MINUTES

HEATING, PIPING, COOLING AND SHEET METAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

JUNE 14, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Robert H. Barrieau, Acting Chairperson at 10:03 a.m. in Room-117 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members Present: Robert H. Barrieau, Unlimited Contractor, Acting Chairperson

David G. Foster, Unlimited Contractor / General Contractor

Thomas F. Casey, Jr., Unlimited Contractor

Cameron G. Champlin, Jr., Unlimited Journeyperson

Michael Rosario, Unlimited Journeyperson

Philip H. Benoit, Limited Sheet Metal Journeyperson

Christopher M. Dupuis, Public Member

Barbara Riotte, Public Member

Members Absent: John T. Higgins, Jr., Unlimited Journeyperson

Patrick Duane, Limited Sheet Metal Contractor

Philip Kent, Esquire, Public Member

Board Vacancies: One Public Member

Board Counsel Present: None

DCP Staff Present: Nelson Leon

Richard M. Hurlburt Anthony Santoro, Esq. Richard Maloney William Zenga Janita Hamel

Public Present: Paul Femia, CT Dept of Labor Apprenticeship Rep

Chris Byrne Jim Mactezak
Glenn Fern Kyle Herindeen
Eugene Caliman Peter Capsianco

Chris Pastore
Joseph Demers
Charles Garrity
Fred Zobel

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Board voted unanimously to approve minutes of the May 17, 2012 Heating, Piping, Cooling and Sheet Metal Work Examining Board meeting.

APPLICATIONS

Thomas A. Alexander, Campbell Hall, NY – (D-2) Limited Journeyperson – Denied The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Alexander's application due to lack of occupational experience and school related instruction documentation.

Christopher M. Byrne, Burlingotn, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Denied The Board voted to deny Mr. Byrne's application due to lack of an apprenticeship completion certificate. Mr. Barrieau abstained from voting.

Russell Davidson, Webster, FL - (BM-2) Limited Journeyperson - Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Davidson's application due to lack of occupational related experience and training documentation, lack of school related instruction documentation and welding certification not more than six months old from an independent testing facility.

Jason B. Dayton, Newtown, CT – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Denied
The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Dayton's application due to lack of a required
(S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson license for a minimum of two years.

Joseph L. Demers, Jr., Newtown, CT – (S-10) Limited Journeyperson – Approved
The Board voted to approve Mr. Demers' application, contingent upon receipt of his CFC certification.
Mr. Casey abstained from voting.

Geraldo P. Desouza, Brookfield, CT – (SM-2) Unlimited Sheet Metal Journeyperson – Approved The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Desouza's application based on equivalent experience and training.

Charles H. Garrity, Lee, MA – (S-4) Limited Journeyperson – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Garrity's application, contingent upon receipt of proof that he has a comparable license in Massachusetts.

Thomas J. Hafferty, Stoughton, MA – (D-4) Limited Journeyperson – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Hafferty's application based on equivalent experience and training.

Curtis P. Harrington, N. Easton, MA – (D-4) Limited Journeyperson – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Harrington's application based on equivalent experience and training.

Jackie R. Hill, Moncks Corner, SC – (BM-2) Limited Journeyperson – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Hill's application due to lack of occupational related experience and training documentation, lack of school related instruction documentation and welding certification not more than six months old from an independent testing facility.

Eric J. Hosmer, Bridgewater, MA – (D-4) Limited Journeyperson – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Hosmer's application based on equivalent experience and training.

Brian E. Jenkins, Panama City, FL – (G-8) Limited Journeyperson – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Jenkins' application, contingent upon receipt of a pipe welding certification not more than six months old from an independent testing facility.

Mark D. Johnson, Southbury, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyperson – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Johnson's application based on equivalent experience and training.

Joseph P. Lanesey, Thomaston, CT – (B-2) Limited Journeyperson – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Lanesey's application based on equivalent experience and training.

William Mank, Pensacola, FL - (BM-2) Limited Journeyperson - Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Mank's application due to lack of occupational related experience and training documentation, lack of school related instruction documentation and welding certification not more than six months old from an independent testing facility.

Andrew W. Morin, Wilton, CT – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Morin's application due to lack of an apprenticeship completion certificate.

Timothy G. O'Connor, Bridgewater, MA – (D-3) Limited Contractor – Approved (D-3)

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. O'Connor's application due to lack of a required (D-4) Limited Journeyperson license for a minimum of two years. The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. O'Connor to sit for the (D-4) Limited Journeyperson exam based on equivalent experience and training, contingent upon changing his license category to (D-4), and if he passes the (D-4) exam, he may apply and sit for the (D-3) exam.

Christopher T. Pastore, North Haven, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Approved (SM-2) The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Pastore's application due to lack of occupational and school related experience. Mr. Pastore changed his license category to (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyperson and the Board voted unanimously to approve him to sit for the (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyperson exam based on equivalent experience and training.

Jeffrey Piccoli, Harwinton, CT – (S-5) Limited Contractor – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Piccoli's application due to lack of an apprenticeship completion certificate.

Daniel E. Plourde, Bristol, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Plourde's application due to lack of an apprenticeship completion certificate.

Mark S. Sackville, Sr., Jacksonville, FL – (BM-2) Limited Journeyperson – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Sackville's application due to lack of occupational related experience and training documentation, lack of school related instruction documentation and welding certification not more than six months old from an independent testing facility.

