

896th BUSINESS MEETING OF A COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS
OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS (PUBLIC SESSION) - - - MARCH 4, 2015

The Committee Minutes of March 4, 2015, have not been formally approved and are subject to change or modification by the Public Body at its next meeting of April 1, 2015, 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 notice of the meeting has been mailed to the Newark Star Ledger, Camden Courier Post, and the Trenton Times, and also notice has been posted on the Bulletin Board at the office of the Secretary of State, Trenton, New Jersey.

Committee meeting of March 4, 2015, was called to order at 9:00 A.M.
The following members were present:

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

Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo, Mr. Arthur W. Jacobs, Sr., Mr. Gino Pasqualone, Mr. James H. Flaherty and Ms. Susan C. Michielli were absent.

David Freed, Acting Executive Director, was present from 9:00 A.M. until the close of the meeting.

Kathleen Moran, Administrative Assistant, III, was present from 9:00 A.M. until the close of the meeting.

Marian Fiore, Senior Management Assistant, was present from 9:00 A.M. until the close of the meeting.

Joseph Donofrio, Deputy Attorney General, was present from 9:00 A.M. until the close of the meeting.

Also in attendance were Bruce Negri and Bernard E. Treml, III, United States Department of Labor; Louis H. Miron, Esq., Kenneth McKeon, License #8512.

The Board saluted the Flag.

Note: A quorum was not present. All actions are to be ratified at the Board's next meeting to be held on April 1, 2015, or soon thereafter.

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The Committee unanimously recommended to approve (3) Initial Licenses effective March 4, 2015 to March 31, 2018.

The Committee unanimously recommended to approve (5) Initial Business Permits effective March 4, 2015 to March 31, 2018.

The Committee unanimously recommended to approve (6) Initial Business Permits Previously Expired effective March 4, 2015 to March 31, 2018.

The Committee unanimously recommended to approve (6) Changes in Business Permits effective March 4, 2015 to March 31, 2018.

Credit card payment in the amount of \$1,000.00 received from Thomas Buono, Unlicensed, t/a Vanguard Energy Partners, LLC, as the first and final payment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000.00 for violation of N.J.S.A. 45:5A-9 and N.J.S.A. 56:8-1 et seq.

The Committee unanimously accepted the payment.

Postal Money Order in the amount of \$100.00 received from Christian F. Rupp, IV, License #8149, t/a CR Electrical Contracting, as the twentieth installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$2,700.00 for violation of N.J.S.A. 45:5A-9 and N.J.S.A. 56:8-1 et seq. Payments started November 14, 2012 and the balance due is \$500.00.

The Committee unanimously accepted the payment.

Cashier's Check in the amount of \$1,500.00 received from Devin Russell, License #17866, t/a D.R. Services, LLC, as the first and final payment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,500.00 for violation of N.J.S.A. 45:5A-9.

The Committee unanimously accepted the payment.

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Money Order in the amount of \$1,000.00 received from Thomas M. Tarnacki, License #11666, t/a Tom Tech Electric, as the first and final payment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000.00 for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:31-3.2(b).

The Committee unanimously accepted the payment.

Money Order in the amount of \$500.00 received from Joel Valentin, Unlicensed, as the first and final payment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$500.00 for violation of N.J.S.A. 45:5A-9 and N.J.S.A. 56:8-1 et seq.

The Committee unanimously accepted the payment.

The Committee reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approval received from Naomi Yencich, American Trainco, requesting the approval of new instructors to teach previously approved courses.

The Committee unanimously recommended to approve Ms. Yencich's request to approve new instructors to teach previously approved courses.

The Committee reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approval received from Suzy Abbott, NJ Electrical Contractors Association, requesting approval of new courses.

The Committee unanimously recommended to approve two (2) new courses and an instructor.

Mr. Constantinos Papademas recused himself from the following discussion and recommendation as he is the instructor seeking approval to teach previously approved courses for The Institute for Continuing Education.

