

**CENTRAL OHIO PERMIT TECHNICIANS
REGULAR QUARTERLY MEETING
THURSDAY, JULY 19, 2007**

10:00 A.M. CITY OF DUBLIN BUILDING STANDARDS OFFICES

*Our purpose as a Permit Technician Committee is to **educate, support and network** those working in administrative staff positions of building code enforcement.*

1. **ATTENDING:** Sandy Whittington, City of Pickerington
 *Sioux Cramer, City of Upper Arlington
 Pam Hickok, Village of New Albany
 Wendy Fox, Delaware County
 Brittany Tuggle, Delaware County
 *Vince Benedett, City of London
 Robyn Harp, City of Dublin
 Margie Badurina, City of Grove City
 Irene Metheney, City of Grove City
 Mary Sampsel, Union County Engineers & COCOA Rep
 Sandy Liedtke, Union County Building Department
 Patty Evans, Dominion Homes
 Gwendolyn Castlin, City of Columbus
 Angie Perrine, City of Pickerington

2. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**
 - A. Membership
 - Committee Chair Margie Badurina welcomed all members as well as the new members (noted above by *) to the Central Ohio Permit Technicians. At that time a roster was passed out for each member to sign-in as well as April 19, 2007 meeting minutes.

 - Everyone in attendance received a brochure prepared by Linda Reigle. The brochure explains *Who are we; what is our purpose; and how you can join.* This brochure is to be given out to anyone who might be interested in joining our group. Please contact Linda at Ireigle@co.union.oh.us if you need any additional copies of this brochure.

- Once again an article about Permit Technicians sub-committee group is in the next COCOA newsletter at www.cocoaonline.org. We our also on COCOA website presently listed under the meetings/calendars section.

B. Code Compliance

- Committee chair Sandy Liedtke discussed the opening up of a “Chat Room” on Yahoo. The site address is <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/buildingpermittechsofcentralohio>

Use this site to post questions and answers to building related topics that arise in your office. (Please see the attached sheet to these minutes for additional information)

- An additional handout (see attached) was received regarding the results from the Code Consistency Meeting held on June 26, 2007. This sheet contains questions and answers from the meeting.

C. Education

- Committee Chair Irene Metheney asked everyone in attendance to complete a survey. This survey asked us to place in order educational topics that we would like to see discussed. The results of this will be at our next meeting.
- Upcoming dates: January 17, 2008 Board of Building Standards meeting 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on OBC Administrative Chapter 1. Possibly CEU credits for those needing credits and more information to follow. Next Permit Technician Quarterly meeting scheduled for Thursday, October 18, 2007.

Anyone interested in joining one of the above committee’s please contact the committee chair. Your help would be greatly appreciated!

3. **GUEST SPEAKERS:**

A. John Soders with the Attorney General’s Office

- Ohio Attorney General’s office works with the following:
 1. Lawyers
 2. Investigate complaints
 3. Works with local law enforcement
- Building Complaints ranked #1 or #2 on their list.

B. Jeff Tyler with the City of Dublin, Director of Building Standards

- Jeff discussed the Dublin Residential Code adopted in May 2007, case is pending.
- *The Greening of Dublin*
- Public communication and service delivery
 - Going high tech
 - Remaining accessible
 - Customer Service
- Focus on Healthy Living
 - Recreational Programming
 - Parks, Open Space and Bike Paths
 - Volunteering as a healthy habit
 - Healthy by choice
- Environmental Awareness “Going Green”
 - Fuel cell technology
 - Reducing carbon emissions
 - Resident education/involvement
 - Employee Green Group

4. TOUR OF THE CITY OF DUBLIN BUILDING STANDARDS

- A special thank you to Robyn Harp and the City of Dublin for allowing us the opportunity to learn from your department.

5. NEXT QUARTERLY MEETING WILL BE THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2007 MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW.

Our Organization has opened up a Yahoo Group for the Central Ohio Building Permit Technicians. All members may go to the site and join.

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