

**735 BUSINESS MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS  
(PUBLIC SESSION)  
MARCH 7, 2001**

The Board Minutes of March 7, 2001, have not been formally approved and are subject to change or modification by the Public Body at its next meeting of April 4, 2001. All requirements of the "Open Public Meetings Act" have been complied with according to N.J. 10:4-6.

The notice of the meeting has been mailed to the Newark Star Ledger, Camden Courier Post, and the Trenton Times, and also notice has been posted on the Bulletin Board at the office of the Secretary of State, Trenton, New Jersey.

Meeting of March 7, 2001, was called to order at 9:00 A.M.

The following members were present:

Mr. Joseph P. Schooley  
Mr. Edward H. O'Hara  
Mrs. Gail Best  
Mr. Mitchell R. Malec  
Mrs. Pushpavati Amin

Mr. Richard K. Dressel, Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo, and Mr. Robert A. McCullough were absent.

Barbara A. Cook, Executive Director, was present from 9:00 A.M. until the close of the meeting.

Marian Fiore, Sr. Management Assistant, was present from 9:00 A.M. until the close of the meeting.

Kathleen Moran, Secretarial Assistant, III, was present from 9:00 A.M. until the close of the meeting.

Susan Carboni, Deputy Attorney General, was present from 9:00 A.M. until the close of the meeting.

Also in attendance were Mr. Al Hoesly and Mr. Casey Hoff, New Jersey Electrical Contractors Association; and Mr. Jim Bibbo, Central Jersey Electrical League, Inc.

Motion made by Mrs. Gail Best and seconded by Mrs. Pushpavati Amin, and unanimously passed, to approve the Minutes of the 734 Meeting held February 7, 2001, with a correction in closed session.

Motion made by Mrs. Gail Best and seconded by Mrs. Pushpavati Amin, and unanimously passed, to approve (9) Initial Licenses effective March 7, 2001 to March 31, 2003, as per attached list.

Motion made by Mrs. Gail Best and seconded by Mr. Edward H. O'Hara, and unanimously passed, to approve (11) Initial Business Permits effective March 7, 2001 to March 31, 2003, as per attached list.

Motion made by Mrs. Gail Best and seconded by Mr. Edward H. O'Hara, and unanimously passed, to approve (12) Initial Business Permits Previously Expired effective March 7, 2001 to March 31, 2003, as per attached list.

Motion made by Mr. Edward H. O'Hara and seconded by Mrs. Gail Best, and unanimously passed, to approve (3) of the (4) Changes in Business Permits effective March 7, 2001 to March 31, 2003, as per attached list. (#2 is being held in abeyance pending further review).

Check in the amount of \$200.00 received from Robert C. Colclough, License #3833, as the first installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000.00 for violation of N.J.S.A. 45:5A-9(a).

The Board accepted the payment .

Check in the amount of \$100.00 received from Seb Vidreiro, License #7539, as the fourth installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000.00 for violation of N.J.S.A. 45:5A-9(a); N.J.A.C. 13:31-1.6; and N.J.A.C. 5:23-2.14.

The Board accepted the payment.

Check in the amount of \$100.00 received from Robert Kersellius, License #7271, as the first installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$500.00 for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.2.

The Board accepted the payment.

Checks in the amounts of \$200.00 each received from Douglas Vliet, Unlicensed, as the seventh, eighth, and final installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000.00 for violation of N.J.S.A. 45:5A-9(a).

The Board accepted the payment.

Check in the amount of \$50.00 received from David Kern-Lyons, Unlicensed, as the ninth and final installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$500.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

Letter dated February 23, 2001, received from Nickolaos A. Stamatiou requesting reinstatement of his license #11047 which he failed to renew for the renewal periods of 1997 to 2000 and 2000 to 2003.

Motion made by Mr. Edward H. O'Hara and seconded by Mrs. Gail Best, and unanimously passed, that a letter be sent to Mr. Stamatiou advising him that his request is being held in abeyance pending receipt of an explanation as to what he has been doing in the electrical field since 1997 and a copy of his 1999 Continuing Education Code Course Certificate. The Board also requested that Mr. Stamatiou be directed to return the pressure seal issued to Ariston Electric, Inc.

The Board reviewed the Continuing Education Code Course outlines submitted by Steven M. Ripley, New Jersey Electrical Contractors Association.

Motion made by Mr. Edward H. O'Hara and seconded by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec, and unanimously passed, to approve the following course outlines submitted by Mr. Ripley

"Dry Type Transformer"

"Smoke Alarm and Carbon Monoxide Detector Technology"

The following course outlines submitted by Mr. Ripley are denied as follows:

"Hazardous Area Seminar & Demonstration" - Needs specific length of course hours and the curriculum vitae of the instructor.

