

**OKLAHOMA UNIFORM BUILDING CODE COMMISSION**

**FUEL GAS, MECHANICAL AND PLUMBING  
TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
UNIFORM BUILDING CODE COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM  
2401 NW 23<sup>RD</sup> STREET, SUITE 82  
OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73107  
NOVEMBER 9, 2023 – 1:30 P.M.**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Wayne Allen, Larry Durham, Daniel Favata, John Melson, Madison Schultz, Darrel Stiver, John Taylor, Zach Tippett, and J.W. Williams, (arrived at 1:35p.m.)

**ALTERNATE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Danny Hancock

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Chris Brierly

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

David Adcock (OUBCC Staff), Alisha Davidson (OUBCC Staff), Christina Selby, (City of Duncan), and William Bumpas (City of Duncan)

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mr. Larry Durham called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

**CONFIRMATION OF ALTERNATES:**

Ms. Davidson stated Mr. Hancock could not motion or vote as his counterpart was at the meeting.

**WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS:**

Mr. Durham welcomed Mr. Huddleston with the LP Gas Administration to the committee.

**ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

Discussion and possible approval of the October 12, 2023, technical review committee meeting minutes

MR. DAVID FAVATA MADE A MOTION WITH A SECOND BY MR. WAYNE ALLEN TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 12,2023, TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES AS WRITTEN

VOTING AYE:	Wayne Allen	Darrel Stiver
	Larry Durham	John Taylor
	Daniel Favata	Zach Tippett
	John Melson	J.W. Williams
	Madison Schultz	

VOTING NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Chris Brierly

Discussion on in-tandem review process for the 2021 and 2024 editions of the codes

There was some discussion on when the 2024 edition of the International Fuel Gas Code would be available and that the committee would continue to review the 2021 edition and come back to the 2024 code at the end. There was further discussion on doing a parallel review of both code editions of the other codes but ultimately the 2024 codes would be adopted. Mr. Adcock noted the idea was to review the changes between the 2018 to 2021 codes as well as the comment forms from the previous changes in the adoptions of the 2018 codes. He also noted in the 2024 editions there was a QR code at the beginning of any section where changes occurred in the code book, but the changes were no longer individually marked. There was some discussion on reasons both for and against skipping a code cycle which included cost and time needed at small jurisdictions; ISO ratings and how being on an older code could negatively affect that rating; and adopting a code that the state had not yet adopted. Mr. Adcock noted the timelines for submitting rules to the legislature and that the codes they were reviewing wouldn't be adopted and in place until 2025.

Discussion, review, and possible action on Chapter 3 of the 2021 International Fuel Gas Code® (IFGC®)

Discussion and possible action on comment form FGMP-3 related to Section 306.6 Guards; Section 306.6.1 Roof edge; Section 306.6.2 Skylights; and Section 306.6.3 Roof hatch (also addressed in Chapter 3 of the IMC®)

Mr. Adcock noted the change was made in the 2018 codes and the form was created by staff. There was some discussion on the history of the change and that BEBF technical committee had not yet reviewed the change; and that any changes made to this section made by the BEBF committee when they reviewed the change would come back to the committee. There was discussion on the history of the change; differences between the exception language in the codes; costs associated with the change; and examples seen in the field related to guards. Concerns were expressed that the fall restraint requirements should be in the IBC not in the IFGC and IMC and that the changes were correlated between the codes. There was some discussion regarding which alternate position Mr. Hancock held and if he could motion and vote as he was the alternate plumbing contractor not the alternate code official. After the discussion Ms. Davidson apologized and clarified he could motion and vote.

MR. DANIEL FAVATA MADE A MOTION WITH A SECOND BY MR. DANNY HANCOCK TO ACCEPT COMMENT FORM FGMP-3

VOTING AYE:	Wayne Allen	Madison Schultz
	Larry Durham	Darrel Stiver
	Daniel Favata	John Taylor
	Danny Hancock	Zach Tippet
	John Melson	J.W. Williams

VOTING NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Chris Brierly

Discussion and possible action on comment form FGMP-4 related to Section 307.2.1 Condensate drains (also addressed in Chapter 3 of the IMC® and IPC®)

The comment form was tabled as one of the members indicated he had submitted a comment form that was not on the agenda related to the same section.

