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State Board of Professional Engineers And Land Surveyors Minutes of May 19, 2022 Public Session Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Notice of the scheduled the May 19, 2022 meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors was not held at 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey, but remotely. Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-9.3, adequate notice was made by mailing and posting in accordance with N.J.S.A 10:4-18. The meeting was called to order by President James Valenti at 9:00 am and conducted virtually.

SUNSHINE LAW ANNOUNCEMENT

President Valenti read the statement required by Chapter 231, Laws of 1975 known as the Open Public Meetings Act, and announced that notice of this meeting was prepared in the office of the Board and mailed to the Secretary of State, the Newark Star-Ledger, Trenton Times, the Camden Courier Post, Bergen Record, and the Atlantic City Press.

ROLL CALL

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| Present: | Manar Alsharaa, PE | Richard Smith, Jr., PLS |
| | Michael Kelly, PE | James Valenti, PE |
| | Gary Paparozzi, PLS | Michael Venuto, PE, PLS |
| | James Purcell, PE | Edward Vernick, PE |

Absent:

Others present: Michelle Albertson, Deputy Attorney General; Keith Miller, Executive Director; Joseph Grabowy, Senior Mgt. Assistant; staff members Yolanda Winston and Peggy Hinkley and several members of the public

Also present: Roman Guzik, Deputy Attorney General; Pavithra Angara, Deputy Attorney General; and Charles Kirk, Acting Executive Director, Board of Architects.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None made

APPEARANCES

9:00 am – Formal Hearing with Thomas K. Rospos, PE, PP

It is noted that BP Valenti is recused due to a professional relationship. Deputy Attorney General Pavithra Angara, presented the draft consent order signed by Mr. Rospos for Board review and approval to resolve the matter.

ACTION: On a motion by BM Vernick, seconded by BM Kelly, unanimously voted to accept the signed consent order by Mr. Rospos as presented.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

April 21, 2022 for review

ACTION: After reviewing the minutes of April 21, 2022, the Board, on a motion by BM Purcell, seconded by BM Paparozzi, unanimously voted to approve the minutes as presented. BM Vernick abstained. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Joshua Crane, comity applicant, expressed his concern with the online application. After submitting his application online, he checked the website and the checklist pertaining to his application shows all items are checked except for initial license fee and board review, which are unchecked. He sent an email to the staff member responsible for processing his application and never received a response. He expressed that the process is confusing to applicants.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Mr. Vernick to go into executive session to review and approve the minutes. Mr. Paparozzi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETINGS

June 16, 2022

July 21, 2022

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by BM Vernick, seconded by BM Smith the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting.

APPROVED BY:

James Valenti, PE
Board President

Keith Miller
Executive Director