AUTOMOTIVE GLASS WORK AND FLAT GLASS WORK EXAMINING BOARD TEL. NO. (860) 713-6135

-MINUTES-

JUNE 22, 2018

The Connecticut Automotive Glass Work and Flat Glass Work Examining Board held a regular meeting on June 22, 2018 in Hearing Room J, North Building, Department of Consumer Protection, 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, Connecticut 06103

Board Members present: Edward J. Fusco (Unlimited Journeyperson- Flat

Glass Work)

Jennifer Russell-Vanasse (Unlimited Contractor-Flat

Glass Work)

Board Members not present: Brian Blank (Public Member)

Daniel Kulas (Public Member)

Frank Pitrone (Unlimited Contractor-Automotive

Glass Work)

Carl Von Dassel (Unlimited Contractor- Flat Glass

Work)

David A. Wills (Public Member)

John A. Wisniewski (General Contractor-

Auto Glass Work)

Board Vacancies: None

Board Staff Present: Robert M. Kuzmich, License/Applications Specialist,

DCP

Pamela Brown Director, DCP

Others Present: Joseph Fazzino, IUPAT, DC 11

Willie Vega, IUPAT, DC11

Anthony Ramos, Eastern Glass

Note: The administrative functions of the Boards, Commissions, and Councils are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division. For information, contact Richard M. Hurlburt, Director, at (860) 713-6135 or Fax (860) 706-1202.

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1. 9:30 A.M. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN.

Board Chairman Mr. Edward J. Fusco called the meeting to order at 9:34 AM.

2. REVIEW OF DRAFT OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: <u>NOVEMBER 17, 2017 AND MARCH 23, 2018</u>.

The Board reviewed and voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the <u>November 17, 2017</u> Board Meeting as submitted. (Russell-Vanasse/Fusco)

The Board reviewed and voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2018 Board Meeting as submitted. (Russell-Vanasse/Fusco)

3. COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

4. DCP INVESTIGATION DIVISION COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT:

1. Board to review quarterly report when provided.

5. OLD BUSINESS:

- (A) Update from Department regarding pending regulation changes approved by the Board on October 23, 2015.
- (B) Occupational Licensing Enforcement Report for Calendar Year 2017.

Ms. Russell-Vanasse questioned the difference in the total number of complaints and the total number of open and closed complaints shown on the Department's <u>Quarterly Complaint Status Report</u> and the <u>Occupational Licensing Enforcement Report for Calendar Year 2017</u>. The Board asked the Department for clarification on this matter.

6. REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE:

(1) Continuing education for all contractors recommended; information from the <u>Insurance Institute for Business & Home Safety – 2018 Edition</u>. Below is an excerpt from this document for the Board's information and review.

Connecticut

BUILDING CODE ADOPTION

The state is currently enforcing the 2012 edition of the IRC and as of December 2017, was in the process of updating to the 2015 edition of the code. The Connecticut Division

of Construction Services has been developing initiatives to improve resilience of the residential dwellings in the state, focusing in particular on properties located in coastal areas at risk for high wind, flooding, and storm surge.

CERTIFICATION AND EDUCATION OF BUILDING OFFICIALS	The state has a program for certifying building officials. The program requires education classes prior to becoming certified as a residential code inspector.
LICENSING OF CONTRACTORS	Although Connecticut requires licensing for all construction trades, only electrical and plumbing contractors are required to take continuing education to maintain their licenses. The state has a system for consumers to file complaints against licensed contractors and may institute disciplinary action as appropriate.
KEY AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT	The state should consider requiring continuing education for all contractors.

2. Notice to State Licensure Boards regarding changes to walk-in center at 450 Columbus Boulevard.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Application of Mr. Anthony Ramos for an Flat Glass Unlimited Journeyperson's license (FG-2).

At their last meeting, the Board reviewed correspondence from Mr. Steven Zahariades, Jr. (from Eastern Glass Co., Inc.) dated January 31, 2018: concerning his request to have his employee, Mr. Anthony Ramos, be considered to sit for the FG-2 Unlimited Journeyperson's Examination. The Board voted, unanimously, to table this request and have the applicant appear before them at their next meeting scheduled for June 22, 2018 with and application and more information on his work history and any information the applicant has regarding his participation in an apprenticeship program.

Mr. Ramos appeared in person before Board at today's meeting. The Board questioned Mr. Ramos regarding his work experience which was acquired as unregistered time. The Board voted unanimously to approve his application for the FG-2 license examination. (Russell-Vanasse/Fusco)

Ms. Vanasse told applicant to inform his employer that all employees he trains and are applying for examination need to be registered with the Department of Labor. The Board did not penalize Mr. Ramos for his employer's mistake.