MR. JOHN TAYLOR MADE A MOTION WITH A SECOND BY MR. DANIEL FAVATA TO TABLE COMMENT FORM FGMP-4

VOTING AYE:	Wayne Allen	Madison Schultz
	Larry Durham	Darrel Stiver
	Daniel Favata	John Taylor
	Danny Hancock	Zach Tippett
	John Melson	J.W. Williams

VOTING NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Chris Brierly

Discussion and call for any comments regarding Chapter 3

There was no further discussion on Chapter 3 of the 2021 IFGC®.

Discussion and possible approval of Chapter 3 of the IFGC®

MR. JOHN TAYLOR MADE A MOTION WITH A SECOND BY MR. DANNY HANCOCK TO TABLE CHAPTER 3 OF THE 2021 IFGC®

VOTING AYE:	Wayne Allen	Madison Schultz
	Larry Durham	Darrel Stiver
	Daniel Favata	John Taylor
	Danny Hancock	Zach Tippett
	John Melson	J.W. Williams

VOTING NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Chris Brierly

Discussion, review, and possible action on Chapter 4 of the 2021 International Fuel Gas Code® (IFGC®)

Discussion and possible action on comment form FGMP-6 related to Section 412.5 Attendants; Section 412.6.1 Low emission transfer; and Section 412.9 Public fueling of motor vehicles

Mr. Huddleston noted the language was already regulated by LP Gas Administration and NFPA 58 and wasn't sure why it was in the code. There was discussion that the issue was not all contractors knew that propane required a special permit and was regulated by the LP Gas Administration; adding language to refer to NFPA 58 and the LP Gas Administration in the agency's rules; and the differences between regular transfer and low-emission transfers of LP

Gas. There was further discussion regarding training requirements and how to address the issues Mr. Huddleston had. At the end of the discussion, consensus was to table the form and submit a new form.

MR. DANIEL FAVATA MADE A MOTION WITH A SECOND BY MR. DANNY HANCOCK TO TABLE COMMENT FORM FGMP-6

VOTING AYE:	Wayne Allen	Madison Schultz
	Larry Durham	Darrel Stiver
	Daniel Favata	John Taylor
	Danny Hancock	Zach Tippett
	John Melson	J.W. Williams

VOTING NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Chris Brierly

Discussion and possible action on comment form FGMP-9 related to Section 413.9 Emergency shutdown devices; Section 413.9 Remote emergency shutdown device; and Section 413.9.2 Local emergency shutdown devices

There was some discussion that the form had the wrong sections referenced out of the IFC which had duplicative language.

MR. DANIEL FAVATA MADE A MOTION WITH A SECOND BY MS. MADISON SCHULTZ TO TABLE COMMENT FORM FGMP-9

VOTING AYE:	Wayne Allen	Madison Schultz
	Larry Durham	Darrel Stiver
	Daniel Favata	John Taylor
	Danny Hancock	Zach Tippett
	John Melson	J.W. Williams

VOTING NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Chris Brierly

Discussion and call for any comments regarding Chapter 4

There was no further discussion on Chapter 4.

Discussion and possible approval of Chapter 4 of the IFGC®

MR. DANNY HANCOCK MADE A MOTION WITH A SECOND BY MR. DANIEL FAVATA TO TABLE APPROVAL OF CHAPTER 4 OF THE IFGC®

VOTING AYE: Wayne Allen Madison Schultz  
Larry Durham Darrel Stiver  
Daniel Favata John Taylor  
Danny Hancock Zach Tippett  
John Melson J.W. Williams

VOTING NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Chris Brierly

Discussion, review, and possible action on Chapter 5 of the 2021 International Fuel Gas Code® (IFGC®)

Discussion and call for any comments regarding Chapter 5

There was no discussion on Chapter 5.

