

907<sup>th</sup> BUSINESS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF ELECTRICAL  
CONTRACTORS (PUBLIC SESSION) - - - MAY 4, 2016

The Board Minutes of May 4, 2016, have not been formally approved and are subject to change or modification by the Public Body at its next meeting of June 1, 2016, 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.

Board meeting of May 4, 2016, was called to order at 9:00 A.M.  
The following members were present:

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

Mr. Arthur W. Jacobs, Sr. was absent.

Philameana L. Tucker, Executive Director, was present from 9:00 A.M. until the close of the meeting.

Joseph Donofrio, Deputy Attorney General, Division of Law, 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.

Kerrie Shahan, Government Service Representative, was present from 9:00 A.M. until the close of the meeting.

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The Board saluted the Flag.

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Also in attendance were Thomas LaMonica, License #17799; Chip Purcell, Electric Man, and Kat Madaras, New Jersey Independent Electrical Contractors Association.

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Motion made by Mr. Constantinos Papademas and seconded by Mr. James H. Flaherty, and unanimously passed, to approve the Minutes of the 906<sup>th</sup> Open Session Business Meeting held April 6, 2016.

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Motion made by Mr. Constantinos Papademas and seconded by Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo, and unanimously passed, to approve (5) Initial Licenses which will expire on March 31, 2018. (Licenses were issued on April 20, 2016).

Motion made by Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to approve (5) Initial Business Permits which will expire on March 31, 2018. (Permits were issued on April 20, 2016).

Motion made by Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to approve (3) Initial Business Permits Previously Expired which will expire on March 31, 2018. (Permits were issued on April 21, 2016).

Motion made by Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to approve (6) Changes in Business Permits which will expire on March 31, 2018. (Permits were issued on April 20 and April 21, 2016).

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Check in the amount of \$1,000.00 received from Joseph M. Regan, License #9191, t/a Surfside Electric, as the seventh installment of a civil penalty, and costs, in the amount of \$31,110.78 for violation of N.J.S.A. 45:5A-9. Payments started November 11, 2004 and the balance due is \$8,718.78.

The Board accepted the payment.

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Letter dated March 28, 2016, received from Gerald C. Dirkes, Sr., President, Dirkes Electric, Inc., requesting a third six-month continuance of business under Permit #1970 according to N.J.S.A. 45:5A-14. The licensee, Chester W. Dirkes, Jr., died on May 25, 2015.

On November 12, 2015, the Board granted the firm of Dirkes Electric, Inc. a first and second six-month continuance of business under permit #1970 according to N.J.S.A. 45:5A-14.

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On April 6, 2016, the Board approved James Wallace to take the electrical contractors examination. Once licensed, Mr. Wallace will submit documentation to endorse his business permit to Dirkes Electric, Inc.

Motion made by Mr. James H. Flaherty and seconded by Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo, and unanimously passed, that a letter be sent to Mr. Dirkes advising him pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:5A-14 the firm of Dirkes Electric, Inc. has been granted a final continuance of business under permit #1970. The Board approves James Wallace to qualify the business. The extension will expire on June 30, 2016.

Mr. Dirkes will also be advised that this is the final extension that will be granted to Dirkes Electric, Inc. Therefore, if necessary, Mr. Dirkes should make arrangements with a licensed electrical contractor, with a business permit, to complete any unfinished jobs after the extension has expired.

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Mr. Gino Pasqualone recused himself from the discussion and motion as Mr. Petrangeli is an acquaintance.

The Board reviewed an application for reinstatement received from Ernie Petrangeli.

Office files reflect Mr. Petrangeli's Qualified Journeyman Registration #174 expired on December 31, 2015.

Motion made by Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to allow Mr. Petrangeli to reinstate his Qualified Journeyman Registration #174 as he has demonstrated to the Board's satisfaction that he meets the requirement for reinstatement.

Additionally, the Board requested that a letter be sent to Clifford R. Reisser, IBEW Local 269 JATC, requesting confirmation that the ten (10) hour course attended by Mr. Petrangeli was not taught in one day.

