

Newsletter of the Home Builders Association of Central Missouri

# HBANews



**May 2020**

Dear HBA Members,

I hope this letter finds you and your families well. While we very much miss seeing everyone in person, due to the limitations of the Phase 1 re-opening, the HBA Board and staff have decided that we will not be holding our May General Membership Meeting.

Although the plan is tentative at this time we are moving the May meeting to June 10th. This date in June would have been the date of our yearly BBQ, but again, with the uncertainty at this time, we have postponed the BBQ. We plan to continue to reevaluate the BBQ event in the upcoming weeks, and we will keep everyone informed of future plans; we will be looking at July or August of this year as alternate possibilities.

The Home Builders Association of Central Missouri is here to serve its members and will continue to maintain regular business hours. The office will be staffed with one person during office hours; however, the doors will be locked. If you need to pick up or drop something off please call the office first.

Moving forward, HBA will suspend in-person meetings until further notice. Instead, meetings will be held via Zoom.

We sincerely hope all of our HBA members stay safe. We encourage everyone to put their families and businesses front and center. We will continue to keep you updated as the circumstances change.

Sincerely,

Rachel Andrews

HBA of Central Missouri

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## Calendar of Events

**May 12-** 4pm Board of Directors Meeting

**May 13-** General Membership Meeting - canceled

**June 9-** 4pm Board of Directors Meeting

**June-10** 6pm Tentative Membership Meeting

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## 2020 Permit Totals

Permits Issued 2020

	Single Family		Other	
	City	Cole County	City	Cole County
January	6	6	18	3
February				
March				
April				
May				
June				
July				
August				
September				
October				
November				
December				
<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>3</b>

Permits Issued 2019

	Single Family		Other	
	City	Cole County	City	Cole County
January	6	11	22	4
February	0	13	21	7
March	0	4	13	11
April	0	13	13	11
May	0	11	18	12
June	0	13	24	21
July	0	8	13	1
August	0	11	10	18
September	0	10	35	18
October	0	5	12	1
November	0	5	10	1
December	0	5	10	1
<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>120</b>

# New Members

## **Gerlach Construction LLC**

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## **Elite Roofing and Siding**

Jason Sherrow

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## **HBAs and Member Companies Participate in Safety Stand Down**

Home building job sites all over the country stopped work on Thursday, April 16 to educate workers and subcontractors on proper coronavirus safety measures.

Hundreds of NAHB member companies and HBAs participated in the national COVID-19 Job Site [Safety Stand Down](#).

The hashtags associated with the stand down were used more than 500 times on social media and generated more than 3.5 million impressions.

The safety stand down came out of discussions between the steering members of the Construction Industry Safety Coalition. The Associated General

Contractors of America held their stand down on April 9, NAHB on April 16, and Associated Builders and Contractors held theirs on April 23.

With materials created by the coalition, home builders, subcontractors, building suppliers, HBAs, and other associated

businesses provided focused education on what workers on job sites should do to keep themselves healthy and flatten the curve for all.

Safety resources, including a coronavirus preparedness plan and posters in English and Spanish, can be found at [NAHB.org/safety](https://www.nahb.org/safety).

### **NAHB's Spring Leadership Meeting Will Be Virtual**

NAHB's senior officers have decided to make the 2020 NAHB [Spring Leadership Meeting](#) a virtual session instead of an in-person event. The decision was made in consideration of the safety of members.

Dates and times of some meetings may change. Complete details regarding meeting times will be available when registration opens on Monday, May 18.

## Public Affairs Committee Report

By Heath Clarkston

### HBA of Missouri Day at the State Capitol on March 18, 2020

The HBA of Missouri Day will now be held on Wednesday, March 18th. The date was scheduled for February 5th, however, due to scheduling issues, the event has been rescheduled. The meeting will begin at 10:00 am in Jefferson City and the location is still to be determined. We will provide additional details as soon as the event is finalized.

### State Legislature Considering Numerous Licensure Bills

The 2020 Missouri legislative session continues to roll forward as they have just about reached the halfway mark. Several bills related to professional registration and licensure have received consideration thus far. Legislation entitled "the fresh start act" continues to move forward that requires state licensing boards review and allow non-violent felons an opportunity to find employment in many of the state licensed professions. This bill is aimed at giving people a second chance when they re-enter the workforce after years of incarceration.

