



DATE: May 21, 2015

TO: James Brown
Warren Coklow
Michael Cronk Jr.
Ray Litt
Ric Preuss
Marian Swint

FROM: Bert McAlister, Acting Chairman

RE: **BOARD OF ELECTRICAL EXAMINERS MEETING**

AGENDA

1. Approval of the Agenda
2. Approval of the minutes of the last meeting
3. Board Hearings
4. Board Considerations
 - Mr. Willie Carlisle: Testimonial Memoriam Resolution
 - DTE Representatives: Service Release Info Sheet/Email System
5. Applications for Approvals and Reviews
6. Correspondence:
 - Mr. Eric Jones: Response to Board RE: M1 Rail Inspections
7. Unfinished Business:
 - Apprentice Forum Update
 - M1 Rail
8. New Business
9. Adjournment



MINUTES OF MEETING FOR APRIL 9, 2015

POSITION	MEMBER	PRESENT
ACTING CHAIRMAN	BERT MCALISTER	YES
SECRETARY	MARIAN SWINT	YES
CONTRACTOR	-----	-----
ELECTRICAL ENGINEER	RAY LITT	YES
ELECTRICAL UTILITY	JAMES BROWN	NO
EX-OFFICIO	MICHAEL CRONK JR.	YES
JOURNEYMAN	RIC PREUSS	YES
MASTER ELECTRICIAN	WARREN COKLOW	NO
PUBLIC LIGHTING REP.	-----	-----
RESIDENT TAXPAYER	BERT MCALISTER	YES

NOTICE OF THE MEETING WAS POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD, LOCATED IN THE FIRST FLOOR EAST LOBBY, OF THE COLEMAN A. YOUNG MUNICIPAL CENTER, TWO WOODWARD AVENUE.

The meeting convened at 10:15 a.m.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Mr. Litt made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Preuss. **Motion Carried.**

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Litt and seconded by Mr. Preuss to approve the minutes of March 19, 2015: **Motion Carried.**

BOARD HEARINGS:

None

BOARD CONSIDERATIONS:

Mr. Willie Carlisle-Testimonial Memoriam Resolution: Mr. Carlisle was an inspector for the Electrical Division for 16 years before his retirement in 2010. On February 27, 2015, Mr. Carlisle passed away. The Electrical Division will make a request to City Council for a Testimonial Memoriam Resolution for Mr. Carlisle.



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APPLICATION FOR EXAMINATIONS:

Coleman, Terence-Denied for Master's Exam: 4,000 Hours not documented.

Mr. Coleman stated his documented hours were under *J.E. Electric*, and has been unsuccessful in obtaining a letter from Jonathon Ellison (Master/Contractor for *J.E. Electric*) regarding his hours. Mr. Litt made a motion to send a letter to Mr. Ellison regarding the Board's difficulty considering Mr. Coleman's application due to his lack of required hours, and request Mr. Ellison to send a letter of work experience for Mr. Coleman. Mr. Coleman will be sent a copy of the letter to Mr. Ellison. Motion was seconded by Ms. Swint. **Motion carried.**

Jackson, Daniel-Approved for Journeyman Exam

APPRENTICE REGISTRATION

Burton, Nicholas

Dobson, Jerome

Hardy, Andre

Jackson, Daniel

Murphy, Brandon-contingent upon presenting a copy of Driver's License

Redd II, Percy

APPRENTICE REGISTRATION APPLICANTS NOT APPROVED

None

ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR'S LICENSES & REGISTRATIONS

Advance Electric Service

Registration

Cyphers Electric

Registration

Halligan Electric

Registration

John Kosowski

Registration

JOURNEYMAN ELECTRICIAN

Warren, Michael

MASTER ELECTRICIAN

None



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FIRE ALARM CONTRACTOR

D & C Security Systems Registration

FIRE ALARM TECHNICIAN'S LICENSE

None

FIRE ALARM APPRENTICE

None

SIGN SPECIALTY CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE

None

SIGN SPECIALIST LICENSE

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- ***Apprentice Coordinator Forum Update:*** In attempting to speak with Mr. O'Donnell on April 7, 2015, Mr. McAlister spoke with Dawn Smith of the Electrical Division about the Board's forum and asked about the State's process regarding Apprentice Registrations. Ms. Smith handles the Apprentice applications that are submitted to the State for Registration. When asked about the problems that the Board experienced, she echoed the same issues. What is the State's process for resolution of these issues? She stated they make a phone call to the employer to verify what is deficient on the application.

Also, Ms. Smith informed Mr. McAlister that the Attorney General has interpreted *Public Act 217* to mean Apprentice Registrations and Journeyman exam requirements are two separate entities. According to the Attorney General's interpretation, the law only speaks to the requirement for the 8,000 hours of work experience, and does not speak to the applicant requiring Apprentice Registrations when applying for his/her Journeyman exam. Therefore, when applicants apply for the Journeyman exam to the State's Electrical Division, their Division may no longer look at the applicant's Apprentice Registration history.

Mr. McAlister and Ms. Swint spoke with Mr. Dan O'Donnell, Chief, State of Michigan Electrical Division, on April 8, 2015. Mr. O'Donnell confirmed the information that was given to Mr. McAlister by Ms. Smith. Mr. O'Donnell stated on advice from legal counsel and his administration, Apprentice Registrations are no longer a factor in Journeyman licensure. The State was requiring four years of Apprenticeship until 2011, then were told to stop doing so. This direction by the Attorney General was not given to the State Electrical Division in writing, but communicated via the Division's Administration.



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UNFINISHED BUSINESS CONT.

Apprentice Coordinator Forum Update cont.: Does this requirement apply to the City of Detroit? Mr. O'Donnell recommended that the City of Detroit Electrical Division consult with the City's Law Department regarding this issue. The PowerPoint presentation for the Apprentice Forum scheduled for Tuesday, June 2, 2015 at DTE Energy was viewed and discussed.

- ***Apprentice Residency Update:*** This matter will be tabled for the May meeting.
- ***Traveling Electricians:*** During the discussion with Mr. O'Donnell on April 8th, he stated there is a big influx of electricians in the State, specifically Lansing. The requirement for travelers/out-of state applicants are they are not considered a licensed person. They would have to register as an Apprentice. If the applicant was a Journeyman or Master electrician in their state, the applicant may qualify for examination upon a determination by the Board that the license was obtained by the person through substantially the same or equal requirements as those of the State of Michigan. Or, if the applicant can show documentation that qualifies them, then the applicant can obtain a temporary Journeyman License for a period of not more than 90 days (without testing).
- ***M1 Rail:*** Mr. Preuss stated the M1 Rail has an Electrical Contractor: *DES* (Detroit Electrical Services). An invitation will be sent to the Director, Mr. Eric Jones, for the May meeting. The Board has not yet received a response from its February letter to Mr. Jones regarding inspections of the M1 Rail.
- ***Arc Fault Protection:*** The 2012 Michigan Residential Code that purportedly will eliminate the requirement of arc fault protection will not be adopted at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

None



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CORRECTIONS:

Unfinished Business-Apprentice Coordinator Forum: The City of Detroit Electrical Division will still require four years of Registered Apprenticeship in order to sit for the Journeyman examination.

ACTING CHAIRMAN MCALISTER

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 21, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in the Conference Room in Room 418, Coleman A. Young Municipal Center.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Bert McAlister

Acting Chairman, Board of Electrical Examiners
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