

# BUILDING INSPECTORS ASSN.

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### Minutes: April 7, 2016

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***Call to Order-*** President Paul Birschbach called the meeting to order at 9:30AM with 31 members in attendance. Additional guests were at the meeting from the construction industry to hear the presentation.

***Member Introductions-*** Members introduced themselves; no new members were present.

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***Guest Speaker-*** Jesse Jerabek, Residential Designer with Brawn Building Center. Jesse also is a member of the UDC Code Council. The presentation was on the 2016 Updates to the UDC. This class was good for 2 hours of UDC Building CEU's.

**Some of the major items discussed were:**

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- The UDC Code Council is an advisory group. Jesse stressed that they only make recommendations to DSPS and they do not make the final decisions on code changes.
- Egress windows located under decks. There is now code language to require a clear path.
- DCA 6 is allowed per DSPS however is not equal to Appendix B & C in the UDC. They're completely different methods with completely different requirements. These deck codes can't be mixed. You have to pick one standard and use it in its entirety.
- Engineering is required for hot tubs/planters. The tables are only designed for typical deck framing. The loading/design needs to be increased for added loads.
- Deck footings located within 5 feet of the foundation wall need to extend the same depth as the house footings.
- Beams need to have bearing directly on the posts. Beams can't be sandwiched on the sides of posts.
- Beam splices can only occur on a 6"x6" post.
- Longer cantilevers are allowed for beams compared to the old code.
- Blocking is still required for 2x10's and 2x12's but it can be 60% of the height of the joist to accommodate drainage systems.
- Spindle spacing is now limited to a maximum spacing of 4 3/8".
- Stringers were discussed and the need for a 5" throat and a maximum allowable span of 6' for cut stringers without additional support.
- Frost protection is required for the bottom of the stairway if the stairway height is 48" or more. If it's less than 48" you only need to install a 3 1/2" thick concrete pad or concrete slab under the stairway.
- Sill plate overhangs were discussed. Make sure you get approval for engineered joists.

**Approval of Minutes-** A motion was made to approve the 2/4/16 minutes. The motion received a second and carried.

**Approval of Treasurers Report-** Rob Cormier presented the treasurer's report. The ending balance was \$29,124.64. A motion was made to approve the report. The motion received a second and carried.

**Committee Reports:**

**Information & Schooling-** Pete Scheuerman stated John Zarate is working on lining up speakers for the next few meetings.

**Registration Coordinator-** Dennis Jensen stated we had a really good turnout for the updates but it was noted that there were a few complaints on the training.

**Old Business:**

- A discussion took place regarding the 2016 Annual Meeting. Pat Eirich gave an update on the information he found out about having it at Lambeau Field. Pat estimated that it would cost at least \$3,000 if 50 members attended. The membership asked him to come up with 3 options and the costs for members and their spouses. This item will be placed on the May agenda.

**New Business:**

- Paul Birschbach stated that he received information that Grandma Sophies was closed. He was not sure if they were going to reopen but it was a good thing that we moved our meeting for this month. A discussion occurred regarding the location for future meetings.

**A motion was made to relocate our monthly meetings to the Stone Toad in Menasha. The motion received a second and carried.**

- Jack Van Der Weele and Pat Eirich stated that they're looking for someone to take their places on the nominating committee. They've done this job for the past several years and they'd like someone to take over. If you're interested please let them know.
- A question came up as to who was arranging the environmental meeting. It was noted that Curt Demlow was taking this over but we need to confirm this.

**Roundtable:**

- A discussion occurred regarding the UDC training day and if we should create our own program. This item will be put on the May agenda to discuss. We may need to create a small committee to look into options for 2017.

**Adjournment-** A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The motion received a second and carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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