

May 2, 2017

**NEW HAMPSHIRE ELECTRICIANS' BOARD
MINUTES**

There was a meeting of the Electricians' Board held on May 2, 2017. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Peter Cicolini, Chairman. Also in attendance were Board Members – Romeo Dupuis, Jr, Vice Chairman, Joseph Casey and Jack Grube State Fire Marshal Representative – Matthew LaBonte, Division Director Linda Capuchino, Chief Electrical Inspector – Dean Sotirakopoulos and Electrical Inspector Denis Laurendeau. Also present, Jonathan Mitchell and Steven Rancourt, ECBA.

Interview/meeting/hearing – The Board met with Mark Fournier at 9:20 am for a hearing to show cause why he should be licensed. Following testimony by Mr. Fournier and reviewing the facts and conditions Casey moved, Dupuis seconded and it was voted on by all members present to reconsider the application and grant the license due to the time since the offenses.

2. Reading of the minutes of the April 4, 2017 meeting – Dupuis moved, Grube seconded and it was voted by all members present to approve the minutes.

3. Reading of Communications

4. Applications for Board action –

- a. Grube moved, Dupuis seconded and it was voted by all members present to approve Jason Freitag's journeyman exam application.
- b. Casey moved, Grube seconded and it was voted by all members present to approve Brendan Sanderson's application to retake the exam.

5. Requests for Board action –

- a. Dupuis moved, Grube seconded and it was voted by all members present to approve a settlement agreement with Brian Khoury, which imposes a 6 month suspension deferred for 12 months, provided submission of monthly reports including location of NH jobs is received.

6. Unfinished Business –

- a. The Subcommittee reviewing SB135 is meeting this morning. A request by the ECBA will be submitted to consider the following amendment: adding in 319-C:7 III .. to any electrical inspector appointed under this chapter... and in 319-C:5 V adding state and ...who performs electrical inspection, authorized in accordance with RSA 155-A:2 IV, RSA 47:22 and RSA 674:51...
- b. The Education Committee recommended that Christian Carter be given credit for year one of electrical schooling for his HMV training. Grube moved, Dupuis seconded and it was voted by all members present to approve the Education Committee's recommendations.
- c. James Grant left a message that there was nothing to report regarding the Building Code Review Board.
- d. LaBonte stated he had nothing to report from the FMO.
- e. Grube moved, Dupuis seconded and it was voted by all members present to accept Probation reports.
- f. Dupuis moved, Grube seconded and it was voted by all members present to accept the ICC test results.

- g. Dupuis moved, Casey seconded and it was voted on by all members present to approve the following: Monte Mason and Rodney Butler as providers for the 2017 NEC 15 hour continuing education requirement.
- h. Dupuis moved, Casey seconded and it was voted on by all members present to approve the following: Jade Learning, James Maxfield, Fred Kelley, and Jonathan Mitchell for IBEW 490 as providers for the 30 hour continuing education for apprentices.
- i. We received signed reciprocal agreements through NERA from Utah, Montana and Wisconsin.
- j. Massachusetts approved the reciprocal agreement for 15 hour code update providers on the 2017 NEC at their meeting in April. We are waiting for the signed confirmation.

7. New Business –

- a. Chief Inspector Sotirakopoulos asked that a Technical Bulletin that was a carryover from Department of Safety be withdrawn by the Board, as it is now outside of the scope of RSA 319-C: and NFPA-70, NEC 2014. Dupuis moved, Casey seconded and it was voted on to remove Technical Bulletin from the website. Chief Inspector Sotirakopoulos updated the Board on the Estes complaints. Two of the houses with electrical deficiencies have been corrected and the other two are being worked on. The office received a letter from Mr. Estes that he will no longer be doing electrical installations. A request to the Chief from a legislator asking about the feasibility of reduced license fees for licensees 70 and over was discussed. We currently have 549 masters and 60 journeymen this would affect. We still need to bring in 125% of our budget and do not want to increase other licensees fees to accommodate this request. Inspector Laurendeau attended the Griffin Electric Apprentice Day Competition. They had 10 different stations where they had to complete challenges with over 200 apprentices. Dupuis moved, Grube seconded and it was voted on by all members present to accept Chief Sotirakopoulos' report.
- b. Upon the motion of Dupuis and the second of Grube, the Board, by roll call vote, voted to conduct a non-public session for the purpose of discussing matters that if discussed in public would likely adversely affect the reputation of persons other than a member of the body itself and noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II(c), (j), RSA 91-A:5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, 11 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.
- c. Upon the motion of Grube and the second of Dupuis, the Board, by roll call vote, resolved to withhold/seal the minutes of the preceding non-public session from public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, III on the grounds that public disclosure would be likely to render the proposed action ineffective. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.
- d. Date and time of the next meeting – *Tuesday June 6, 2017 at 9:00a.m., 121 South Fruit St, Concord.*

8. Adjournment – 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



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