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# State Board of Professional Engineers And Land Surveyors Minutes of July 18, 2024 <u>Public Session Minutes</u>

# CALL TO ORDER

Notice of the scheduled the July 18, 2024 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 Michael Venuto at 9:01 am and conducted virtually.

### **SUNSHINE LAW ANNOUNCEMENT**

President Venuto 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

Present: Manar Alsharaa, PE Gary Paparozzi, PLS Lisa Peterson, PE, PLS James Purcell, PE Tam Sillick, PE Michael Venuto, PE, PLS

Absent: Magdy Hagag, PE

Others present: Dan Roman, Deputy Attorney General; Keith Miller, Executive Director; staff members Valerie Nivose, Shonnette Messiah, Peggy Hinkley and twenty-four (24) members of the public.





### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

### **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

June 20, 2024 for review

**ACTION:** After reviewing the minutes of June 20, 2024, the Board, on a motion by BM Sillick, seconded by BM Alsharaa, voted to approve the minutes as presented. BM Paparozzi and BP Venuto abstained. Motion carried.

### **REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

- A General Report
  - 1 Licensing statistics

	Active	Expired	Inactive	Retired	<b>Retired-pd</b>
PE / LS	132	356	50	105	7
Professional Engineers	19,734	18,091	4,854	3,296	440
Professional Land Surveyors	659	822	165	208	33

2 State Specific Exam – upcoming administrations September 2024

### B Revised Proposed 2025 meeting dates

January 16, 2025	July 17, 2025
February 20, 2025	No August Meeting
March 20, 2025	September 18, 2025
April 17, 2025	October 16, 2025
May 15, 2025	November 20, 2025
June 19, 2025	December 18, 2025

ACTION: The Board approved the meeting dates noted above for 2025.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A Standing Committees:

1 Application Improvement Committee – MVenuto (Chair) & LPeterson

**ACTION**: The Board continues to make improvements to the review process and getting through the backlog of remaining applications continues. ED Miller informed the Board that he will be clearing out board member boxes of reviewed file

#### 2 PLS Education Committee – GPaparozzi (Chair) & LPeterson

**ACTION:** BM Paparozzi reported that the Board voted to approve the proposed regulation changes to NJAC 13:40-11.3 and NJAC 13:40-13.1 and begin the process for publication in the NJ Register.

3 Legislation Committee – MHagag (Chair) & JPurcell

**ACTION:** BM Purcell reported that the most serious concern was discussed last month A4360 / S3402 pertaining to self-certification of a design professional. The bill passed both the Senate and the House on June 28th. The Board voted to oppose the bill as written.

The recent US Supreme Court overturn to make legislation clearer. This appears to be for Federal regulations and does not affect the Board at this time.

4 NCEES Committee – JPurcell (Chair) & MAlsharaa
A 2024 NCEES Annual meeting Summary of Motions for review

**ACTION:** BM Purcell explained that at annual meeting, delegates from all Member Boards gather to vote on motions for changes to the Bylaws, Model Law as well as NCEES staff operations. There are 170 motions for review. It was also reported that the Northeast Zone presented a motion for finding a path for licensure that if you have an ABET degree in Engineering Technology program you are still eligible for licensure. The NCEES Board of directors endorsed the motion and put it on the non-consent agenda for the August meeting.

The Board, on a motion by BM Purcell, seconded by BM Alsharaa, unanimously voted to authorize voting delegates, BM Hagag and BM Peterson, to vote accordingly on any motions after discussion of amendments on the floor, if necessary.

5 Joint Committee – MAlsharaa, MHagag and TSillick (alt member)

ACTION: BM Alsharaa reported the next meeting is scheduled for September 3rd.

### **REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS AND CPC COURSES**

A Routine Licensure

**ACTION:** On a motion by BM Purcell, seconded by BM Sillick, the Board unanimously voted to approve the following applications as indicated:

Name	Application #	Decision
Abraham, Emad	2673335	Grant PE Licensure
Acharya, Sambit	2842989	Grant PE Licensure

