



Meeting Minutes Board of Examiners and Appeals

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

Public Service Building
1210 NW Prairie Ridge Dr, Ankeny, Iowa

The June 10, 2025 meeting of the Board of Examiners and Appeals was called to order at 5:45pm. by C. Layland. Members present: C. Layland, S. Stephan, B. Frideres, L. Thompson. Members absent: B. Carr
Staff present: J. Agan, B. Hatchet

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

There were no amendments to the agenda. A motion was made by L. Thompson and seconded by B. Frideres to approve the agenda. All voted aye, agenda approved.

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 08, 2025 MEETING:

A motion was made by S. Stephan and seconded by B. Frideres to approve the minutes of the April 08, 2025 meeting. All voted aye, minutes from April 08, 2025 approved.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

C. Layland asked about the date of the 2024 code adoptions. J. Agan confirmed the 2024 code series will be adopted on July 1, 2025. The State will adopt the 2023 National Electrical Code on July 1, 2025. The State adopted the 2024 Uniform Plumbing Code and 2024 International Mechanical Code on March 26, 2025. L. Thompson asked if it was typical of the State to adopt codes a year or two behind. J. Agan responded that the State does pick and choose which codes are updated. The State is currently still on the 2012 Energy Code. L. Thompson asked about the Fire Code. J. Agan responded the 2024 Fire Code will be amended and adopted by the Fire Division.

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

J. Agan talked about the Builder's Luncheon that was held in May (2025). The topic of the new 2024 code adoptions was introduced at the Builder's Luncheon. B. Frideres asked if there were any concerns raised at the luncheon. J. Agan responded there was concern around the increase of ventilation rates for multi-family, out of the mechanical code. J. Agan announced there will be a small increase to building permit fees but no increase for trade permit fees. C. Layland asked which code the increased ventilation rates were in. J. Agan responded it is in the new 2024 International Mechanical Code and then the State made amendments that made it more restrictive for labeling. There are also new requirements for separation of heat supply versus return in rooms.

J. Agan began the reports discussion stating it has been steady. The Department has issued a lot of town home and multi-family permits, as well as a couple of larger commercial projects. C. Layland asked what the large office building is on the report. J. Agan responded that it is a data center. C. Layland asked if there are requirements for tanks and fuel. J. Agan responded, yes, anything on the exterior of the building, including generators, are permitted separately as accessory structures. L. Thompson asked what is fueling the generators.

J. Agan responded some larger ones, like the ones at the new data center will be diesel but others can be run off of natural gas. Above ground storage tanks are allowed in certain areas, depending on the zoning.

J. Agan announced this is the season for firework tents. B. Frideres asked if the new law changed any restrictions in Ankeny. J. Agan responded, they added an extra day but it is the same rules as it was before.

There being no further discussion, a motion was made by B. Frideres and seconded by L. Thompson to adjourn the meeting. All voted aye. Meeting was adjourned at 5:58 pm.

Submitted by Brierly Hatchet
Recording Secretary
Board of Examiners and Appeals