



VPMIA Board of
Directors Meeting
April 24th, 2020

Anthony V. McMahan
Secretary, VPMIA

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- School of Instruction (VA. Beach/March 31 – April 2, 2021)
- Easter is April 4, 2021

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Treasurer's Report

4/24/2020



Checking Account – \$59,928.50
Credit Card Balances - \$0

***All Spring SOI registration refunds have been issued except for one.**

***BookItNow was paid their full \$1100.00 fee for services related to the cancelled 2020 SOI.**

***Jefferson Engraving has been paid \$1005.95 for the awards. The awards were to be presented at the cancelled 2020 SOI.**

***VPMIA/VBCOA joint contractor training in December and January profited \$539.28.**

***Received \$10,000 stipend from DHCD for the ICC Conference in Las Vegas.**

***\$12,168.56 is the final cost of all scholarships awarded to members for the ICC Conference/Code Hearings in Las Vegas.**

***Total membership dues received since 9/28/2020 are \$9,540.**

Dennis Hart
Treasurer, VPMIA

From: Executives Secretary's Report

Date: 4/21/20

Reference: April 24, 2020 BOD Meeting

To: Anthony McMahon, VPMIA Secretary

The Following is a report of Membership and 2020 Dues.

Active Membership List-----300

Lifetime Members-----27

Honorary Members-----4

Retired Members-----3

Retired Members Paid Dues-----3

Members Not Paid 2020 Dues-----123

Active Members Paid 2020 Dues-----177

Associate Membership List-----38

Lifetime Members-----12

Members Not Paid 2020 Dues-----18

Associate Members Paid 2020 Dues-----20

New Active Members:

1. Aliza Barbour – Training and Development Coordinator with DHCD
2. Brian Hildebrant – Codes and Regulations Specialist with DHCD
3. Thomas King – Codes and Regulations Specialist with DHCD
4. Five Members from the City of Roanoke. No application provided

New Associate Members:

If anyone has any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me at work # 703-228-3854, cell # 571-220-9856, or email cmmartin@arlingtonva.us

Thank You

Christopher M. Martin

VPMIA Executive Secretary

ICC [Government Relations](#) Chapter Monthly Update – April 2020

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A NOTE TO CHAPTERS AND MEMBERS from Sara Yerkes, Senior Vice President, ICC Gov't. Relations

This is a time like no other. Emergency declarations from the President and from Governors and local jurisdictions show no state is being spared from the COVID-19 pandemic. We at ICC Government Relations are proud of the public service you perform at all times as “first preventers,” and even more so now as you encounter challenges of this crisis. The GR staff has been conducting a [survey to chronicle how code officials are adapting](#) to this “new normal” and how innovations are shaping best practices to protect code officials while they work in the field. We will be conducting follow up surveys because your input is vital to our ability to obtain more assistance to your offices and communities. The Code Council’s staff is working in home offices to assist you and to provide you with the services you need. While we are limited to “essential travel,” we can help you with electronic services for [training, testing and certification](#), [product evaluation reports](#), [electronic code resources like premiumACCESS](#), [online plan review](#), code updating and field [documentation services](#). As we move forward, please know that we will do our best to keep you *informed* and *supported*.

Sara C. Yerkes

Code Council offices are closed but ICC staff staying on top of evolving issues in states and D.C.

The International Code Council has closed all of its office locations in response to the COVID-19 pandemic until at least April 30, but the organization is continuing many of its functions and deliverables, including the creation of the [Coronavirus Response Center on the ICC website](#). The Code Council is closely tracking and compiling information from the Code Council, governments, and building and fire prevention departments around the world. We highlight relevant virtual products, solutions, services and best practices to support business continuity for the building safety community. Here are the latest updates from the Code Council, including deadline extensions and other service updates:

- We have extended the [2020 Code Council Chapter Annual Report deadline to April 15](#).
- We have [extended award nominations](#) to May 1.
- We are [extending all currently active membership accounts](#) due to terminate in March, April or May, through June 1, 2020.
- The application filing deadline for the [Emory R. Rodgers Leadership in Building Safety Fellowship](#) is extended from April 1 to May 1.
- More than one-fifth of building and fire prevention departments report that remote staff do not have access to hard copy codes. Free-view online versions of the International Codes and additional materials are available through the [Code Council's Digital Codes Library](#). The Code Council offers a premium subscription service, [premiumACCESS](#), for more enhanced features.
- We are [extending the renewal dates of all certifications](#) scheduled to expire between March 1 and August 31, 2020. The new renewal date will be extended to September 1, 2020.

ICC’s warehouse will remain open and operational, and we are still fulfilling publication orders. The Code Council’s infrastructure remains intact telework, and we will continue to provide the majority of our products and services without significant delays or disruptions. Meetings will be conducted virtually, and employees continue to be available via phone and email. While in-person events have been canceled, members may be looking for alternative educational opportunities. The Code Council is working to maximize available options for virtual [training](#) and [assessment](#). Your professional development remains a top priority. Contact us at 888-ICC-SAFE (888-422-7233) ext. 0, or customersuccess@iccsafe.org.

