

Factory Assembled Structures Advisory Board Meeting

Labor & Industries
November 21, 2019
10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
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ATTENDEES:

Board Members Present: Joan Brown- Chair, Mike Lubliner, Alan Duer, Mike Szramek, Steven Hart, Craig Hillis, Gary Stoskopf, Don Carlson

Absent: Wade Elliott

L&I Staff: Craig Sedlacek, Shane Daugherty, Bethany Mohr, Barbara Skiles, Alicia Curry, Ralph Leyva, John McMillan, Matthew Erlich

Public: Philip Sailor via conference call

PROCEDURAL:

- Meeting called to order by Joan Brown.
- Introductions
- Approval of Minutes-
 - Approved and seconded the minutes from August 15, 2019 board meeting
- Attendance sheet passed around with member information to update if needed.

PROGRAM UPDATE:

- Program staffing: Plan Reviewer and Inspector Supervisor positions open.
- Workload: Food Truck applications continue to grow, 10-15% per year. Factory Built, RV & Manufactured home plans are about the same. Backlogs are 3-4 weeks except for Modular which are about 7 weeks. Permits are up about 3% to last year.
- FAS program will be moving to Point Plaza East the second week in December. It was agreed the FAS board meeting will be scheduled at the new location.

RULEMAKING:

- FAS has three separate rulemakings in process:

- Fee increase of 5.08% to keep up with inflation. CR 101 was filed on October 22, 2019. CR 102 scheduled to be filed December 17, 2019 with a public hearing in January 2020. If the rules are adopted in February they are scheduled to take effect March 6, 2020.
- Consider changes to WAC 296-150F, factory built housing and commercial structures chapter. New legislation requires an update for energy efficiency (E3SHB 1257), the agency request legislation concerning delegation of inspection duties (HB 1486) and tiny homes (ESSB 5383). To be able to allow manufactured building panels to be inspected and approved before shipment.
- Changes to chapter 296-150I & 150M to address the issues in the HUD audit and general housekeeping. There were six findings in the SEBA report, five of the items are being taken care of through this rulemaking. Tentatively scheduled to file the proposed rules for the CR-102 in January. Public hearing would be towards the end of February or early March.

CONTRACTOR/TENANT AWARENESS DISCUSSION WAS DEFERRED

ICC-OSMC COMMITTEE MEETING:

- Washington was invited to be a member of a committee.
- Intent is to establish a model standard for Modular factories.

L&I WEBSITE UPDATE:

- The number of website pages were cut in half from old website.
- After a review of the website and discussion around needed changes the Board was asked to take an action that supports FAS changes to its website to include but not limited to:
 - Move Protect My Manufactured Home page under the Manufactured and Mobile Home page,
 - Move Realtors, Lenders and Appraisers page under the Manufactured and Mobile Home page.
 - Installers and Dealers moved under the Manufactured and Mobile Home page.
- A motion was made to support the FAS recommended changes that were discussed in order to meet customer needs for access to the information and tasks they need to do. The motion was seconded and approved.

Note: One vote no due to concern over the “sign in” link on the L&I homepage that implies you have to create an account in order to use the website.

ROUND TABLE; NEW ITEMS

- Consider adding one new Board member position for the Food Truck industry.
- Recommendation to invite someone from the Dept. of Commerce to attend a future board meeting to discuss a report for HB 1582.
- Energy code update for Residential:
 - It went through the comment process and is in deliberation with the State Building Code Counsel. Energy credits will go up which will have significant impact on the Modular manufactures and the hand off.
 - Would like to offer training before the implementation in July 2020 and get this discussion on the next agenda.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Joan Brown, Chair

Craig Sedlacek, Secretary to the Board