The Committee reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approval received from Lois D'Apuzzo-Hammer, The Institute for Continuing Education, requesting the approval of a new instructor to teach previously approved courses.

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The Committee unanimously recommended to approve Ms. D'Apuzzo-Hammer's request to approve a new instructor to teach previously approved courses.

Application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approval received from Rose Boyd, e-Hazard Management, LLC, requesting approval of new courses.

The Committee unanimously recommended to approve two (2) new courses, instructors, and previously approved courses.

The Committee reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approval received from Sarah Barton, Warshauer Electric Supply.

The Committee unanimously recommended to approve one (1) new course and an instructor.

Letter received February 18, 2015, from John DiDomenico, License #12767, t/a Tri Wire Engineering Solutions, Inc., requesting an extension to complete his Continuing Education Courses for the 2015 triennial renewal period. Mr. DiDomenico stated he was in an automobile accident and is recovering from back surgery.

The Committee unanimously recommended that a letter be sent to Mr. DiDomenico advising him that the Committee has granted his request for an extension to take the required 34 hours of continuing education. Mr. DiDomenico will be advised the extension will expire on September 1, 2015 and that he must forward to the Board office copies of his certificates upon completion of same.

Letter dated March 3, 2015, received from Richard J. Podlucky, License #9610, t/a East Coast Electric Company, requesting an extension to complete his Continuing Education Courses for the 2015 as he was unable to attend these courses due to health reasons and extreme financial hardship.

The Committee unanimously recommended to go into Executive Closed Session as the matter raises issues that require advice of counsel.

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After discussion in Executive Closed Session, the Committee returned to Public Session for the following motion:

The Committee unanimously recommended that a letter be sent to Mr. Podlucky advising him that the Committee has granted his request for an extension to take the required 34 hours of continuing education. Mr. Podlucky will be advised the extension will expire on April 30, 2016, and that he must forward to the Board office copies of his certificates upon completion of same.

Letter dated January 15, 2015, received from Dennis Campbell, Instructor #387, requesting 15 hours of credit towards the renewal of his License #7694 pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:31-1.7. Mr. Campbell has provided copies of attendance certification sheets reflecting that he has taught 74 hours of continuing education courses which includes the nine hours of code changes and the one hour of laws, rules and regulations.

The Committee unanimously recommended that a letter be sent to Mr. Campbell, License #7694, advising him that he has been granted 15 credits towards his 2015 triennial license renewal pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:31-1.7.

Letter dated February 4, 2015, received from Arnold Olender, Instructor #672, requesting 15 hours of credit towards the renewal of his License #14146 pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:31-1.7. Mr. Olender has provided copies of attendance certification sheets reflecting that he has taught 20 hours of continuing education courses which includes the nine hours of code changes and the one hour of laws, rules and regulations.

The Committee unanimously recommended that a letter be sent to Mr. Olender, License #672, advising him that he has been granted 15 credits towards his 2015 triennial license renewal pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:31-1.7.

Letter dated January 15, 2015, received from Colin D. Hylton, Instructor #600, requesting 15 hours of credit towards the renewal of his License #15855 pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:31-1.7. Mr. Hylton has provided copies of attendance certification sheets reflecting that he has taught 28 hours of continuing education courses which includes the nine hours of code changes and the one hour of laws, rules and regulations.

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The Committee unanimously recommended that a letter be sent to Mr. Hylton, License #15855, advising him that he has been granted 15 credits towards his 2015 triennial license renewal pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:31-1.7.

Letter dated February 2, 2015, received from Frederick J. Ferguson, Ferguson Electric Company, Inc., requesting a six-month continuance of business under Permit #8280 according to N.J.S.A. 45:5A-14. The licensee, Federick A. Ferguson, died on January 29, 2015.

Office files reflect Frederick J. Ferguson has been issued a qualified journeyman electrician's card. Office files also reflect Mr. Ferguson has submitted an application for examination.

The Committee unanimously recommended that the firm of Ferguson Electric Company, Inc. be granted a six-month continuance of business under permit #8280. The Committee qualifies Frederick J. Ferguson to qualify the business for the six-month period. The extension will expire on July 31, 2015.

