

**ELECTRICIANS' EXAMINING BOARD
MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting Date: September 17, 2021
Meeting Location: Gardiner Annex
Time Meeting Scheduled to Begin: 8:00 a.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER – 8:16 a.m.

The meeting was called to order.

Members present:

Brian McDougal
Gerard Caron
Jonathan McKane
Peter Wilson

Members absent:

Alan Kenney

Staff Present:

Catherine Carroll, Board Administrator
Mary Lord, Professional Licensing Supervisor
Raymond Stanford, Senior Inspector

AAG Present:

Timothy Steigelman

II. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS AND APPROVAL

A motion was made to accept and approve the agenda.

Motion: Jonathan McKane
Second: Gerard Caron
Motion Carried

III. PUBLIC HEARING ON POLICY ON REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR BOARD PROCEEDINGS

A motion was made to adopt the policy as amended in section 2. B. iv. which replaces the word 'residence' with 'place of location'.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Gerard Caron
Motion Carried

IV. ADJUDICATORY HEARINGS

a. 2021-ELE-17277 (James G. Raymond, Jr.)

A motion was made to find that Mr. Raymond has not proved that he has been sufficiently rehabilitated to warrant the public trust and to refuse to issue a journeyman license.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Gerard Caron
Motion Carried

A motion was made to grant a helper license to Mr. Raymond with conditions.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Gerard Caron
Motion Carried

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

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Jonathan McKane

Motion Carried

b. 2021-ELE-17457 (William J. Curran, IV)

A motion was made to re-instate the journeyman license and impose a term of probation requiring the license to continue to meet the terms of the court-ordered probation and to notify the board 30 days before requesting early termination of the court-order probation, and, the licensee must report to the board within six months and again within 12 months of the effective date of the Decision and Order to include a statement from him on his progress towards rehabilitation and a reference from a counselor or employer. The motion included delegating the signing of the decision and order to the board chairman.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Gerard Caron
Motion Carried

V. MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

A motion was made to approve the July 23, 2021 minutes of the meeting, as corrected. There is a typographical error in Item IX. d. 2021-ELE-17385 ‘practing’ to ‘practicing’.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Gerard Caron
Motion Carried

VII. LICENSE REINSTATEMENT APPLICATIONS

a. Shawn J. Fontaine – MS60018938 (Reinstatement)

A motion was made to reinstate the license.

Motion: Jonathan McKane
Second: Gerard Caron
Opposed: Peter Wilson
Motion Carried

- b. *William J. Ferreira – JY40091251 (Reinstatement)*
A motion was made to reinstate the license.

Motion: Jonathan McKane
Second: Gerard Caron
Opposed: Peter Wilson
Motion Carried

X. BOARD ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Catherine Carroll reported on a steady stream of incoming applications from licensees wanting to reinstate or reciprocate from another state. There will be future discussions regarding the so-called licensure by endorsement and credentialing legislation to be enacted next month and that will have a direct impact on the board’s rules for qualifying for licensure. Mary Lord learned that the Bolduc Center is not offering the journeyman electrician program of study at this time. The next meeting will be in Gardiner on Friday, October 15, 2021. There are three hearings and license applications presentations. Peter Wilson expressed his annoyance with the unresponsiveness at the Governor’s Office for re-appointments and new appointments to the board.

XI. BOARD STATE INSPECTOR’S REPORT

Raymond Stanford mentioned comments he’s received on Article 230.85 and inquiries GFCI for basement installation of furnaces as a listed appliance. Ray provided an update on modifying the electrician exams based on the 2021 NEC. Kern Butler described a potentially dangerous situation with a high voltage power line above and a metal roof installation. The board voted unanimously to have the board chairman send a letter to the Public Utilities Commission noting the hazardous condition. The motion was made by Peter Wilson and seconded by Gerard Caron. Ray announced his retirement from state service to join Revision Energy as manager of electrical quality and compliance. Ray said he was looking forward to the change and expressed his pleasure working with the inspectors and board members.

XII. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

None offered.

XIII. ADJOURN

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 1:15 pm.

Motion: Jonathan McKane
Second: Gerard Caron
Motion Carried