

1311 Rule – Minnesota Code for Existing Buildings

Advisory committee from 5-14-04

Members present:

Marlene Evenson, Paul Nahurski, Daniel Callahan, Jim Mlodozyniec,
Ron Boose, Dennis Olson, Jon Nisja, David Macdonald, Bill Mesaros

Interested parties: Alan Olson, Greg Mathis

B.C.S.D. Members present:

Fred Driver, Jeff Dejarlis, Greg Karow

Fred Driver called the meeting to order @ 8:40am.

Means of Egress:

Reviewed changes in section 403—means of egress.

Changes dated 4-26-04 approved by the committee. New sections 401.1

- ✨ Stairways—403.3 Tread and riser provision. Add language for spiral stairways. Approved by committee: proposal dated 4-26-04
- ✨ 403.4.1 proposal dated 4-26-04. Approved by committee with minimal changes. Jeff D. will clarify the terms “that are uniform”.
- ✨ Guards 403.5.1 concerns have arisen about spacing of guards and maintaining consistency and continuity between the MN code for existing building (new name) and the fire code. Committee consensus was that a dimension should be included for maximum spacing between guards. In addition, the committee believed that guard spacing could be regulated by occupancy. A new section, 403.5.2 will be added for guard spacing. Jeff D. will bring revisions to the next meeting. Fire code will mirror the same language as the conservation code as it relates to guard spacing.
- ✨ 403.9 Egress doorways Committee approved with minor changes as needed.
- ✨ 201 administration: Delete section 201 and title and replace with section 104 Enforcement including the following proposed language: “The building official is hereby authorized to enforce the provisions of this code. The building official shall have the power to render interpretations of this code as deemed necessary to clarify the application of the provisions of this code. These interpretations shall be in conformity with the intent and purpose of this code and the Minnesota State Fire Code.”
- ✨ Ron B. will propose language to clarify 1311.0110 “Adoption by Reference”

- ✱ 403.14 corridors: Jeff D. and Jon N. will coordinate an effort to bring unity to the fire code and the conservation code as it relates to corridor application.
- ✱ 405: Shaft enclosures: Committee will consider using a table for shaft application in accordance with the fire code.
- ✱ 406: Fire separation and smoke barriers: Jeff D. will compare the conservation code to the IBC for consistency. Consider deleting 406.2.

Committee is encouraged to review and study section 407 and be prepared to deal with at the next meeting.

Meeting schedule as follows:

6/25/04, 7/16/04, 8/20/04, 9/10/04

Respectfully submitted

Greg Karow