

DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL AND FINANCIAL REGULATION
OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL REGULATION
76 Northern Ave, Gardiner, Maine

MAINE BOARD OF REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS
PUBLIC MEETING
March 13, 2024
MINUTES

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>STAFF PRESENT</u>
Wendy Boston, Chair	Cathy Pendergast, Administrator
Nathan Shipley, Complaint Officer	John Belisle, Assistant Attorney General
Alan Johnson, Vice-Chair	Regina Ritchie, Licensing Supervisor
Russell Barrows	Kaleigh Kennedy, Office Specialist I
Jacques Weinstein	Shara Chesley, Office Specialist I
<u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u>	<u>OTHERS PRESENT</u>
	<u>None</u>

Location: 76 Northern Ave. Gardiner ME

Start: 9:07 a.m.

Adjourn: 10:31 a.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 9:07 a.m.

I. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS & MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

A motion was made by Barrows and seconded by Shipley to add complaint presentation 2024-REA-19901 and an update to the Administrator's Report regarding an update of the ASC Compliance Review to the agenda and approve the March 13, 2024 minutes as presented. Unanimous.

II. ADJUDICATORY HEARING

2022- REA-18817 and 2023-REA-18887 Seth A. Tompkins

Hearing officer- Rebekah Smith opened a status conference with the Board to consider a Consent Agreement prior to the scheduled hearing at 9:12 a.m. Seth A. Tompkins was present, represented by Scott Lynch. AAG Timothy Steigelman and AAG Jennifer Willis represented the Board.

Weinstein and Johnson recused and left the meeting.

Attorneys Lynch and Steigelman presented the proposed Consent Agreement.

The Board discussed amending the Agreement to include a 15-Hour National USPAP Course with examination and revision of certain duties from the Chair to the complaint officer.

A motion was made by Barrows and seconded by Shipley to adopt the proposed revised Consent Agreement with amendments. Boston, Barrows, and Shipley voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Recording was stopped at 9:44 a.m.

Weinstein and Johnson re-joined the meeting.

III. COMPLAINT PRESENTATIONS

2023-REA-19474- A motion was made by Barrows and seconded by Weinstein to dismiss with a letter of guidance. Boston, Barrows, Johnson, and Weinstein voted in the affirmative. Shipley abstained. Motion carried.

2023-REA-19608- A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Barrows to dismiss. Boston, Barrows, Johnson, and Weinstein voted in the affirmative. Shipley abstained. Motion carried.

2023-REA-19620- Boston recused. A motion was made by Barrows and seconded by Weinstein to dismiss with a letter of guidance. Barrows, Johnson, and Weinstein voted in the affirmative. Shipley abstained. Motion carried.

2024-REA-19793- A motion was made by Barrows and seconded by Weinstein to dismiss with a letter of guidance. Boston, Barrows, Johnson, and Weinstein voted in the affirmative. Shipley abstained. Motion carried.

2024-REA-19901- A motion was made by Barrows and seconded by Shipley to dismiss with a letter of guidance. Unanimous.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

V. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The Board discussed the Solar Panel Inquiry.

The Administrator informed the Board that the Appraisal Subcommittee (ASC) will be conducting its bi-annual compliance review June 11-13, 2024.

VI. METING SCHEDULE

The next meeting is currently scheduled for Tuesday, May 7, 2024.

VIII. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Weinstein and seconded by Barrows to adjourn the meeting. Unanimous. Being no further board business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:31 a.m.