

**MAINE FUEL BOARD
MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting Date: October 8, 2015
Meeting Location: Central Conference Room
Time Meeting Began: 9:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS

Board Chair, Lionel Landry, called the meeting to order.

The following members were present:

Lionel Landry
Jeffrey Choate
Charles Martin
Mark Bossie
Paul McClay
Dale Canning
David Foster

Members Absent:

Richard McCarthy

Staff Present:

Catherine Carroll, Board Administrator
Vickey Gray, Board Clerk
Harley Murray, Electricians' Examining Board Clerk
Peter Holmes, Senior Inspector

AAG Present:

Judith Peters

OLD BUSINESS

Action on Board Minutes of August 13, 2015 - A motion was made to approve the August 13, 2015 minutes as written.

Motion: Paul McClay
Second: David Foster
Unanimous

NEW BUSINESS

Adjudicatory Hearings

2015-FUE-11432 – Steven A. Rankin

Board Chair Lionel Landry opened the hearing of an appeal of a preliminary denial of an application for initial licensure as a propane and natural gas technician. The appellant was not present and was not represented by counsel.

A motion was made to notify Mr. Rankin that this hearing has been rescheduled to December 9, 2015 due to his failure to appear for this hearing.

Motion: Mark Bossie
Second: Jeffrey Choate
Unanimous

2015-FUE-11486 – Jason Mannix

This hearing was continued to December 9, 2015.

Administrators Report

Catherine reported that the review of the three RFP bids for an examination vendor is progressing and she is hopeful to announce the news of the awarded bidder at the December 9, 2015 board meeting.

Senior Inspector's Report

Refer to Attachment "Sr. Inspector's Report – October 8, 2015"

Public Rule Hearing on Changes to Chapter 13, Section 13.7

The members reviewed all of the written comments and the draft response to these comments, and revisions to Section 13.7 in response to public comments.

A motion was made to accept the proposed rule with suggested revisions.

Motion: David Foster
Second: Paul McClay
Unanimous

OTHER BUSINESS

MaineStar - Request to add Residential Energy Services Network (RESNET) Home Energy Rating System (HERS) to the list of Limited Energy Auditor Technician qualified professionals

Mark Blake from MaineStar presented the RESNET Home Energy Rating System (HERS) program to the board members.

A motion was made to approve the MaineStar HERS training program pursuant to the statutory requirements for the Limited Energy Auditor training program.

Motion: Dale Canning
Second: Charles Martin
Unanimous

Maine Energy Marketers Association – Proposed training module “How to Bleed an Oil Burner”

Will Beck from Maine Energy Marketers Association presented the course outline and program titled “Prime and Start for Delivery Drivers”.

After the presentation and a discussion about the training module, a motion was made to approve the course and require that the course include a component that covers recognizing potential hazards in the process of bleeding burners.

Motion: Dale Canning
Second: Paul McClay
Opposed: David Foster
Motion carried

John Morgan – Request for Reconsideration/Set aside Decision

Board Chair Lionel Landry opened the hearing in the above referenced matter. Mr. Morgan was present but was not represented by an attorney. Assistant Attorney General Judith Peters served as board counsel.

Members participating in the hearing were Mark Bossie, Charles Martin, David Foster, Dale Canning, Jeffrey Choate and Lionel Landry. Paul McClay was present but recused himself from the proceeding.

John Morgan – Request for Reconsideration/Set aside Decision (con't)

A motion was made to set aside the July 7, 2015 Board Decision and Order and reschedule a hearing on December 9, 2015. Should Mr. Morgan fail to appear this motion shall be rescinded and the July 7, 2015 Decision and Order will become final action.

Motion: Dale Canning
Second: David Foster
Opposed: Jeffrey Choate
Recused: Paul McClay
Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn at 11:25 a.m.

Motion: David Foster
Second: Paul McClay
Unanimous

*Respectfully submitted,
Vickey Gray*