

# AGENDA & MEETING MINUTES

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## MEETING DETAILS

**Date:** March 3, 2026

**Time:** 9:00 AM

**Location:** IN Government Center South, Auditorium

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## MEMBER INFO

Member Name	Position	Appt. Auth.	Term Start	Term End
Craig Burgess	Architect	Governor	07/31/2023	07/30/2027
Logan Cook	Engineer	Governor	07/31/2023	07/30/2027
Todd Hite	Department of Health Designee	NA	NA	NA
James Murua	Fire Official	Governor	07/31/2023	07/30/2027
Buckie Olaleye	Department of Labor Designee	NA	NA	NA
Michael Patarino	Apartment Association	Governor	07/31/2023	07/30/2027
Michael Popich	IABO	Governor	07/31/2023	07/30/2027
Lane Slaughter	Remodeler	Governor	07/31/2023	07/30/2027
Kenneth Wagner	Contractor (low-income housing)	Governor	07/31/2023	07/30/2027
Michael Zehner	IBA (single family housing)	Governor	07/31/2023	07/30/2027
Vacancy	NA	NA	NA	NA

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### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M.

### 2. Roll Call

Name	Present		Means of Communication
	Yes	No	

Craig Burgess	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
Logan Cook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
Todd Hite	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
James Murua	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
Buckie Olaleye	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
Michael Patarino	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
Michael Popich	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Lane Slaughter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Electronic Means (MS Teams)
Kenneth Wagner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Electronic Means (MS Teams)
Michael Zehner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

### 3. Review of February 2026 Minutes (as amended)

Motion: Approved*	Vote	
	Yes	No
Craig Burgess	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Logan Cook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Todd Hite	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
James Murua	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Buckie Olaleye	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael Patarino	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael Popich		
Lane Slaughter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Kenneth Wagner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael Zehner		

- i. IDHS Variance Determinations Report as required by 675 IAC 12-5-6.2(f)
  - a. Discussion about variance determination procedures and categories.
- ii. Legislative Update, HB 1003.

### 4. Rulemaking Updates

- i. Electrical Code Update Committee – The public hearing has been set for April 16, 2026, in Conference Room A.
- ii. Building Code Update Committee – The Building Code Update Committee is scheduled to meet on April 1, 2026, in IDHS Resilience Room.
- iii. Fire Code Update Committee – The Fire Code Update Committee is scheduled to meet on April 1, 2026, in IDHS Resilience Room.
- iv. Lift Device Update Committee – No current update that is different from the previous month.

## 5. Variances

### a. Tabled

- i. 25-11-25 Wavemax Laundry (Indianapolis) – The proponent has requested that this variance be tabled until the March 2026 Commission meeting.

Motion: Withdrawn	Vote	
	Yes	No
Craig Burgess	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Logan Cook	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Todd Hite	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
James Murua	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Buckie Olaleye	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael Patarino	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael Popich		
Lane Slaughter	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Kenneth Wagner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael Zehner		

- ii. 25-12-52 Heartland Christian School (New Castle) – Building was originally used as an assembly workspace (not a barn), used as a business at original owner's residence. Homeschool parents started a school in it; in 2013 they had 26 students. Currently they have 260 students enrolled. No one understood the difference between Class 1 and a Class 2 Structure. Some internal improvements were made. It needs to be converted from a Class 2 to a Class 1 Structure. On its own property and has already been rezoned. Front part of the building is a gym, and the other part is the main school. There are currently apartments above the school. The plan is to eventually move out the tenants of the occupied apartments. Building is way off the main water supply, currently have no water supply, and are based off of a well system. Every classroom has an exit right to the exterior. They have a smoke detection system and a full fire alarm system in the building and a very generous egress system. Plan is to grow this school more, and that would be to have an additional building constructed. They are hoping in a year to begin construction on the new building. The fire department is comfortable putting kids in the school. The apartments are not fully rated but are entered separately from accessing the school. Want to see what the plan is going forward and a plan from getting the tenants out of the apartments above the school.

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Logan Cook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Todd Hite	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

James Murua	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Buckie Olaley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael Patarino	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael Popich		
Lane Slaughter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Kenneth Wagner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael Zehner		

- With conditions:
  1. Structural Retrofits
  2. Change in use, occupancy will be removed by the end of 2026

- iii. 26-01-32: Bennet’s Greenhouse (Lafayette) – An A2 occupancy with an occupant load over 100 is required to have a fire suppression system. Request is not to provide a sprinkler system for a wedding hall with an occupant load of 261.

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Logan Cook	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Todd Hite	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
James Murua	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Buckie Olaley	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael Patarino	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael Popich		
Lane Slaughter	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Kenneth Wagner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael Zehner		

- b. New
  - i. None

## 6. Industrialized Building Systems Applications and Renewals

- i. UL, LLC - 3rd Party Inspection Firm Renewal - Tabled

## 7. Report on Administrative Review

- a. Commission Review (Action Required)

- i. None
- b. New Cases – Monitoring Only
  - i. None
- c. Ongoing Cases
  - i. Metalworking Lubricants Company vs. Indianapolis Fire Department
- d. New Filings – Commission Review / Action Needed
  - i. None
- e. OALP Final Orders – No action required.
  - i. None

## 8. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission shall take place on **April 9, 2026, at 9:00am.**

The meeting will be held in the **Indiana Government Center South** in the **Auditorium.** The meeting will also be streamed live via Microsoft Teams.

Public notice and virtual/electronic meeting access details will be provided on the [Commission's Web Page](#) in advance of the meeting.

## 9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:12 PM