William T. Smith, Jr., Morris, CT – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Smith's application based on equivalent experience and training.

Kyle D. Wheeler, West Haven, CT - (S-10) Limited Journeyperson - Approved

The Board voted to approve Mr. Wheeler's application based on equivalent experience and training. Mr. Casey abstained from voting.

Fred G. Zobel, III, Deep River, CT – (S-10) Limited Journeyperson – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Zobel's application based on equivalent experience and training.

LATE ARRIVING APPLICATIONS

(The Board voted unanimously to review the following late arriving applications)

Coy Busby, Starke, FL – (BM-2) Limited Journeyperson – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Busby's application due to lack of occupational related experience and training documentation, lack of school related instruction documentation and welding certification not more than six months old from an independent testing facility.

Eugene A. Caliman, Tariffville, CT – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Approved (S-2)

Mr. Caliman changed his license category to (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson and the Board voted unanimously to approve his (S-2) application based on equivalent experience and training. If he passes the (S-2) exam, he may apply and sit for the (S-1) exam.

Michael J. Fayne, Chaplin, CT – (G-8) Limited Journeyperson – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Fayne's application, contingent upon receipt of a pipe welding certification not more than six months old from an independent testing facility.

Glenn P. Fern, Torrington, CT – (D-1) Limited Contractor – Approved (D-2)

Mr. Fern changed his license category to (D-2) Limited Journeyperson and the Board voted unanimously to approve his (D-2) application based on a qualifying hardship. If he passes the (D-2) exam, he may apply and sit for the (D-1) exam.

Thomas D. Pelletier, W. Hartford, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Pelletier's application due to lack of an apprenticeship completion certificate.

Michael Picinelli, Stanfordville, NY – (SM-2) Unlimited Sheet Metal Journeyperson – Approved The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr.Picinelli's application based on equivalent experience and training.

Brian M. Simpson, Mansfield, CT – (D-4) Limited Journeyperson – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Simpson's application based on equivalent experience and training.

Jay D. Zimmerman, New Milford, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyperson – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Zimmerman's application based on equivalent experience and training.

REQUESTING REINSTATEMENT OF LAPSED LICENSE

John Donatico, Stratford, CT – (B-2) Limited Journeyperson (Lapsed 8/31/10)

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Donatico's reinstatement request and is requiring him to re-apply and re-test for his license.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Connecticut Consumer Protection Occupational Trades license counts as of June 6, 2012.
- Sec. 20-338c. Work not to commence until permit obtained. No person licensed pursuant to sections 20-330 to 20-341, inclusive, shall commence work within the scope of sections 20-330 to 20-341, inclusive, unless each applicable permit with respect to the specific work being performed by such licensee has been obtained as required pursuant to local ordinances and the general statutes.

DCP COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT

The Board inquired on applications they forwarded to DCP for HVAC applicants working without a license, unregistered as an apprentice or working beyond the scope of their current license, who are seeking a license or license upgrade. The Board would like to know the disposition of the cases in which a letter is sent out by DCP with no response from the respondent.

Mr. Maloney said that a 14-day letter is mailed, and upon receipt of a response, it is given to Ms. Hamel for review to determine a violation has occurred. As part of the review, Ms. Hamel determines if the respondent is in a bona fide apprenticeship program. If the respondent is not registered, DCP will issue a warning on the license for re-review upon renewal time, but the warning will not prevent the re-issuance of the license, it only prompts a re-review. Mr. Maloney said that DCP cannot stop the re-issuance of a license without following the Administrative Procedures Act, which requires a hearing on the matter.

Ms. Hamel said that several contractors challenged the need to be in a dual apprenticeship program. Ms. Hamel said she inquired with Ken Duff at the Department of Labor Apprenticeship Division concerning dual apprenticeship registration. Ms. Hamel said that Mr. Duff's response to her inquiry was that one does not need to be registered in both trades or a dual apprenticeship program, and that that there is some agreement made between the Department of Labor and DCP from years ago where one is allowed to work if registered in one trade, be allowed to work under the auspices of the license holder for the company in another trade without being re-registered or in a dual apprenticeship program.

Mr. Champlin said he recalls a five-year dual program years ago, in which when one completes four years in one program and must then be re-registered in the other program.

Mr. Hurlburt said that if you have a company with an (S-1) Unlimited Contractor and (P-1) Unlimited Contractor, a (P-2) Unlimited Journeyperson apprentice, when work is slow, may accompany an (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson license holder, but the (P-2) apprentice may only perform the predominate duties for which he is registered for. This way the apprenticeship remains gainfully employed. Once the (P-2) apprentice completes the (P-2) apprenticeship program, he will then be registered for additional two years as an (S-2) apprentice to fulfill the required (S-2) on-the-job training hours and school related instruction pre-requisite.

Mr. Maloney said he would need time to clarify this matter and report back to the Board at their next meeting.

2012 Meeting Schedule

10:00 a.m. in Room-117 at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford

- January 26 Thursday
- February 23 Thursday
- March 22 Thursday
- April 19 Thursday
- May 17 Thursday
- June 14 Thursday
- July 12 Thursday
- August 9 Thursday
- September 6 Thursday
- October 4 Thursday
- November 1 Thursday
- November 29 Thursday
- December 27 Thursday

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nelson Leon Board Secretary

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 12, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. in Room-117.