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The Board reviewed an application for reactivation received from Steven Astone, License #7368 (Inactive).

Office files reflect Mr. Astone chose "Inactive" status on January 28, 2005.

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Motion made by Mr. James H. Flaherty and seconded by Mr. Contantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, that a letter be sent to Mr. Astone requesting he provide the Board with a Work Experience Certification to be completed by his current employer.

Upon receipt of the completed Work Experience Certification form, Mr. Astone will be allowed to reactivate his License #7368 as he has demonstrated to the Board's satisfaction that he meets the requirement for reinstatement.

Additionally, the Board requested that a letter be sent to Richard Van Wert requesting that he issue a new Continuing Education Course Certificate demonstrating Mr. Astone attended a 10-Hour Course on the 2014 Electrical Code Update/Law for the "2015 License Renewal" (not 2018 License Renewal).

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The Board reviewed an application for reactivation received from Thomas S. Bickerton, License #8198 (Inactive).

Office files reflect Mr. Bickerton chose "Inactive" status on March 17, 2003.

Motion made by Mr. James H. Flaherty and seconded by Mr. Contantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, that a letter be sent to Mr. Bickerton requesting he provide the Board with a Work Experience Certification to be completed by his past employer or copies of W-2 income tax forms for the last five years.

Upon receipt of the completed Work Experience Certification form, or W-2 income tax forms, Mr. Bickerton will be allowed to reactivate his License #8198 as he has demonstrated to the Board's satisfaction that he meets the requirement for reinstatement.

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The Board reviewed an application for reinstatement received from Theodore C. Farina, License #9535 (Expired).

Office files reflect Mr. Farina's License #9535 expired on March 31, 2012.

Motion made by Mr. Constantinos Papademas and seconded by Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo, and unanimously passed, because Mr. Farina is an out of state licensee, the Board would like to know his intentions once his electrical contractor's license has been reinstated.

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Mr. Constantinos Papademas recused himself from the following discussion and motion as Mr. Pendergrass attended a majority of the continuing education courses taught by Mr. Papademas.

The Board reviewed an application for reinstatement received from Nicholas A. Pendergrass, License #15713 (Expired).

Office files reflect Mr. Pendergrass' License and Business Permit #15713 expired on March 31, 2012.

As per the Board's request, a letter was received on April 18, 2016, from Mr. Pendergrass explaining what his source of income has been from March 31, 2012 to present.

Motion made by Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo and seconded by Mr. Gino Pasqualone, and unanimously passed, that Mr. Pendergrass be requested to appear before the Board concerning this matter.

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The Board reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approval received from Thomas Valeo requesting approval of new courses.

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

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The Board reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approval received from Richard Paredes, Local Union #164 IBEW, requesting approval of a new instructor to teach previously approved courses.

Motion made by Mr. Constantinos Papademas and seconded by Mr. Gino Pasqualone, and unanimously passed, to approve Mr. Paredes' request to add one new instructor to teach previously approved courses.

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The Board reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approval received from Vicki Beaver, United Inspection Agency, requesting approval of new a course.

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Motion made by Mr. Constantinos Papademas and seconded by Mr. Gino Pasqualone, and unanimously passed, to approve one (1) new course and an instructor.

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The Board reviewed a letter dated February 2, 2016, received from Martin Piccinich, License #16636, in response to the Administrative Action Provisional Order of Discipline filed January 6, 2016, ordering Mr. Piccinich to pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$2,000.00 for violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e) and License and Business Permit #16636 are provisionally suspended until such time as he appears before the Board.

Motion made by Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, that Mr. Piccinich be scheduled to appear before the Board concerning this matter.

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The Board did not discuss its proposed language which would allow a license to earn four credits per triennial registration period in interactive computer based courses approved by the Board. The Board chose not to adopt N.J.A.C. 13:31-1.7(e) as it did not include language identifying attendance compliance.

This matter is being held in abeyance.

