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Building Code Council

The next NC Building Code Council will be December 10th and 11th in the NC Legislative Building, Third Floor Auditorium, 16 West Jones Street, Raleigh. The BCC Business meeting will start at 9:00 am on the 10th, the public hearing portion will start at 1:00 pm on the 10th and the BCC council meeting will start at 9:00 am on the 11th. All meetings are open to the public.

COCO Newsletter

The Council of Code Officials (COCO) Newsletter will no longer be sent out in hardcopy. As a subscriber to the Engineering ListServ you will receive an electronic copy of the Newsletter via Email. The COCO Newsletter will contain information regarding upcoming seminars, Continuing Education opportunities and recent news from the Inspector's Associations. The COCO newsletter can be found by clicking here.

NC Code Officials Qualification Board Train the Trainer

The Code Officials Qualification Board is offering a one-day Standard Code Courses Instructors Workshop on Wednesday, December 12th at 322 Chapanoke Road, Raleigh, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. You will have to complete the Instructor Workshop Application and comply with instructor criteria to reserve your seat. Upon completion of this workshop, you will receive an instructor approval letter and thereby become eligible to teach our Standard Code Courses in NC Community Colleges. The form can be found at: http://www.ncdoi.com/OSFM/Engineering/COQB/engineering_coqb_forms.asp and it can be sent in by mail, fax or email. Please contact Leslie Allen if you have any questions at (919)661-5880, ext. 241 or lallen@ncdoi.net.

Emergency Rule on Non-combustible Soffits

The Building Code Council adopted an Emergency Rule and a Temporary Rule this year to require noncombustible soffits on all new townhouses. The Emergency Rule and the Temporary Rule can be found at the following link: http://www.ncdoi.com/OSFM/Engineering/BCC/engineering_bcc_minutes.asp

New Plan Review Thresholds

The General Assembly modified the threshold for when schools are submitted to DoI for approval. G.S. 58-31-40(b), effective Oct. 1, 2007, has been changed from 10,000 square feet to 20,000 square feet, consistent with the threshold for sprinklers in the code. Contact our office if you have any questions.