MINUTES

HEATING, PIPING, COOLING AND SHEET METAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

MARCH 20, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Board Member Michael Rosario at 10:08 a.m. on March 20, 2014 in Room 117 at the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members Present:

Thomas F. Casey, Jr. Unlimited Contractor

David G. Foster

Cameron G. Champlin, Jr.

Michael Rosario

John T. Higgins, Jr.

Philip H. Benoit

Unlimited/General Contractor
Unlimited Journeyperson
Unlimited Journeyperson
Unlimited Journeyperson
Sheet Metal Journeyperson

Members Absent:

Robert H. Barrieau, Acting Chairperson Unlimited Contractor

Patrick Duane Sheet Metal Contractor

Christopher M. Dupuis Public Member

Board Vacancies: Three Public Members

Dept. of Consumer Protection Staff Present: Richard M. Hurlburt, Director

Karen Layman, Secretary

Dept. of Labor Apprenticeship Rep. Present: Paul Femia

Public Present: Jorge Sanchez David Page Ramon Velez John Bidwell

Joseph D'Amato Brian Simpson Lee Ferguson

Note: The administrative functions of the Boards, Commissions and Councils are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

The Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the February 20, 2014 Heating, Piping, Cooling and Sheet Metal Work Examining Board meeting as written.

<u>COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:</u>

David Page, Page Services, LLC

Mr. Page appeared today on behalf of his employee, Joji Joseph. Mr. Joseph's application was before the board on February 20, 2014. At that time, the Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Joseph's application due to lack of apprenticeship completion. The Board also voted unanimously to refer the application to DCP Trade Practices Division for investigation. After discussion with the Board at today's meeting regarding this application, the Board voted unanimously to refer Mr. Page to DCP Trade Practices Division for investigation.

APPLICANTS SEEKING GUIDANCE:

James D'Amato, Bristol, CT

Mr. D'Amato appeared seeking guidance from the Board on obtaining an S-1 or S-2 license.

Ramon Velez, Waterbury, CT

Mr. Velez appeared seeking guidance from the Board on obtaining an S-2 license.

APPEARING IN PERSON FOR APPEAL:

Brian Simpson, Franklin, IN – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Tabled

The Board voted unanimously to table until such time that DCP staff reviews documentation to determine which Connecticut license type Mr. Simpson's Indiana license is equivalent to. Once the appropriate license type is determined, Mr. Simpson may be allowed to sit for the journeyperson examination for this license type. After passing the journeyperson exam, the Board will waive the two-year period and approve Mr. Simpson to take the examination for the contractor license.

John Bidwell, Sloansville, NY – (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyperson – Denied The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Bidwell's application due to lack of related instruction and sufficient time as a registered apprentice.

<u>APPEAL ADDED TO AGENDA BY BOARD VOTE:</u>

Jorge Sanchez, Yorktown, NY - (S-1) Unlimited Contractor - Tabled

The Board voted unanimously to table until such time that DCP staff reviews documentation to determine whether or not New York license held is equivalent to the S-2 license type. If the qualifications are deemed to be equivalent, Mr. Sanchez may be allowed to sit for the S-2 examination.

NEW APPLICATIONS:

Timothy Jenkins, Waterbury, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Withdrawn No action taken.

Raul Martins, Naugatuck, CT- (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Martins' application due to lack of apprenticeship completion, on the job training, and related instruction.

Pedro Mojica, Groton, CT - (D-2) Limited Journeyperson - Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Mojica's application due to lack of apprenticeship completion, on the job training, and related instruction.

Garrett Selino, Sharon, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Withdrawn No action taken.

APPLICATIONS ADDED TO AGENDA BY BOARD VOTE:

James Woodward, South Salem, NY - (S-1) Unlimited Contractor - Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Woodward's application due to lack of the required (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson license for a minimum of two years.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Enforcement for Occupational Trade Licensing

Board member Cameron Champlin reported that the bill regarding enforcement has been voted out of committee and is moving forward.

2. Bill No 5299 – An Act Concerning the Findings of the Military Occupational Specialty Task Force

The Board briefly discussed this bill.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. History of the State Building Code in Connecticut

The Board so noted.

DCP COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT:

The Board reviewed the Complaint Status Report supplied by the Trade Practices Division.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Layman, Board Secretary

2014 Meeting Schedule:

- April 17, 2014
- May 15, 2014
- June 19, 2014
- July 17, 2014
- August 21, 2014
- September 18, 2014
- October 16, 2014
- November 20, 2014
- December 18, 2014

Meetings will be held in Room 117 at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut at 10:00 a.m.