Andron, Steven	2826708	Grant PE Licensure
Barrow, Jonathan	2826679	Grant PE Licensure
Batchelor, Kenneth	2505416	Grant PE Licensure
Breen, Thomas James	2828780	Grant PE Licensure
Brennan, Robert Patrick, Jr.	2838940	Grant PE Licensure
Bruno, Matthew	2819985	Grant PE Licensure
Cacamese, Joshua I	2799518	Grant PE Licensure
Chadalapaka, Sai	2815799	Grant PE Licensure
DaCosta, Thomas Michael	2830687	Grant PE Licensure
DiGirolamo, Vincent R.	2777784	Grant PE Licensure
Doshi, Param J	2801671	Grant PE Licensure
Elsawy, Mohamed	2775492	EIT Granted
Engram-Marshall, Ma'at Emori Christine	2806439	Grant PE Licensure
Esposito, Robert Lee	2828244	Grant PE Licensure
Estrella, Miguel Angel	2818022	Grant PE Licensure
Ferguson, Evan	2840098	Grant PE Licensure
Folk, Anthony H	2840437	Grant PE Licensure
Ford, Matthew Lee	2830776	Grant PE Licensure
Gao, De	2840795	Grant PE Licensure
Gibbons, Christopher R	2812885	Grant PE Licensure
Greenberg, Michael Alan	2842240	Grant PE Licensure
Hamdan, Linda Anisa	2838181	Grant PE Licensure
Harbeson, Garrett Christopher	2831362	Grant PE Licensure
Hui, Tom	2847384	Grant PE Licensure
Humcke, Eric Anthony	2798903	Grant PE Licensure
Ingaglio, Joseph Philip	2795910	Grant PE Licensure
Jovanovska, Irena	2822953	Grant PE Licensure
Kampman, Fred	2752421	Grant PE Licensure
Kartchner, Kyle Ian	2795854	Grant PE Licensure
Kelly, Dennis M	2836830	Grant PE Licensure
Khalifa, Ahmed	2813054	Grant PE Licensure
Kwasny, James Joseph	2816307	Grant PE Licensure
Lange, Steven	2824827	Grant PE Licensure
Lim, Sun-Hee	2768988	Grant PE Licensure
Lorenzo, Holly	2725973	Grant PE Licensure
Mahmoud, Mohammad	2680260	Grant PE Licensure
Manley, Razzaq	2800009	Grant PE Licensure
Meador, Matthew John	2692461	Grant PE Licensure
Phillips, Stephen Mark	2751447	Grant PE Licensure
Piriak, Robert	2809559	Grant PE Licensure
Rajchel, Eric Andrew	2807206	Grant PE Licensure
Reina, Alex Tyler	2696972	Grant PE Licensure
Romano, Christopher	2821894	Grant PE Licensure
Ryan, Eric	2731755	Grant PE Licensure
Scully, Ethan James	2770255	Grant PE Licensure
Smith, Christopher William	2800863	Grant PE Licensure

Smith, David Brian	2835915	Grant PE Licensure
Soni, Rhytham	2738607	Grant PE Licensure
Syed, Aijaz Hussain Hashmi	2683721	Grant PE Licensure
Taylor, Christopher	2806928	Grant PE Licensure
Taylor, Zachary	2744172	Grant PE Licensure
Thomas, Krista Lombardo	2804102	Grant PE Licensure
Trivedi, Kaushal Kiron	2815291	Grant PE Licensure
Wagner, Derek	2776836	Grant PE Licensure
Walker, Brooks John	2811478	Grant PE Licensure
Warner, Craig Edward	2762092	Grant PE Licensure
Wilkinson, Andrew Joseph	2731347	Grant PE Licensure
Winkler, Nathan	2324142	Grant PE Licensure
Yang, Huan	2723890	Grant PE Licensure
Yin, Yingyue	2694393	Grant PE Licensure
Zhang, Hui	1110585	Grant PE Licensure

# B Continuing Professional Competency Courses

Sponsor	Course	PDH
McKissock 100% Education	Overview of Hydrographic and Bathymetric	
	Surveying (OC)	2.5
McKissock 100% Education	Land Descriptions (online)	5
McKissock 100% Education	Land Descriptions (OC)	2.5
McKissock 100% Education	Roadway Surveys - Design and Layout (OC)	2.5
McKissock 100% Education	Roadway Surveys - Design and Layout (online)	5
Rutgers University- OCPE	Dam Removal: Design, Planning and	
	Implementation (online)	7
Surveyor's Association		
of West Jersey	Surveying Standards of New Jersey, Past and Present.	2
New York State Association of	From Data Collection to CAD and Beyond	
Professional Land Surveyors	- Workflows with Pix4D	8
Vector Solutions	American Land Surveying - A History (online)	1
Vector Solutions	Guide to the FEMA Elevation Certificate V2 (online)	1
Vector Solutions	A Wetland Primer, Advanced: Field Evaluation	
	& Permitting Considerations (online)	1
McKissock 100% Education	Online Correspondence: The History of the ALTA/NSPS	
	Land Survey Title	1.5
McKissock 100% Education	The History of the ALTA/NSPS Land Survey Title (online)	3

**ACTION:** On a motion by BM Paparozzi, seconded by BM Peterson, the Board unanimously voted to approve all courses as noted.

- C Full Board Review
  - 1 Jason Joines, PE Applicant #1795201 Reason: Requesting waiver for FE Exam

ACTION: The Board tabled this application for additional information concerning his experience.

2 Carlos Cary, PE – Applicant #2830869 Reason: Requesting waiver for FE Exam

**ACTION:** On a motion by BM Purcell, seconded by BM Paparozzi, the Board unanimously voted to deny his request for a waiver of the FE Exam.

