# EXAMINING BOARD FOR CRANE OPERATORS
# MEETING MINUTES

## REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, August 18, 2026 – 2:00pm

| In-person option: | Virtual option via Microsoft Teams: |
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| Plaza North Meeting Room C<br>450 Columbus Blvd., Hartford, CT | Meeting ID: 226 773 512 513 05<br>Passcode: rx6s6Tt7 |

**Administrative**

1. Meeting was called to order by K. Murphy at 2:09pm.

2. Attending:

Keith Murphy, Board Chair
Duane Gates, Board Member
Ed Shapiro, Board Member
Peter Zvingilas, Board Member*
Matthew Dorso, Crane Inspector
Scott Madeo, DAS Staff Attorney*
Anne Bonito, License & Applications Analyst

Members of the Public:
Tony Cabral
Jasen Clark
Gregg Strede

*attending via Teams

3. Approval of Minutes of the July 21, 2026, meeting – Motion made by D. Gates, seconded by E. Shapiro. Minutes approved.

**Old Business**

None discussed

**New Business**

None discussed.

**Enforcement Actions Update**

S. Madeo said that more updates will be coming in September.

**Crane Inspectors' Report**

M. Dorso reported that the digitization of written licensing exams continues. E. Shapiro inquired about pass rates. Pass/fail rates for the HF1 exam were discussed. A. Bonito added that Board Members seeking specific stats (e.g., the pass rate on a specific exam) can email their data requests to her, and she will compile the information for the next meeting.

**Licensing**

The Board discussed Crane Operator license applications submitted by the following:

| Application number | Name | APPROVED | Murphy | Gates | Kelly (absent) | Shapiro | Zvingilas |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2607-01 | Ray, Toby Andrew (reconsideration) | YES | NO | YES | - | YES | YES |
| 2607-02 | Steward, Kyle (reconsideration) | YES | YES | YES | - | YES | YES |
| 2607-04 | Cater, Shane (reconsideration) | YES | NO | YES | - | YES | YES |
| 2607-05 | Belanger, Colin Roger (reconsideration) | NO | NO | NO | - | YES | YES |

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| 2607-09 | Driver, Jr., Kenneth (reconsideration) | YES | YES | YES | - | YES | YES |
| 2607-11 | Rocha, Bruno Mesquita (reconsideration) | YES | YES | YES | - | YES | YES |
| 2608-01 | Cooker, Michael | YES | YES | YES | - | YES | YES |
| 2608-02 | Duffy, Michael | YES | YES | YES | - | YES | YES |
| 2608-03 | Thorpe, Tyler James | YES | YES | YES | - | YES | YES |
| 2608-04 | Kellar, Joseph Lee | NO | NO | NO | - | NO | NO |
| 2608-05 | Marrotte, Michael Edmond | NO | NO | NO | - | YES | NO |
| 2608-06 | Quinn, Matt | NO | YES | NO | - | NO | YES |
| 2608-07 | Gladue, Christopher Jeffrey | YES | YES | YES | - | YES | YES |
| 2608-08 | Round, Benjamin Gordon | YES | YES | YES | - | YES | YES |
| 2608-09 | Carozza, Christopher | NO | NO | NO | - | YES | NO |
| 2608-10 | Michaels, Richard Allen | NO | NO | NO | - | YES | NO |
| 2608-11 | Carroll, Larry Dwayne | YES | YES | YES | - | YES | YES |
| 2608-12 | Barrett, Justin J | NO | NO | NO | - | NO | NO |
| 2608-13 | Gerardi, Connor | NO | NO | NO | - | NO | NO |
| 2608-14 | Travaglini, Mike T | NO | NO | NO | - | YES | NO |
| 2608-15 | Nelson, Phillip Andrew | NO | NO | NO | - | YES | NO |
| 2608-16 | Ajmal, Abbas Ali | YES | YES | YES | - | YES | YES |

Approved applicants will be notified and given the opportunity to schedule written and practical exams. Applicants not approved will be notified and given the opportunity to amend their applications for future consideration by the Board.

**Public Comments**

Jasen Clark asked if it would be possible to add a column to the agenda table of license applicants being considered by the Board, so that viewers of the agenda could see which crane type endorsements were being sought by each applicant. A. Bonito said that is possible, and that the column will be added to the 9/2026 and future agendae.

**Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by E. Shapiro and seconded by D. Gates. Meeting adjourned at 2:45pm.

**Next regular meeting:** 2:00pm, Tuesday, September 15, 2026

| In-person option: | Virtual option via Microsoft Teams: |
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| Plaza North Hearing Room B<br>450 Columbus Blvd., Hartford, CT | Meeting ID: 226 773 512 513 05<br>Passcode: rx6s6Tt7 |

*Respectfully submitted 8/20/2026 by Anne Bonito*

*Minutes approved by Examining Board for Crane Operators at regular meeting 9/15/2026*