Letter dated February 23, 2015, received from Michael Dillon, Shore Point Electric, requesting a second six-month continuance of business under Permit #13401 according to N.J.S.A. 45:5A-14. The licensee, Kevin L. Cranmer, died on August 22, 2014.

The Committee unanimously recommended that the firm of Shore Point Electric be granted a six-month continuance of business under permit #13401. The Committee qualifies Michael Dillon to qualify the business for the six-month period. The extension will expire on August 28, 2015.

The Committee reviewed an application for reinstatement received from Neil J. Marascio, License #11719.

Office files reflect License and Business Permit #11719 expired on March 31, 1997.

The Committee unanimously recommended to go into Executive Closed Session to receive advice of counsel.

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After discussion in Executive Closed Session, the Committee returned to Public session for the following motion:

The Committee unanimously recommended that Mr. Marascio be requested to appear before the Board concerning this matter.

The Committee reviewed Assembly Bill No. 4101 which provides US Armed Forces and Reserves members with protection against interference with their employment, trade or business.

The Committee unanimously recommended to support Assembly Bill No. 4101.

Thomas Buono, Unlicensed, on behalf of Vanguard Energy Partners, LLC, signed an agreement to cease and desist from engaging in the business of electrical contracting until such time as Vanguard Energy Partners, LLC is issued a business permit.

The Committee unanimously accepted the signed cease and desist agreement.

David Freed stated that the transference of the examination to PSI has been completed. PSI will provide the examination to approved applicants six days a week at nine different testing sites. Applicants that have failed any portion of the examination will not have to contact the Board and will be able to register with PSI for re-examination. PSI will track those applicants to ensure the six month waiting period is followed. Mr. Freed also stated the Board will initially handle applicants that were entered into the licensing system before 2010 as this information was not forwarded to PSI.

Mr. Freed stated that he will soon become the executive director for the Board of Accountancy and Court Reporting. Mr. Freed also stated that this may be his last meeting; however, he will be available to assist the Board if necessary. Mr. Freed further stated there will be an interim acting executive director until such time as the Division hires a new acting executive director. Mr. Freed stated he anticipates moving to his new assignment within the next couple of weeks.

Mr. Freed stated he has very much enjoyed working with this Board. Mr. Freed also stated he has very mixed feelings and would really rather stay in his present position.

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Mr. Schooley thanked David for all of the work he has accomplished and it was a pleasure working with him.

Bruce Negri, Apprenticeship & Training Representative, United States Department of Labor, met with the Committee to give a brief presentation.

Mr. Negri stated the electrical apprenticeship program consists of on the job training and schooling for four years. Once the individual completes the program, a certificate of completion is issued. Mr. Negri provided the Board with a sample certificate.

Mr. Negri also stated there is second internal certificate that is provided verifying completion of the course. Mr. Negri further stated this certificate has a blue border and should not be used as a completion certificate.

Mr. Negri stated he can assist the Board with verifying out of state apprenticeship programs to establish whether or not the program is reciprocal.

Bernard E. Treml, III, Apprenticeship Director, United States Department of Labor, thanked the Board for allowing them to speak with them. Mr. Treml stated he has been the new state director for two months and has wanted to meet the Board. Mr. Treml also stated he is originally from Rhode Island and was employed by the Department of Training and Labor. Mr. Treml further stated he works on a daily basis with many trades i.e. electrical, telecommunications, plumbing, mechanical contractors, etc. Mr. Treml stated his department will soon hold a joint training session with all county coordinators.

The Board reviewed applications for the licensing examination to be administered by PSI Services, LLC. Twenty-three (23) applications were approved.

The Committee unanimously recommended 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.

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Meeting adjourned at 3:00 P.M.

