

**BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY
MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting Date: January 11, 2022
Meeting Location: Androscoggin Room, Gardiner Annex, Gardiner, Maine
Time Meeting Scheduled to Begin: 8:00 a.m.
Time Meeting Began: 8:04 a.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The following members were present:

Carl Chatto (via Zoom)

Tracy Harding

Lannie Moffatt

Michael Nickerson

The following member was absent:

None.

Staff Present:

Catherine Carroll, Board Administrator

Mary Lord, Professional Licensing Supervisor

Kristin Racine, OPOR Attorney

AAG Present:

Thomas Sturtevant (via Zoom)

II. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS AND APPROVAL

A motion was made to approve the agenda, as modified. The modification included removing Item V.

Motion: Lannie Moffatt

Second: Michael Nickerson

Motion Carried

III. MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2021 meeting, as amended. The amendment included correcting the grammar in the first sentence of the Board Manager's report.

Motion: Michael Nickerson

Second: Lannie Moffatt

Motion Carried

IV. RULES DISCUSSION

Kristin Racine presented a final draft to Ch. 1 and Ch. 6 in which the board made a few additional changes.

A motion was made to accept the final draft with amendments as a proposed rule and to have staff initiate a formal rulemaking proceeding under the Maine Administrative Procedure Act.

Motion: Michael Nickerson

Second: Lannie Moffatt
Motion Carried

A motion was made to have a public written comment period on the proposed rule for no less than 30 days and ending on April 29, 2022.

Motion: Carl Chatto
Second: Lannie Moffatt
Motion Carried

V. BOARD ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Catherine Carroll reported next board meeting is scheduled for May 17th in which hopefully there will be rules adoption, complaint presentations, and an election of officers.

VI. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Patricia Brigham of the Maine Society of CPAs reported on the society's membership, efforts the society is taking to network and collaborate with other state societies, and advocating for recruiting persons to make a career in certified public accountancy. Trish mentioned that the college enrollment in business school in accounting is low, and CPA salaries are stagnated.

VII. ADJOURN

A motion was made to adjourn at 10:55 a.m.

Motion: Michael Nickerson
Second: Lannie Moffatt
Motion Carried