The Code Council’s President and CEO author special letter to ICC Members on ICC efforts to help

Code Council CEO Dominic Sims and ICC Board President Greg Wheeler [issued a joint letter this week to ICC members](#) to let them know ICC’s staff is working hard to make sure code officials remain on a list of federally-recognized “essential” personnel in a national crisis. Events are shaping support measures for code officials, including [a letter to decision makers from Code Council CEO Dominic Sims, CBO](#). This letter is being sent to top federal authorities as well as a copy to state Governors. On March 28, 2020, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security’s Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) updated its [Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce advisory list](#). Building on [guidance published March 19, 2020](#), the government has expanded its advisory list significantly. [Read the list here](#). CISA

stressed the list is advisory in nature and not an all-inclusive federal directive or standard. Jurisdictions should add or subtract essential workforce categories based on their own requirements and discretion.

HOW ARE YOU COPING? Code Council staff issue report on March 22-April 1 national survey

The International Code Council surveyed building and fire departments to learn how code officials are coping with the professional challenges brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic. From March 22 through April 1, 2020, more than 1,150 respondents from all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia provided input. [Respondents came from jurisdictions](#) of all sizes ranging from 1,000 people to over 4.6 million. Although the U.S. Department of Homeland Security [has determined](#) the work of building and fire prevention departments to be essential to the nation's response to the coronavirus pandemic—and no state has made a contrary determination—6 in 10 survey respondents did not have the capability to remotely carry out critical aspects of their work. The Code Council's Washington, D.C., staff have stayed on top of the recently passed legislation addressing the COVID-19 crisis as it applies to state and local government needs, the Code Council staff has also urged the U.S. Congress to allocate support specifically for code department remote capabilities as part of a fourth coronavirus response measure Congress is currently considering. [Read more on the code officials survey by clicking here.](#)

CANCELLED: The June 8-10 ICC Chapter Leadership Academy in Denver removed from schedule

The popular annual ICC Chapter Leadership Academy has been cancelled. It was to be held at the Crowne Plaza in downtown Denver, Colo. Chapters may still use their benefit to finance one person (the Chapter President or designee) to the 2020 ICC Annual Conference in October in St. Louis.

Call for Committees 2021-2022 Code Development Cycle application deadline is June 1

[Applications are being accepted until June 1](#) for the following Committees. [Download applications here.](#)

- 2021/2022 Code Committees – responsible for the review and evaluation of code change proposals submitted to the 2021 I-Codes.
- 2021/2022/2023 Code Interpretation Committees – provide technical support for adopting jurisdictions by processing official interpretations for the I-Codes.
- 2021/2022/2023 Code Correlation Committee – responsible for evaluating matters of consistency, coordination and format in the I-Codes.

The 2021/2022 Code Development Schedule is now available. [View here.](#)

Take a few minutes to share your experiences and best practices working during the global pandemic

The coronavirus pandemic presents unique challenges to the public safety communities, and the Code Council's staff hopes you'll take a few minutes to answer our online survey which will grow in usefulness to your profession and your office's effectiveness. Identities will be kept confidential. The Code Council is compiling examples of how building departments and jurisdictions are responding to the pandemic. As your member association, we can help you weather this crisis and connect with others around the world dealing with the same problems and concerns. [You can take the online survey here.](#)

Building departments considering virtual permitting and inspections strategies to adapt to challenges

Departments are conducting inspections with only inspectors present, or with all parties maintaining the [CDC's recommended six feet of separation](#). In some cases, inspection practices have not been altered. In other instances, [states have sought to expand the pool of eligible inspectors/plan reviewers](#) by permitting inspection and plan review beyond the scope of work for a code certification in certain instances. Many departments have utilized virtual inspection, which are conducted between a contractor and an inspector by using a video call on a smart phone or tablet using FaceTime, Skype, GoogleDuo, etc. These options require internet, cell phones, and the adoption of appropriate technology resources. Here is a sample of jurisdictions and how they're meeting challenges:

- [Arlington County, Virginia](#)
- [City of Austin, Texas](#)
- [North Carolina Code Officials Qualification Board](#)
- [North Carolina Department of Insurance](#)
- [North Las Vegas](#)

- [Los Angeles County Video Inspection Process](#) and [Inspection Guide for PV Systems For One- and Two-Family Dwellings](#)
- [Metro Nashville's fast-track for tornado rebuilding permits](#)

If you are considering a switch to virtual permitting and inspections, we can help you. The Code Council offers a highly configurable web-based software solution for building and code enforcement officials called [Municipity](#). This software includes permitting, inspection management, mobile inspection, and public access to the permitting and scheduling process. [Find out more.](#)

