

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

**BOARD OF LICENSURE OF FORESTERS
MINUTES OF VIRTUAL BOARD MEETING
January 27, 2022**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Sarah Medina
Steve Pelletier
Keith Kanoti
Theodore Shina, Complaint Officer

OTHERS PRESENT

Catherine Pendergast, Administrator
Betsy Stivers, Assistant Attorney General
Elizabeth Moulton, Office Specialist I
Misty Robinson, Office Specialist I

MEMBERS ABSENT

John Ackley, Chair

Location: Central Conference Room

Start: 9:01 a.m. Adjourn: 11:56 a.m.

Board Administrator Catherine Pendergast opened the meeting. A motion was made by Pelletier and seconded by Kanoti to make Sarah Medina Chair pro tem. Unanimous.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the Chair pro tem, Sarah Medina at 9:01 a.m.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

A motion was made by Shina and seconded by Pelletier to add the election of board officers. Unanimous.

MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

A motion was made by Pelletier and seconded by Kanoti to approve the December 14, 2021 minutes. Unanimous.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A motion was made by Pelletier and seconded by Kanoti to elect John Ackley as board chair, Theodore Shina as complaint officer, and Keith Kanoti as vice chair. Unanimous.

COMPLAINT PRESENTATIONS

2021-FOR-17603

A motion was made by Pelletier and seconded by Kanoti to set the complaint in case number 2021-FOR-17603 for an adjudicatory hearing but offer a consent agreement for a Censure and a \$500 civil penalty to be paid within 30 days. Medina, Pelletier, and Kanoti voted affirmative. Shina abstained. Motion carried.

RULES – DISCUSSION OF CHAPTER 100

Invited members to the subcommittee in attendance were: Rene Noel, Consulting Forester; Dave Schaible, Consulting Forester; and Jeremy Stultz, Procurement/Stumpage Forester.

The Board continued its discussion of chapter 100.

The Board Administrator will prepare a revised draft for review at the next meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

A member of the public made comments regarding the rule review discussion.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Pelletier and seconded by Kanoti to adjourn the meeting at 11:56 a.m. Unanimous.

The next meeting is currently scheduled for Thursday, March 24, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. Members of the public should consult the web site for updated information regarding dates and times prior to coming to a meeting.

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