# STATE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS

Minutes of October 20, 2005 Public Session

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors was called to order by President James Valenti at 9:00 a.m. at 124 Halsey Street, 6th Floor Hudson Conference Room, Newark, New Jersey. All parties were duly notified of the time, date and place, with all pertinent material being provided.

#### 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 Star Ledger, the Camden Press, and the Courier Post.

#### Present:

James Valenti
James Cleary
Edward Vernick
Richard Frantz
James Kelly
Robert Marshall
Michael Angeline
Louis Raimondi

Absent: James Purcell Lawrence Koo

Others: Michelle Albertson, Deputy Attorney General, Arthur Russo, Executive Director, Joseph Grabowy, Assistant to the Executive Director, Barbara Cook, Managing Executive Director, Alok Jain, and staff members Robert Welsh, Yolanda Winston, and one member of the public.

### REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

### General Report

Executive Director Russo presented the Board with its FY2005 Budget Report. Upon review, it expressed concerns over the merging of funds from both the Board and the Home Inspection Advisory Committee. Barbara Cook stated that she will determine if Darlene Kane, Fiscal Analyst, can appear before the Board to further discuss these concerns.

He also stated that there have not been any comments received to date in response to the Board's sunsetting of its regulations published in the September 6, 2005 edition of the New Jersey Register. It will request from the Director's Office the individual who is assigned as its new regulatory analyst with the recent departure of Devon Graf.

Executive Director Russo informed the Board that the changes to the examination scheduling form reflecting the increase in fees has taken place. The increased amounts will cover the administrative costs incurred by PCS to extend the scheduling deadline date for the fundamentals of engineering and fundamentals of land surveying examinations.

The Board discussed the possibility of implementing a new application review process. President Valenti

designated himself along with VP Vernick and BMs Marshall and Raimondi as members of the newly formed Application Review Sub-Committee. This Committee, along with input from staff, will assist in determining a new method by which to review applications.

Executive Director Russo stated that the Certificate Award Ceremony will be held on November 3, 2005 at the Holiday Inn in Jamesburg NJ.

**Incoming Correspondence** 

Michelle Feigelis/ EI Associates RE: Question on land survey (August 3, 2005)

Ms. Feigelis wrote to the Board with a question concerning a land survey that she had performed. Specifically, she feels that the survey is missing information and would like the Board to inform her of what items should be included on a survey.

The Board determined to send Ms. Feigelis a copy of its statutes and regulations and a complaint form, in the event that she wishes to file one with the Board.

Douglas E. Akin, PLS, PP RE: True Meridian Pillars at County Court House (August 22, 2005)

Mr. Akin wrote to the Board inquiring if Title 51:3-1 and 3.2 are still required of New Jersey counties to maintain pillars showing true meridians.

The Board will thank Mr. Akin for his correspondence and inform him that this does not fall under its jurisdiction but rather under the County Clerk's office.

Pete Nogare/ McGraw-Hill Employees/ Federal Credit Union RE: Excess of footage on a residential property (August 24, 2005)

Mr. Nogare wrote to the Board to determine whether a excess of footage on a residential property is absorbed by a corner lot. He also requested to know if there is a penalty for destroying survey pins.

After discussing this matter the Board will advise Mr. Nogare that each situation similar to the one he described will be evaluated on a case by case basis. Additionally, it will inform him to seek legal advice with regards to any penalties that may be imposed for destroying survey pins.

Larry Bowers
RE: Comment on disciplinary actions
(August 24, 2005)

Mr. Bowers wrote to the Board requesting that it revise its current listing of disciplinary matters to include the specific violations of those individuals that have had disciplinary actions taken against them.

The Board will thank Mr. Bowers for his comments and will provide his comments to its Newsletter Committee.

Lt. Thomas Ritter

RE: April 2006 PE Exam

(August 27, 2005) Lt. Ritter requested the Board's permission to have the PE examination proctored in the Middle East as he is currently deployed overseas and will not be able to obtain a leave to take the

examination in the United States.

The Board will inform Mr. Ritter that it does not have jurisdiction over his request and to advise him to contact NCEES for further consideration.

David Bernhardt RE: PE license (September 28, 2005)

Mr. Bernhardt wrote to the Board requesting clarification on the process entailed for a New Jersey licensed architect to apply for a New Jersey PE license.

The Board will advise Mr. Bernhardt that he is eligible to apply for a PE license under its statute but must first submit a PE application.

James Hoffman, CEM, Principal/ Engineered Design Group RE: Engineered Design Group (October 4, 2005)

Mr. Hoffman wrote a general correspondence indicating the various services offered by his company.

The Board will request that Mr. Hoffman provide it with the name of the responsible charge professional engineer for Engineered Design Group and will be informed that a Certificate of Authorization may be required for his company if it is offering and/or providing engineering design services.

Louis A. Raimondi, PE, PLS, PP RE: Site Plan Rule (September 9, 2005)

Mr. Raimondi wrote to the Board and advised that he has encountered architects who are unfamiliar with the site plan rule and may be practicing engineering and/or land surveying without a license.

The Board, on a motion by BM Angeline, second by BM Cleary, unanimously voted to send this correspondence to the Joint Committee of Architects and Professional Engineers for its review and response to Mr. Raimondi.

Outgoing Correspondence

Barry Chalofsky, PP Bureau of Nonpoint Pollution Control RE: Septic System Inspections

Executive Director Russo submitted a letter to Mr. Chalofsky inviting him in to the December 1, 2005 Board meeting to discuss the certification of septic system inspectors.

This correspondence was noted for the record.

### REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS

The Board, on a motion by BM Kelly, second by VP Vernick, unanimously voted on the following applications:

NAME	APPLICATION #	PE/EIT	APPROVED/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION NEEDED (AIN)

A. ASGHAR	998393	COMITY	GRANT
A. LOTHIAN	1114857	PE\EXAM	AIN
A. PANAGOPOULOS	1110420	PE\EXAM	TAKE P
A. SHELTON	1004954	COMITY	GRANT
A.PECK	1129501	COMITY	GRANT
B. GORDAN	1107189	COMITY	GRANT
B. MARTINE	1127090	COMITY	GRANT
B.ISABELL	1139994	COMITY	AIN
B.NAGEL	1079993	COMITY	GRANT
C. CHELOTTI	1086067	PE\EXAM	TAKE P
C. MARSTILLER	1122735	COMITY	AIN
C. SORENSON	1115017	COMITY	GRANT
C. TURINSKY	1114657	PE\EXAM	TAKE P
D. BONNER	1134432	COMITY	GRANT
D. ERTEKIN	1102779	PE\EXAM	TAKE P
D. GRASER	1136192	COMITY	GRANT
D. MAGNUS	1093347	COMITY	GRANT
F. KIEFALAS	1128338	COMITY	AIN
G. MCHALE	1128665	COMITY	GRANT
G. WIRTH	1129491	COMITY	GRANT
I.SERBAN	1109743	PE\EXAM	TAKE F&P
J. ANTOLICK	1122165	COMITY	GRANT
J. BANNON	1113512	PE\EXAM	TAKE P
J. CARSEN	1115888	PE\EXAM	TAKE P
J. FULLER	1118976	COMITY	AIN
J. GASSERT	1138917	COMITY	AIN
J. GRIMSHAW	1122097	PE\EXAM	TAKE F DENIED P
J. KETABI	1124964	COMITY	GRANT
J. MANOS	1126354	COMITY	GRANT
J. MAROTTA	1119840	COMITY	GRANT

J. MUNYAN	1108374	COMITY	AIN
J. POULOS	1126887	COMITY	GRANT
J. RUDOLPH	1103938	PE\EXAM	TAKE P
J. SPANG	1114235	PE\EXAM	TAKE P
J. TINSLEY	1082685	COMITY	GRANT
J. ZABALLOS	1076564	COMITY	GRANT
K. LAPTAS	1133515	COMITY	GRANT
K. VISCONTI	1106212	PE\EXAM	AIN
K. WARRENDER	1114836	PE\EXAM	TAKE P
M. AITKEN	1120734	COMITY	GRANT
M. BOLINGER	1135264	COMITY	AIN
M. BROWN	1100743	PE\EXAM	TAKE P
M. HAVERS	1003931	COMITY	AIN
M. HUNTZINGER	1136796	COMITY	GRANT
M. KOZSUCH	1101952	COMITY	GRANT
M. NELSON	1114944	PE\EXAM	GRANT
M. OLOWOFOYEKU	1111655	COMITY	GRANT
M. PETTINI	1122174	COMITY	AIN
M. SAN- BUENAVENTURA	1138918	COMITY	GRANT
M. SWANN	1127097	COMITY	GRANT
M.DAMODARAN	1018117	PE\EXAM	TAKE P
M.KUKKALA	1087588	COMITY	GRANT
P. BYRNE	1131048	COMITY	GRANT
P. KWASHIE	1034647	COMITY	GRANT
P. LALONDE	1122746	COMITY	GRANT
P. O'MARA	1119693	COMITY	GRANT
P.MADER	1022066	COMITY	GRANT
Q. DENG	1129755	PE\EXAM	AIN
R. MEUCCI	1094396	COMITY	GRANT
R. RAMPETSRUTER	1133088	COMITY	AIN

R. TAN	1105798	COMITY	GRANT
R.TOPLIFF	1014446	PE\EXAM	TAKE F&P
S, WEBER	1114832	PE\EXAM	TAKE P
S. BORDANARO	1004956	PE\EXAM	AIN
S. JAFRI	1095600	COMITY	GRANT
S. MITCHELL	1096774	COMITY	GRANT
S. TAILOR	1098257	COMITY	AIN
T. ANSARI	898261	COMITY	GRANT
T. GASBARRO	1119505	COMITY	GRANT
T. HOLMAN	1105782	COMITY	GRANT
T. SNOW	48926	COMITY	GRANT
T. WHITE	1116766	LS\EXAM	AIN
V. FLORES	1128825	COMITY	GRANT
Y. LEE	1094830	PE\EXAM	TAKE P

## **Continuing Education Courses**

The Board, on a motion by BM Angeline, second by BM Raimondi, unanimously voted to approve the following continuing education course:

SPONSOR COURSE PDH

Professional Education Systems Inst., LLC PA Easements Rights of Way & Other Encumbrances 8

### **DISCUSSION & INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

The following items were noted for the record:

- ÿ Professional Publications, Inc. RE: Review Courses
- ÿ NCEES Zone Update July 2005
- ÿ NCEES Nominations for NCEES National Awards

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Charles Blumeling spoke about the correspondence submitted by Douglas E. Akin, PLS, PP, regarding true meridian pillars. He stated that meridian pillars are still in use in some areas but fall under the jurisdiction of the County Clerk's office.

### MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by BM Kelly, second BM Angeline, the Board unanimously voted to enter into Executive Session to review disciplinary matters.

## **RETURN TO PUBLIC**

On a motion contained within the Executive Session minutes, the Board re-entered into Public Session to complete its agenda.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

On motion by BM Frantz, second by BM Vernick, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 3:30pm.

# **APPROVED BY:**

James K. Valenti, PE Arthur Russo
President Executive Director