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989th BUSINESS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
EXAMINATIONS OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS
(PUBLIC SESSION) - - - MAY 8, 2024

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The Board Minutes of May 8, 2024, have not been formally approved and are subject to change or modification by the Public Body at its next meeting of June 12, 2024, or soon thereafter as it may be considered. All requirements of the "Open Public Meetings Act" have been complied with according to N.J.S.A. 10:4-6.

The May 8, 2024, meeting of the Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors was held virtually as permitted by the OPMA and began at 9:00 A.M. Pursuant to the OPMA, N.J.S.A. 10:4-9.1, notice was provided electronically within 48 hours of the scheduled meeting. The meeting began at 9:00 A.M. and was accessed by the public via the (now inactive) link:

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Any public comments were submitted by 2:00 P.M. on May 7, 2024, by e-mailing Philameana L. Tucker, Executive Director, at tuckerp@dca.njoag.gov. The Board made its best efforts to read any comments received during the meeting.

The Board saluted the Flag.

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ROLL CALL

Mr. Joseph P. Schooley, Chairman
Mr. James H. Flaherty
Mr. Constantinos Papademas
Mr. Gino Pasqualone

Mr. Anthony L. Anzelone was absent

Also in attendance:

Joseph Donofrio, Deputy Attorney General, Division of Law
Amy L. Ramirez, Deputy Attorney General, Division of Law
Barbara Lopez, Deputy Attorney General, Division of Law
Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst, Division of Consumer Affairs
Philameana L. Tucker, Executive Director
Sadiqa Roe, Government Representative
Kathleen Moran, Administrative Assistant
Koi Nivins, Administrative Assistant
Brenda Daughtry, Administrative Assistant
Nicole Parelli, Regulatory Analyst

Seven (7) guests attended the meeting.

The Minutes of the 988TH Open Session Business Meeting held April 10, 2024, were not ready for review.

Motion made by Mr. Constantinos Papademas and seconded by Mr. Gino Pasqualone, and unanimously passed, to approve (15) Initial Licenses which will expire on March 31, 2027.

Motion made by Mr. Constantinos Papademas and seconded by Mr. Gino Pasqualone, and unanimously passed, to approve (17) Initial Business Permits which will expire on March 31, 2027.

Motion made by Mr. Gino Pasqualone and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to approve (3) of the (7) Initial Business Permits Previously Issued effective May 8, 2024 to March 31, 2027. (#1, #4, #5, and #7 are being held in abeyance pending further review).

Motion made by Mr. Gino Pasqualone and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to approve (6) Changes in Business Permits effective May 8, 2024 to March 31, 2027.

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Check in the amount of \$150.00 received from Daniel M. McGaw, License #18019, as the thirteenth installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$3,000.00 for the violation of N.J.A.C. 13:31-3.3 (c) (1). Payments started August 3, 2022 and the balance due is \$600.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

Check in the amount of \$200.00 received from Robert R. Rudolph, License #16083, American Eagle Solutions, LTD., as the first installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$3,500.00 for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:31-3.3 (c) (1). The balance due is \$3,300.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

Check in the amount of \$200.00 received from Giovanni Dituri, License #16992, t/a E.N.E.L. Electrical Corp., as the fourth installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$2,000.00 for violation of N.J.A.C. 13-31-3.3(c) (3). Payments started January 18, 2024 and the balance due is \$1,200.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

Check in the amount of \$150.00 received from Kenneth Gorman, License #13786, as the thirty-fifth and final payment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$2,000.00 for violation of N.J.A.C. 13-31-3.3(c) (3).

The Board accepted the payment.

Check in the amount of \$200.00 received from Alexander Gomez, License #16466, t/a Alarm and Communication Technologies, Inc., as the second installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$4,000.00 for violation of N.J.A.C. 13-31-3.3(c) (3). Payments started October 7, 2022 and the balance due is \$3,600.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

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Check in the amount of \$200.00 received from Frank Montgomery, License #16454, as the second installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$3,000.00 for violation of N.J.A.C. 13-31-3.3(c) (3). Payments started July 6, 2022 and the balance due is \$2,600.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

Check in the amount of \$150.00 received from John P. Mitacek, License #15049, t/a JMCC Electrical Contracting, Corp., as the eighteenth installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$3,000.00 for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:31-3.3(c)(1). Payments started November 2, 2022 and the balance due is \$300.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

On-line payment made by Anthony M. Janiszewski, License #17855, as the second and final payment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$3,000.00 for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:31-3.3(c) (1).

The Board accepted the payment.

On-line payment made by Anthony Lorenzo, License #9841, t/a BNG Electrical Contracting, LLC, as the eighth and final payment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$3,000.00 for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:31-3.3 (c) (1).