NFPA shares fact sheet to guide code officials on to conduct a remote video inspection (RVI)

As code officials, enforcers, and inspectors work to ensure building safety during the COVID-19 pandemic, the [National Fire Protection Association](#) (NFPA) has created a fact sheet that provides guidance on how to conduct a remote video inspection (RVI), enabling one or more parties to remotely perform an inspection of a building or building component. It's one of the areas that the International Code Council, NFPA and American Society for Testing and Materials are collaborating on to help code officials, said Karl Fippinger, ICC Vice President, Fire and Disaster Mitigation. [Read more here.](#)

Code Council offers toolkit to help communities celebrate May's 40th annual Building Safety Month

As we look forward to celebrating the 40th annual [Building Safety Month](#), we understand that your chapter's engagement in this public awareness campaign will be executed differently this year. Below are resources your chapter can download free and use to promote building safety in your community. Use the Code Council's [Campaign Toolkit](#) to put together virtual materials including:

- [Chapter proclamation](#): Proclamations help increase awareness within your community. Proclamations from the mayor, commissioner or governor also help to gain even more recognition and local support for the campaign.
- [Press release](#): Inform your communities and elected officials about Building Safety Month and the important role you play in the safety of your community through a press release to local media. You can also post the press release on your website and social media.
- [Letter to the editor](#): Draft a letter to the editor to promote your department and the important role you play in the community through local newspapers. Send it in early April to your newspaper's editorial page editor.
- [Social media campaign](#): Spread the word about Building Safety Month, the importance of building safety and the role of the code official by engaging with your followers on social media. Use the official Building Safety Month hashtag **#BuildingSafety365** on all your posts.

Engage with your community by sending free downloadable resources from ICC's [Safety Toolkit](#). Help parents educate children on building safety at home by sending the free downloadable materials from the [Kids Corner](#) including the [Coloring Book](#) and [Activity Book](#). The BSM poster is also [available for free download](#) and digital use. If you have questions, call our ICC Call Center 888-422-7233 and press 0, or email chapters@iccsafe.org.

Administration issues order to allow non-hospital buildings to be used for patients during pandemic

The Trump Administration is using its authority under the Social Security Act to waive requirements under the Medicare Conditions of Participation and permit certain non-hospital buildings to be used for patient care and quarantine sites as a response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The blanket waivers are in effect until the end of the federal emergency declaration, and made retroactive to March 1, 2020. According to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), the "CMS will permit non-hospital buildings/space to be used for patient care and quarantine sites, provided that the location is approved by the state (ensuring that safety and comfort for patients and staff are sufficiently addressed) and so long as it is not inconsistent with a state's emergency preparedness or pandemic plan. This allows for increased capacity and promotes appropriate cohorting of COVID-19 patients." [Read more here.](#)

NIBS moves 2020 Building Innovation Conference from April to August in Arlington, Va.

The leadership of the [National Institute of Building Sciences](#) has made the decision to move the Building Innovation Conference, scheduled for April 6-9, to [August 16-19 at the Renaissance Arlington Capital View Hotel](#) in Arlington, Va. This change was related to COVID-19. [Click for registration information.](#)

No-cost access to standards for personal protective equipment made available by ASTM International
 ASTM International is providing no-cost public access to important ASTM standards used in the production and testing of personal protective equipment - including face masks, medical gowns, gloves, and hand sanitizers - to support manufacturers, test labs, health care professionals, and the general public as they respond to the global COVID-19 public health emergency. Visit www.astm.org/COVID-19 to access the standards. ASTM International is also relying on online communications [to continue task groups and subcommittees](#) to continue standards work, including crucial after-ballot discussions, without meeting in person. [Read more about meetings.](#)

NFIP Technical Bulletins 1 & 5: Out with the old, in with the newly updated bulletins from FEMA

For the first time in more than 10 years, FEMA has updated **The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Technical Bulletins** which provide guidance for complying with the NFIP's building performance requirements and are designed to help state and local officials interpret the NFIP Regulations. They are also a useful resource and reference for homeowners, insurance agents, building professionals and designers. Two updated Technical Bulletins were just released:

- [Technical Bulletin 1, Requirements for Flood Openings in Foundation Walls and Walls of Enclosures](#) (TB 1) explains the NFIP requirements for flood openings in foundation walls and walls of enclosures below elevated buildings. Flood openings equalize flood forces by allowing the entry and exit of floodwaters. This Technical Bulletin describes two options for satisfying the requirements, referred to as engineered openings and non-engineered openings. In addition to illustrating enclosures that require openings and those that do not, TB 1 covers the requirements and guidance for installation of openings.
- [Technical Bulletin 5, Free-of-Obstruction Requirements](#) (TB 5) provides guidance on the National Flood Insurance Program free-of-obstruction requirement in Coastal High Hazard Areas (Zone V), as well as general construction methods that minimize flood damage potential in Zone V. TB 5 describes methods of avoiding potential building and site obstructions that could divert or obstruct floodwater and waves below elevated buildings which could impose additional flood loads on foundation systems or adjacent buildings.