Other bills that create a new statutory licensing framework have been discussed in committee this year including a registry of roofing contractors and licensure of HVAC technicians. These bills have been introduced in the past and have not been well received and they are not expected to reach final passage again this year.

In addition, legislation is pending related to a statewide mechanical contractor license to which has strong momentum. This bill is aimed at allowing mechanical contractors to receive a state license that allows them to work anywhere in the state and not be forced to gain licensure in countless municipalities. This issue has also been around for several years and has gained traction in 2020 as the bill is sponsored by Senate President Dave Schatz (R-Sullivan).

### Cole County Reviewing Environment Fee Structure for On-Site Waste Facilities

This month, the Cole County Commission received a report from the Cole County Health Department and was provided a proposed modification of the existing fee structure for permits for on-site waste treatment. The current fee structure has not been modified for several years and the county is looking to update the structure. Currently a new construction or replacement permit is \$200 and this would be increased to \$300. A permit for repair would increase from \$50 to \$100. The Department is offering incentives for new construction that could reduce the permit rates if owners elect to improve existing systems. Permit costs would be reduced by \$100 if a tank was installed in front of a lagoon and reduced \$200 if systems pre-1996 are brought into compliance with current regulations. The Commission has requested input from interested parties including the HBA membership.

**City Still Seeking Volunteers For Building Code Review Committee**The City of Jefferson has reached out to the HBA for volunteers to help review the International Code Council (ICC) 2018 version of the building code.The City currently uses the 2015 version of the building code and the HBA membership was very active in the past with assisting in the review.This City hopes the upcoming code review can emulate the past process for the adoption of the 2015 codes.Obviously, the HBA would like to see participation by their membership on any committees to which you have experience and an interest.

The City staff is proposing the review to be done by three (3) technical subcommittees which are:

- International Building Code (commercial structures)
- International Existing Building Code (primarily commercial)
- International Fire Code (commercial structures administered by the Fire Department)
- International Mechanical Code (commonly known as HVAC)
- International Energy Conservation Code (commercial aspects only)
- International Fuel Gas Code
- International Residential Code (one and two-family structures)
- International Wildland-Urban Interface Code (commercial and residential structures)
- International Swimming Pool and Spa Code (commercial and residential)

Please note that the International Plumbing Code will be reviewed by the Plumbing Licensing Board and the 2017 National Electrical Code will be reviewed by the Electrical Licensing Board.

If you are interested in volunteering, please download the applicable form located at:

[https://www.jeffersoncitymo.gov/government/building\\_regulations/2018\\_building\\_code\\_review.](https://www.jeffersoncitymo.gov/government/building_regulations/2018_building_code_review)

Also, please let the HBA office know that you have an interest and we will assist with getting your information submitted.For any questions, feel free to contact Larry Burkhardt at the City of Jefferson as he is spearheading this process.Larry's phone number is (573) 634-6387 and he can be emailed at [larry.burkhardt@jeffersoncitymo.gov](mailto:larry.burkhardt@jeffersoncitymo.gov)

## Congress Approves \$484 Billion Stimulus

Congress has approved a \$484 billion relief measure to combat the economic fallout from the coronavirus pandemic. [The legislation](#) provides \$380 billion in funding for two key small-business loan programs that ran out of money under the CARES Act.

Businesses applying for an Economic Injury Disaster Loan may request an advance of up to \$10,000 to be delivered within three days of the request.

Under the Paycheck Protection Program, small businesses can take out loans equal to 2.5 times their average monthly payroll, up to \$10 million.

## HUD's Carson Joins NAHB Webinar

In an [exclusive webinar](#) for NAHB members, HUD Secretary Ben Carson and FHA Commissioner Brian Montgomery recently outlined specific measures the agency has implemented to battle the COVID-19 pandemic and lauded the efforts of NAHB during this outbreak. The two housing policy experts also answered detailed questions from NAHB members.

A [replay of the webinar](#) will soon be available to NAHB members in the Webinars and Town Halls section of [nahb.org/coronavirus](http://nahb.org/coronavirus).

## HBI Extends Free Online Learning

The Home Builders Institute (HBI) has extended free [online learning alternatives](#) for local schools and training programs through May 31, in response to continued requests for K-12 Career Technical Education (CTE) amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Flexible Instruction Day materials do not require textbooks or workbooks to accommodate self-paced learning.

