



# Safety Codes Council

## MINUTES OF THE SECOND ELECTRICAL SUB-COUNCIL MEETING OF 2020

**DATE:** May 4, 2020

**TIME:** 9:35 a.m. to 11:50 a.m.

**LOCATION:** Teleconference

**PRESENT:** *Sub-Council Members*

Gerry Wiles, Chair  
Scott Basinger, Vice Chair – North  
John Briegel  
Patrick Conway  
Bert DeBruin  
Hussein Desouki  
Gerry Doan  
Tim Driscoll  
Ken Forbes  
Adam Ghani, Vice Chair – South  
Todd Grayson  
Glenn Hedderick  
Ken Hood  
Nicolas Leblanc  
Tyler Masson  
Lori Monaghan  
Brian Townsend

*Safety Codes Council*

Kathryn Derkach, Jennifer Johnson, Susan Rossmann

*Alberta Municipal Affairs*

Clarence Cormier, Bob Hall

**REGRETS:** Barry Voogd

**GUESTS:** N/A

**RECORDER:** Jennifer Johnson

**2020 MEETINGS:** September 28, November 16

## 1. Meeting Opening

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

### 1.1 Agenda Adoption

Todd Grayson/Adam Ghani moved that the agenda be adopted, as circulated; CARRIED.

### 1.2 Adoption of the March 9, 2020 Minutes

Scott Basinger/Todd Grayson moved to adopt the minutes of the March 9, 2020 meeting, as circulated; CARRIED.

## 2. Matters for Decision

None identified

## 3. Review Matters Arising/Action List

	Item	Action	Date Initiated	Responsible	Status/Update
1.	CE Code-072 – Concrete Encasements	Consider drafting a Proposed Change to CE Code Part 1 <b>UPDATE:</b> The working group is still working on a proposed change for the next code cycle (2024). This will be brought to the sub-council at a future meeting.	Feb 6/17	CE Code Working Group	In progress.
2.	Multi Family Unit Site Bonding	It was decided that the affected municipalities will meet with the proponent to discuss the issue further.	Jan 13/20	Wiles	Ongoing
3.	Award Nominations	It was discussed that a former member will be nominated for the Dr. Sauer and the Certification Award	Jan 13/20	Leblanc	Nomination was submitted. Awards delayed due to Covid-19. New date for submissions TBD, additional letters of support are still being accepted.
4.	APEGA presentation	It was suggested that APEGA could present about authentication process.	Jan 13/20	Desouki	Process is available on APEGA website, everyone is encouraged to review and bring any questions

					forward at a future meeting. Item can be removed from list.
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## 4. Matters for Discussion

### 4.1. Definition of 'Single Family Dwelling'

The GSC has requested information on how the electrical discipline interprets the term 'Single Family Dwelling' in the Permit Regulation.

The following was discussed:

- Secondary suites with their own cooking and sleeping facilities could reasonably be considered a separate dwelling unit making a home a multi-family dwelling
- It was identified that the definition is confusing and inconsistently used within the electrical discipline

**Ken Hood/Adam Ghani moved to set up a task force between involved disciplines to form a committee to define Single Family Dwelling; CARRIED**

[Hood/Ghani/Council Administration]

### 4.2. Quality Assurance Framework Presentation

Deferred to September meeting

### 4.3. Rapid Shutdown STANDATA

Feedback was provided and will be emailed to the Administrator for incorporation into the STANDATA. [DeBruin/Cormier]

### 4.4. Working Group Reports

#### 4.4.1. AEUC

The following was discussed:

- Group was not able to meet due to Covid-19. Breakout groups are waiting on drafts of new CSA 2020 updates to begin their work. These have been delayed but will hopefully be ready for the next meeting scheduled in June.

#### 4.4.2. CE Code

The following was discussed:

- Group has not met due to Covid-19. Will schedule a meeting once calculations for the tables have been finalized, likely in the fall.

#### 4.4.3. Hazardous Locations

The following was discussed:

- Meetings on hold due to Covid-19 and changes to working group procedures.
- Standard regarding flexible heavy duty conduit fittings was expected to be published on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Once that is done, there are companies ready to submit products for testing right away.

#### **4.4.4. CE Code Farm Services**

The following was discussed:

- No meeting yet due to Covid-19 but documents have been posted to the member portal, please review if interested.
- Demarcation line, what is supply side and what is consumer side.
- Clarification needed on proper placement of service entrance items.

#### **4.5. BSC Liaison Report**

Nothing to report

#### **4.6. Administrator/AMA Report**

A written report was included in the portal and updates were provided on:

- Alberta Department of Health is working closely with local AHJs in regards to temporary health care settings and medical equipment production due to Covid-19.
- Permit Regulations are under review, if members have any comments or concerns please forward to the Administrator.
- CSA plans to go forward with publishing the 2021 Canadian Electrical Code in January 2021.
- CSA B72 Installation Code for Lightning Protection System has been published.
- Municipal Affairs will not be issuing the Variance for Load Controllers/Energy Management Systems that was discussed at last meeting as the certification reference is specifically for electric vehicles.

#### **4.7. Council Updates**

A written report was included in the portal and updates were provided on:

- The Board has approved the inclusion of a Solar Industry segment seat, Council Administration is looking for a nominee for the September meeting.
- Covid-19 response: the office is closed to the public and staff are working remotely, the conference has been cancelled and currently waiting on a new date for the AGM.

### **5. Meeting Finalization**

#### **5.1. Round Table**

- There was discussion around virtual inspections and if there could be an opportunity to continue to utilize this method after covid-19. Members reported it is acceptable for the current situation but not ideal, therefore not likely to continue.
- It was suggested the virtual inspections could be used to resolve the issue of final inspections before the connection of utility that was identified at a previous meeting. Council administration will request an update from ASCA and the Administrator of Accreditation. [Council Administration]
- Members were reminded to please submit feedback and proposed changes in writing prior to meetings so everyone can have time to review.

#### **5.2. Next Meeting**

The next meeting was reconfirmed for September 28, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.

#### **5.3. Meeting Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

– NEW ACTION ITEMS –

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**– WORKING GROUP MEMBER LISTS –**

<b>WORKING GROUP</b>	<b>WORKING GROUP MEMBERS (<u>Chair</u>)</b>
AEUC	<b><u>Brian Townsend</u></b> Jim Porth, Cory Akins, Ran Li, Sandya Neelawala, Travis Shmyr, Ken Chao, Clark Laing, Barry Thoms, Will Hillary, Al Nagel, Henry Navis, Rodger Renwick, Brian Wagner, Lisa Liusz Senio, Mark Liebel, Graeme Vanderstar, Tony Walker
CE Code	<b><u>Scott Basinger</u></b> Don Bradshaw, Larry Cantelo, Bert DeBruin, Glenn Hedderick, Brad Van Elslande, David Pickering, Bill McAllister, Cal Whitehead, Ron Taylor, Dennis Senych
Hazardous Locations	<b><u>Tim Driscoll</u></b> Dan Green, Jake Driedger, Mark Throckmorton, Don Basnett, Scott McCorriston, Vince Rowe, Cecil Gordon, Michael Anderson, Marty Cole, Richard Beniuk, Rod Pack, Stephen Hinde, Pat Conoway
CE Code Farm Services	<b><u>Glenn Hedderick</u></b> Ken Forbes, Ken Hood, Gerry Doan, Graeme Vanderstar, Al Nagel, Larry Cantelo, Cameron Doram