

Village Board of Aldermen



## **Building Inspection Workshop**

### **Meeting Minutes**

Municipal Building

Thursday, September 14, 2006 @ 5:30PM

Members Present: Suzi Epps, Michael Cooper, Curt Strong, Merle Stalcup, Rick Ashe, Jackie Mills

Others Present: Dianna Zulauf, Alan Bojorquez, Chief Alan Rogers, Officer Bruno Matarazzo, about 35 citizens

Mayor Ashe called the workshop to order at 5:30pm.

Each Board member was given a handout of excerpts from the 2003 International Building Code and 2003 Residential Code; construction documents, permits, and index.

Mayor Ashe allowed several citizens to address the Board regarding their feelings of the Village's use of Bureau Veritas for its building plan review and inspections. Most were concerned with the fee schedule. Mayor Ashe explained that it was not general practice to allow citizen input during a workshop but since the Village Voice printed that there would be citizen participation the Mayor allowed it. Those who addressed the Board at the podium were Dr. Lemus, Dave Apachino, Dave Broecker, Tim Fleischer, Richard Riley, Lou Aikens, and Linda Blevins. There was citizen input for 50 minutes.

Officer Matarazzo and Mayor Ashe explained the problems the Village incurred before hiring an outside company. Officer Matarazzo explained mandatory code compliance. All Aldermen except Alderman Mills made a comment on their feelings about why Bureau Veritas was hired and the problem that they see now. The Board was in agreement that whoever the Village uses for inspections must do plan review as well.

The Board will look into these options:

- lower the Village's 40% portion of the fee,
- Charge only enough to pay Veritas and pass any additional costs on to the contractor at the time the costs occur,
- Look for other inspection options, i.e. hire an independent inspector

Alderman Epps and Alderman Strong will call other cities about our size that use Veritas and see how they have handled the fee schedule.

This item will be placed on the September 21<sup>st</sup> Board of Aldermen agenda.

This workshop involved only discussion, no actions were taken.

Workshop adjourned at 7:04PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Dianna Zulauf  
Village Secretary



Rick Ashe  
Mayor