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Mr. Schooley stated for the record that Mr. Cross telephoned him concerning the following matter. Mr. Schooley also stated that he advised Mr. Cross to send a letter to the Board.

The Board reviewed a letter dated March 4, 2016, received from Lawrence S. Cross, Electrical Subcode Official, Township of Medford and Medford Lakes, stating the inspectors have encountered Telecommunications Wiring contractors who believe they are allowed to file for permits because the wiring methods are low voltage (over 9.1 volts) CAT 5 or CAT 6, but the installation of the equipment is for security cameras, burglar alarms, door security card access, door crash bars, fire alarm release relays, high tech audio visual rooms with hybrid cabling, and wireless modems for security.

Mr. Cross also stated when he advises the contractor they cannot install this type of wiring system, and must have a fire/burglar alarm license, he is informed that he is the first to advise that they are not allowed to perform this work.

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The Board requested that a letter be sent to Mr. Cross advising him that the work described in his letter must be performed by a licensed fire alarm and burglar alarm contractor. Mr. Cross will be asked to provide the Board with the name and address of the individuals who are attempting to obtain Electrical Subcode Technical Section applications for this type of work so that the Board may investigate.

Mr. Cross will also be advised that telecommunication wiring exemption holders are not required to take continuing education courses.

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Darren Reaman, Director of Government Affairs, Custom Electronic Design & Installation Association, appeared before the Board on April 6, 2016, to provide information concerning the designing and installing of home electronic systems which include home networking, residential automation and communication systems, media rooms, single or multi-room equipment entertainment systems, and integrated whole-house subsystems providing lighting and HVAC control.

Mr. Schooley stated because there is so much confusion in the industry regarding the type of work telecommunication wiring exemption holders can and cannot perform, he would like to appoint Mr. Flaherty to chair a Committee to discuss this matter. Mr. Schooley also stated he and Mr. Papademas will also be on the Committee.

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Signed cease and desist agreements were received from Michael J. Pagliaro, Helmetta, New Jersey; Raymond M. Kidder, t/a Ray's Handyman Service, Plainfield, New Jersey; and Arthur Coulter, Scotch Plains, New Jersey.

The Board accepted the signed cease and desist agreements.

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Bernard A. Purcell, III, Electric Man, appeared before the Board to clarify the work that is performed by his company.

Mr. Purcell stated he appreciates the opportunity to appear before the Board to describe in further detail the work his company performs so that he may understand whether or not the work performed falls within the Board's statutory exemption.

Mr. Purcell stated his company identifies hazards that may exist in the home. The hazards are photographed and identified in a report provided to the consumer.

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Mr. Purcell also stated his company performs ground rod resistance testing to determine whether or not the existing ground system meets code requirements.

Mr. Purcell further stated his company uses infrared voltage meters, circuit analyzers, and thermographic testing. Mr. Purcell stated the panel cover is removed and a thermal camera is used to detect any hot spots. Mr. Purcell also stated the breakers are tested, but not removed or disconnected, and a visual inspection is performed to determine if knock out closers should be installed.

Mr. Purcell stated his company uses ultra sound to listen for crackling sounds.

Mr. Purcell also stated his company uses a load analyzer, which is a plug in device, to look for voltage drops. Additionally, the mechanic will test an outlet to determine whether or not the outlet pulls out and, if so, it is recommend the outlet be secured to the box.

Mr. Purcell further stated his company looks for animal or insect infestation to ensure wires have not been chewed.

Mr. Purcell stated his company performs this testing for the safety of the homeowner, and even for a couple of insurance claimants due to power surges and water damage.

Mr. Purcell further stated that he is licensed as an electrical contractor in Pennsylvania. However, he does offer the consumer the choice of having their own electrical contractor perform the necessary electrical corrections, or he can perform the work.

Mr. Flaherty stated a New Jersey consumer may think the "Electric Man" is a licensed electrical contractor.

Mr. Purcell stated he would inform the consumers in New Jersey that he is not licensed as an electrical contractor. Mr. Purcell also stated he will include a disclaimer in his New Jersey advertisements that he is not a licensed electrical contractor.

