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984<sup>th</sup> BUSINESS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINATIONS OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS (PUBLIC SESSION) - - - DECEMBER 13, 2023

The Board Minutes of December 13, 2023, have not been formally approved and are subject to change or modification by the Public Body at its next meeting of January 10, 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 December 13, 2023, 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 December 12, 2024, by e-mailing Philameana L. Tucker, Executive Director, at <a href="mailto:tuckerp@dca.njoag.gov">tuckerp@dca.njoag.gov</a>. The Board made its best efforts to read any comments received during the meeting.

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The Board saluted the Flag.

December 13, 2023

## ROLL CALL

Mr. Joseph P. Schooley, Chairman

Mr. James H. Flaherty

Mr. Constantinos Papademas

Mr. Gino Pasqualone

Mr. Anthony L. Anzelone

## Also in attendance:

Joseph Donofrio, Deputy Attorney General, Division of Law John Passante, Deputy Attorney General, Division of Law Philameana L. Tucker, Executive Director Sadiqa Roe, Government Representative Kathleen Moran, Administrative Assistant Koi Nivins, Administrative Assistant

Five (5) guests attended the meeting.

Motion made by Mr. James H. Flaherty and seconded by Mr. Gino Pasqualone, and unanimously passed, to approve (18) Initial Licenses which will expire on March 31, 2024.

Motion made by Mr. Constantinos Papademas and seconded by Mr. Gino Pasqualone, and unanimously passed, to approve (16) Initial Business Permits which will expire on March 31, 2024.

Motion made by Mr. Gino Pasqualone and seconded by Mr. Anthony L. Anzelone, and unanimously passed, to approve (1) of the (6) Initial Business Permits Previously Expired effective December 13, 2023 to March 31, 2024. ( $\sharp 1$ ,  $\sharp 2$ ,  $\sharp 4$ ,  $\sharp 5$ , and  $\sharp 6$  are held in abeyance pending further review).

Motion made by Mr. Constantinos Papademas and seconded by Mr. Gino Pasqualone, and unanimously passed, to approve (3) of the (4) Changes in Business Permits effective December 13, 2023 to March 31, 2024. (#3 is held in abeyance pending further review).

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The Board reviewed an Application to Reactivate Inactive Electrical Contractors License #13108 received from Edward Mathews, Jr.

Office files reflect that Mr. Mathews chose inactive status for License #13108 on February 8, 2006.

Office files also reflect that Mr. Mathews closed Business Permit #13108 and returned his pressure seal issued to Mathews Electrical Contracting on April 14, 1997.

The Board moved to Executive Closed Session to discuss this matter. After a brief discussion, the Board voted to return to Public Session.

Motion made by Mr. Gino Pasqualone and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to reactivate Mr. Mathews' License #13108 as he has demonstrated to the Board's satisfaction that he meets the requirement for reactivation.

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The Board reviewed application to Reactivate Inactive Electrical Contractors License #7206 received from John N. Loblein, Jr.

Office files reflect that Mr. Loblein chose inactive status for License and Business Permit #7206 on March 8, 2021.

Office files also reflect that Mr. Loblein returned the pressure seal issued to John N. Loblein Electrical Contractor, LLC on April 7, 2021.

The Board moved to Executive Closed Session to discuss this matter. After a brief discussion, the Board voted to return to Public Session.

Motion made by Mr. Constantinos Papademas and seconded by Mr. Gino Pasqualone, and unanimously passed, to reactivate Mr. Loblein's License #7206 as he has demonstrated to the Board's satisfaction that he meets the requirement for reactivation.

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The Board reviewed an Application to Reactivate Inactive Electrical Contractors License #13982 received from Dereck J. Berndt.

Office files reflect that Mr. Berndt chose inactive status for License and Business Permit #13982 on December 24, 2020.

Office files also reflect that Mr. Berndt returned the pressure seal issued to Faith Electrical Contractors, LLC on December 28, 2020.

Motion made by Mr. Gino Pasqualone and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to reactivate Mr. Berndt's License #13982 as he has demonstrated to the Board's satisfaction that he meets the requirement for reactivation.

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The Board reviewed an Application to Reinstate Expired Electrical Contractors License #10987 received from Joseph Mania, III.

Office files reflect that Mr. Mania's License and Business Permit #10987 expired on March 31, 2018.

Office files also reflect that Mr. Mania failed to return his pressure seal issued to J Mania Electrical Contractor.

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.

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The Board reviewed an Application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar approval received from Donald Frangipane requesting approval to teach one (1) new course and previously approved instructor.

Motion made by Mr. Gino Pasqualone and seconded by Mr. Anthony L. Anzelone, and unanimously passed, to approve one (1) new course and two (2) instructors.

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The Board reviewed an Application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar approval received from James Golando, Warshauer Electric Supply, requesting approval to teach one (1) new course and one (1) new instructor.

Motion made by Mr. Gino Pasqualone and seconded by Mr. Anthony L. Anzelone, and unanimously passed, to approve one (1) new course and one (1) instructor. The course will be approved as a three (3) hour course, and not a four (4) hour course, as the hours listed on the outline only reflects three hours.

Mrs. Tucker stated that she has nothing to report.

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Nicole Parelli, Regulatory Analyst, appeared before the Board to discuss the re-adoption notice of the regulations for the Fire Alarm, Burglar Alarm, Locksmith Advisory Committee. Ms. Parelli stated the rules are set to expire March 3, 2024.

Motion made by Mr. Constantinos Papademas and seconded by Mr. Gino Pasqualone, and unanimously passed, to approve the re-adoption of the Fire Alarm, Burglar Alarm, Locksmith Advisory regulations.

Roll call vote on the motion:

James H. Flaherty - Yes Constantinos Papademas - Yes Gino Pasqualone - Yes Anthony L. Anzelone- Yes Joseph P. Schooley - Yes

Motion carries.

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Mr. Menafro stated he sent an e-mail dated October 23, 2020, asking if the two hour course on gas piping is mandatory or voluntary course.

Mr. Schooley stated that the two-hour continuing education course on gas piping is voluntary and is for those electrical contractors who will install gas piping for generators only.

Mr. Schooley also stated that before applying for a permit, a licensee must show their completion certificate to the inspector.

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John Leffler, Synergy G2M, stated his company would like to become certified to use a bendable alternative to SCH40 PVC for Electrical conduit.

DAG Donofrio advised Mr. Leffler to contact the Department of Community Affairs concerning his request.

Mr. Menafro stated Mr. Leffler could obtain information from the Department of Community Affairs website and follow the criteria to be recognized for a new product.

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John Chech asked when PSI will begin testing on the 2023 code.

Mrs. Tucker stated that PSI will begin testing in January 2024. Mrs. Tucker also stated that PSI will allow a 90-day period for test takers to utilize either the 2020 or the 2023 code book.

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Motion made by Mr. Anthony L. Anzelone and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, 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, January 10, 2024, at 9:00 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Philameana L. Tucker Executive Director