These updated editions incorporate the latest relevant codes and standards and state-of-the-art guidance and best practices. They were developed with significant stakeholder input to help local officials meet or exceed relevant NFIP requirements. For more information on FEMA's National Flood Insurance Program's Technical Bulletins, visit: <https://www.fema.gov/nfip-technical-bulletins>.

NVFC mount effort to make Congress, HHS aware of challenges to emergency response community

The National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC) is asking Congress and the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to be aware of challenges facing the emergency response community in dealing with the outbreak of COVID-19. On March 2, the NVFC sent a letter to House and Senate appropriators expressing concern that many fire and EMS agencies will require assistance as COVID-19 spreads, and specifically requesting that "...EMS be included as an eligible recipient for funds made available to support the public health system..." The Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act (H.R. 6074) was signed into law on March 6 and provides \$8.3 billion in emergency funding for federal agencies to respond to the coronavirus outbreak. [Click to read more on this effort.](#)

New, free "Digital Solutions for Continuity of Government" webinar is set for April 9 at 1 p.m. Eastern

Solutions from ICC Community Development Solutions enable government organizations to continue to function through calamities and emergencies. Employees can remotely access information and processes that are critical to operations. The "digital citizen" can engage with your organization through eForms and Public Portals. Decision-makers can analyze data and collaborate from home, at the office, in the field. A panel of our in-house experts will discuss the ways communities can benefit from Web Access, Public Portals, eForms, Laserfiche Cloud, Muncipity, and other tools. Join us at 1 p.m. Eastern on Thursday, April 9. Register here: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7483234763128561422>

Code Council's education, testing, certification team expand opportunities during emergency period

The International Code Council is committed to the health, safety and welfare of its members. As the nation continues to respond to COVID-19, ICC staff remain dedicated to upholding that commitment and

helping building safety professionals like you navigate through the developing crisis. We understand this is an unprecedented situation, so we're working to identify flexible solutions to help you with your training, testing, and certification needs. [Learn more by clicking here.](#)

Got Pulse? NTA leader explains NTA's offerings in the ICC family of solutions in Episode #25

In this episode, ICC-ES President [Shahin Moinian](#) and NTA President and CEO [David Tompos](#) share excitement for the expanded offerings that have come with the acquisition of NTA. [Click here to listen.](#)

Upcoming from the [ICC Learning Center](#): Institutes, training, seminars, webinars, etc.

Online learning is available from the ICC Learning Center. Find course listings you'd like to attend in the [Learning Center](#) using the Search function. Single-day training events are an opportunity to focus on topics to ensure your code knowledge stays up to date, with some seminars offering a Virtual Classroom option so you can participate in the event from any location with an internet connection:

- April 7 - [2018 IFC and IBC Hazardous Materials.](#)
- April 8 - [Fire and Connection Design and Special Inspection \(New Mass Timber\).](#)
- April 8 - [2015 IRC Performing Residential Plumbing Inspections.](#)
- April 9 - [2021 IPC Highlights Web Session.](#)
- April 15 - [2018 IPC Essentials.](#)
- April 16 - [Basic Code Enforcement.](#)
- April 23 - [2021 IMC Highlights Web Session.](#)
- May 26 - [Mass Timber Building and the IBC®.](#)
- June 4 - [2018 IECC® Essentials.](#)
- June 9 - [Advanced Legal Aspects of Code Administration.](#)
- June 11 - [Accessibility & Usability: Commercial and Residential.](#)
- July 9 - [2018 IRC Essentials.](#)
- July 21 - [Inspector Skills.](#)
- July 22 - [Basic Code Enforcement .](#)
- July 23 - [2018 IBC Means of Egress.](#)
- August 13 - [Essential Skills for Rising Leaders.](#)
- August 18 - [Effective Communication.](#)
- August 25 - [Mass Timber Building and the IBC®.](#)
- September 1-2 - [Permit Tech Institute.](#)
- September 10 - [Formulating an Effective Code Enforcement Program.](#)
- September 30 - [Millennials in Code Enforcement.](#)
- November 18 - [Essential Skills for Rising Leaders.](#)
- Available daily online, [2015 Permit Technician 14 Study Guide.](#)
- Available daily online, [IRC® Online Study Guide for Residential Building Inspectors B1.](#)



Yearbook Committee Report

April 24, 2019

Mrs. Jane Fitzgerald had just about finished the 2020 Yearbook when all this corona craziness set in. I told her that we were going to stop the process until I had definitive direction from the Board of Directors on how they wanted to proceed.

