## ST. MARY'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT

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Building Code Board of Appeals

Annual Report

June 2023 to July 2024

## **Members**

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## **Staff Support**

Amber Thompson, Permits Manager Betty Nickerson, Recording Secretary

The Building Code Board of Appeals was established by the Commissioners of St. Mary's County by Resolution No. 2016-24. The Building Code Board of Appeals has the power to hear and decide appeals of the decisions made by a Building Inspector. The basis for an appeal is that the Building Inspector incorrectly interpreted a provision in the building code or that a building technique or material that a builder wants to use on a project is just as good or better than what is specified in the building code.

## Meetings

The Building Code board of appeals meets on an as needed basis.

November 28, 2023

2021 Building Code Adoption

Permit SFDD 22-0836 Brent Compton Compton Custom Homes of behalf of Kaitlyn Guntow, Owner/Permit holder is seeking a reconsideration of the failed inspection at 23750 Old Chaptico Wharf Rd. Chaptico, MD 20621. Motion to amend to 2% slope to R311.7.7 to 2 1/2%. January 22, 2024

IBC 2021 and IRC 2021 Code Discussion of the amendments to the IRC and IBC 2021 Building Code.

February 27, 2024

IBC AND IRC 2021 CODE Continued discussion of IRC and IBC 2021 Building Code amendments.

March 14, 2024

IBC and IRC 2021 CODE

Continued discussion of IRC and IBC 2021 Building Code amendments.

Building Code Board of Appeals will meet again March 21, 2024, at 2:00 PM at the Potomac Building room 14. The Building Code Board of Appeals to have a markup of the current ordinance drafted by that date. Building Code Board of Appeals members to have the amendment proposal by April 2, 2024. Land Use and Growth Management will create a power point for presentation to the Commissioners by April 9, 2024.

March 21, 2024

IRC and IBC 2021 Building Code amendments.

Amber Harding, Permits Manager, Land Use and Growth management presented board members of the Building Code Board of Appeals and the Plumbing, Fuel and Gas Advisory Board a copy of the current ordinance with the proposed amendments received. The members of the Building Code Board of Appeals and the Plumbing, Fuel and Gas Advisory Board reviewed all proposed amendments and made final proposal changes. Staff from Land Use and Growth Management will create a power point for presentation to the Commissioners of St. Mary's County April 9, 2024. Jessica Andritz, Director, Land Use and Growth management will contact the St. Mary's County Administrative office to discuss contracts with the Middle Department Inspection Agency (MDIA).

Timeline for 2021 final adoption of the 2021 International Building Code: April 9, 2024, power point presentation to the Commissioners of St. Mary's County and to request a public hearing April 30, 2024, public hearing May 7, 2024, record closes May 14, 2024, Commissioners of St. Mary's County adoption of the 2021 International Building Codes