

**# 561 MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS
OF MASTER PLUMBERS -MINUTES - OCTOBER 22, 2009**

The Minutes of the October 22, 2009 Board Meeting have not been formally approved and are subject to change or modification by the Public Body at its regular meeting on November 19, 2009.

The notice of the October 22, 2009 meeting has been mailed to the Star Ledger, Camden Courier Post, and Trenton Times newspapers, and has also been posted on the Bulletin Board at the Office of the Secretary of State, Trenton, New Jersey.

The Board meeting of October 22, 2009 was called to order at 9:00 am with the following Members in attendance:

Ralph Wetzal, Vice-Chairman
Served as Chairman in the absence of Peter Voros

Michael K. Maloney

Mark McManus

Paul N. Bontempo

Michael L. Sestanovich, Secretary

Adam J. Sabath

Peter I. Voros, Chairman, and Member Donald Dileo were absent

BOARD MEMBER - VACANCY - (1)

As of this Board meeting date, there is one (1) Board member vacancy for a Public Member. That position was formerly held by Board Member Margaret Sieb who resigned on December 15, 2005.

Others in attendance:

The following individuals were in attendance from 9:00 a.m. until the close of the meeting at 3:00 pm: Rosemarie Baccile, Executive Assistant and Joseph A. Donofrio, Counseling Deputy Attorney General (DAG)

PUBLIC SESSION VISITORS:

Thomas F. Walsh, LMP # 7854, NJSLMP
Bill Stepler, CEP Associates

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the FLAG

Chairman Peter Voros led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and requested that Members join in a moment of silence in recognition of U.S. troops serving our Country.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES ~ SEPTEMBER 24, 2009

A motion was made by Mark McManus and seconded by Michael Sestanovich to approve the minutes of September 24, 2009 meeting. A vote was taken and the motion unanimously passed.

PRESENT BOARD MEMBERS - &- CAPACITIES

MAYOR PETER I. VOROS ~ MASTER PLUMBER MEMBER ~ CHAIRMAN

RALPH WETZEL ~MASTER PLUMBER MEMBER ~ VICE-CHAIRMAN

MICHAEL L. SESTANOVICH ~ INSPECTOR MEMBER - SECRETARY

MARK MC MANUS ~ JOURNEYMAN PLUMBER

MICHAEL K. MALONEY ~ MASTER PLUMBER MEMBER

DONALD B. DILEO ~ PUBLIC MEMBER

PAUL N. BONTEMPO - PUBLIC MEMBER

ADAM J. SABATH ~ STATE MEMBER

TOTAL BOARD COMPLEMENT (9):Vacancy /Public Member - formerly held by Mrs. Sieb

BOARD BUSINESS

1. DARLENE KANE, BUDGET OFFICER,
FY 2009 BUDGET REPORT (FINAL)
MEMORANDUM DATED SEPTEMBER 16, 2009

On October 22, 2009, the Board reviewed this report without comment

2. DAVID B. MOHILE PRESIDENT,
MEDICAL ENGINEERING SERVICES INC., LEESBURG, VIRGINIA
Inquiry questioning qualifications for Medical Gas Instructor/Installer

On October 22, 2009, the Board discussed Mr. Mohile's inquiry, and concluded in a motion made by Michael Maloney and seconded by Adam J. Sabath, that existing New Jersey Plumbing Regulations pertaining to the certifications of Medical Gas Piping installers, brazers and instructors are consistent with Statutory requirements, and since Mr. Mohile is not qualified, the Board cannot grant an exception for his certification.

A vote was taken and the motion unanimously passed.

3. NEW JERSEY REGISTER, SEPTEMBER 8, 2009
PROPOSAL, DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS,
STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF MASTER PLUMBERS
SCOPE OF PRACTICE, PROPOSED AMENDMENT:
N.J.A.C. 13:32-1.4

A copy of this publication was provided for the Board.

4. ADVERTISING MATTERS

Offer(s) of Settlement with fines are being processed for unlicensed entities advertising plumbing services in violation of existing New Jersey Plumbing Statutes and Regulations. The payments of those fines will be reported in Open Session upon receipt.

It is noted that applications for the Master Plumber's examination, Master Plumber's business registration forms, and Bona fide Representative registrations are reviewed by Board Members during the course of each business meeting.

Applications for Medical Gas Piping installers, brazers and instructors are also reviewed at this time.

EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION MOTION:

A motion was made by Mark McManus and seconded by Adam J. Sabath to proceed into Executive Closed Session to review consumer complaint matters, unlicensed advertisements and unlicensed practice matters, hold five (5) investigative inquiries, discuss disciplinary matters arising from the CE audit, consider administrative closings, investigations of possible violations of applicable law, pending or anticipated litigation, matters under investigation, the DAG caseload, and review matters within the attorney-client relationship exception to the Open Public Meetings Act. A vote was taken and the motion unanimously passed.

The subject of this discussion shall remain confidential until such time as the reasons for having this matter in Executive Closed Session are no longer applicable. The next regularly scheduled meeting is for November 19, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. in the Hudson Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Lawrence DeMarzo, Deputy Director
Division of Consumer Affairs