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## **MINUTES**

961<sup>st</sup> BUSINESS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS (PUBLIC SESSION - - - OCTOBER 20, 2021

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Due to the current state of emergency, the October 20, 2021 meeting of the Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors will not be held at 124 Halsey Street, but remotely. Pursuant to OPMA, N.J.S.A. 10:4-9.1, notice is being provided electronically within 48 hours of the scheduled meeting. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 9:00 and can be accessed by the public via the link:

The agenda is provided below to the extent known at the time of this notice. The meeting will be limited to urgent matters and those related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Any public comments should be submitted by 2:00 P.M. on October 19, 2021 by e-mailing Philameana L. Tucker, Executive Director, at <a href="mailto:tuckerp@dca.njoag.gov">tuckerp@dca.njoag.gov</a>. The Board will make its best efforts to read any comments received during the meeting.

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#### **ROLL CALL**

Mr. Joseph P. Schooley, Chairman Mr. Constantinos Papademas

Mr. Gino Pasqualone

Mr. James H. Flaherty

Mr. Anthony L. Anzelone was absent.

## Also in attendance:

Joseph Donofrio, Deputy Attorney General, Division of Law Philameana L. Tucker, Executive Director Patsy Best, Agency Service Representative, Trainee

There were also four (4) guest in attendance.

| The Board saluted the flag.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| The Board noted that the Board of Examiner of Electrical Contracting has collected \$170,025.00 in penalties.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| The Initial Licensees to be approved by the Board minutes will be reviewed on November 3, 2021.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| The Business Permits to be approved by the Board minutes will be reviewed on November 3, 2021.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| The Initial Business Permits Previously Expired to be approved by the Board minutes will be reviewed on November 3, 2021.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| The Changes in Business Permit to be approved by the Board minutes will be reviewed on November 3, 2021.  ***********************************   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| <u>PENALTIES</u>  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Check in the amount of \$150.00 received from Joseph Signa, License #15841, as the sixth and seventh installment of a civil penalty in the amount of $\$3,000.00$ for violation of $8.1.4.0.1$ No. 13:31-3.3 (c) (1). Payments started March 24, 2021 and the balance due is $\$1,850.00$ . |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| The Board accepted the payment.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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Check in the amount of \$3,000.00 received from Edward R Swanfeld Jr, License #16109, t/a Swanfeld Electric and Swanfeld LLC, as the first installment 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.

Check in the amount of \$500.00 received from Bruce Gordon, License #6633, t/a Squan Electrical Services, LLC, as the second installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$11,125.00 for violation of N.J.A.C.13:31-1.7.

The Board accepted the payment.

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Check in the amount of \$150.00 received from Albert G. Hoesly, III, License #13598, t/a Albert G. Hoesly Jr. & Son, Inc., as the eighth 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 20, 2020 and the balance due is \$2,800.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

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Money Order in the amount of \$150.00 received from Carlos Mendez, License #12614, as the eighth and ninth 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 February 11, 2021 and the balance due is \$1,650.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

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Check in the amount of \$50.00 received from George Isabella, License #14732, t/a George Isabella Electrical Contractor, as the thirty-eighth installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$2,500.00 for violation of \$N.J.A.C.13:31-3.3 (c) (1). Payments began July 27, 2018 and the balance due is \$450.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

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Check in the amount of \$150.00 received from Joseph F. Kiss, License #115304, t/a L B Electric Inc., d/b/a Joe Kiss Electric, Inc., as the second and third installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$5,000.00 for violation of  $\underline{\text{N.J.A.C.}}$  13:31-3.3 (c) (1). Payments began June 17, 2021 and the balance due is \$4,550.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

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Check in the amount of \$150.00 received from Kenneth Gorman, License #13786, as the eighth and ninth installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$5,000.00 for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:31-3.3 (c) (1). Payments started January 19, 2021 and the balance due is \$3,650.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

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Check in the amount of \$200.00 received from Eric Ruiz, License #16429, t/a Pinnacle Electrical Contractors, LLC, as the fourth installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$4,000.00 for violation of  $\underline{\text{N.J.A.C.}}$  13:31-3.3 (c) (1). Payments began April 9, 2021 and the balance due is \$3,650.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

