

**MINUTES  
CITY OF ST. CHARLES IL  
BUILDING BOARD OF REVIEW  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2015  
COUNCIL COMMITTEE ROOM**

**Present:** Dan Marshall, Chairman  
Dan Hartel  
Tom Lang  
Tom Ritchie

**Also Present:** Robert Vann, Building & Code Enforcement Division Manager  
Kevin Christensen, Asst. Fire Chief  
Brian Byrne, Lieutenant

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**1. Call to order.**

Chairman Marshall called the meeting to order and requested that all cell phones be placed in silent mode or turned off.

**2. Roll call.**

Roll with all four members present.

**3. Welcome New Member – Dan Hartel.**

Bob Vann announced to the Board with the resignation of John Flynn, his position as the Fire member has been filled with new member Dan Hartel.

**4. Discussion on the proposed amendments to 2015 International Residential Code (IRC).**

Bob Vann, Building & Code Enforcement Division Manager presented to the Board members the proposed amendments to the 2015 International Residential Code. An open table discussion on each of the proposed amendments took place.

A question was raised why staff is recommending the 30# ground snow load. Mr. Vann responded that the design criteria Table R301.2 (1) are the same for the Fox Valley Communities of Batavia, Geneva, North Aurora, Elburn and St. Charles. We are proposing to use the 30 to be consistent with the Northwest Region Code Requirements.

Chairman Marshall questioned the amendment of requiring two exits that discharge to grade. Mr. Vann stated with the amendments to not require residential sprinklers, staff believes a second exit that gets the occupant out and away from structure affords a higher level of safety.

A discussion on the garage fill of inorganic soils and nonorganic material took place. The requirement of rebar was discussed. After review, the Board approved as written.

**5. Next meeting date.**

It was announced that the next meeting date would be December 15, 2015.

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**7. Open discussion and comments.**

No open discussion was held.

**8. Public comments.**

Mr. Stan Jarosz was at the meeting to observe the meeting and had no questions.

**9. Adjournment of meeting.**

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Marshall adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dan Marshall, Chairman  
Building Board of Review