"Personal Estate Engineering for Wealth Creation, Distribution and Conservation" - Not Legible.

"Electronic & Magnetic Ballast Fundamentals" - Needs curriculum vitae of the instructor to qualify the individual as a lecturer of repute in the area of instruction, and a better description of the course to be taught.

The Board reviewed the Continuing Education Code Course outlines submitted by John DeDad, Editorial Director, EC&M.

Motion made by Mr. Edward H. O'Hara and seconded by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec, and unanimously passed, that a letter be sent to Mr. DeDad advising him that his request is being held in abeyance pending receipt of a detailed description of the course content, and clarification of the length of each course for which the licensee will receive credit.

Letter dated February 6, 2001, received from Alfred A. Fiorello requesting approval to teach a Continuing Education Code Course.

Motion made by Mr. Edward H. O'Hara and seconded by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec, and unanimously passed, to approve Mr. Fiorello to teach the Nine Hours of Code Changes and the One Hour of Laws, Rules and Regulations.

Letter dated January 29, 2001, received from Stephen W. Bialkowski, Esq., requesting approval to teach the One Hour of Laws, Rules, and Regulations portion of the ten hours of code update.

Motion made by Mr. Edward H. O'Hara and seconded by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec, and unanimously passed, to approve Mr. Bialkowski's request to teach the One Hour of Laws, Rules and Regulations portion of the ten hours of code update.

Letter dated February 21, 2001, received from Anthony T. Urbanik stating that each course would be five hours in length which may be given over more than one day. Mr. Urbanik's request was held in abeyance pending the clarification of the length of each course.

Motion made by Mr. Edward H. O'Hara and seconded by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec, and unanimously passed, to approve the following course outlines (five hours in length) submitted by Mr. Urbanik.

"Branch Circuit Calculations"  
"Ampacity Calculations"  
"Motor Calculations"  
"Box and Conduit Fill Calculations"  
"Cooking Equipment Demand Calculations"  
"Dwelling Service Calculations"  
"Commercial Service Calculations"

Letter dated February 9, 2001, received from Marshall H. Day, Esq. License #11131 (Expired) requesting an "inactive renewal" pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-7.1.

The Board requested that Mr. Day's request be held in abeyance. DAG Carboni will prepare a memorandum to be sent to Anthony Miragliotta, Deputy Director, asking for direction as to how the Board should implement an "inactive status".

Letter dated February 16, 2001, received from William Wachter, Superintendent of Plant Maintenance, Elizabethtown Water Company, stating that his company performs safety training under OSHA's lockout/tagout standard. Mr. Wachter also stated that he has several trained employees who are "authorized" to perform electrical and mechanical shut-off operations safely. However, of these trained individuals, there are only two licensed electricians.

Mr. Wachter stated that his specific question is with respect to operating panel circuit breakers and disconnects to de-energize equipment safely for maintenance work on equipment, must only a licensed electrical contractor perform the shut-off or are the "authorized" trained lockout/tagout personnel, who will be performing the maintenance work, permitted to do this as well?

Motion made by Mrs. Pushpavati Amin and seconded by Mrs. Gail Best, and unanimously passed, that a letter be sent to Mr. Wachter advising him that according to N.J.S.A. 45:5A-18(k) repair, manufacturing, maintenance work on premises occupied by a firm or corporation, and installation work on premises occupied by a firm or corporation and performed by a regular employee who is a qualified journeyman electrician, shall not be included within the business of electrical contracting so as to require the securing of a business permit. Therefore, Mr. Wachter's employees, who are also safety trained OSHA personnel authorized to perform lock out and tag out work, can perform this work on the equipment.

The Board reviewed applications for the written examination administered by Experior Assessments, LLC. Three (3)

applications were approved.

Motion made by Mrs. Gail Best and seconded by Mr. Edward H. O'Hara, and unanimously passed, that the Board go into Executive Closed Session to consider and to review consumer complaints, investigative reports, and other information received pursuant to the Board's investigative authority in order to determine whether violations of the law, including Board regulations have occurred. The results of the deliberations will be made known when and if the Board determines to initiate disciplinary action or other law enforcement action.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 P.M.

An Appointment and Business Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 4, 2001, at 9:00 A.M.  
A Special Meeting Is scheduled for Wednesday, April 18, 2001, at 9:00 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara A. Cook  
Executive Director

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