We have not refunded any of the Ad monies or the Tabletop monies as of yet. If the BOD wishes to go ahead with printing and then mailing these funds should cover 99% of the costs. In return for supporting the Yearbook I suggest we offer our Tabletop vendors an ad our facebook page and a link to their products, sort of a virtual tabletop. If the BOD does not wish to print the Yearbook, I suggest we return all Ad and Tabletop funds, and provide only an electronic copy on our website this year. In either case Jane has done her work so we will have to pay her for her part.

Once the BOD decides how they would like to proceed I will set things in motion and should have things wrapped up in a matter of a couple of weeks.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony V. McMahan, CBO, MCP

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Proposed Bylaws Change

Mr. President,

Per the bylaws:

Article X – Amendment of Bylaws These bylaws may be amended during any membership meeting by a two-thirds majority of Active members present and voting, provided such amendment has been submitted in writing by any member to the Bylaws Chair not less than thirty (30) days in advance of a Board meeting for review and recommendation; and further provided such amendment has been posted on the Association’s website not less than thirty (30) days prior to the membership meeting

I would like to add an agenda topic to the February 28 BOD meeting (new business), if reasonably possible. The topic will be “Active Membership – Proposal to Revise Bylaws.” Please include this email as the discussion intro (something to chew on until the discussion).

The purpose of this proposed change will enable retired governmental members to be considered active members and grant the rights and privileges for such membership.

(from VPMIA – Article III – Section 1 – A)

Active Membership shall be open to governmental employees actively engaged in plumbing, mechanical and fuel gas code enforcement as prescribed in the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code.

Revise to:

(from VBCOA, Region IV – Article IV – Section 1 – A)

Active membership shall be open to employees and retired employees of State or Local governments of the Commonwealth and who are engaged in the administration or enforcement of building related codes. These codes shall include building, electrical, mechanical, and plumbing and legally adopted fire prevention, property maintenance and zoning codes.

This change will allow a retired governmental employee to continue their membership as “Active” if they choose to do so (we could consider the same revision for our retired associate members, Section 1 - B). We would have to consider revisions to the following as well, and consider if we want to continue offering reduced membership to our retired friends:

(from VPMIA – Article III – Section 1)

E. Retired membership is open to Active or Associate members who have retired.

(from the membership form)

I am a former Active or Associate member who is retired.

Right now, the only real benefit a retired membership receives is a reduced annual fee. I think we can still offer that benefit and provide them with active (associate) member rights and privileges. We just need to tweak the bylaws.

Thank you,
Richard Grace, MCP
VPMIA/VBCOA PMG Committee Chairman
703-324-1687



Virginia Plumbing & Mechanical Inspectors Association

Strength through Leadership, Education & Unity

Education Committee Report 4/24/2020

We are still in great need of a Chair for our Education committee. If any of you would like to step into this roll or know anyone who would be willing to fill the roll please let President Clark know. I have agreed to serve in this capacity until we have a permanent Chair.

Training for the 2020 School of Instruction in April have all been canceled. I spoke with all of the instructors and let them know as soon as I could as we were making decisions. None of the cancelations resulted in cancelations fees, and I was able to cancel the ICC workbook order soon enough that it had not yet been placed. All of the instructors indicated that they would be ready to come out and teach when we were ready to have our next event.

VPMA still has an ICC voucher available for a free training session in 2020. ICC has diversified its offerings to provide some virtual classes and webinars. The voucher is a great value for the membership and I recommend that we still use it in some way to provide training at some time this year.

Also a reminder that we have other chapter benefits in the form of a free pass to the ICC conference OR a full scholarship for leadership training for one of the members of the organization.

Respectfully Submitted,
Anthony McMahan
VPMA Interim Education/Training Chairman
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Vice President	Ellis McKinney
Secretary	Anthony McMahan
Treasurer	Dennis Hart
Executive Secretary	Chris Martin
Immediate Past President	James Anjam
District 1 Director	Ferry Ganey
District 2 Director	Bane Compton
District 3 Director	Donald Mimms
District 4 Director	Randy Pearce

[Please click here to see Job Duty and Committee Description Policy](#)

2018 Committees

Advertising/Yearbook	Anthony McMahan-Chair Ron Bladen Gary Cabbage Vic Hines
Auditing	Tom Clark -Chair Guy Tomberlin James Anjam John Seay
Awards	Randy Bowman-Chair Steve Borders Dave Maupin Mike Thuot
ByLaws	Dustin McLehaney-Chair Wayne Kushner John Seay Rick Witt Paul Rimel

