



# City of Madison

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## Meeting Minutes - Approved BUILDING CODE, FIRE CODE AND LICENSING APPEALS BOARD

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Tuesday, May 20, 2008

12:15 PM

215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.  
Room LL-110 (Madison Municipal Building)

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### CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 12:15 PM by Colin Godding.

**Staff Present:** Harry Sulzer and William Sullivan

**Present:** 6 -

James I. Statz; Colin L. Godding; Richard J. Link; Russell G. Stern; Randall V. Baldwin and James I. Glueck

**Excused:** 2 -

Paul E. Karow and Lyle G. Christian

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Link, seconded by Glueck, to Approve the Minutes of March 18, 2008. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

None

### VARIANCES

1. [10454](#) 1305 Tompkins Drive, Unit A

Derek Blackmore, Owens Corning BFS, appealing IEBC 701.3 Exception 4: The minimum ceiling height of newly created space shall be 7 feet and stairway headroom shall be 6' 4". In addition, the stairway width is to be 36 inches. The variance requested is to allow a stairway width of 34 inches and headroom of 6' 10".

The Madison Fire Department supports the variance provided smoke detectors are provided in the Rec. Room and storage room, and interconnected with all smoke alarms in the unit.

**Attachments:** [1305 Tompkins Drive Unit A.pdf](#)

Derek Blackmore of Owens Corning BFS appealing IEBC 701.3 Exception 4. The minimum ceiling height of newly created space shall be 7' and the stairway headroom shall be 6' 4". In addition, the rule requires the width of the stairway be 36". The variance requested is to allow the existing 34" to remain and headroom in the basement be 6' 10". The Fire Department requires that smoke detectors be provided in the recreation room and storage room. The detectors shall be interconnected with all smoke alarms in the unit.

A motion was made by Statz, seconded by Stern, to Approve the Variance. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

2. [10456](#)

517 Bordner Drive

Bruce Thalley appealing Comm 21.10. The rule requires that the structural portion of a deck shall be constructed of treated or decay resistant wood. The variance requested is to allow non-treated, painted wood to remain.

Attachments: [517 Bordner Drive.pdf](#)

There was no appearance.

The rule requires that the structural portion of the deck shall be constructed of treated or decay resistant wood. The variance requested is to allow non-treated, painted wood to remain. There was considerable discussion as to the technical ability of One Man Construction to provide accurate Code information.

Rather than remove the porch and rebuild it correctly, the Board moved to allow the porch to remain provided ventilation is provided to the space at the rate of 1/300th of the horizontal area per Comm 22.08. Approximately 40 square inches of ventilation needs to be provided around the skirt of the porch. Staff was directed to send a letter to One Man Construction, stating that future variances would be denied.

A motion was made by Statz, seconded by Glueck, to accept the porch as built, provided the ventilation is provided. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

3. [10457](#)

575 Science Drive

Lauri Kempfer, Flad Architects, appealing IBC 1003.3.1.8, Locks and Latches. The rule requires that egress doors be openable without a key or "special knowledge or effort". The variance requested is to provide special security to meet Federal Guidelines to have a bio-secure facility. The variance requested is to have facility personnel trained to use a special procedure. The Madison Fire Department supports the variance with annual training.

Attachments: [575 Science Drive.pdf](#)

There was no appearance.

A motion was made by Glueck, seconded by Statz, to Table the Variance until

there was someone present to discuss the details. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

## ORDINANCES

4. [10345](#) Amending Sections 27.03(2) and 27.05(2)(v) of the Madison General Ordinances to expand the definition of "Graffiti," define "Movable Object," and expand the graffiti removal ordinance to include the requirement to remove graffiti from movable objects located on property.

**The new rule expands the graffiti removal to movable objects.**

**A motion was made by Glueck, seconded by Statz, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

5. [09801](#) AMENDED - Amending Sections 19.09 and 29.18 of the Madison General Ordinances to eliminate the Heating and Electrical Licensing Committee of the Board of Building Code, Fire Code and Licensing Appeals.

Under (a) Notice of Meetings, the Board shall be left as part of the proposal and the word Committee stricken.

**The proposal is to amend MGO Sections 19.09 and 29.18, to eliminate the Heating and Electrical Licensing Committee of the Building Board and keep the duties as a function of the Board. A typographical error was discovered in the proposal, under (a) Notice of Meetings. The Board shall be left as part of the proposal and the word Committee stricken.**

**A motion was made by Link, seconded by Glueck, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL WITH THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS - REPORT OF OFFICER: Under (a) Notice of Meetings, the Board shall be left as part of the proposal and the word Committee stricken. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

## ADJOURNMENT

**A motion was made by Statz, seconded by Glueck, to Adjourn the meeting at 12:55 PM. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**