



# Ventura Chapter of the INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL

OFFICERS  
 PRESIDENT  
 Dave Powers  
 VICE-PRESIDENT  
 Amal Sinha  
 SECRETARY  
 Tony Falcone

## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF November 21, 2007 @ 12:00 P.M.

**Location:** Ottavio's Restaurant, 1620 Ventura Blvd., Camarillo, CA

**Attendance:** Chapter members and guests present: 9

Representatives of the following cities, counties and other agencies were present

CITIES		COUNTIES	AGENCIES
☞ Agoura Hills	☞ Oxnard	☞ Ventura County B&S	☞ CA Code Check
☞ Camarillo	☞ Port Hueneme	☞ Ventura County FD	☞ DC Plumbing
☞ Fillmore	☞ San Buenaventura	☞ Santa Barbara B&S	☞ Lauterbach & Assoc.
☞ Malibu	☞ Santa Paula	☞ Other V.Co. Agencies	☞
☞ Moorpark	☞ Simi Valley		☞ Penfield & Smith
☞ Ojai	☞ Thousand Oaks		☞
	☞ Los Angeles		

**1.0 Call To Order:** In the absence of the President, Vice-President Amal Sinha called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

**2.0 Program:** Presentation on Smoke Guard products.

**2.1 Speaker:** Mike Wheeler with Smoke Guard.

**2.2** Mike provided a power point presentation on the Smoke Guard products to the chapter. The presentation highlighted the benefits of the Smoke Guard protection along with discussing the behavior of smoke, how building codes address smoke mitigation, behavior of smoke in multistory buildings (smoke effect), peoples reaction to fire alarms, the MGM fire which occurred on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor however there were many deaths due to smoke on upper floors. Mike also reviewed the 2000, 2003 and the 2006 IBC elevator lobby requirements. He highlighted the differences between the IBC and the CBC and how the CBC added ex:#6 to Sec. 403.9 which allows systems like Smoke Guard when first approved by the B.O. and ex:#7 on smoke containment. Sec.707.14.2 ex:#6 on pressurization, Mike said it is not possible to meet the code required tolerances. He explained how their magnetic smoke gasket system must be tested once a year for compliance. The presentation was very informative and appreciated by the members.

**3.0 Chapter Business**

**3.1 Approval of the Minutes:** Amal stated that since we don't have the required quorum, we can only have informal discussions and cannot take any votes. The October minutes will be presented to members in the next regular meeting for their review and approval.

**3.2 Old Business:** None

**3.3 New Business:** None

**3.4 Announcements:**

**3.4.1** Christina Jamison, Ventura County Fire Marshall reminded us of the upcoming training on CBC chapter 7a, the Wildland-Urban Interface Building Standards which will be happening on November 27 in Camarillo.

**3.4.2** Amal expressed thanks to Tom Harris and California Code Check for sponsoring the Annual Bar-B-Cue.

**3.4.3** Amal reminded us that the annual Holiday party would be on December 7<sup>th</sup> at the Round Table Pizza in Camarillo at 5:30pm.

**3.4.3** The membership discussed limitations on gift donations for our Holiday Party. The membership approved a maximum of \$40.00 for any gift donations.

**3.5 Treasurer's Report:** Amal Sinha reported that we have \$25,000 (approximately) in our account.

**3.6 Code Discussion:** None

### **3.7 Legislative**

**3.7.1** Amal discussed requirements for applicants interested in representing the chapter and attending the upcoming code hearings in Palm Springs. He said they should be members who attend chapter meetings regularly and are interested in serving the chapter as a board member in the near future.

**3.7.2** Christina Jamison volunteered to act as a conduit for the chapter on all State legislation and issues.

### **4.0 Committee Reports**

**4.1 Education Committee:** None

**4.2 Tuition Reimbursement:** None

**4.3 Code Changes:** None

**4.4 Chapter Marketing:** Jim McDonald requested to be removed as chair of this committee.

### **5.0 Other Reports**

**5.1 ICC:** None

**5.2 CALBO:** None

**6.0 Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.