Minutes of the Maine Real Estate Commission Meeting March 21, 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT	STAFF PRESENT
Edie Fontaine, Chair	Catherine Pendergast, Director
Leanne Nichols, Vice Chair	Jeffrey Hill, Deputy Director
Jane B. Towle	Lisa Wilson, AAG
Forrest C. Peterson	Regina Ritchie, Professional Licensing Supervisor
Charles Brawn	Shara Chesley, Office Specialist I
	Kaleigh Kennedy, Office Specialist I
MEMBERS ABSENT	

Location: 76 Northern Ave Gardiner, ME **Start**: 9:00 a.m. **Adjourn:** 10:22 a.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was opened by Chair Fontaine at 9:00 a.m.

II. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

None

III. MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

A motion was made by Nichols and seconded by Peterson to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2024, meeting. Unanimous.

IV. PROPOSED DISMISSALS

Nichols recused and stepped out of the room.

A motion was made by Towle and seconded by Brawn to approve the dismissal in case number 2021-REC-17400. Fontaine, Towle, Peterson and Brawn voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Nichols returned to the meeting.

Fontaine recused and stepped out of the room.

A motion was made by Brawn and seconded by Peterson to approve the dismissal in case number 2022-REC-18726. Nichols, Towle, Peterson and Brawn voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Fontaine returned to the meeting.

A motion was made by Towle and seconded by Nichols to approve the dismissal of case numbers 2021-REC-17441; 2021-REC-17493 and 2021-REC-17497. Unanimous.

V. <u>CONSENT AGREEMENTS</u>

A motion was made by Towle and seconded by Nichols to accept Consent Agreement 2024-REC-19842. Unanimous.

VI. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Director provided additional information regarding Qualifying Education Statistics. No further action was taken.

The Director provided a copy of Public Law 290-An Act to Protect Homeowners from Unfair Agreements to Exclusively List Residential Real Estate for Sale. No action was taken.

The Director presented an update on LD2035- An Act Regarding Disclosure of Flood Rish by Sellers of Real Estate. No action was taken.

The Director presented an update on LD2040- An Act to Implement Protection against Deed Fraud. No action was taken.

VII. ADJUDICATORY HEARING

2024-REC-19761 Director V. Shell Brodnax

AAG Wilson – opened the hearing at 9:28 a.m. Shell Brodnax failed to appear. The Director was present. Deputy Director Jeff Hill presented the Director's Case.

Public deliberations were conducted at the close of the hearing.

A motion was made by Nichols and seconded by Peterson to uphold the denial. Unanimous.

Hearing ended at 10:21 a.m. Recording was stopped.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

IX. MEETING SCHEDULE

The next meeting is currently scheduled for Thursday, April 18,2024.

X. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Nichols and seconded by Peterson to adjourn the meeting at 10:22 a.m. Unanimous.