

Volusia-Flagler Unified Code Committee  
Meeting Recap  
November 15, 2007

VCOG Conference Room  
2570 W. International Speedway Blvd., Suite 120  
Daytona Beach, FL

Chair: Cy Butts, City of Deltona Chief Building Official

Call to order at 1:35 PM.

Items discussed:

- Mary-Ann Luther, Program Coordinator of Volusia Interfaiths/Agencies Networking in Disaster (VIND), gave a Power Point presentation on VIND, a non-profit long-term recovery organization assisting low income families to rebuild after a disaster. VIND is currently working on repair or rebuilds of homes damaged in the 2006 and 2007 tornados, and 2004 hurricanes.
  - Mary-Ann requested assistance of Committee members for statistics of 2004 hurricane damaged homes so VIND can get further grant funding to provide services.
  - Mary-Ann requested a volunteer to serve on the VIND Board of Directors. Mark Criswell, Building Official of City of Daytona Beach, had notified VIND of his interest in serving on its Board.
- Placement of Topics/Issues on Meeting Agendas - Sometimes, industry representatives try to use the Committee as an arbitration/appeals council for disputes with local building departments. Several members expressed concerns of potentially eliminating participation of Associate members. Several members thought some issue(s) brought up and discussed may be helpful to other jurisdictions in dealing with similar situations that arise.
  - In order to avoid future situations, it was decided that language be added to the Unified Code Committee's (UCC) meeting agendas, stipulating that the UCC is not an arbitration or appeals committee and if there is an issue with a specific jurisdiction it ought to be taken up with that respective jurisdictions' board of appeals.
- No update was presented on the Special Legislative Session re Hurricane Damage Retrofit Requirements as legislators didn't make any recommendations/actions on the issue.
- Matt Adair will be meeting with Cities/County Managers, end of November, to discuss/get approval of the Emergency Response Hangtag system.
- On a unanimous vote, the December meeting of the Committee was cancelled.

Adjournment - 3:00 PM.