

## **MINUTES**

### **PLUMBING AND PIPING WORK EXAMINING BOARD**

**AUGUST 16, 2012**

The meeting was called to order by Charles E. Ableby, Sr., Chairperson, at 9:00 a.m. in Room-117 at the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut 06106.

Members Present: Charles E. Appleby, Sr., Contractor, Chairperson  
George C. Sima, Well Drilling Contractor  
John R. Damico, Unlimited Journeyperson  
Joyce Topshe, Public Member  
Melissa C. Sheffy, Public Member

Member Absent: Christopher M. Bowman, Contractor  
James Piccoli, Contractor  
Anthony Calandrino, Unlimited Journeyperson  
Hubert J. Barnes, Unlimited Journeyperson  
Frank J. DaCato, Unlimited Journeyperson  
Carl W. Schaefer, Public Member

Board Vacancies: One Public Member

Board Counsel Present: None

DCP Staff Present: Howard Osden  
Richard M. Hurlburt  
Anthony Santoro, Esq.  
William Zenga  
Janita Hamel  
Jack Korduner

Public Present: Ken Duff, CT Dept of Labor Apprenticeship Rep  
John Doucette, Dept of Construction Services  
Michael Gilbertie, Dept of Construction Services  
Bonnie Becker, Dept of Construction Services  
Franklin Diaz

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## **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

The Board voted unanimously to table the review of the minutes of the July 19, 2012 Plumbing and Piping Work Examining Board meeting to be taken up at the September 13, 2012 meeting.

## **APPLICATIONS**

### **Christopher M. Kent, Charlton, MA – (P-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Kent's application due to lack of required occupational and school related instruction documentation.

### **Scot B. Nowak, Uncasville, CT – (P-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Nowak's application due to lack of a required completion of 8,000-hours of occupational related experience. Ken Duff, DOL Apprenticeship Rep, indicated that according to DOL records Mr. Nowak was 3,700 hours short of the 8,000 registered occupational related experience hours needed to complete the apprenticeship.

### **Terrance R. Schieding, Granby MA – (P-1) Unlimited Contractor – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Moore's application due to lack of a required (P-2) Unlimited Journeyman license for a minimum of two years.

### **Vincent Petralito, Norwalk, CT – (P-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Petralito's application due to lack of required occupational and school related instruction documentation.

### **John R. Sablian, Northville, CT – (P-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Sablian's application due to lack of completing the required 720-hours of school related instruction.

## **LATE ARRIVING APPLICATIONS**

### **Kevin J. Malarney, Wallingford, CT – (P-1) Unlimited Contractor – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Malarney's application due to lack of any qualifying documentation accompanying his application.

### **Joseph Mascolo, Jr, Terryville, CT – (P-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Tabled**

The Board voted unanimously to table Mr. Mascolo, Jr.'s application until the September Board meeting to allow him to attain more information as to his school related instruction.

### **Franklin Diaz, Manchester, CT - (P-2) Unlimited Journeyperson - Tabled**

The Board voted unanimously to table Mr. Diaz's application consideration until the September Board meeting to allow Mr. Diaz the opportunity to obtain additional documentation from his native Columbia as to his trade related employment in that country, as he was found to be 2,000 hours short of the required 8,000 registered occupational related hours in Connecticut. The Board is requesting that DCP Trade Enforcement open an investigation into Mr. Diaz's employer, James Montano of Nova Piping, for permitting Mr. Diaz to perform plumbing work without a license or apprenticeship registration and for failure to show his contractor license number on his business stationary.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Bonnie Becker, John Doucette, and Michael Gilbertie of the Dept of Construction Services Office of Education and Date Management, presented information to the Board regarding a seven hour propane class they will be conducting in conjunction with the DCP Trade Practices Division on NFPA 58. The Board was asked to consider allowing attendees of this class to receive credit toward continuing education requirements as this would be an added incentive to encourage licensees to attend this free class. The Board tabled a decision on the matter until the next Board meeting as there was not a full Board quorum present.

## **DCP COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT**

The DCP Complaint Status Reports for the period June 19, 2012 to July 19, 2012 and the period July 16, 2012 to August 16, 2012 was reviewed by the Board.

## **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC PRESENT TODAY**

Bill Zenga, Janita Hamel, and Jack Korduner, all of the DCP Trade Practices Division, gave the Board a brief overview of the coming reorganization of the DCP Trade Practices Division into two Divisions, the Trade Practices Division and a "new" Frauds Division.

### **Remaining 2012 Meeting Schedule**

#### **9:00 a.m. in Room-117 at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford**

- **September 13 – Thursday**
- **October 11 – Thursday**
- **November 8 – Thursday**
- **December 6 – Thursday**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Howard Osden  
Board Secretary

**The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 13, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in Room-117.**