Ellis McKinney

Certification/Education	Chris Hickey-Chair Sandi Morris Anthony McMahan Jay Otto Jon Sargeant Dennis Hart LaPrade Donald Mimms Randy Pearce
Finance	Anthony McMahan <i>Dennis Hart</i>
Information Technology	Jane Kim-Chairs Skip Harper Dustin McLehaney Richard Grace
Legislative	Ron Clements-Chair
Membership	Chris Martin-Chair Dennis Hart Bane Compton Donald Mimms Randy Pearce
Nominating	James Anjam-Chair Dustin McLehaney Richard Grace Skip Harper Paul Rimel
PMG Code Committee	Richard Grace-Chair Dennis Hart-Vice Chair Bob Adkins Mark Grimmell Anthony McMahan Chris Martin Jon Sargent
Time & Place/ School of Instruction	Bob Adkins-Chair Tom Clark Donald Mimms Chris Martin Anthony McMahan Randy Pearce
BCAAC (Ad Hoc)	Randy Pearce
Building Safety Month (Ad Hoc)	Mark Grimmell-Chair <i>Tom Clark</i> Dustin McLehaney James Anjam
VA Code Education Conference (VCEC) (Ad Hoc)	Dustin McLehaney-Chair James Anjam
VBCOA Liaison (Ad Hoc)	Rick Witt <i>David Beahm</i>

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VBCOA/VPMIA 2020 Session LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE PROGRESS REPORT (updated 04-23-2020)

Thru- HB1733, HJ162, HR34, SB1093, SJ83, SR13

The legislative committee met via conference call on 10-22-20. Call participants were: Ron Clements (R6/chair), Julie Walton (R6/chair), David Beahm (R3), Jeff Brown (DHCD), Jimmy Moss (R1), Sandi Harrington (VML), Sam Sapienza (R2).

[HB 24](#) Status- Died in committee

[HB 389](#) Status- Continued to 2021

No Position-

Chief patron: Lindsey (24), Miyares (389)

Hurricane and Flooding Risk Reduction and Bond Rating Protection Act of 2020; report. Establishes the Hurricane and Flooding Risk Reduction and Bond Rating Protection Act of 2020, which establishes the Commonwealth of Virginia as a nonfederal sponsor of hurricane and flooding risk reduction projects. There is also established the Virginia Hurricane and Flood Risk Reduction Authority (the Authority) and a board of directors (the Board) of the Authority.

[HB 150](#) Status- Signed into law by the governor

No Position-

Chief patron: Samirah

Derelict residential buildings; civil penalty. Allows certain localities to impose a civil penalty not exceeding \$1,000 per month on owners of derelict residential property that have not submitted a required plan to renovate or demolish the derelict structure.

[HB 151](#) Status- Died in committee

Oppose- If the statement that localities can regulate size and design is removed-**No Position**

Chief patron: Samirah

Development and use of accessory dwelling units. Provides that all localities shall allow for the development and use of one accessory dwelling unit (ADU) per single-family dwelling (SFD), notwithstanding any contrary provision of a zoning ordinance.

[HB 152](#) Status- Died in committee

Oppose- If the statement that localities can regulate design and environmental standards is removed-**No Position**

Chief patron: Samirah

Middle housing allowed on lots zoned for single-family use. Requires all localities to allow development or redevelopment of "middle housing" residential units upon each lot zoned for single-family residential use.

[HB 174](#) Status- Signed into law by the governor

No Position-

Chief patron: Krizek

Virginia Residential Property Disclosure Act; required disclosures for buyer to beware; marine clays. Provides that the owner of residential property makes no representations with respect to whether the property is located on or near deposits of marine clays (marumsco soils). The bill also advises purchasers to exercise whatever due diligence is deemed necessary in accordance with terms and conditions as may be contained in the real estate purchase contract, including consulting public resources regarding local soil conditions and having the soil and structural conditions of the property analyzed by a qualified professional.

[HB 175](#) Status- Signed into law by the governor

No Position-

Chief patron: Krizek

Virginia Residential Property Disclosure Act; required disclosures; radon gas. Requires the owner of residential real property located in any locality classified as Zone 1 or Zone 2 by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Map of Radon Zones to disclose to the purchaser the zone classification of the property and provide resources to the purchaser that can be used to evaluate the risks associated with radon gas, including links to the EPA's radon information website and the Virginia Department of Health's Indoor Radon Program website.

[HB 327](#) Status- Incorporated into HB582

[HB 582](#) Status- Governors amendment to delay until May 2021 accepted by both houses

[SB 1022](#) Status- Incorporated into SB939

[SB 939](#) Status- Governors amendment to delay until May 2021 accepted by both houses

No Position-

Chief patron: Levine (327), Guzman (582), Boysco (1022), Saslaw (939)

Public employees; collective bargaining. The Senate version enables localities to allow collective bargaining through local ordinance but does not permit state workers to collective bargain. The House version sets up a state labor relations board and institutes collective bargaining for state and local government employees. The House and Senate substituted their own version for the other house's bill after cross over so that is why they are going to a conference committee to work out.

[HB 413](#) Status- Died in committee

Oppose- This bill allows for the creation of non-uniform local building code provisions. Will verify with patron if this is intended to apply to buildings.

