

MINUTES

2018 International Residential Code Task Force

Third Meeting
February 21, 2018
10:00 A.M.

WELCOME

Tracy Hester, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:04 A.M. by welcoming and introducing Task Force members, Department of Community Affairs (DCA) staff and all guests.

REVISIT ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- The task force decided to revise Figures R403.3(1) and R403.3(3) to remove Horizontal and Vertical Wall Insulation from the Insulation Details. Ryan Taylor will revise and bring to the next meeting. (see Formal Motions)
- Tim Williams presented revised amendments to the task force regarding Figure R507.5(1), R507.9.1.3 and Figure R507.9.2(2) An amendment to R507.9.2 was withdrawn. (see Formal Motions)
- The Figures on deck attachment were reviewed again, especially regarding flashing, and a motion was made to amend all three illustrations on pages 171 and 172 of the 2018 IRC. Ryan Taylor will bring these revised Figures to the next meeting for review. (see Formal Motions)
- A presentation was made to the task force by Randy Nicklas, Icynene Senior Engineer, regarding R806.5 Unvented attic and unvented enclosed rafter assemblies. Specifically, a new Item 5.2 in the 2018 IRC, pertaining to a *vapor diffusion port*. After hearing testimony and recommendation from the industry, the task force voted to delete Item 5.2. (see Formal Motions)

CHAPTER REVIEW ASSIGNMENTS

- Neal Davis led the discussion of the team report for Chapters 12-24 and highlighted significant changes for the task force members to assist in their review.
- The task force voted to approve chapters 12 and 13, carrying forward the existing amendment to M1301.2 Identification. (see Formal Motions)
- The task force voted to approve chapters 14 and 15 with no amendments. There was some discussion of M1502.4.6 Length identification, but no action was taken. (see Formal Motions)
- Review of Chapter 16 brought a motion to carry forward the existing amendment to M1601.1 Above-ground duct systems and add Item 8 from the 2018 IRC to our existing amendment. (see Formal Motions)
- Review of Chapter 17 and 18 brought a motion to approve both chapters with no amendments. (see Formal Motions)
- A current Georgia amendment to Chapter 19 was carried forward in the chapter review. (see Formal Motions)

- There were motions to approve chapters 20-23 with no amendments. (see Formal Motions)
- The review of Chapter 24 included the review of existing Georgia amendments as well as testimony by Andrea Papageorge on behalf of the amendments submitted to this chapter. There were numerous motions to carry forward existing amendments and the chapter was approved with the proposed amendments. (see Formal Motions)
- Josh Roth led the review of the Appendices. There was some discussion of the use of Appendix J as it related to the discussion going on in the IBC review. Josh deferred discussion of the Tiny Houses Appendix to Ryan Taylor. After much discussion, it was decided that DCA staff would review the Tiny Houses Appendix and present the best method for bringing forward the intent and amendments contained in our current Appendix S 'Tiny Houses'.
- Josh Roth said he would review the current Georgia amendment to Chapter 44 'Referenced Standards' and provide recommendations for the next meeting. Both Josh and DCA staff will review the current GA Disaster Resilient Appendix and present recommendations at the next meeting.

LUNCH BREAK. The task force broke for lunch (11:45 P.M.-12:20 P.M.)

FORMAL MOTIONS

- *A motion was made by Josh Roth and seconded by Stanley Richardson to approve the minutes from the Janaury 31st task force meeting. Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Ryan Taylor and seconded by Neal Davis to revise the Insulation Details on Figure R403.3(1) and R403.3(3) to remove the Horizontal and Vertical Wall Insulation from the detail. Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Neal Davis and seconded by Joe Griggs to add a detail, Corner Beam Over Post, to Figure R507.5.1(1). Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Tim Williams and seconded by Stanley Richardson to revise R507.9.1.3 to add language "or other approved fastener" and revise Figure R507.9.2(2) to add new language "and offset" in the Note box. Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Ryan Taylor and seconded by Neal Davis to amend Figures R507.9.1.3(2), R507.9.2(1), and R507.9.2(2) and bring back to the next task force meeting for a final vote. Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Josh Roth and seconded by Neal Davis to delete R806.5, Item 5.2 without substitution. Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Neal Davis and seconded by Stanley Richardson to disapprove the amendment submitted to Section R301 to add section R301.1.4. Motion Carried with Josh Roth opposed.*
- *A motion was made by Tim Williams and seconded by Josh Roth to approve the proposed amendment, R807.1.1 Attic service access, with the approved language revisions made by the task force. Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Tim Williams and seconded by Josh Roth to disapprove the amendment submitted to Section R905.2.8.3. Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Josh Roth and seconded by Neal Davis to approve Chapters 12 and 13 and carry forward the current Georgia amendment to M1301.2 Identification. Motion Carried Unanimously.*

