrawn.
- ix. **350 -323.6 – Smoking** – Withdrawn.
- x. **354 – Section 510 – Emergency Responder Communications Enhancement Systems** – Withdrawn.
- xi. **413 – Section 510 – Emergency Responder Communications Enhancement Systems** – Substantial discussion was had on balancing the uncertainty of project costs that cannot be calculated until 80% completion with shifting the burden onto taxpayers in for-profit businesses. Additional discussion was had on new technological systems using wifi/cellular systems that might be able to solve the problem addressed for a lower cost than traditional radio systems. **Tabled.**
- xii. 278 – 510.1 – Emergency Responder Communications Enhancement Systems in New Buildings – **Tabled.**
- xiii. **277 – 510.2 -Emergency Responder Communications Enhancement System in Existing Buildings** – **Tabled.**
- xiv. **402 – 907.2.1.1 – System Initiation in Group A Occupancies with an Occupant Load of 1,000 or More** – Withdrawn.
- xv. **405 – 907.2.3 – Group E** – Withdrawn.
- xvi. **403 – 917 – Mass Notification Systems** – Withdrawn.

- xvii. **352 – Section 1103 – Fire Safety Requirements for Existing Buildings – Tabled.**
- xviii. **393 – 3206.9 – Fire Department Hose Connections – Withdrawn.**
- xix. **414 – 3206.9.1 – Hose Connections at Access Doors – Withdrawn.**

5. Other Committee Business

No other committee business was brought forward.

6. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Indiana Fire Code Update Committee shall take place on **Wednesday, September 11 at 1:00pm**. The meeting will be held in the **Indiana Government Center South** in **Conference Room 17**. The meeting will also be streamed live via Microsoft Teams.

Public notice and virtual/electronic meeting access details will be provided on the [Committee's Web Page](#) in advance of the meeting.

7. Closing Comments and Adjournment

Chairman Murua adjourned the meeting at 3:50pm.