

ELECTRICIANS' EXAMINING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: May 21, 2021

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

Time Meeting Scheduled to Begin: After the Agency Rulemaking Hearing

I. CALL TO ORDER – 8:35 a.m.

The meeting was called to order.

Members present:

Brian McDougal

Jonathan McKane (*Absent for the Adjudicatory Hearings, Opportuntiy for Public Comment and Adjournment.*)

Peter Wilson

Alan Kenney

Members absent:

Gerard Caron

Staff Present:

Catherine Carroll, Board Administrator

Mary Lord, Professional Licensing Supervisor

Raymond Stanford, Senior Inspector

Kristin Racine, OPOR Attorney

AAG Present:

Timothy Steigelman

II. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS AND APPROVAL

A motion was made to accept and approve the agenda as written.

Motion: Jonathan McKane

Second: Peter Wilson

Motion Carried

III. AGENCY RULEMAKING HEARING (Began at 8:02 a.m.)

A motion was made to close the hearing at 8:32 a.m..

Motion: Jonathan McKane

Second: Peter Wilson

Motion Carried

IV. MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

A motion was made to approve the April 16, 2021 minutes of the meeting.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Jonathan McKane
Motion Carried

V. RULEMAKING DISCUSSION

Kristin Racine presented draft chapters 100, 110, 115, 125, 130, 135, 140 and 170. A revised draft based on board input will be presented to the board at a future meeting.

VI. RECOMMENDATION OF THE ELECTRICAL EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE

Benjamin Chasse – LM50017761

A motion was made to accept the recommendation of the subcommittee by directing staff to preliminarily deny the exam application based on not meeting the work experience requirements.

Motion: Jonathan McKane
Second: Peter Wilson
Motion Carried

VII. LICENSE REINSTATEMENT APPLICATIONS

a. Edward F. McCrohan, Jr. – MS60020706

A motion was made to preliminarily deny the reinstatement application.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Alan Kenney
Motion Carried

b. Stephen R. Girardin – JY40091065

A motion was made to preliminarily deny the reinstatement application.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Alan Kenney
Motion Carried

c. Michael R. Talbot – MS60020967

A motion was made to preliminarily deny the reinstatement application.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Alan Kenney
Motion Carried

VIII. BOARD ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Catherine Carroll reported *LD 1231 – An Act Concerning Climate and Community Investments Projects* and *LD 126 – An Act to Allow a Journeyman Electrician to Supervise Three Helper Electricians*. Catherine said the electrical installation definition was removed from LD1231. The sponsor said at a

work session that there's another vehicle he's exploring for legislatively proposing the definition. Catherine said she's heard no word on the helper's bill since it was voted out of committee.

IX. BOARD STATE INSPECTOR'S REPORT

Raymond Stanford reported that he is getting licensing questions of which are a high number regarding solar installations. He also reported that he is seeing people taking liberties with the SFD Certs such as people expecting to have friends or relatives who are electricians in other states to wire their homes/camps with a SFD Cert. Raymond had a couple of conversations with people who were particularly frustrated with the inability to simply get a license in Maine since they are licensed in another jurisdiction and that Maine's licensing requirements are strict. Both of these callers' frustrations were possibly already addressed by limited licensure and reciprocity. Chairman MacDougal asked if the inspectors were receiving a lot of marijuana grow permits and Raymond answered that grows and large solar are very active sectors of the inspectors' work.

X. ADJUDICATORY HEARINGS

a. 2020-ELE-16908 – Adam Kasevich

A motion was made to find that the licensee was working beyond the scope of his license.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Alan Kenney
Motion Carried

A motion was made to find that the licensee was working without obtaining a permit.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Alan Kenney
Motion Carried

A motion was made to find that the licensee violated four NEC articles.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Alan Kenney
Motion Carried

A motion was made to revoke the helper license effective immediately.

Motion: Alan Kenney
Second: Peter Wilson
Motion Carried

b. 2021-ELE-17155 – Michael Iannotti

A motion was made to find that the licensee is sufficiently rehabilitated to warrant the public trust.

Motion: Alan Kenney
Second: Peter Wilson
Motion Carried

A motion was made to find that the licensee was not in violation of 10 M.R.S. 8003-G (2)(B).

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Alan Kenney
Motion Carried

A motion was made to find that the licensee was practicing without a license.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Alan Kenney
Motion Carried

A motion was made to grant renewal of the license and require the licensee to do community services two hours per month and report every three months through September 30, 2022, on his activities, and to delegate the signing of the Decision and Order to the board chair.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Alan Kenney
Motion Carried

XI. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

None offered.

XII. ADJOURN

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 3:45 p.m.

Motion: Alan Kenney
Second: Peter Wilson
Motion Carried