3 Gbenga Ezekiel Dgunbor – Applicant #2811116 Reason: Requesting waiver for FE Exam

**ACTION:** On a motion by BM Sillick, seconded by BM Alsharaa, the Board unanimously voted to grant his request for a waiver of the FE Exam

4 Ryan Desai – Applicant 2811380

**ACTION:** On a motion by BM Purcell, seconded by BM Paparozzi, the Board unanimously voted to advise Mr. Desai that the submittal of his application is premature at this time.

5 Ilias Mir – Applicant #2798990+

Reason: Responded "yes" to question 1 in section 8 of application + - to be reviewed in executive session

**ACTION:** Subsequent to reviewing this application in executive session, on a motion by BM Purcell, seconded by BM Alsharaa, the Board unanimously voted to approve the application.

6 Gerardo Barba – Applicant #2803325+ Reason: Responded "yes" to question 1 in section 3 + - to be reviewed in executive session

**ACTION:** Subsequent to reviewing this application in executive session, on a motion by BM Sillick, seconded by BM Purcell, the Board unanimously voted to approve the application.

D Home Inspection applicant - Attachment Youssef Dehne, PE – HI applicant #2829747

**ACTION:** On a motion by BM Purcell, seconded by BM Alsharaa, the Board unanimously voted to approve his application to be forwarded to the Home Inspection Committee for action.

#### E Certificates of Authorizations

**ACTION:** The Board, on a motion by BM Purcell, seconded by BM Paparozzi, the Board unanimously voted to approve the following companies for Certificates of Authorization.

### KNOWLES-CERVENKA ENGINEERING INC.

1232 Castle Ave. Sheboygan WI 53081 App #: 2819184

#### PTA ENGINEERING, INC. 275 Springside Drive St 300 Akron OH 44333 App #: 2792513

### NELSON/NYGAARD CONSULTING ASSOCIATES, INC.

2 Bryant St. - Suite 300 San Francisco CA 94105 App #: 2830134

### **BOND CIVIL & UTILITY CONSTRUCTION INC.**

10 Cabot rd. Suite 300 Medford MA 02155 App #: 2842158

### FOSTER STRUCTURAL SOLUTIONS LLC.

1979 Swanstone Circle De Pere WI 54115 App #: 2843389

### **DBR ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS INC.**

9990 Richmond Ave. - South Bldg Ste 300 Houston TX 77042 App #: 2843409

### AGILE DESIGN ENGINEERING P.C.

136-33 37TH Suite 8B Flushing NY 11354 App #: 2843420

### THE GATEWAY ENGINEERS INC.

100 McMorris Rd. Pittsburgh PA 15205 App #: 2844005

### SCH ENGINEERING, INC

1407 Prater Rd. East Ridge TN 37412 App #: 2830166

### RMA GROUP INC.

936 South Oyster Bay Road Hicksville NY 11801 App #: 2785534

### **RAVENVOLT, INC.**

2715 Ronald Reagan Blvd - Ste 100 Cumming GA 30041 App #: 2829006

### ADCOMM ENGINEERING LLC.

18809 Autumn Way Sandy OR 97055 App #: 2843580

# EXPANSE ELECTRICAL LLC.

1155 Dairy Ashford Rd. Suite 620 Houston TX 77079 App #: 2844007

# **INFORMATIONAL / DISCUSSION ITEMS**

BM Purcell brought up the Mutual Agreement between United Kingdom and NCEES. Last month Ben Brierley, Head of Policy and State Government Relations, British Consulate General, was present to discuss the Mutual agreement between United Kingdom and NCEES.

**ACTION:** On a motion by BM Purcell, seconded by BM Paparozzi, the Board unanimously voted to sign the Mutual Agreement between United Kingdom and NCEES. BM Paparozzi added that BM Purcell be authorized to sign the ceremonial agreement at the NCEES Annual Meeting.

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Thomas Brown, referencing a comment made earlier that 17 states do not accept engineering technology degrees for licensure, whether it was for engineering or land surveying.

Response: The Board informed him it was engineering.

Jeff Kolodziej inquired what the typical turn around time for a submitted application for licensure.

Response: ED Miller informed him that the Board is working diligently through the backlog of applications in the board office. The review process does take some time, including that all the information is received.

Also ED Miller advised all members of the public that if they have questions regarding their application, to contact him directly for an update of application status.

Hearing no further comments and receiving no comments via email, BP Venuto proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

# NEXT MEETINGS

# No August Meeting September 19, 2024 – in-person meeting - Union room 3<sup>rd</sup> Flr

# EXECUTIVE SESSION / ADJOURNMENT OF PUBLIC SESSION

On a motion by BM Paparozzi, seconded by BM Sillick, the Board unanimously voted to go into Executive Session for review of minutes, review of complaints, consideration of disciplinary actions and advice of counsel.

### APPROVED BY:

Michael Venuto, PE, PLS Board President Keith Miller Executive Director