

BOARD OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
MEETING
September 22, 2014
Richmond, Virginia

Members Present

Mr. Tommy Shields
Mr. Brian Mullins
Mr. Anthony Clatterbuck
Mr. Steve Semones
Mr. Rick Witt
Mr. John Ainslie
Mr. Robert Kaplan
Mr. J. P. Carr
Mr. Shekar Narasimhan
Ms. Susan Dewey

Members Absent

Mr. Jim Hyland
Mr. Roger McLellon
Mr. Jim Petrine
Mr. Robby Dawson

Call to Order

Mr. Anthony Clatterbuck, Chairman of the Board of Housing and Community Development, called the meeting of the Board to order.

Roll Call

The roll was called by Mr. Steve Calhoun of the Department's Policy Office. Mr. Calhoun reported that a quorum was present for the meeting.

Public Comment

There were no persons wishing to speak and the public comment session was closed.

Update and Discussion of Regulations

Mr. Emory Rodgers, Deputy Director of the Division of Building and Fire Regulation for the Department, reported on a recent rating of state building codes from the Insurance Institute for Business and Home Safety. The report evaluated and compared the quality of regulations governing residential building construction in the 18 states most vulnerable to catastrophic hurricanes along the Atlantic Coast. Virginia and Florida were the highest rated states.

Mr. Rodgers also provided an estimated timeline for the adoption of the 2015 building code regulations.

Virginia Weatherization Assistance Program

Mr. Bill Shelton, Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development, provided an introduction to the Virginia Weatherization Assistance Program. Mr. Chris Thompson, Deputy Director of the Division of Housing provided general overview of the program. Mr. Willie Fobbs, Associate Director of the Division of Housing and Ms. Nancy Palmer, Program Manager of the Division of Housing, presented details about how the program

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works in the Commonwealth. There was a question and answer period for Board members following the presentations.

VHDA Report

Ms. Susan Dewey, Executive Director of the Virginia Housing Development Authority, reported on proposed changes to the Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) Program that will be presented to the VHDA Board. Ms. Dewey reported on the state's DOJ settlement and serving the disabled. Ms. Dewey reported on the emphasis on cost per unit and the need for adding additional allowance for dehumidification for "tight" buildings.

VFSB Report

Mr. John Ainslie reported on the August meeting of the Virginia Fire Services Board. Mr. Ainslie reported on VFIRS statistics on fires, injuries and deaths. Mr. Ainslie reported that VFSB approved burn building grants and burn building repair grants. Mr. Ainslie also reported on fire chief training being developed and the Virginia Department of Forestry.

Report of the Director

Mr. Shelton reported on the approved state budget and budget cuts to be made by the Department of Housing and Community Development. Mr. Shelton also reported on the Annual Action Plan and HUD, the National Disaster Resilience Competition, the 2014 Governor's Housing Conference in Norfolk and energy conservation issues.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

None

Board Matters

None

Future Meetings

The next meeting of the Board will be held on Monday, **December 8, 2014**, if needed. The following meeting will be Monday, **January 26, 2015**.

Adjournment

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.