AUTOMOTIVE GLASS WORK AND FLAT GLASS WORK EXAMINING BOARD MINUTES

AUGUST 26, 2021

The Connecticut Automotive Glass Work and Flat Glass Work Examining Board held a regular meeting on August 26, 2021 via Zoom Webinar.

Board Members present: John A. Wisniewski (General Contractor or Unlimited

Contractor - Auto Glass Work)

Carl Von Dassel (General Contractor or Unlimited

Contractor- Flat Glass Work)

Jennifer Russell-Vanasse (Unlimited Contractor-Flat

Glass Work)

Edward J. Fusco (Unlimited Journeyperson- Flat

Glass Work)

Board Members not present: David A. Wills (Public Member)

Board Vacancies: Two Public Members

Unlimited Contractor - Flat Glass Work

Board Staff Present: Richard M. Hurlburt, Director, Occupational &

Professional Licensing Division

Karen Layman, License & Applications Analyst

DCP Staff Present: Maureen Magnan, Deputy Commissioner

Pamela Brown, Director, Investigations

Janita Hamel, Supervising Special Investigator

Howard Osden, Office Supervisor

Public Present: Allyson Deckman, Executive Director, CGDA

John Bailey, Lobbyist Jim Amann, Lobbyist Michael Rell, Lobbyist

Note: The administrative functions of the Boards, Commissions and Councils are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division, Richard M. Hurlburt, Director. For more information, refer to DCP Agency website: www.ct.gov/dcp Division E-Mail: dcp.occupationalprofessional@ct.gov

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Edward Fusco at 9:01 a.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

The Board voted unanimously to approve the draft minutes of the May 20, 2021 Automotive Glass Work and Flat Glass Work Examining Board meeting as submitted.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

Michael Rell, Jim Amann, and John Bailey took part in a discussion with Board Members regarding proposed bills from the 2021 Legislative Session that would have potentially removed auto and flat glass licensing requirements in Connecticut, as well as allow out of state contractors to enter Connecticut and do licensable work in an emergency situation. These bills did not pass in the 2021 Legislative Session. The Board thanked everyone for their assistance.

DCP INVESTIGATION DIVISION:

1. Review of current complaint status report

The Board reviewed the complaint report dated May 1, 2021 to June 30, 2021. Janita Hamel and Pamela Brown were in attendance and provided additional information on these cases.

2. Case No. 2020-141 – The DCP Legal Division has provided information on this complaint, per the Board's request at the May 20, 2021 meeting.

The Board reviewed the email from Cynthia Fernandez, DCP Staff Attorney, to Kimberly Glassman, Foundation for Fair Contracting of Connecticut, Inc. dated August 11, 2020, stating DCP's opinion regarding this complaint, which has been closed by the DCP Legal Division. The Board expressed their concern about this closed complaint. Jennifer Russell-Vanasse will be contacting the DCP Legal Division regarding the Board's concerns.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Continued discussion regarding proposed regulations pertaining to the definition of licensable glazier work.

No new discussion took place on this topic.

2. Continued discussion concerning replacement references for the AG-1 and AG-2 license types.

No new discussion took place on this topic.

3. Continued discussion regarding proposed bills from the 2021 Legislative Session

See Page 2, "Comments or concerns of any person present today."

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Application Review Working Group – Update to be provided by designated board member

Jennifer Russell-Vanasse reported that last month's meeting was cancelled due to lack of applications that required review by this Working Group.

2. Substitute House Bill No. 6100 - Public Act 21-37 - An Act Concerning Department of Consumer Protection Licensing and Enforcement, Antitrust Issues, and the Palliative Use of Marijuana and Revisions to the Liquor Control Act

Bill No. 6100 includes changes to Connecticut General Statutes, Chapter 393 requiring written contracts meeting certain specifications for work on private residential property by licensed tradespersons and the requirement for a right to cancel timeframe prior to performing work.

Discussion took place regarding the language in this bill that is of concern to this Board, as well as the other Occupational Licensing Boards. Richard Hurlburt notified the Board that the Department is aware of these concerns and are working on making amendments to this language. Ed Fusco will contact other licensing board chairpersons to keep informed of the progress of any amendments being made to this bill.

3. Resignation of Frank Pitrone – Email dated May 20, 2021

Board so noted.

4. Request for information regarding PSI exams

The Board requested that DCP provide information on the new Automotive Glass and Flat Glass exams, specifically, the pass/fail ratios.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:54 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Layman, License & Applications Analyst

2021 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE:

November 18