



Flagler County

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There has been a change to the Flagler County application that requires the contractor's signature to be notarized. This is being done as a protection to you to ensure that the license holder is aware of the project. Ultimately the license holder is responsible for all projects and submittals to this office. This was sent out to all of those included in the e-mail bank accumulated by Central Permitting. See Becky Witte to add or change an e-mail address. While we attempt to provide advanced notice for changes when they occur, always check the web site for the latest forms and documents.

This is a renewal year for State Certified Contractors. It is not too early to begin thinking about your continuing education hours. Oftentimes insurances expire about the same date. Please be cognizant of the expiration dates so there are no delays in your projects.

There continues to be an issue with product approval information being provided to the county for exterior windows, doors and overhead doors. It is imperative that the specific product be identified in order to complete the plan review. Often a product number will be followed by a decimal point on the DCA web site. Without the specific decimal number the proposed product cannot be checked to ensure that it meets or exceeds the opening pressure provided on the plans and is in fact an approved product to be used for that specific area. The rejection of plans and documents delays your permit approval thus your project.

Many are happy to see 2009 be put in the past. It was a rough year for many due to the economic conditions we are dealing with. The county Building Department and Growth Management in general lost some valuable employees. Each of you probably have been faced with some of the same difficult decisions and it hurts when those decisions become reality since employees become part of your "family". Current employees continue to provide the best possible service available. Speaking from my perspective, the county employees in our area are stepping up and doing everything possible to assist customers and other employees in order to achieve goals and meet expectations.

Here's to hoping that 2010 is a better and more productive year for all involved in the construction industry.

Gary Hiatt, CBO
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