Discussion and possible approval of Chapter 5 of the IFGC®

MR. DANNY HANCOCK MADE A MOTION WITH A SECOND BY MR. DANIEL FAVATA TO APPROVE CHAPTER 5 OF THE IFGC® AS WRITTEN

VOTING AYE: Wayne Allen Madison Schultz  
Larry Durham Darrel Stiver  
Daniel Favata John Taylor  
Danny Hancock Zach Tippett  
John Melson J.W. Williams

VOTING NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Chris Brierly

Discussion, review, and possible action on Chapter 6 of the 2021 International Fuel Gas Code® (IFGC®)

Discussion and call for any comments regarding Chapter 6

There was some discussion on Section 613.1 Clothes Dryers, related to distances, vents, and manufacturer's installation instructions when the distance of the exhaust systems exceeded allowable lengths. After discussion, the committee determined a comment form should be submitted and approval of the chapter should be tabled.

Discussion and possible approval of Chapter 6 of the IFGC®

MR. DANIEL FAVATA MADE A MOTION WITH A SECOND BY MR. DANNY HANCOCK TO TABLE APPROVAL CHAPTER 6 OF THE IFGC® TO ALLOW FOR COMMENT FORMS TO BE SUBMITTED

VOTING AYE: Wayne Allen Madison Schultz  
Larry Durham Darrel Stiver  
Daniel Favata John Taylor  
Danny Hancock Zach Tippett  
John Melson J.W. Williams

VOTING NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Chris Brierly

Discussion, review, and possible action on Chapter 7 of the 2021 International Fuel Gas Code® (IFGC®)

Discussion and call for any comments regarding Chapter 7

There was no discussion on Chapter 7.

Discussion and possible approval of Chapter 7 of the IFGC®

MR. DANIEL FAVATA MADE A MOTION WITH A SECOND BY MR. DANNY HANCOCK TO ACCEPT CHAPTER 7 OF THE IFGC® AS WRITTEN

VOTING AYE: Wayne Allen Madison Schultz  
Larry Durham Darrel Stiver  
Daniel Favata John Taylor  
Danny Hancock Zach Tippett  
John Melson J.W. Williams

VOTING NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Chris Brierly

Discussion, review, and possible action on Chapter 8 of the 2021 International Fuel Gas Code® (IFGC®)

Discussion and call for any comments regarding Chapter 8

There was no discussion on Chapter 8.

Discussion and possible approval of Chapter 8 of the IFGC®

MR. WAYNE ALLEN MADE A MOTION WITH A SECOND BY MR. DANIEL FAVATA TO ACCEPT AS WRITTEN CHAPTER 8 OF THE IFGC®

VOTING AYE: Wayne Allen Madison Schultz  
Larry Durham Darrel Stiver  
Daniel Favata John Taylor  
Danny Hancock Zach Tippett  
John Melson J.W. Williams

VOTING NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Chris Brierly

There was some discussion on why the committee approved Chapter 1 of each code since they were not mandatory in the state adoption; review of the appendices and creating an interpretation committee to address changes made by the OUBCC that were recommended by the committee. There was further discussion regarding submitting further comment forms and pressure drop tables and which ones should be utilized.

Discussion, review, and possible action on Chapter 1 of the 2021/2024 International Mechanical Code® (IMC®)

Discussion and call for any comments regarding Chapter 1

There was some discussion on approving Chapter 1 of the code in a similar manner as the IFGC®, only reviewing the 2021 edition for the meeting since not everyone had the 2024 edition of the IMC®; and ending the meeting so the codes could be addressed at the same time.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

There were no further public comments.

**ADJOURNMENT: (3:00 p.m.)**

MR. DAVID FAVATA MADE A MOTION WITH A SECOND BY MR. WAYNE ALLEN TO ADJOURN

VOTING AYE:	Wayne Allen	Madison Schultz
	Larry Durham	Darrel Stiver
	Daniel Favata	John Taylor
	Danny Hancock	Zach Tippett
	John Melson	J.W. Williams

VOTING NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Chris Brierly

Minutes approved in the regular meeting on the 9th day of May 2024.

LARRY DURHAM  
Larry Durham, Chairman  
Fuel Gas, Mechanical and Plumbing Technical Committee

PREPARED BY: KATHY HEHNLY  
Kathy Hehnly, Secretary  
Fuel Gas, Mechanical and Plumbing Technical Committee

*Official Copy: Original with signatures in office file.*