Chief patron: Delaney

Subdivision ordinance; energy efficiency and renewable energy provisions. Authorizes a local governing body to include in its subdivision ordinance provisions for establishing minimum standards of energy efficiency and establishing and maintaining access to sources of renewable energy.

[HB 636](#) Status- Died in committee

No Position- May effect counties with VMC that do not enforce in towns.

Chief patron: LaRock

Provision of county services to town residents. Requires a county to provide the same and equal services to residents of incorporated towns within the county as are provided to other residents of the county.

[HB 828](#) Status- Died in committee

No Position-

Chief patron: Sullivan

Location of assisted living facilities and group homes. Requires that localities not allow certain assisted living facilities and group homes with eight or fewer residents approved by the locality on or after July 1, 2020, to be located within one-quarter mile of such existing assisted living facility or group home, provided such enforcement is in compliance with applicable state and federal fair housing laws.

[HB 1005](#) Status- Stricken from docket

[SB 797](#) Status- Stricken from docket

Oppose- This bill allows for the creation of non-uniform local building code provisions.

Chief patron: Mullin (1005), Lewis (797)

Housing; Uniform Statewide Building Code; exceptions, provisions, and modifications; local disaster resilience measures. Clarifies that the Uniform Statewide Building Code (USBC) does not supersede (i) local flood plan regulations adopted as a condition of participation in the Community Rating System and (ii) measures adopted by local ordinance to make buildings resilient to foreseeable harm from recurrent flooding, coastal storms, sea level rise, and other similar threats to the health, safety, and general welfare of the locality and its residents. The bill also adds resilience and hazard risk reduction to the recognized standards that should be consistent with the USBC's provisions and modifications.

[HB 1192](#) Status- Continued to 2021

[SB 626](#) Status- Continued to 2021

Pending- Not sure how this will be coordinated with the USBC. DHCD and DEQ are working together with us on coordination. Recommend no-position if responsibilities are clearly delineated between building code/local enforcement and DEQ/Water Control Board Regulations.

Chief patron: Lopez (1192), Surovell (626)

Aboveground storage tanks; Hazardous Substance Aboveground Storage Tank Fund; civil and criminal penalties. Directs the State Water Control Board to regulate aboveground storage tanks that measure more than 1,320 gallons in capacity and are used to contain hazardous substances other than oil. The bill directs the Board to adopt regulations that establish requirements for registration, certification, and inspection, and other requirements of tank owners, and that establish a schedule of fees.

HB 1341 Status- Signed into law by the governor

No Position- Code Commission clean-up bill.

Chief patron: Leftwich

Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Law; provisions not set out; applicability. Sets out a section from Chapter 37 of the Acts of Assembly of 1986 establishing the applicability of the Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Law (§ 36-85.2 et seq.). The bill also removes an obsolete provision relating to the purpose of the chapter and makes technical changes. The bill is a recommendation of the Code Commission.

HB 1474 Status- Stricken from docket

No Position-

Chief patron: McGuire

Regulation of short-term rentals. Requires any ordinance adopted by the governing body of any locality relating to regulation of short-term rentals to comply with various provisions related to the short-term rental of property, including limits on (i) the total number of nights permitted for short-term rental on the short-term rental operator's property and (ii) the number of short-term rental properties owned by any one person or entity. The bill also requires such ordinance to comply with various Code of Virginia provisions related to zoning enforcement, the Uniform Statewide Building Code (§ 36-97 et seq.), real estate licensing, common interest communities, and covered entities otherwise regulated by localities.

SB 5 Status- Died in committee

No Position-

Chief patron: Stanely

Board of Education; uniform minimum standards for modern public school buildings.

Requires the Board of Education to prescribe by regulation uniform minimum standards consistent with the USBC for the erection of modern public school buildings and the modernization of existing public school buildings for the purpose of promoting positive educational outcomes.

SB 117 Status- Stricken from Docket

No Position-

Chief patron: Favola

Family day homes; licensure threshold. Reduces from five to three the number of children for whom a family day home must obtain a license to provide child care services.

SB 141 Status- Stricken from Docket

Oppose- Legislating the code. Already in the USBC in VCC 115.2., not in the SFPC 111.2 or VMC 105. Based on an out of state building owner not being notified that his rental property burned down.

Chief patron: Stuart

Building and fire codes; notice requirements. Requires that notice mandated by the Statewide Fire Prevention Code or the Uniform Statewide Building Code be provided to the owner of the building, structure, property, or premises in question by the enforcement agency or local building department, respectively. Such notice may also be provided to other persons as appropriate.

SB 333 Status- Signed into law by the governor

HB 670 Status- Signed into law by the governor

No Position- Originally opposed as the original bill was Legislating the code. The substitute directs DHCD to re-convene the work group to look at occupancies other than educational.