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Check in the amount of \$150.00 received from Christopher Meyers, License #13140, t/a Christopher Meyers Electrical Services, as the twelfth and thirteenth installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$6,000.00 for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:31-3.3 (c) (1). Payments began October 14, 2020 and the balance due is \$4,050.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

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Check in the amount of \$100.00 received from Robert F. Beagen, License #9799, as the fourth installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$7,500.00 for violation of N.J.S.A. 45:5-15. Balance due is \$5,100.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

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| Check    | in   | the   | amount     | of | \$5,000.00    | received    | from    | Mustafa  | Shukri,  | Unlicensed,      | as   | the           | first |
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| installn | ner  | nt an | d final pa | ym | ent of a civi | l penalty i | n the a | mount of | \$5,000. | 00 for violation | on c | of <u>N.J</u> | .S.A. |
| 45:5A-9  | 9 (a | a).   |            |    |               |             |         |          |          |                  |      |               |       |

The Board accepted the payment.

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Check in the amount of \$2,000.00 received from Owens Jubilee, License #1290, as the first installment and final payment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$2,000.00 for violation of  $\underline{N.J.A.C.}$  13:31-3.3 (c) (1).

The Board accepted the payment.

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Check in the amount of \$2,000.00 received from John C. Rinick, License #12586, t/a John Rinick Electric LLC, 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 began September 12, 2021 and the balance due is \$2,000.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

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Check in the amount of \$300.00 received from Phillip Denivo, License #15902, as the twelfth and final 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).

The Board accepted the payment.

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Check in the amount of \$150.00 received from James E. Woods Jr., License #17830 t/a Team Mechanicals, as the first installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$2000. for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:31-3.3 (c) (1). Payments began September 11, 2021 and the balance due is \$1,850.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

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## **SIX-MONTH EXTENSION**

### NATIONAL TECHNICAL & TECHNOLOGY ELECTRIC, LLC

Letter received September 14, 2021, from Naji Tabet, Chief Executive Officer, National Technical & Technology Electric, LLC., requesting a six-month continuance of business under Permit #10249 according to N.J.SA. 45:5A-14. The licensee, Thomas A. Albright, died on June 23, 2021.

Mr. Tabet states that while he is seeking to hire a new licensed electrician and is currently in the process of interviewing a replacement which will take a few months.

A motion was made by Mr. James H. Flaherty and seconded by Mr. Gino Pasqualone that Mr. Tabet was approved for a six-month extension continuance of business under Permit #10249 until January 23, 2022. Mr. James H. Flaherty withdrew his motion to approve Mr. Tabet for a six-month extension.

Mr. James H. Flaherty requested that a letter of cease and desist be sent and requesting that Mr. Tabet return his pressure seal.

Motion was made by Mr. Constantinos Papademas and seconded by Mr. Gino Pasqualone, and unanimously passed, that Mr. Tabet's request for a six-month continuance of business under Permit #10249 was denied and a letter of cease and desist be sent requesting that Mr. Tabet return his pressure seal.

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#### DOUGLAS PASKOR, INC

Letter received September 2, 2021, from Douglas Paskor, President, Douglas Paskor Inc., requesting a six-month continuance of business under Permit #1737 according to N.J.S.A. 45:5A-14. The licensee, Pantelis Kousteris, died on January 19, 2021.

Mr. Paskor states that his partner, Pantelis Kousteris was the licensee who held an individual license. Mr. Paskor is requesting a six-month extensions while he updates the business qualifications for a new licensee.

A motion was made by Mr. James H. Flaherty and seconded by Mr. Gino Pasqualone that Mr. Paskor was approved for two six month extensions continuance of business under Permit #1737 until January 19, 2022. Mr. James Flaherty withdrew his motion to approve Mr. Paskor for the two six-month extensions.

A second motion was made by Mr. James H. Flaherty and second Mr. Joseph P. Schooley that Mr. Paskor was denied his request for two six-month extensions continuance of business under Permit #1737.