- B. Examination Results Statistics for 2017 year:
- (1) School Summary Connecticut Occupational Trades
- (2) Connecticut Occupational Trades Examination Statistics Summary
- (3) Survey Report By Test

8. OTHER BUSINESS:

(1) The <u>December 21, 2018</u> Regular Meeting of the Automotive Glass Work and Flat Glass Work Board has been rescheduled to Friday, <u>December 14, 2018</u> at the request of the Board.

9. COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

Minutes from March 23, 2018 below.

1. 9:30 A.M. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN.

Board Chairman Mr. Edward J. Fusco called the meeting to order at 9:33 AM

2. REVIEW OF DRAFT OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: <u>OCTOBER 5, 2017</u> AND NOVEMBER 17, 2017.

The Board reviewed and approved the minutes of the October 5, 2017 Board Meeting as submitted. (Wisniewski/Von Dassel)

The Board voted to table the minutes of the November 17, 2017 Board Meeting. (Von Dassel/Russell-Vanasse) Mr. Fazzino asked that the minutes reflect what Ms. Julianne Avallone (Department of Consumer Protection) stated regarding how enforcement will

handled at present by the Department pertaining to interior glass wall systems. Mr. Fazzino noted that her reply to him was that the work will require licensure. Mr. Fazzino asked the Board that this information be included in these minutes. The Board agreed to this change. The minutes will be revised and resubmitted to the Board for their review and approval at their June 22, 2018 Regular Meeting.

3. COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

There were no comments.

4. DCP INVESTIGATION DIVISION COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT:

1. The Board reviewed the last quarterly report given to them by former Investigations Director John Neumon.

5. OLD BUSINESS:

(A) Update from Department regarding pending regulation changes approved by the Board on October 23, 2015. The Board noted that the latest draft of their proposed regulation changes is dated April 10, 2017. Mr. Kuzmich stated that he spoke earlier with Ms. Juliane Avallone and she noted that the Department does not have an update for the Board at present due to other legislative commitments currently being addressed at the State Capitol.

6. REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE:

(A) Occupational Licensing Enforcement Report for Calendar Year 2017.

Ms. Russell-Vanasse questioned the difference in the total number of complaints and the total number of open and closed complaints shown on the Department's <u>Quarterly Complaint Status Report</u> listed under Agenda Item (4) and the <u>Occupational Licensing Enforcement Report for Calendar Year 2017</u> listed under Agenda Item (6). The Board asked the Department for clarification on this matter for their next meeting scheduled for June 22, 2018.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Application of Mr. Arturo Moreno for a Flat Glass Unlimited Contractor's license (FG-1). Mr. Fusco noted, on behalf of the Board, that they do not have enough information before them today to continue their review of Mr. Moreno's application. Therefore, the Board voted, unanimously, to table this application and have the applicant appear

before them at their next meeting scheduled for June 22, 2018 with more information on his work history. (Russell-Vanasse/Wisniewski)

The Board voted to <u>add</u> the following item to their agenda today:

(B) Letter from Mr. Steven Zahariades, Jr. (from Eastern Glass Co., Inc.) dated January 31, 2018: concerning his request to have his employee, Mr. Anthony Ramos, be considered to sit for the FG-2 Unlimited Journeyperson's Examination. The Board voted, unanimously, to table this request and have the applicant appear before them at their next meeting scheduled for June 22, 2018 with more information on his work history and any information the applicant has regarding his participation in an apprenticeship program. The applicant must also submit a formal application to the Department. (Russell-Vanasse/Von Dassel)

8. OTHER BUSINESS:

- (A) Mr. Russell-Vanasse noted to the Board that she e-mailed the Department on March 22, 2018 information on the IRS Rules on Depreciation on De-Mountable Glass Walls. She stated that this documentation illustrates how the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) views these glass wall systems, why they are called de-mountable, and information relative to tax savings and deductibility.
- (B) Ms. Russell-Vanasse asked the Department to consider moving the Board's last meeting of 2018 currently scheduled for December 21, 2018 to an earlier date because of its close proximity to the Christmas Holiday. Mr. Kuzmich will get back to the Board.

9. COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

There were no further comments from anyone present today.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:33 AM. (Wisniewski/Von Dassel)

NEXT MEETING DATE; JUNE 22, 2018

450 COLUMBUS BOULEVARD, NORTH BUILDING,

HEARING ROOM J HARTFORD, CT 06103.

TIME: 9:30 AM

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert M. Kuzmich, R.A. License and Applications Specialist

<u>Upcoming Automotive Glass Work and Flat Glass Work Examining Board Meeting Dates:</u>

1. June 22, 2018

- 3. December 21, 2018
- 2. September 21, 2018