

**In-person Meeting Location (January 16, 2025):**

29 Pines Family Restaurant & Lounge

5872 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue

Eau Claire, WI 54703

[Restaurants, Lounge & Conference Center - River Country CO-OP](#)

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**In-person Attendance:**

Flatland, Wirth, Amans, Dahlke, Karr, Higley, Weber, Kowieski, Simmons, Wert, Borner, Nizzi

**Virtual attendance not offered due to absence of Kegley and Livingston**

**Tentative Meeting Agenda:**

10:00 Meeting room open (coffee, juice, pastries and fruit provided)

10:30 Call to order and introductions – 10:32am

10:32 **Get lunch orders into staff!**

10:35 Sec Report – Borner – Motion to approve by Kowieski. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Flatland. Motion carried.

10:40 Treasurer Report – Wert – Motion to approve by Kowieski. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Simmons. Motion carried.

10:45 Items for discussion

- Winter Updates: Is everything in place?
- Volunteer or appointment of representative for WBIA (four year term) – Kegley or Kowieski?
- Discuss virtual platform options and attendance – Discussion was had amongst group. The virtual option will continue to be provided. Further discussion took place regarding how to validate participation by the virtual attendee especially when considering the benefits offered to members in good standing (e.g. – free continuing education credits provided during meetings and reimbursement for attending winter code updates or building inspector institute). Motion by Nizzi that virtual attendees shall validate their participation by showing themselves using the video feature on their device. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Higley. Motion carried.

12:00 Lunch at meeting site

13:00 – 15:00 **Lori Gustafson, Xcel Energy, Manager, Distribution Design**

15:00 Other items for discussion as time permits

- Kowieski and Simmons showed photos of geodesic home under construction
- Wert will be attending UDC Code Council meeting virtually on January 24<sup>th</sup>
- Members in good standing have until March 20<sup>th</sup> meeting to receive reimbursement for attending training. \$250.00 reimbursement available for HVAC training. \$100.00 reimbursement available for attending NWBIA winter updates. Certificate of attendance must be provided for reimbursement.
- Reminder that NWBIA membership fees are due. Find the application here - [Join – Northwest Wisconsin Building Inspectors Association](#)

15:30 Meeting adjourned – Motion to adjourn by Wert at 3:19pm. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dahlke. Motion carried.

**Upcoming meeting March 20, 2025:**

Viking Bowl - Colfax

More details to come.