

**HOME INSPECTION
ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Minutes of September 12, 2006
Public Session**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Home Inspection Advisory Committee was called to order by Chairman Michael Del Greco at 10:30 a.m. in the Union Conference Room, third floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey. All parties were duly notified of the time, date and place and all pertinent material had been provided.

SUNSHINE LAW ANNOUNCEMENT

Joseph Grabowy, read the statement required by Chapter 231, Laws of 1975, known as the Open Public Meetings Act, and announced that notice of the meeting was prepared in the office of the Committee and mailed to the Secretary of State, the Star Ledger, the Courier Post, the Bergen Record and the Atlantic City Press.

ROLL CALL

CMs present:

Michael Del Greco
Michael Fitzpatrick

CMs absent: None

Others present: Arthur Russo, Executive Director, Olga E. Bradford, Deputy Attorney General, staff members, Joseph Grabowy, Crisgean Losbanos, and 6 members from the public.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

June 13, 2006 - Review was carried over to the October 17, 2006 meeting.

July 11, 2006 - Review was carried over to the October 17, 2006 meeting.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

ED Russo spoke about the long lag-time required for updating the list of licensed home inspectors on the Committee's website. After discussing this issue the Committee directed that this list be deleted altogether from the Committee's website since there is a licensee search mechanism to obtain information on licensed home inspectors.

ED Russo announced that the date for the October meeting has been rescheduled for Tuesday, October 17, 2006.

ED Russo informed the Committee about the fee involved when licensees request duplicate license cards, ID cards, and vehicle placards. The Committee agrees that the fee would be \$20 per request. Darlene Kane, budget analyst, and Patricia Schripio, Esq., regulatory analyst will be advised of the proposed \$20 fee.

Incoming Correspondence

#1 Elaine Escutcheon
Re: Change in Director of Adult Education
August 10, 2006

Ms. Escutcheon advised the Committee that Dr. Margaret Haynes has recently taken over the position of Director of Adult Education for the Bergen County Technical Schools.

The Committee noted this correspondence for the record.

#2 Michael O. Kelley
Re: Continuing Education Units
July 11, 2006

Mr. Kelley wrote the Committee to request that it allow him to use CEUs acquired between April 30, 2005 and April 30, 2007 (2 year period), as acquiring the 40 CEUs in 16 months which he thinks is very difficult

The Committee denied Mr. Kelley's request of extending the deadline for obtaining his CEUs since it felt that Mr. Kelley has adequate time to complete his CEUs by April 2007.

#3 Randy Trivette
Re: Department of Education
August 7, 2006

Mr. Trivette replied to the Committee's inquires concerning the time-frame for home inspector schools to accept and offer the new standardized home inspection curriculum, as well as the potential students known to be unable to enroll in qualified home inspector schools, and how the Department of Education will correct any imbalance between potential students and the number of qualified home inspector schools.

The Committee noted this letter for the record.

#4 Pete Priestner
Re: Septic Testing
June 14, 2006

Mr. Priestner wrote to request that the Committee issue a letter to all licensed home inspectors clarifying the rule governing home inspectors conducting septic tests.

The Committee denied Mr. Priestner's request to have the Committee issue a letter to all licensed home inspectors clarifying the rule governing septic inspections since this information can be found in the Home Inspection Advisory Committee's statutes and regulations.

.Outgoing Correspondence

NONE

REVIEW OF HOME INSPECTION APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE

On a motion by CM Fitzpatrick, second by Chairman Del Greco, the Committee unanimously voted to approve the following applications for licensure pending the receipt of their errors and omission certificates of insurance.

Name	App #
James Hughes	1210058
Jason Zinglar	1215779
Joseph Conti	1214170
Mark Enke	1215771

Yosef Hirschman	1215784
Albert Shin	1207950
Joseph Paxia	1163194
John Barry	1222139
James Richardson	1222082
Paulo Valeira	1222089
German Orjuela	1219864
Anthony Gloster	1216325
John P. Tate	1220379
Howard Woodbury	1177020
Norman Hollenback	1217920
Ronald Sirois, Jr.	1219804
Michael Hoyt	1213816
Thomas Peake	1211350
Roderick Hayes	1177047
Edward Dam	120947

REVIEW OF HOME INSPECTION APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE

(approved by Kimberly S. Ricketts)

Due to potential conflicts between the Committee members and their review of certain applications including but not limited to personal or social relationships, former students; or employees of Committee members, three applications were sent to the Director of the Division of Consumer Affairs for review.

REVIEW OF CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSES

On a motion by CM Fitzpatrick, seconded by Chairman Del Greco, the Committee unanimously voted to approve the following continuing education courses.

Sponsor Course # Credits

Tri-State ASHI Wood Deck Connecting Flashings 2
 Tri-State ASHI Weather Effects on Roofing 3
 Tri-State ASHI Stucco: Installation Flashing Inspection 4
 Tri-State ASHI Home Inspections without Conflict 4
 Cook College - OCPE Microbial Contamination in Bldgs. 5
 Cook College - OCPE How to Deal w/Moldy Buildings 2
 NJDCA Rutgers Residential Mechanical & Plumbing Systems 4
 National Institute of Building Inspectors Electrical Systems 4
 National Institute of Building Inspectors Roofing Systems 4

NJ ALPHI Basic Mold Course 3
NY Metro ASHI Annual Seminar 15
NY Metro ASHI Plumbing Systems 1
NY Metro ASHI Roofs 1
Garden State ASHI ASHI Seminar 16

PUBLIC MEMBERS & COMMENTS

None

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Proposed meeting dates for the Home Inspection Advisory Committee in the year 2007

The Committee reviewed the 2007 meeting dates and changed the meeting date of April 10, 2007 to April 17, 2007, and the meeting of September 11, 2007 to September 18, 2007.

A motion was made by Michael Fitzpatrick, with a second by Michael Del Greco to adopt the revised meeting dates for 2007.

s2167 Requires licensed home inspectors to report an energy rating for each home inspected for buyer in contemplation of purchase.

The Committee decided to carry this item over to its October meeting date.

New Certification Law in West Virginia

The Committee noted the new certification law in West Virginia for the record.

A2955 Abolishes Home Inspection Advisory Committee; transfers duties to the State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors..

A3409 - Changes the membership of the Home Inspection Advisory Committee

The Committee did not comment on A2955, but is in favor of A3409 which adds a public member and a Professional Engineer/Home Inspector member to the Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by CM Fitzpatrick, seconded by Chairman Del Greco, the Committee voted to adjourn the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

Michael Del Greco Arthur Russo
Chairman Executive Director