An Appointment and Business Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday April 1, 2015, at 9:00 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

David Freed
Acting Executive Director

INITIAL LICENSEES APPROVED BY THE BOARD MARCH 4, 2015
EFFECTIVE MARCH 4, 2015 TO MARCH 31, 2018

1. Nicholas E Sambucci
2. James Golub
3. Dennis Askey, Jr.

INITIAL BUSINESS PERMITS APPROVED BY THE BOARD MARCH 4, 2015
EFFECTIVE MARCH 4, 2015 TO MARCH 31, 2018

1. Competitive Electrical Design, Inc - (Nicholas E Sambucci) - (Corporation) - 47 5th Street- Marlton - New Jersey 08053
2. HRK Electrical Contracting LLC - (Kurt Krainski) - (Limited Liability Company) - 7 Deerfield Road - Parlin, New Jersey 08859 - License #17227
3. Nicolich Elictric - (Kenneth Nicolich) - (Limited Liability Company) - 492 Berkshire Road - Ridgewood, New Jersey 07450 - License #17620
4. Always Safe Electric LLC - (Patrick J Cherry) - (Limited Liability Company) - 248 Jackson Mill Road - Freehold, New Jersey 07728 - License #18001
5. One Source Electrical LLC - (David Fusco) - (Limited Liability Company) - 746 West End Avenue - Cliffside Park, New Jersey 07010 - License #17880

BUSINESS PERMITS PREVIOUSLY EXPIRED
APPROVED BY THE BOARD MARCH 4, 2015
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1. Applied Power Electrical Contracting LLC - (Douglas Pregartner) - (Limited Liability Company) 524 Highland Avenue - Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08002 - License # 13114A
2. All Can Be Done LLC - (Richard Fahy) - (Limited Liability Company) - 6 Martha Street - West Milford, New Jersey 07480 - License #5345A
3. Orr Electric Inc - (William J Vindler) - (Corporation) - 3 West End Street - Rochelle Park, New Jersey 07662 - License # 6155A
4. Turco Electric Inc - (Carlo LoTurco) - (Corporation) - 2 Norlen Lane - New City, New York 10956 - License #15921A
5. Johnston Brothers Contracting Inc - (Charles K Johnston) - (Corporation) - 629 Hillsdale Avenue - Hillsdale, New Jersey 07642 - License #14460A
6. Bitting Electrical Contractors Inc - (Joseph J Stallone) - (Corporation) - 1090 Alumshouse Road - Jamison, PA 18929 - License #4052B

CHANGES IN BUSINESS PERMITS APPROVED BY THE BOARD MARCH 4, 2015
EFFECTIVE MARCH 4, 2015 TO MARCH 31, 2018

1. Vivint Solar Developer LLC - (Bruce Scott) - Limited Liability Company) - Formerly - East Coast Electrical Contractor LLC - (Limited Liability Company) - 3301 N. Thanksgiving Way, Suite 500 - Lehi, UT 84043 - License #11085D
2. Ecomen Solar LLC - (Ralph Peragine) - (Limited Liability Company) - Formerly - Basement Xperts LLC - (Limited liability Company) - 50 Thoreau Drive Suite 2 - Freehold, New Jersey 07728 - License # 4993B
3. T& L Electrical Contractors LLC -(Ted Lisiura) - (Limited Liability Company) - Formerly - T&L Electric Corp of New Jersey - 26 Lenape Drive - Montville, New Jersey 07045 - License #7933A
4. TH Electrical Craftsmen LLC - (Thomas A Hargreaves II) - (Limited Liability Company) - Formerly - TH Electrical Craftsmen - (Individual) - 1120 Dunkle Street - Easton, PA 18045 - License #17242A
5. Acme Electric NJ LLC - (Timothy Frendak) - (Limited Liability Company) - Formerly Acme Electric (Individual) - 22 Pine Hollow Road - Bloomsbury, New Jersey 08804 - License #15536A
6. Michael J Palmeri - t/a - GTI Electrical Contractors -(Individual) - Formerly - Michael Palmeri Electrical Contractor) - (Individual) - 2302 Columbia Circle- Merrimack, NH 03054 - License #8728D