

February 13, 2018

**NEW HAMPSHIRE ELECTRICIANS' BOARD
MINUTES**

There was a meeting of the Electricians' Board held on February 13, 2018. The meeting was called to order at 9:20 a.m. by Matthew Connors, Vice Chairman. Also in attendance were Board Members – William Infantine and Jack Grube State Fire Marshal Representative – Matthew LaBonte, Division Director Joe Shoemaker, Chief Electrical Inspector – Dean Sotirakopoulos and Inspector Denis Laurendeau. Also present: James Grant, ECBA representative, Steven Rancourt, Matthew Markham, Norm Wood and Jeffrey Sargent.

1. Hearings –

- a. The Board held a Disciplinary Hearing in the matter of Louis Lessard from 9:20 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Chief Inspector Sotirakopoulos prosecuted the case. He presented exhibits and testimony regarding alleged unprofessional conduct by Louis Lessard regarding failure to comply with the 2014 NEC and failure to cooperate with a Board investigation. After review of the evidence and deliberation, Grube moved and Infantine seconded and it was voted on by all members present to suspend Mr. Lessard's license for 6 months, deferred for 18 months provided monthly reports are received by the Board and 30 hours of schooling on Chapters 1-4 of the NEC are completed within 6 months.
- b. The Board held a Disciplinary Hearing in the matter of Ryan White from 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Chief Inspector Sotirakopoulos prosecuted the case. He presented exhibits and testimony regarding alleged unprofessional conduct by Ryan White regarding failure to comply with his settlement agreement with the Board. After review of the evidence and deliberation, Grube moved and Connors seconded and it was voted on by all members present to extend Mr. White's monthly reporting requirements for an additional 12 months and if any reports are missing his license his license would be suspended for one year.

2. Reading of the minutes of the January 9, 2018 meeting – Grube moved, Infantine seconded and it was voted by all members present to approve the minutes.

3. Reading of Communications – The Board will meet February 14 at 11 am discussing HB 1327 and HB 1104

4. Applications for Board action –

- a. Grube moved, Infantine seconded and it was voted by all members present to deny Kevin Demer's apprentice renewal application until additional information is received.
- b. Grube moved, Infantine seconded and it was voted by all members present to deny Justin Genest's new apprentice renewal application until additional information is received.

5. Requests for Board action –

- a. Infantine moved, Grube seconded and it was voted by all members present to approve a request to draft a settlement agreement with Eugene Alfonso 8210J.

6. Unfinished Business –

- a. Education Committee had a request for credit of schooling from Perry Wentzell. The Committee is tabling a decision until addition information, which was requested, has been received.
- b. The Building Code Review Board adopted an amendment (re-09-09-18) to update the general electrical requirements to refer to the NEC as referenced in RSA 155A:1 IV as the IRC's electrical section is based on the 2008 NEC.

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- c. LaBonte reported that legislation goes through the Commissioner of Safety's Office. He will check and see if we can be copied with the LSRs for Safety Building Codes.
- d. Grube moved, Infantine seconded and it was voted by all members present to accept the probation reports.
- e. Grube moved, Infantine seconded and it was voted by all members present to accept the Prov test results.

7. New Business –

- a. Chief Inspector Sotirakopoulos reported that the public hearing for HB1104 will be held on February 20th at 11am and the sub-committee for HB1327 will meet on February 20th at 9am. A copy of the letter to Ada Alfonso the new executive director for the MA Electricians Board was provided to the board, The Conway PD issued an arrest warrant for Mr. Estes as a result of the investigation by Inspector Vallery. The number of invalid licensees is down to 2480 as of February 9th. Connors moved, Grube seconded and it was voted by all members present to accept the Chief's report.
- b. Upon the motion of Infantine 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 Infantine and the second of Grube, 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 March 13, 2018 at 9:00 a.m., 121 South Fruit St, Concord.*

8. Adjournment – 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



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