- *A motion was made by Neal Davis and seconded by Joe Griggs to approve Chapters 14 and 15 with no amendments. Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Josh Roth and seconded by Ryan Taylor to carry forward the existing Georgia amendment to M1601.1.1 Above-ground duct systems with a revision to add a new Item 8. Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Tim Williams and seconded by Josh Roth to approve Chapter 16 with one amendment. Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Neal Davis and seconded by Joe Griggs to approve Chapters 17 and 18 with no amendments. Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Josh Roth and seconded by Ryan Taylor to carry forward the current Georgia amendment that would add an exception to M1901.2 and approve Chapter 19. Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *Motions were made by Neal Davis and seconded by Joe Griggs to approve Chapters 20, 21, and 22 with no amendments. Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Neal Davis and seconded by Josh Roth to approve Chapter 23 with no amendments. Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Josh Roth and seconded by Joe Griggs to disapprove the amendment to revise the definition for 'Point of Delivery'. Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Josh Roth and seconded by Tim Williams to carry forward existing Georgia amendment to G2415.6 (404.6) 'Piping through foundation wall'. Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Tim Williams and seconded by Josh Roth to revise the language in Section G2415.7.1 (404.7.1) 'Piping through bored holes or notches'. Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Tim Williams and seconded by Josh Roth to delete Section G2415.7.2 (404.7.2) 'Piping installed in other locations' without substitution. Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Josh Roth and seconded by Joe Griggs to approve the amendment submitted to delete Section G2415.11.1 (404.11.1) 'Galvanizing' without substitution. Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Josh Roth and seconded by Joe Griggs to approve the amendment to revise Section G2415.18 (404.18) 'Pipe cleaning'. Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Tim Williams and seconded by Neal Davis to bring forward the current Georgia amendment to G2420.2.1 (409.2.1). Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Josh Roth and seconded by Tim Williams to bring forward the current Georgia amendment to G2420.5.4 (409.5.4) 'Appliance valves'. Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Josh Roth and seconded by Joe Griggs to bring forward the existing Georgia amendment to G2423.1 (413.1) 'General'. Motion Carried Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Tim Williams and seconded by Stanley Richardson to approve Chapter 24 with the proposed amendments. Motion Carried Unanimously.*

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TESTIMONY

- Joel Rodriguez and Elaine Powers provided testimony in support of the amendment to R301 requiring contractors and subcontractors to be licensed. Elaine represented the other industry proponents of this amendment. Bettie Sleeth testified that HBAG supports licensing, but did not support the proposed amendment. Task force took position that licensing requirements reside with Secretary of State and voted to disapprove. (see Formal Motions)

- Joel Rodriguez and Elaine Powers both provided testimony in support of an amendment to add Section R807.1.1 Attic service access. They highlighted inspection and servicing issues and the fact that this was a past Georgia Amendment to the 2006 IRC. The task force was in favor of the amendment with revised language. (see Formal Motions)
- Larry Park was unable to attend the meeting in order to testify on behalf of the amendment submitted to R905.2.8.3 Sidewall flashing. Matt McConnell read an email that was sent by Larry Park as further justification for the amendment and Joe Griggs added comment on Mr. Park's behalf. The task force voted to disapprove the amendment. (see Formal Motions)
- Ron Anderson asked the task force to consider or review the definition of a sleeping room. Although an amendment was not submitted, he wanted the task force to consider adding a definition or clarification.
- Andrea Papageorge provided testimony on behalf of her amendments to Section 2403 (202) General Definitions. The amendment to revise the definition for 'Point of Delivery' was disapproved and the definitions for 'Service Meter Assembly', 'Service Shutoff', and 'System Shutoff' were disapproved, having received no motion from the task force. (see Formal Motions)
- Andrea Papageorge provided testimony on behalf of her amendments to Section G2407.13 (304.13) and G2413.2 (402.2). Both amendments were disapproved, having received no motion from the task force.
- Andrea Papageorge supported her amendment to bring forward the current Georgia amendment to G2415.6 (404.6) 'Piping through foundation wall' and the task force agreed to bring it forward. (see Formal Motions)
- Andrea Papageorge explained how her amendment to G2415.11.1 (404.11.1) was carrying forward the intent of a previous Georgia amendment to account for the Section changing in the 2018 IRC. It was approved by the task force. (see Formal Motions)
- Andrea Papageorge provided testimony in support of her amendment to revise Section G2415.18 (404.18) and it was approved by the task force. (see Formal Motions)
- Andrea Papageorge provided testimony in support for her amendment submitted to revise Section G2420.2 (409.2) 'Meter Valve' to add the language 'service shutoff valve'. The amendment died for lack of a motion from the task force.
- Andrea Papageorge withdrew her amendments to G2420.2.1 (409.2.1) and G2420.5.4 (409.5.4) as the task force voted to bring forward the current Georgia amendments to this section. (see Formal Motions)
- Andrea Papageorge testified in support of carrying forward the existing Georgia amendment to section G2423.1 (413.1) and the task force voted to bring the existing amendment forward. (see Formal Motions)
- Andrea Papageorge provided testimony in support of her amendment to Appendix D, but the amendment was disapproved, having received no motion from the task force.

CONCLUSION OF MEETING

- Chairman Hester announced the March 14, 2018 meeting is cancelled and the final scheduled meeting will be March 29, 2018. The meeting adjourned at 4:42 P.M.

Task Force Members Present: Tracy Hester, Tim Williams, Josh Roth, Ryan Taylor, Neal Davis, Stanley Richardson and Joe Griggs

Staff Members Present: Ted Miltiades, Bill Towson, Matt McConnell and Kadedra Caldwell

Guests: Bettie Sleeth, (HBAG); Doug Maples, City of Atlanta; Billy Guinade, PHCC of GA; Craig Dickerson, DeckSource; Elaine Powers, (CAAG); Andrea Papageorge, Southern Company Gas / AGL; Randy Nicklas, Icynene; Keith Jolley, Icynene; Phil Brown, Compton Sales –Icynene; Ron Anderson, GPTA Inc.; Joel Rodriguez; (MAIA)

End of Minutes.

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