MAINE FUEL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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Meeting Date: February 11, 2021

Meeting Location: This meeting occurred via remote access pursuant to 1 M.R.S. §403-A.

Time Meeting Began: 9:03 a.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER - 9:03 a.m.

Members present:

Mark Bossie, Chairman Dale Canning David Foster Paul McClay Maynard "Skip" Waltz Richard McCarthy

Members absent:

None

Staff Present:

Catherine Carroll, Board Administrator Mary Lord, Professional Licensing Supervisor Peter Holmes, Senior Inspector

AAG Present:

Ron Guay

II. AGENDA MODIFICATION AND APPROVAL

A motion was made to approve the agenda as written.

Motion: Richard McCarthy Second: Maynard "Skip" Waltz

Motion Carried

III. MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2020 meeting.

Motion: Dale Canning
Second: Paul McClay
Abstain: Richard McCarthy

Motion Carried

IV. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A motion was made to elect Mark Bossie as Board Chairman

Motion: David Foster Second: Paul McClay

Motion Carried

V. ADJUDICATORY HEARING

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A motion was made to find that a violation was proven by the preponderance of the evidence.

Motion: Richard McCarthy Second: Paul McClay Absent: Mark Bossie

Motion Carried

A motion was made to delegate the authority to the acting chairman to sign the Decision and Order.

Motion: Richard McCarthy Second: Paul McClay Absent: Mark Bossie Motion Carried

A motion was made issue a warning and a civil penalty in the amount of \$750.00.

Motion: Paul McClay Second: Richard McCarthy Opposed: Dale Canning Absent: Mark Bossie

Motion Carried

VI. ADVANCED TRADE SCHOOL, LLC - REVIEW OF PROPANE AND NATURAL GAS COURSE

A motion was made to approve the appliance connection and service course after submission and approval of the Maine laws and rules supplement.

Motion: Dale Canning

Second: Maynard "Skip" Waltz

Motion Carried

VII. STATE FUEL INSPECTOR'S REPORT

Peter Holmes reported on assisting the OFM and local CEOs on inspections. He noted a historic high in bulk plant inspections and heat pumps being placed too close to gas tanks.

VIII. BOARD ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Catherine Carroll reported on the availability of license exams via remote proctor and at physical test sites, recruiting a second board clerk, rulemaking initiatives and legislative activities.

IX. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

None given.

X. ADJOURN

A motion was made to adjourn at 12:55 p.m.

Motion: Richard McCarthy

Second: Paul McClay

Motion Carried