Motion made by Mr. Constantinos Papademas and seconded by Mr. Gino Pasqualone, and unanimously passed, that Mr. Paskor was denied for two six-month continuance of business under Permit #1737. The Board requested that Mr. Paskor be sent a letter of cease and desist and the return of the pressure seal.

The Board request that Mr. Paskor provide a disposition how he is managing the business and resubmit his request with the proper documentation.

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#### CONTINUING EDUCATION

## MUNICIPAL ELECTRICAL INSPECTORS' ASSOCIATION OF NEW JERSEY

Application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar approval received from John Drucker, requesting approval to teach new courses and new instructor.

Motion was made by Mr. Gino Pasqualone and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, passed and approved new course and new instructor.

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#### UNITED INSPECTION AGENCY

Application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar approval received from James Dollard, requesting approval to teach new courses.

Motion was made by Mr. Gino Pasqualone and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, unanimously passed to approve new courses and instructors.

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## INNER CITY ELETRIC & CONSTRUCTION LLC

Application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar approval received from Kevin Simone, Inner City Electric & Construction LLC requesting approval to teach new courses and new instructor.

Motion was made by Mr. Gino Pasqualone and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, unanimously passed to approve new courses and instructors.

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#### M Davis

Application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar approval received from Dennis Kennedy, M Davis requesting approval to teach new courses and new instructor.

Motion was made by Mr. Gino Pasqualone and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, unanimously passed to approve new courses and instructors.

The Board advises Mr. Kennedy to eliminate the quizzes for the live in person presentation webinars.

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E-mail dated August 25, 2021, received by Michael A. Platti, License #17279, t/a Atlantic Coast Electric LLC is requesting an extension to complete his continuing education courses pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:5A-13.4

Mr. Platti was displaced due to a house fire and current has financial hardship.

A motion was made by Mr. James H. Flaherty and seconded by Mr. Gino Pasqualone that item #23 be moved to Closed Session.

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## JCR PRODUCTIONS, INC.

Letter dated September 11, 2021 was received, from Rebecca Noyes, Continuing Education Coordinator of JCR Productions, Inc. requesting approval, to teach Live Synchronous Virtual Learning courses. The Board's records reflect that JCR Productions, Inc. was previously approved instructed to teach the course as in-person instructor.

A motion was made by the Board on September 8, 2021 for Mr. Victor Ring to resubmit an application with the proper board forms and requirements.

Mr. Ring provided an updated application for the Boards review.

Motion was made by Mr. Gino Pasqualone and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, unanimously passed that JCR Productions application for Mr. Ring to teach in person courses was denied.

The Board advises Mr. Ring resubmit an application along with a resume explaining the details about the courses he would like to teach.

Motion was made by Mr. Gino Pasqualone and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, unanimously passed that JCR Productions application for Mr. Ring to teach in person courses was denied.

The Board requests that Mr. Ring to resubmit his application and provide a resume with detail information describing the courses he wishes to teach and resubmit his app.

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## **COMMUNICATIONS**

## JAVLON HAMRAEV, TELECOMMUNICATIONS WIRING EXEMPTION APPLICANT

E-mail received September 22, 2021 Telecommunications Wiring Exemption Application from Javlon Hamraev for approval to engage in low voltage wiring projects.

Motion was made by Mr. Gino Pasqualone and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, unanimously passed that Javlon Hamraev applications was denied and letter of cease and desist be sent.

The Board requested that Mr. Hamraev be referred back to the Board of Fire, Burglar, and Locksmith to resubmit his application at a later date.

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## **MEMORANDUM**

Board to review memorandum dated September 13, 2021, received from Erik Zmudzin, Budget Officer, Division of Consumer Affairs, providing the final budget report for fiscal year 2021.

Motion was made by Gino Pasqualone and seconded by Constantinos Papademas, unanimously passed that the Board of Examiners and Electrical Contractors has a concerns with numbers.

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The meeting adjourned at 2:00 P.M.

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Philameana L. Tucker Executive Director