Mr. Schooley thanked Mr. Purcell for appearing before it and the Board will send him a letter informing him of its' determination.

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

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The Board reviewed applications for the licensing examination to be administered by PSI Services, LLC. Ten (10) applications were approved.

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Motion made by Mr. James H. Flaherty and seconded by Mr. Gino Pasqualone, 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 2:30 P.M.

An Appointment and Business Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 1, 2016, at 9:00 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Philameana L. Tucker  
Executive Director

**INITIAL LICENSEES APPROVED BY THE BOARD MAY 4, 2016**

1. Joseph P Brewer - License #18155
2. Nicholas Martire - License #18156
3. Darryl Cuttell - License #18157
4. Matthew Vest - License #18158
5. Lawrence F Seibel - License # 18159

**INITIAL BUSINESS PERMITS APPROVED**  
**BY THE BOARD ON MAY 4, 2016**

1. Witness Security Solutions LLC - (Lawrence Seibel) - (Limited Liability Company) - 205 Rick Road - Milford, New Jersey 08848 - License #18159
2. Current Electric Inc - (Michele Fitzmaurice) - (Corporation) - 348 Main Street - Floor 1 - South Amboy, New Jersey 08879 - License #18147
3. Martire Electric LLC - (Nicholas Martire) - (Limited Liability Company) - 21 Maycock Court - Closter, New Jersey 07624 - License #18156
4. Gaylor Electric Inc - (Matthew Vest) - (Corporation) - 5750 Castle Creek Parkway North Drive - Indianapolis, IN 46250 - License # 15158
5. R Malet Electric LLC - (Robert Malet) - (Limited Liability Company) - 51 Robin Place - Parlin, New Jersey 08859 - License #17359
6. MJM Electrical Contractor LLC - (Micah J Martori) - 38 Asbury Road - Hackettstown, New Jersey 07840 - License #17926

**INITIAL BUSINESS PERMITS PREVIOUSLY EXPIRED**  
**APPROVED BY THE BOARD MAY 4, 2016**

1. JKM Electrical Services LLC - (Jeffrey K Mahoney) - (Limited Liability Company) - 99 Green Brook Place - Park Ridge, New Jersey 07656 - License #16180B
2. Live Wires Electrical Services LLC - (Stephan P Socci) - (Limited Liability Company) - 633 Glen Road - Sparta, New Jersey 07871 - License #15571E
3. Michael J La Rosa t/a - Michael J LaRosa Electrical Contractor (Individual) - 422 Sheffield Road - Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08034 - License #11275E

**CHANGES IN BUSINESS PERMITS APPROVED**  
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1. Como Electrical Services LLC - (William K Graetz) - (Limited Liability Company) - Formerly - Schwier Electric LLC - (Limited Liability Company) - 5118 Highway 33134 - Wall New Jersey 07727 - License #14135B
2. Concetsys LLC - (Daniel Flynn) - (Limited Liability Company) - Formerly - Coastal Electrical Contracting Inc - (Corporation) - 272 Dunns Mill Road - #192, Bordentown, New Jersey 08505 - License #14534A
3. Shear Contracting LLC - (Joseph Falcone) - (Limited Liability Company) - Formerly - Jet Electric - (Individual) - 633 Skyline Drive - Lake Hopatcong, New Jersey 07080 - License #15811A
4. Seven Bridges Electric LLC - (Lorenzo Luca) - (Limited Liability Company) - Formerly - MJ Electrical Contracting Inc - (Corporation) - 46 Queens Drive East - Little Silver, New Jersey 07739 - License #14584B
5. Corporate Security Services, Inc - (Robert P Delle Cava) - (Corporation) - 185 Campus Drive - Edison, New Jersey - License #13961A
6. Jet Industrial Services Corp. - (Christopher J Wilbert) - (Corporation) - Formerly - Aerial Lighting & Electrical Inc - (Corporation) - 5454 Berkshire Valley Road - Oak Ridge, New Jersey 07438 - License #16697B