The Board accepted the payment.

Checks in the amount of \$200.00 and \$150.00 received from Sean P. McFadden, License #16534, t/a San Mark Sales, LLC d/b/a Allied Experts, as the third and fourth installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$2,000.00 for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:31-3.3(c) (1). Payments started February 16, 2024 and the balance due is \$1,250.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

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Check in the amount of \$250.00 received from Christopher B. Saunders, License #15343, t/a Vanguard Energy Partners, LLC, as the first installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$2,000.00 for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:31-3.3(c)(1). Payments started February 16, 2024 and the balance due is \$1,750.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

Money Order in the amount of \$200.00 received from Nicolas A. Lordo, License #12001, t/a Terrapin Electric, Inc., as the sixth installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$3,000.00 for violation of N.J.A.C. 13-31-3.3(c)(3). Payments started November 10, 2023 and the balance due is \$1,800.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

Check in the amount of \$800.00 received from Samuel Sicoli, License #15317, as the second installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$3,000.00 for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:31-3.3 (c) (1). Payments started January 24, 2018 and the balance due is \$2,000.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

Checks in the amount of \$200.00 received from Jamey Ruggiero, License #14967, t/a Skylite Electric, LLC, as the sixth and seventh installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$2,000.00 for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:31-3.3(c)(1). Payments started September 20, 2023 and the balance due is \$600.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

Check in the amount of \$200.00 received from Nicholas Mangelli, Jr., License #15080, t/a Gary Kubiak & Son Electric, Inc, as the third installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$10,000.00 for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:31-1.2 and N.J.A.C. 13:31-3.5. Payments started June 13, 2023 and the balance due it \$9,400.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

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Check in the amount of \$200.00 received from Michael D. Niclaus, License #14359, as the first installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$4,000.00 for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:31-3.3(c)(1). Payments started February 22, 2023 and the balance due is \$3,600.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

The Board reviewed an Application to Reactivate an Inactive Electrical Contractor's License #10384 received from Ralph J. Altreche.

Office files reflect that License #10384 was placed in inactive status on March 30, 2018.

Office files also reflect Business Permit #10384 expired on March 31, 2012. Office files do not reflect that Mr. Altreche returned the pressure seal issued to Altreche Electrical Strategies, Inc.

Motion made by Mr. James H. Flaherty and seconded by Mr. Gino Pasqualone, and unanimously passed, that this matter be discussed in Executive Closed Session.

The Board reviewed an Application to Reactive an Inactive Electrical Contractor's License #16082 received from Russell W. Mount.

Office files reflect that License #16082 was placed in inactive status on March 17, 2015.

Motion made by Mr. Gino Pasqualone and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to reactivate Mr. Mount's License #16082 as he has demonstrated to the Board's satisfaction that he meets the requirement for reactivation.

The Board reviewed an Application to Reactive an Inactive Electrical Contractor's License #10232 received from Thomas M. Prince.

Office files reflect that License #10232 was placed in inactive status on April 23, 2012.

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Office files also reflect Business Permit #10232 was placed in inactive status on April 24, 2012. Office files do not reflect that Mr. Prince returned the pressure seal issued to DMTP Electrical Construction LLC.

Motion made by Mr. James H. Flaherty and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, that this matter be discussed in Executive Closed Session.

The Board reviewed an Application to Reactivate an Inactive Electrical Contractor's License #12678 received from Ronald G. Stampe.

Office files reflect that License #12678 was placed in inactive status on March 22, 2021.

Office files also reflect Business Permit #12678 was placed in inactive status on March 22, 2021. Office files reflect Mr. Stampe returned the pressure seal issued to Absolute Electrical Contractor Inc. on August 14, 2018.

Motion made by Mr. Gino Pasqualone and seconded by Mr. James H. Flaherty, and unanimously passed, that this matter be discussed in Executive Closed Session.

The Board reviewed an Application to Reinstate an Expired Electrical Contractors License received from Samuel A. Sicoli, License #15317.

Office files reflect that License #15317 expired on March 31, 2021.

Office files also reflect Mr. Sicoli withdrew his Business Permit #15317 from Pfister Energy, Inc. on August 5, 2020. Pressure seal returned.

Office files reflect Mr. Sicoli is paying a civil penalty in the amount of \$3,000.00 for failure to return previously issued pressure seals.

Motion made by Mr. James H. Flaherty and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, that this matter be discussed in Executive Closed Session.

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The Board reviewed an Application to Reinstate Expired Electrical Contractors License #13491 received from Albert E. Kolatac.

