

MINUTES

PLUMBING AND PIPING WORK EXAMINING BOARD

APRIL 13, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Charles Appleby, Sr., Chairperson, on April 13, 2017 at 9:35 a.m. at 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, CT, 06103 in Hearing Room J.

Members Present:

Charles Appleby, Sr., Chairperson	Unlimited Contractor
James Piccoli	Unlimited Contractor
Frank J. DaCato	Unlimited Journeyperson
George C. Sima	Well Drilling Contractor
Carl W. Schaefer	Public Member
Joyce Topshe	Public Member
Melissa Sheffy	Public Member

Members Absent:

Christopher M. Bowman	Unlimited/General Contractor
Anthony Calandrino	Unlimited Journeyperson
John R. Damico	Unlimited Journeyperson
Peter Alfieri	Unlimited Journeyperson

Board Vacancies:

One Public Member

DCP Board Staff:

Richard M. Hurlburt, Director
Karen Layman, Secretary

Others Present:

Commissioner Jonathan A. Harris
Leslie O'Brien, DCP, Legislative Liaison
Director
John Neumon, DCP Director, Investigations
Division

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

The Board voted unanimously to approve the November 10, 2016 Plumbing and Piping Work Examining Board meeting minutes as written.

APPEARANCE BY JOHN NEUMON, DIRECTOR OF INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION:

Director John Neumon introduced himself as the Director of Investigations Division and provided an overview of the Division's functions. Discussion took place regarding the Board's concerns about enforcement issues across the state. John Neumon introduced the "Occupational Licensing Enforcement Report Pursuant to P.A. 14-210" (Agenda Item New Business No. 3) and reviewed this report with the Board.

APPEARANCE BY COMMISSIONER JONATHAN HARRIS:

Commissioner Jonathan Harris informed the Board that he will be leaving the Department to pursue other career avenues. The Board thanked Commissioner Harris for his work toward improving enforcement efforts within the agency.

APPEARANCE BY DIRECTOR LESLIE O'BRIEN:

Director Leslie O'Brien reported that no further action has been taken on the geothermal well drilling proposed regulations. Leslie O'Brien also indicated that there are proposed statutory changes on apprenticeship hiring and jobsite work ratios.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

None

APPLICATIONS:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Memorandum of Understanding; for the Board's information
Board so noted.
2. Matter of Paul R. St. Pierre – Administrative Decision; for the Board's information
Board so noted.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Goulds Water Technology, Xylem, Inc. – Online course continuing education provider application package for consideration by the Board

The Board noted that they do not accept online providers. The Board voted unanimously to deny this continuing education provider application.

2. Continuing education evaluation forms; for the Board's information
Board so noted.

3. Occupational Licensing Enforcement Report Pursuant to P.A. 14-210; for the Board's Information
Board so noted.

4. Division of Construction Services, Building and Safety Code Adoption; for the Board's information
Board so noted.

5. Instructions on how to verify a license; for the Board's information
Board so noted.

ITEM ADDED TO THE AGENDA BY BOARD VOTE:

1. Draft Continuing Education Curriculum for the 2018-2019 cycle

A draft continuing education curriculum outline for the 2018-2019 cycle was submitted and reviewed the Board. It was noted that this is a draft only, and that revisions will be made as needed. The final product will be submitted to the Board for approval at such time that it is completed.

The Board discussed the importance of all continuing education providers using the same curriculum. After discussion, the Board unanimously to request that all CE providers be required to use one unified curriculum, which will be developed by the Board and posted online.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

DCP INVESTIGATION DIVISION COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT

The Board reviewed the Occupational Licensing Enforcement Report Pursuant to P.A. 14-210 with Director John Neumon. (See agenda item "Appearance by John Neumon, Director of Investigations Division")

The Board voted unanimously to request that a continuing education audit be done for the 2014-2015 cycle.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS FROM ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

Raymond Rescildo, President of CONSPA and licensed swimming pool contractor, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding SB191 and the potential removal of license types SPB, SP1 and SP2. The Board is opposed to Senate Bill 191, which does away with pool occupational licenses the SP1, SP2 and SPB.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Layman,
Board Secretary

2017 MEETING SCHEDULE:

- **June 8, 2017**
- **August 10, 2017**
- **October 12, 2017**
- **December 7, 2017**

All meetings will take place at 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, CT at 9:00 a.m.