

**Minutes of the April 4, 2006 Meeting  
Of The  
Redwood Empire Association of Code Officials**

1. Call to order

President Doug Williams (Rincon Valley Fire) called the meeting to order at 12:05 pm at the County's Emergency Operations Center (EOC), Santa Rosa.

2. Self Introductions

President Williams welcomed the attendees (plus the guest speakers) and called for self-introductions.

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve Minutes for February 2006 meeting. Motion Seconded.  
Approved by voice vote (all ayes).

4. Officers and Committee Reports

a. Treasurer

Steve Pantazes had no report today.

b. Secretary

Received only 6 responses to the inquiry of additional training offered by ICC and which ones would REACO be interested in. 4 responses requested Legacy Series classes, transitioning from UBC to ICC. 2 votes on Special Topics, which include ICC structural. As a part of the Legacy Series, Glenn Schainblatt at last meeting suggested IFC transition which would be co-sponsored by FPO's.

c. Vice President

Reminder to everyone to update e-mails with officers. Check REACO website listing. Larry Jones volunteered to take notes at subcommittee of Building Standards Commission and will report back at next meeting.

d. President

Reminder of upcoming meetings, May at North Coast Builders Exchange with Keith Woods. June and July meeting is combined to June 21 with Fire Prevention Officers in Petaluma. Day long work shop, but can revolve around our schedule with Ruben Grijalva (State Fire Marshal and acting Director of Department of

Forestry) before lunch and Kate Darget (Assistant State Fire Marshal) after lunch. Workshop is on Wildland Urban Interface. Whole day program is \$30, but lunch program is \$20. Will be going to Washington DC with Fire Code Council, interesting topics include question of where does Fire Code, Building Code start and stop with respect to International Residential Code. Earliest Building Code to be through CBSC would be spring of 2007 with 180 day adoption cycle, places it easily in 2008, but perhaps 2009 more likely. John La Torra our liason with ICC has encouraged our group to participate in various things ICC has to offer, such as the Code Forum in Sacramento recently held. He is trying to put together an education meeting, which would take place May 18, 2006, in Santa Cruz, 11am to 2:30. Propose to Chapter that Sal Lucido (The Phillips Group) and Glenn Schainblatt (City of Sebastopol) participate and have the Chapter sponsor them. Sal mentioned that TPG will have a presence and will attend without any cost to the Chapter. Asked for a motion to send Glenn to the education meeting. (see new Business)

e. Executive Committee

No report

5. Correspondence and Announcements

Sal Lucido said that Lin Olness was diagnosed with brain cancer that was more widespread than initially thought. Lin has moved to Arizona to begin treatments with his wife and daughter. Sal asked for any words of encouragement to be sent to [lin@mac.com](mailto:lin@mac.com) or contact his daughter Sine (pronounced "see-na") at (650) 863-0715. Lin may also be contacted at:

Franklin "Lin" Olness  
5202 East Cortland Blvd. #205  
Flagstaff, AZ, 86004  
(707) 478- 6280 (cell)

Chris Warrick (Mendocino County) announced the Annual Business Meeting of County Building Officials Association of California (CBOAC) will be held in San Francisco at the Argonaut Hotel, April 30 – May 5. Contact Chris for information or invitation.

6. Legislative News

None

7. Code Issues

Guy Bachelis asked about PG&E weatherization, tightening up of residences and the effect on effectively stopping infiltration of air, what happens with wall furnaces and kitchen exhaust fans? Will kitchen exhaust draw backflow from furnace flue? Discussion resulted in no concern due to buildings not built so tight as to prevent

negative pressure in gravity “B” vents. Doug Williams suggested getting a carbon monoxide alarm in any event.

8. New Business

Doug Williams suggested a motion to send Glenn Schainblatt to Santa Cruz for ICC education meeting. Motion was made by Mike Enright (City of Santa Rosa) to authorize expenses up to \$250 to send Glenn to the education meeting. Motion was seconded. Vote was unanimously approved (all ayes).

9. Old Business

No comments

10. Program

Doug Williams prefaced the presentation indicating that the reason we are at the County EOC is partly due to the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Great SF Quake and the importance of the work we all do. Bud Malmanis gave a brief presentation with photos of Santa Rosa before and after the quake. Chris Helgren (Sonoma County DES) gave presentation outlining how the EOC functions internally and externally with other jurisdictions. Reviewed Standard Emergence Management System (SEMS) and Emergency Operations Plan. EOP is a multi-hazard plan that can be implemented no matter what the event. When EOC is activated and de-activated. Presentation followed by a guided tour of the EOC. Since 1995, Sonoma County has had 12 EOC activations.

11. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by DeWayne Starnes