

NYSBOC Appoints Green Building Codes Committee Chairman

Code Council staff were on hand at the Winter Meeting of the New York State Building Officials Conference (NYSBOC) last week when Dennis McCabe, Superintendent of the Village of East Rockaway's Building Department, was appointed Chairman of the Green Building Codes, Standards and Certifications Committee. McCabe has been involved in building code compliance for over 25 years and has served as East Rockaway's Building Official since 1991.

The Committee is charged with conducting research on new and existing products and technologies in the field of energy efficiency and sustainability within the building industry. This Committee will prepare recommendations for consideration of revisions to the New York State Building Code. In addition, the Committee will examine the methodology by which the various "green building certifications" are awarded to ensure that safe, reliable, efficient and sustainable buildings are constructed to measurable and verifiable standards.

McCabe stated, "There is a tremendous amount of interest in green buildings and it has become apparent that new standards need to be developed and implemented to protect the consumer. Our goal is to assure the public that buildings are truly going to provide the benefits and savings that were promised by their contractors."



International Code Council Director of State and Local Government Relations Dottie Harris (left) and Board member Ron Piester (right) attend the NYSBOC Winter Meeting in Syracuse with Dennis McCabe, Chairman of the Green Building Codes, Standards and Certifications Committee, and Daniel Casella, Vice President of the New York State Building Officials Conference.

Code Council Exhibits Code Materials at NYCOM

International Code Council Director of State and Local Government Relations Dottie Harris (left) and New York State Building Officials Conference Historian Edward Cusato were exhibitors at the February 24-25 New York Conference of Mayors (NYCOM) in Albany, New York. The Code Council's participation at this conference helps raise the profile of code enforcement professionals so that elected officials understand the importance of proper code enforcement.



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Monroe County Fire Marshal Associations Holds Annual Meeting



Code Council Board member Jimmy Brothers (left) installs Chapter Officers Vice President William Timmons, President Jeffrey Wilkinson and Secretary-Treasurer Pat Inzer during the Annual Meeting of the Monroe County (New York) Fire Marshal Associations.

New WSTBO Chapter Receives Banner and Plaque

Code Council Director of State and Local Government Relations Dottie Harris attended the Western Southern Tier Building Officials (WSTBO) meeting on January 17 in Fredonia, New York, and presented the chapter with its banner and plaque. The chapter is the most recent Code Council chapter voted on by the Council Board of Directors.



WSTBO President John Monaco (second from right) holds the plaque presented to the chapter by Code Council Director of State and Local Government Relations Dottie Harris (center). From left, WSTBO Secretary Randy Woodbury, Treasurer Allan Zurawski, Harris, President Monaco and Vice President Chuck LaBarbera.

Shapiro Presents at ASHRAE Meeting



Code Council Board President Steve Shapiro (left) speaks on future goals of the Council at the January 20 Board meeting of the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) at the request of ASHRAE President Kent Peterson (right). President Shapiro was accompanied by Code Council CEO Rick Weiland.

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Niagara Frontier Chapter Holds Meeting



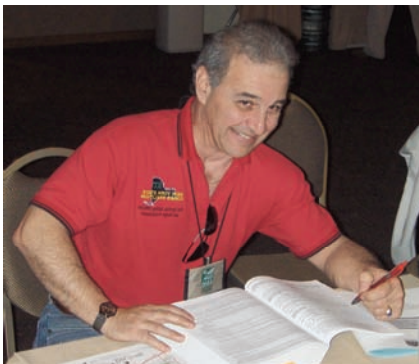
Code Council Board member Ron Piester (third from right) and Technical Advisor and Instructor John Gibson (left) visit with Niagara Frontier Building Officials Association (NFBOA) President Mike Hazen and NFBOA officers, as well as Sam Ricotta (second from right), Assistant Director of Training, NYS Codes Division.

NY Experts Review Proposed Code Changes at Codes Forum

Code experts from the New York City Department of Buildings (NYC DOB), the Codes Division of the New York State Department of State (NYS DS), the Fire Department of the City of New York (FDNY), the National Association of State Fire Marshals (NASFM), and the New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control (NYS OFPC) joined Code Council committee members to review proposed amendments to the 2009 International Codes at the Code Council's Codes Forum in Palm Springs, California. These NY experts sat on the *International Building Code Means of Egress Committee*, the *International Fire Code Development Committee*, the *International Energy Conservation Code Committee*, the *International Building Code Fire Safety Code Development Committee*, and the *International Building Code General Code Development Committee*, among others.



FDNY Chief James Hodgens (left) with FDNY Chief Thomas Pigott. Chief Hodgens served on the *International Building Code Means of Egress Committee*.



Sam Ricotta, Director of Training for the NYS Department of State, Codes Division, follows code hearing results.



Deborah Taylor, NYC DOB, served on the Energy Code Committee.



John Mueller, NYS OFPC, serving as Vice Chair for the Fire Code Development Committee.

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From left, Allison Crowley, NASFM; John Mueller, NYS OFPC; and Paul Martin, NYS OFPC listen to debate during the code development hearings.



Daniel E. Nichols, PE, Fire Protection Engineer, NYS Division of Code Enforcement, serving as Chair for the *International Building Code* Fire Safety Code Development Committee.

Code Council Attends FLBOA Educational Conference



Code Council Board member Ron Piester (left), Marketing Manager Greg West, Director of State and Local Government Relations Dottie Harris (center) and Government Relations Regional Manager Bruce Johnson (right) present WSTBOA President John Monaco with a chapter plaque.

Code Council staff were on hand at the Finger Lakes Building Officials Association (FLBOA) 33rd Annual Code Enforcement Officials Educational Conference on March 18-19 in Henrietta, New York. While there, Code Council Director of State and Local Government Relations Dottie Harris presented New York State Building Officials Conference Western Southern Tier Building Officials Association (WSTBOA) President John Monaco with his chapter plaque. The Council recognized the chapter's efforts and dedication to enhancing public safety through the promotion of the effective administration and enhancement of building regulations.

Council staff and FLBOA members also took the opportunity to present copies of the 2007 *Residential Code of New York State* to representatives of each New York State Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) in Monroe County.



FLBOA President Jack Crooks (left) and Secretary James Bailey (seated right), Code Council Board member Jimmy Brothers (standing third from left) and Director of State and Local Government Relations Dottie Harris (seated left) present copies of the NYS IRC to representatives of each BOCES in Monroe County.