## IRS Extends Filing Deadline

The IRS has significantly broadened its tax return filing and payment relief in response to COVID-19. According to Notice 2020-23, nearly all taxpayers with a filing or payment deadline falling on or after April 1, 2020, and before July 15, 2020, will now have until July 15, 2020 to file returns and make payments without penalties or interest.

The [expanded relief](#) applies to individuals, partnerships, corporations, estates, and other non-corporate tax filers.

## New Home Sales Fall 15.4% in March

Sales of newly built, [single-family homes](#) fell 15.4% to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 627,000 units in March, coming off a downward revision in February, according to newly released data by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the U.S. Census Bureau. The March rate is 9.5% lower than the March 2019 pace.

## Survey Finds Remodelers Seeing Fewer Customer Inquiries

A recent NAHB survey of professional remodelers shows the negative effect the coronavirus pandemic is having on the decision to remodel. More than 90% of [remodelers in the survey](#) reported a slowdown in both the rate at which inquiries are coming in, and in the general willingness of home owners to remodel at this time.

Roughly 96% of remodelers said the virus was hurting the rate at which inquiries are coming in, and a full 70% characterized the negative impact on inquiries as major rather than minor.

The survey listed eight impacts of the coronavirus on the remodeling market. More than 80% of respondents said the virus was having a noticeable effect on:

- Homeowner concerns about interacting with remodeling crews (86%);
- Supply of N95 face masks (84%);
- Cancellations or delays of existing projects (84%).

The pandemic is having significant adverse effects on the remodeling market, but the strongest ones are the negative impacts on the behavior of potential customers.

## 2020 NGBS Now Available

The 2020 edition of the ICC-700 National Green Building Standard® (NGBS) has been approved by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) and is available for public use. As of April 2020, more than 216,000 homes have been NGBS Green certified.

[The 2020 edition](#) is the fourth edition of the standard. It reflects significant changes based on evolving market conditions and feedback received over the past decade from those using the standard.

The NGBS includes high-performance practices in six areas: Lot Design and Development, Resource Efficiency, Water Efficiency, Energy Efficiency, Indoor Environmental Quality, and Building Operation & Maintenance.

## States Start Reopening to Building

Thanks to efforts by NAHB and state home builder associations, the few remaining states that have halted residential construction activity due the COVID-19 pandemic — Michigan, New York, Pennsylvania, Washington and Vermont — are taking steps to allow home building to [resume production](#).

In a critical win for NAHB and the residential construction sector, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) on March 28 designated construction of single-family and multifamily housing as an “Essential Infrastructure Business.” Although this designation was not binding for individual states, most states followed the federal guidelines.

Access NAHB’s [updated map](#) showing where construction can continue.

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## HBA OF CENTRAL MISSOURI MISSION STATEMENT

The Home Builders Association of Central Missouri is an organization of professional builders and related industries, dedicated to serving its members.

We strive to be a resource center and "THE" voice on building issues. We do this by educating our members, providing networking opportunities and advocating progressive growth in the communities.



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Members of the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) can now enjoy a private offer\* of up to \$1,000 toward the purchase or lease of most new Chevrolet, Buick and GMC vehicles. Choose an eligible vehicle at your local dealer and present your NAHB proof of membership. You can add on incentives from the National Fleet Purchase Program and Business Choice to get the best value on vehicles that run your business. For private offer details, visit [nahb.org/gm](http://nahb.org/gm).

Logos for NAHB and General Motors Fleet.

\*Wholesale offer amount varies by model. City Express and Low Cab Forward receive a \$200 Offer for both fleet and retail deliveries. Fleet deliveries on the Buick Encore, Chevrolet Traverse, Silverado, Express, Superduty, Spark, GMC Acadia, Terrain, Sierra, Yukon, do receive a \$1,000 Offer. All other fleet or retail deliveries receive a \$1,000 Offer. Limit toward the purchase or lease of eligible new 2018 and 2019 model year vehicles. Offer excludes Chevrolet Bolt, Camaro, EL, Corvette, Spark, Spark, Trail, Buick Cascada, Lucerne, Regal, Verano, and all Cadillac vehicles. Additional GM models may be available from time to time at GM's sole discretion. Customer must take delivery by 12/31/2018. Not applicable with some other offers. Not valid for prior purchases. See dealer for details. ©2018 General Motors, LLC. All rights reserved. This notice is provided for informational purposes only and does not constitute an offer or solicitation.

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