PLUMBING AND PIPING WORK EXAMINING BOARD SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 16, 2021

The meeting was called to order by Charles Appleby, Sr. on November 16, 2021 at 1:03 p.m. and was held remotely via Zoom Webinar.

Members Present:

Charles Appleby, Sr., Chairperson
Christopher M. Bowman
Unlimited Contractor, Chairperson
Unlimited/General Contractor

Aaron Nachbar
Peter Alfieri
Jay More
Kimberly Fortin
Vinnie Valente
Well Drilling Contractor
Unlimited Journeyperson
Unlimited Journeyperson
Unlimited Journeyperson
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Members Absent:

Melissa Sheffy Public Member

Board Vacancies: One Unlimited Contractor

Three Public Members

DCP Board Staff: Karen Layman, License and Applications

Analyst

Others Present: Leslie O'Brien, DCP Legislative Program Director

Cynthia Fernandez, DCP Staff Attorney

Felix Jiminez, Service Manage, Benjamin Franklin

Plumbing

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

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

The Board voted unanimously to approve the draft minutes of the October 28, 2021 Plumbing and Piping Work Examining Board meeting as written.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Request for well water variance

Julie Burdacki, Chesprocott Health District has requested that a well water variance be granted by the Board for a property in Wolcott. This request was discussed at the October 28, 2021 Plumbing and Piping Work Examining Board, at which the Board voted unanimously to table this item to allow Aaron Nachbar, Julie Burdacki, and Chris Bowman to go to the property for further assessment and for a special meeting to be scheduled for further discussion.

Discussion took place regarding the homeowner's options for a well. The Board voted unanimously to approve the relocation of the well to the other side of the driveway at the existing stump.

2. Plumbing continued education for the 2022-2023 cycle

The Board reviewed the draft continuation education curriculum that was submitted and presented at the October 28, 2021 Plumbing and Piping Work Examining Board meeting.

The Board voted unanimously to accept the outline as proposed. Each facilitator will use the curriculum approved today to choose which items are the most relevant for their students and present the final curriculum to the Board for approval before conducting classes.

3. Well drilling regulations

Aaron Nachbar submitted the following amendment via public comment to the Well Drilling Regulations:

Suggested Addendum to 25-128-63 Exemption From Construction Standards

Special Circumstances or Hardships:

(Local Directors of Health may use their discretion to issue Replacement Well Permits in cases where meeting Health Code Separation Distances is not possible or would create an undue hardship).

After discussion, the Board voted unanimously to adopt this language. Cynthia Fernandez reminded Board members that the deadline for submitting public comments is November 22, 2021.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. PSI security incident

Chairperson Charles Appleby will provide the Board with an update on a security incident that has been report by PSI involving an applicant that tested at their facilities.

No discussion took place regarding this agenda item.

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

Felix Jiminez, Benjamin Franklin Plumbing inquired about the continued education curriculum and the status of online classes.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

2022 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE:

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