Chief patron: Stuart (333), Cole (670)

Uniform Statewide Building Code; security locking mechanisms. Provides that no publicly owned building shall be prohibited from installing or using locking mechanisms on doors and windows for the purpose of preventing both ingress and egress in the event of a threat to the physical security of persons in such building. The bill requires the Board of Housing and Community Development to promulgate regulations for the installation and use of such locking mechanisms.

SB 834 Status- Signed into law by the governor

No Position- Has a provision for waiving permit fees.

Chief patron: McClellan

Affordable housing dwelling unit ordinances. Allows certain localities to adopt affordable dwelling unit ordinances.

[SB 1065](#) Status- Signed into law by the governor with a substitute that only directs DGS to look at Knox boxes for state facilities

[HB 1732](#) Status- Died in committee. May go to the Housing Commission to study.

No Position- Originally opposed as the original bill was Legislating the code. The substitutes address our concerns.

Chief patron: DeSteph (1065), Miyares (1732)

Board of Housing and Community Development; Uniform Statewide Building Code; installation of key boxes on high-risk structures. Directs the Board of Housing and Community Development to require that all high-risk structures, defined in the bill, have key boxes installed in strategic locations on the outside of such structures.

Report by: Ron Clements



**PMG Committee
Board of Directors Meeting (04/24/2020)**

Greetings Board members,

The VPMIA/VBCOA PMG Committee has been working on and reviewing code change proposals for the final phase of the 2018 Virginia Regulatory Code Development process by conducting multiple internet-based discussions to possible VPMIA/VBCOA endorsed code change proposals to the International Residential Code, International Building Code, International Plumbing Code, International Mechanical Code and International Energy Conservation Code. DHCD has extended the time period for this final phase of the cycle. Echoing from [cdpVA](#), the Board of Housing and Community Development Public Hearings has been rescheduled for June 26. The new deadline for submitting proposals has been extended to July 3. All workgroup meetings have been tentatively scheduled between late June and early August and can be viewed on [cdpVA](#). These meetings will be conducted to review final phase proposals and carryover items from the first phase.

The following proposals are the results of the committee recommendations for submittal on behalf of VPMIA/VBCOA:

1. B713.11-18 Bottom of the Shaft
2. RTP608.15-18 Access to Backflow Preventers
3. TM505.5-18 Common Domestic Kitchen Exhaust
4. TM403.3.1.1-18 Doctor/Dental Office Ventilation Rates
5. IRC P2801.6 Required Water Heater Pan (submitted but not yet processed by DHCD)

The following proposals are the results of the committee recommendations for support on behalf of VPMIA/VBCOA:

1. A101.6-18 Conflicts/Order of Precedence
2. E404.5-18 Heated Water Supply Piping

There are a few more proposed changes that are still in the works for committee recommendation not included in this report. Once the committee has established a position on these, they will be included in my next report.

ICC has released its schedule for the [2021/2022 Code Development](#) cycle. Of note, the Call for Committee deadline for receipt of applications is June 1, 2020. The deadline for receipt of code change proposals for Group A is January 11, 2021 and for Group B is January 10, 2022. CAH for Group A will be held in Rochester, NY on April 11 – 21, 2021.

Thank you. This concludes my report. Please let me know if there are any questions.

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Liaison Report

Board of Directors Meeting
Virtual Meeting
April 24, 2020
Submitted by David Beahm

The last VBCOA Board of Directors meeting was held on January 30-31, 2020, at the Craddock Terry Hotel and Event Center in Lynchburg, Virginia. It was a two-day event with the first day starting with lunch and then focusing on how the organization was setup from the members, to the Regions, to the Committees, to the State, to the web presence and then to ICC. The intent of President Moss was to foster a better understanding to the new Committee members on how VBCOA was structured and how each portion of the Organization is essential to its success. It also focused on the new Region Chairs that are tasked with presenting a budget for the next year.

VBCOA, as VPMIA has had to do, had to cancel their Mid-Year Meeting which was scheduled for March 29-30, 2020 at the Stonewall Jackson Hotel in Staunton, Virginia. It was originally postponed and then finally canceled when the executive order was put into place. This event had sold out the hotel and registrations were extremely high which made this even harder to cancel.

VBCOA's Nominations Committee is scheduled to hold a meeting Thursday, April 23, 2020 virtually to start discussions on two appointments that are coming up for consideration. They are the Director of Regulatory Compliance (DRC) and the Amusement Device Technical Advisory Committee (ADTAC) positions. Virtual interviews will be held on Thursday, April 30, 2020. The recommendations will be presented to the Board at their next meeting.

VBCOA's next Board meeting is scheduled to be a virtual meeting as we have chosen to do. It is scheduled for May 18, 2020 at 10 am.

The next VBCOA Board meeting is scheduled for June 19, 2020 and tentatively to be held in Wytheville, Virginia.

VBCOA's Annual Conference is still currently on for September 13-15, 2020 at the Williamsburg Lodge, in Williamsburg, Virginia.

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