

Newsletter of the Home Builders Association of Central Missouri

HBANews



July 2020

July Membership Meeting

Date: July 15th

Time: Social at 6 pm, Dinner at 7 pm

Fried Chicken and all the Fix-ens'

Location: Eagles on MO Blvd.

Cost: \$15

As most of you know we normally do not hold a membership meeting in July, however since we have not had a meeting since March the board felt the need to meet informally to go over possible upcoming events. For those that feel comfortable to get out and do a little networking:

Please RSVP by Noon on Monday, July 13th

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Calendar of Events

July 9- 11:30am Golf Tournament Meeting at HBA Office

July 14- 4pm Board of Directors Meeting

July 15- 6pm HBA Membership Meeting at Eagles Club

August 12 - Cornhole Tournament Capital Bluffs (Tentative)

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2020 Permit Totals

Permits Issued 2020

	Single Family		Other	
	City	Code County	City	Code County
January	6	6	18	5
February				
March				
April				
May				
June				
July				
August				
September				
October				
December				
Year to Date	6	6	18	5

Permits Issued 2019

	Single Family		Other	
	City	Code County	City	Code County
January	0	5	9	5
February	0	11	22	4
March	0	17	21	7
April	0	9	15	15
May	4	12	13	8
June	2	11	18	12
July	4	15	24	28
August	4	9	13	8
September	1	11	40	18
October	3	10	35	18
December	3	4	12	4
December	4	5	10	4
Year to Date	44	137	245	120

Click on spreadsheet for link to current permits



New Home Sales Jump in May as Housing Continues Rebound

In another sign that the housing market is rebounding from the COVID-19 pandemic, sales of newly built, single-family homes rose 16.6% to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 676,000 units in May, according to newly released data from HUD and the U.S. Census Bureau.

However, the April data was downwardly revised to a 580,000 pace, likely marking the low point of sales for the current recession. The April pace was 25% lower than the peak, pre-recession rate set in January.

Sales were likely supported by price incentive use in April, with NAHB data indicating that two out of 10 builders used such business strategies. However, the use of price incentives eased in May, as median new home prices increased to \$317,900, a gain of almost 2%, year-over-year.

A new home sale occurs when a sales contract is signed or a deposit is accepted.



The home can be in any stage of the construction process: not yet started, under construction or completed.

Regionally, new home sales were up in all four regions: 6.8% in the Northeast, 9.5% in the Midwest, 0.3% in the South, and 1.4% in the West.

The gains for [new home sales](#) are consistent with the NAHB forecast that housing will lead any economic recovery.

A Win on Infectious Disease Guidance

The D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals has rejected a petition by labor unions, led by the AFL-CIO, to compel OSHA to issue an “emergency temporary standard” to prevent the transmission of infectious diseases, including COVID-19.

The court agreed with OSHA’s position that the agency should determine if a standard is necessary and that OSHA’s decision to issue [nonbinding, industry-specific guidance](#) rather than an enforceable rule to protect workers from COVID-19 was sufficient. NAHB had filed an amicus brief supporting OSHA’s position.

President Suspends H-2B Work Visas

Citing job losses stemming from the COVID-19 pandemic, President Trump has issued a proclamation extending his existing ban on immigrant visas and further [suspending work visas](#) through the end of the year, including H-2B visas used by employers in the construction industry.

As a result of the president’s executive order, if NAHB members were expecting an H-2B worker and that person does not have a travel document and has not yet arrived in the United States, they will not be able to come this year.

NEC Code Adoption Kits Now Available

The National Fire Protection Association last year issued its most recent edition of the National Electrical Code (NEC). States are now in the process of adopting this most recent set of electrical codes. NAHB staff has reviewed the code changes and has made available the 2020 National Electrical [Code Adoption Kit](#) that identifies the significant changes that would most impact the home building industry.

New WOTUS Rule Now in Effect

The “Navigable Waters Protection Rule” (NWPR), which includes the Trump Administration’s new definition of “waters of the United States” (WOTUS), is now in effect.

NAHB has posted resources to help builders and developers make use of the new rule. Visit nahb.org/wotus for updated resources, including an analysis of the rule, a video on its implementation, and an overview that explains key features and changes compared to prior rules.

FHFA and FHA Extend Moratoriums

The FHFA has announced that Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac will [extend the moratorium](#) on single-family foreclosures and evictions until at least Aug. 31, 2020. The moratorium applies to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac-backed single-family mortgages only. HUD announced that the FHA is also extending its foreclosure and eviction moratorium by two months through Aug. 31, 2020, for homeowners with FHA-insured single-family mortgages.

NAHB Announces New Chairman of the Board

At the conclusion of NAHB's recent Spring Leadership Meetings, Chairman Dean Mon informed the Board of Directors he would be unable to complete the remainder of his term due to personal reasons and was resigning his chairmanship.

Mon will continue to be an active member of the Federation, providing guidance to both NAHB leadership and members going forward. His leadership this year during the COVID-19 pandemic helped position the housing industry as an essential business that allowed NAHB members to continue working.

Office Reopening Guidance

OSHA has issued guidance to assist employers reopening business offices and their employees returning to work during the evolving coronavirus pandemic.

[The guidance](#) provides general principles for easing restrictions put in place to slow the spread of the coronavirus through the use of phased reopenings. During each phase of the process, employers should continue to focus on strategies for basic hygiene, social distancing, identification and isolation of sick employees, workplace controls and flexibilities, and employee training.

NAHB members are reminded to check with their state and local officials on occupancy and other restrictions. OSHA notes that all local and state orders should be followed before reopening begins.

Charlie Cook Previews Election

The race for the White House centers on President Trump, political pundit [Charlie Cook](#) told NAHB's Leadership Council during its spring meeting.

"An incumbent president is a referendum election," said Cook. "Do we want to renew his contract for four years? Yes or no. Usually the challenger has nothing to do with it."

Cook, who worked in NAHB's political shop in the early 1980s and is editor and publisher of The Cook Political Report, said that more than three-quarters of Americans strongly approve or disapprove of Trump and "there is just not a lot of ambivalence in between."



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