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STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL AND FINANCIAL REGULATION OFFICE OF LICENSING & REGISTRATION **PLUMBER'S EXAMINING BOARD** 35 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0035 (207) 624-8608

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OFFICIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date:June 10, 2024Meeting Location:Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation
Central Conference Room, 76 Northern Ave, Gardiner, ME
Virtually pursuant to Section 2 (a.) (ii) of the Board's Remote Participation Policy adopted by the
Board on July 7, 2023.

Time Meeting Scheduled to Begin:	9:00 a.m.
Time Meeting Began:	9:16 a.m.

I) Call to Order

<u>Members Present:</u> Percy Brown Jr., Chairman (remote) Nicholas Adams (remote)

Members Absent Robert Hodgkin

<u>Staff Present</u> Karen Ross, Interim Board Manager Michael Day, State plumbing Inspector Rebecca Smith, Hearing Officer

Board Counsel Present Betsy Stivers, Assistant Attorney General

II) Agenda Modifications & Approval

A motion was made to approve the agenda as written Motion – Nick Adams Seconded – Percy Brown Jr. All in favor – 2/0 opposed Motion carried

III) Minutes Review and Approval

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the 4/5/24 board meeting. Motion – Nick Adams Seconded – Percy Brown Jr. All in favor – 2/0 opposed Motion carries

IV) Adjudicatory Hearing

2024-PLU-19740

An adjudicatory hearing was held on the applicant's qualification to sit for the Master Plumber Examination. Based on the information provided, the Board found that the applicant did not have sufficient equivalent work experience/hours to be able to grant him permission to sit for the Plumber's Master Exam so his application was denied. The Board declined to identify how many hours could be credited at this time for future consideration. A decision & Order will be drawn up by Hearing Officer R Smith.

Motion – Nick Adams Seconded – Percy Brown 2 in favor / 0 opposed / 0 recused Motion carries

V) Complaint Matter

2023-PLU-19057

Board voted to set the matter for a hearing, with no consent agreement being offered.

Motion – Nick Adams Seconded – Percy Brown Jr. All in favor – 2 / 0- Opposed / 0-abstained Motion carries.

2023-PLU-19463

Board voted to offer to set the matter for a hearing and offer Consent Agreement with a warning and a civil penalty of \$250 per violations of 2021 UPC 105.2.1.2 and 105.2.

2023-PLU-18866 & 2024-PLU-19796

Board voted to consolidate both of these complaints and set it for a hearing, with no consent agreement. Motion – Nick Adams Seconded – Percy Brown Jr. All in favor – 2 / 0- Opposed / 0-abstained Motion carries.

VI) Board Manager's Report

VII) Board Inspector's Report

VIII) Opportunity for Public Comment

IX) Adjournment – 1:12

Motion – Nick Adams Seconded –Percy Brown Jr. All in favor – 2 / 0 Opposed / 0-abstained Motion carries