Office files reflect that License and Business Permit #13491 expired on March 31, 2018.

Office files reflect Mr. Kolatac returned the pressure seal issued to AEK Electric LLC on February 16, 2024.

Motion made by Mr. James H. Flaherty and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, that this matter be discussed in Executive Closed Session.

The Board reviewed an Application to Reinstate Expired License #13938 received from Russell A. Lloyd.

Office files reflect that License #13938 expired on December 31, 2018.

Office files also reflect that Business Permit #13939 expired on March 31, 2015. Office files do not reflect that Mr. Lloyd returned the pressure seal issued to Lloyd Electric LLC.

Motion made by Mr. James H. Flaherty and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, that this matter be discussed in Executive Closed Session.

The Board reviewed an Application to Reinstate Expired License #14148 received from Robert Piccinich.

Office files reflect License #14148 expired on March 31, 2006.

Office files also reflect the Business Permit #14148 expired on March 31, 2006. Office files reflect Mr. Piccinich returned the pressure seal issued to Electricare on March 5, 2024.

Motion made by Mr. James H. Flaherty and seconded by Mr. Gino Pasqualone, and unanimously passed, that this matter be discussed in Executive Closed Session.

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The Board reviewed a letter dated April 12, 2024, received from Joseph Gallini Jr., License #4028, in response to the Board's request asking for additional information concerning Mr. Gallini's request for a waiver of his Continuing Education Courses required for the 2021 renewal period pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:31-1.7 (g) due to illness.

Motion made by Mr. James H. Flaherty and seconded by Mr. Gino Pasqualone, and unanimously passed, that this matter be discussed in Executive Closed Session.

The Board reviewed a letter received March 20, 2024, from Nicholas Sedeyn, License #15546 (Inactive), requesting to be allowed to take the nine hours of code changes and one hour of laws, rules, and regulations virtually due to his medical condition.

Motion made by Mr. James H. Flaherty and seconded by Mr. Gino Pasqualone, and unanimously passed, that this matter be discussed in Executive Closed Session.

The Board reviewed an Application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar approval received from Anna Keating, United Inspection Agency, requesting approval for one (1) approved instructor to teach four (4) new courses.

Motion made by Mr. Gino Pasqualone and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to approve four (4) two hour courses and one (1) new instructor.

Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst, appeared before the Board to discuss the new law regarding electronic permit processing review system to be established by the Commissioner of Community Affairs.

Mr. Manning stated he wanted to advise the Board that the proposed regulations that will create three new categories of licensure for Class A Journeyman Electrician; Class A Electrical Apprentice and Class B Wiremen have been published in the New Jersey Register. Mr. Manning also stated that the comment period would end on July 5, 2024 at which time we will come back to the Board with any comments. Mr. Manning further stated the regulations must be adopted by May 6, 2025.

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Mr. Flaherty stated the Board has had many discussions about electricians installing natural gas piping and propane installation and it should be addressed.

Mr. Manning stated there have been lengthy ongoing discussions regarding this issue. Mr. Manning also stated that the HVACR Board and Plumbing Board have been working on a definitive answer for the installation of gas piping for generators.

Mr. Manning stated he would also like to discuss the recent law under the Department of Community Affairs that requires the submission of electronic permits. Mr. Manning also stated that the program has a two-step authentication process, which includes software and a device that plugs into the computer.

Mr. Papademas asked if all agencies would be mandated to accept this method or can paper applications still be submitted.

Mr. Manning stated that he cannot speak to the enforcement; however, perhaps Mr. Menafro may be able to answer those questions. Mr. Manning also stated it is not within the Board's purview to dictate what municipalities do.

Mr. Menafro, Department of Community Affairs, stated he would like to thank Mr. Manning and the Board for opening this line of communication. Mr. Menafro also stated that right now it is not mandatory; however, the Department of Community Affairs would like to be totally paperless in the future. Mr. Menafro further stated this program is secure and includes a physical device that plugs into the computer.

Mr. Menafro stated should anyone have any questions concerning this process, they are welcome to contact him. Mr. Menafro's contact information is as follows:

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Mrs. Tucker stated she has nothing to report to the Board.

Motion made by Mr. Gino Pasqualone and seconded by Mr. James H. Flaherty, and unanimously passed, to go into Executive Closed Session to consider and to review consumer complaints, investigative reports and other information received pursuant to the Board's investigative authority in order to determine whether violations of the law, including Board regulations have occurred. The results of the deliberations will be made known when and if the Board determines to initiate disciplinary action or other law enforcement action.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 P.M.

A Zoom Appointment and Business Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 12, 2024 at 9:00 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Philameana L. Tucker
Executive Director