MEETING MINUTES
MECHANICAL LICENSING BOARD
June 19, 2019

The scheduled meeting of the Mechanical Licensing Board was held at 98 Smokey Bear Blvd, Classroom 1, Concord, NH on the above date, beginning at 9:00 am. The members present and participating were Bill Trombly Jr., Paul D’Allesandro, Robert Roy, David Pelletier, Steve Guercia and Jeffrey Brown. Absent were Steve Chartier and Omer Beaudoin. Also attending were Board Secretary Shana Warriner and Inspector Earl Middlemiss.

Call Meeting to Order.
Meeting was called to order at 9:04 am.

Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting

Motion by Dave Pelletier to approve May 15, 2019 minutes as written. Second by Jeffrey Brown. All in favor.

Non-Public Meeting

On the motion of Dave Pelletier and second of Robert Roy the board unanimously voted to conduct a non-public session for the purpose of discussing confidential board business, namely a matter which if discussed in public would likely affect adversely the reputation of a person, other than a member of the body or agency itself and records pertaining confidential information noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3,II(c) and RSA 91-A:5,IV. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.

Upon the motion of Paul D’Allesandro and second by Robert Roy the Board unanimously voted to withhold and seal the minutes of the non-public session from public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91-A:3,II on the grounds that public disclosure would be likely to affect adversely the reputation of a person other than a board member. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.
Applications:

A. Motion by Dave Pelletier to table application review for Andrew Spencer until July meeting. Second by Robert Roy. All in favor

Correspondence

A. None.

Legislation:

A. HB112 (old HB298) Update – Bill Trombly is hoping that will be law by July meeting. HB112 is on the governor’s desk to be signed. The board stated once this is law that rules will need to be fixed to reflect law and is assuming the Fire Marshal’s Office will be writing the rules with their provided attorney.

B. Update on 700 and 800 Rules – No update at this time. Bill Trombly Jr. would like Inspector Middlemiss to ask Chief Inspector Marc Prindiville to check with Bureau Commander Sean Toomey on where we are with these rules.

Working Group Reports

A. Apprenticeship Working Group Update – Steve Chartier has been working very hard on this. The group met and is looking for guidelines for a first year bypass test. Federal Dept of Labor and NH Dept of Labor are on board with this test. If you pass you move onto year two. They are looking for guidelines on testing. Some that are being brought up were one and done test, passing will be 70%. Motion to approve a bypass test for year one plumbing apprentices by Paul D’Allesandro. Second by Dave Pelletier. All in favor.
   - There are four CTE programs offered in NH in Claremont, Laconia, Manchester and Rochester for plumbing. If a student takes 2 years of plumbing CTE in high school they are recognized by the Dept of Education as first year. We would like to follow electricians and if they complete the 2 years it counts as 250 hours of on the job training and first year for education.

B. Water Treatment Working Group – Steve Guercia updated the new board members on what this group is about. At this time the water well board has the draft minutes of the 800 rules and we would like them to get to us anything they want to see added or changed by September board meeting.

C. BCRB Update – They are off for the summer. Tedd Evans will be in July meeting to review amendments with the board.
D. Rules Working Group – There is no update at this time. There will be some draft rules for July meeting.

**Inspectors Report**

Inspector Earl Middlemiss brought forward a consent agreement for Sean Capone. Motion to accept the consent agreement Dave Pelletier. Second by Robert Roy. All in favor.

Inspector Earl Middlemiss brought forward a consent agreement for Todd Adams. Motion to accept the consent agreement by Jeffrey Brown. Second by Robert Roy. All in favor.

Inspector Earl Middlemiss brought forward a consent agreement for Mike Frisina. Motion to accept the consent agreement by Jeffrey Brown. Second by Dave Pelletier. All in favor.

**Old Business**

A. Approval for ProV – Motion to approve ProV for journeyman and master plumbing testing by Dave Pelletier. Second by Paul D’Allesandro. All in favor.

Motion to approve the guidelines for journeyman and master testing that were distributed by Dave Pelletier. Second by Jeffrey Brown. All in favor.

B. Gas Fitting Testing – Nothing at this time.

**New Business**

A. Bill Trombly Jr. wanted to remind the board July is our annual meeting where they will be voting for chairman, vice chairman and secretary.

**Public Comment**

Leslie Anderson from PGANE wanted the board to know that they strongly oppose gas testing changes at this time. She stated that the national recognized CETP testing is more than enough and that it wouldn’t be fair for the students/people to incur an extra cost and have to go to another testing facility. She also stated that the industry is strongly against any changes to testing.

Jim Fusco from GSTS also spoke against and changes to gas testing. Jim stated that he has been doing this for 14 years and not once has anyone stepped into his facility. He also stated he is against any changes with gas testing.

Kyle Pompey spoke on behalf of NFI and the HPBA on not taking away testing as well for hearth systems. There was some rumor that NFI had heard the board was getting rid of NFI as approved schooling for the hearth license. Bill Trombly Jr stated that was
never the case or going to happen. The only thing that was said last meeting was if NFI made any changes to curriculum or tests they needed to submit the changes to the board for review and approval.

Leslie Anderson stated again that the industry will strongly oppose any changes to gas testing.

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Upon the motion of Robert Roy and second by Dave Pelletier the Board unanimously voted to withhold and seal the minutes of the non-public session from public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91-A:3,II on the grounds that public disclosure would be likely to affect adversely the reputation of a person other than a board member. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.

The meeting was called back to public session at 11:12 am.

Dave Pelletier motioned to set an administrative hearing for Adam Vinget with a date to be determined. Second by Jeffrey Brown. All in favor.

Jeffrey Brown motioned to set an administrative hearing for Richard Mallett Jr with a date to be determined. Second by Dave Pelletier. All in favor.

Motion to appoint Dave Pelletier as hearings officer for both cases by Paul D’Allesandro. Second by Robert Roy. All in favor.

With no further business to address the Board meeting adjourned at 11:25am. The next meeting of the Board will be July 17, 2019 at 9:00 a.m., 98 Smokey Bear Blvd, Classroom 1, Concord NH.

End of Minutes