

July 10, 2018

**NEW HAMPSHIRE ELECTRICIANS' BOARD
MINUTES**

There was a meeting of the Electricians' Board held on July 10, 2018. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Peter Cicolini, Chairman. Also in attendance were Board Members – Matthew Connors, Henry Szumiesz, Jack Grube, William Infantine and State Fire Marshal Representative – Sean Toomey, Chief Electrical Inspector – Dean Sotirakopoulos. Also present: James Grant – Building Code Review Board Representative, Jeffrey Sargent – NFPA, Steven Rancourt - ECBA, Nathan Poland – Revision Energy, Stephen Silva – electrician, Loranzy Head – electrician, Jean Ryan and Tim and Alice Kinney.

1. Hearings – none.

2. Reading of the minutes of the June 5, 2018 meeting – Grube moved, Connors seconded and it was voted by all members present to approve the minutes.

3. Reading of Communications – Email from John Plourde was reviewed. Infantine moved, Connors seconded to have Chief Inspector Sotirakopoulos follow up on the correspondence. The motion was withdrawn. Connors moved, Grube seconded and it was voted by all members present to have Chief Inspector Sotirakopoulos and Director Shoemaker to follow up with a response for the Board next month.

4. Applications for Board action –

- a. Grube moved, Infantine seconded and it was voted by all members present to approve Daniel Sweeney's new reciprocal application.
- b. Grube moved, Infantine seconded and it was voted by all members present to approve Daniel Rivard's apprentice renewal and new journeyman exam application.
- c. Grube moved, Infantine seconded and it was voted by all members present to approve David Babcock's new apprentice application.
- d. Grube moved, Infantine seconded and it was voted by all members present to approve Stephen Silva's new apprentice.
- e. Grube moved, Infantine seconded and it was voted by all members present to approve Loranzy Head's new reciprocal application.

5. Requests for Board action –

- a. Grube moved, Infantine seconded and it was voted by all members present to grant Antonio request for a hearing for the August 7, 2018 meeting.
- b. Infantine moved, Connors seconded and it was voted on by all members present with Szumiesz abstaining to approve a settlement agreement for William Coulter imposing a 6 month suspension deferred with 1 year probation reporting monthly on NH jobs.

6. Unfinished Business –

- a. Education Committee – The Committee will review the schooling for Jason Beeker with a recommendation for next month.

- b. The Building Code Review Board – James Grant reported that the BCRD met on June 8th, HB 1254 on how codes get adopted has a moratorium until November 1st. Connors moved, Grube seconded and it was voted by all members present to approve the report.
- c. The State Fire Marshal’s Representative Assistant Deputy State Fire Marshal Sean Toomey reported that State Fire Marshal Degnan has retired and Deputy Max Schultz is interim Director until August 3rd when the new State Fire Marshal Paul Parisi will start. The code adoption process committee (re: HB 1254) has met once and will be meeting again in a couple of weeks. Infantine moved, Connors seconded and it was voted by all members present to approve the report.
- d. The only probation report not received was from Louis Lessard. Grube moved, Connors seconded and it was voted by all members present to notify Mr. Lessard that if his report was not in by the end of the week the Board would go back to the conditions of the settlement agreement regarding suspension of license.
- e. The Prov test results were reviewed. Connors moved, Infantine seconded and it was voted by all members present to approve the report.
- f. The high school report for Manchester due at the end of the school year was reviewed. Grube moved, Infantine seconded and it was voted by all members present to approve the report.
- g. Connors moved, Grube seconded, and it was voted on by all members present to approve the draft of the rules for third party electrical inspectors.
- h. Szumiesz moved, Connors seconded, and it was voted on by all members present to approve the draft of the apprentice ratio interim rules with 2 changes from shall to may indicating that a journeyman electrician with less than 1 year of experience as a journeyman can supervise 1 apprentice.

7. New Business –

- a. Chief Inspector Sotirakopoulos reported that the licensing subcommittee would be meeting here at the Board’s Office at 12 noon. Whether high school students in areas where there are no CTE electrical programs could be allowed to get apprentice cards will be added to the subcommittee’s agenda. He also reported that the number of invalid licenses is down to 1839. The Chief had a meeting with the mechanical inspectors Lemire and Middlemiss regarding their continuing education and when their licensees can perform electrical work. The Chair and Inspectors attended the Generator Training sponsored by the Granite State Chapter IAEI and presented by Mark Hilbert last month.

Chief Inspector Sotirakopoulos will be attending the NERA conference in Boise Idaho August 13-15. Ada Alfonso MA Board Executive Director was invited to attending the NERA conference as well. The Chair and the Chief attended the MA Board meeting in June. Their attorney stated that the residence location of the licensee would not affect the ability to reciprocate. Chief Sotirakopoulos noted that there is an increase in unlicensed electrical installations though as yet there are not formal complaints. The Chief reported that the Franklin solar installation may be getting back the original contractor and that a new design for the feeder is being worked on for the Hillsboro solar installation. Grube moved, Infantine seconded and it was voted by all members present to accept the Chief’s report.

- b. Upon the motion of Szumiesz 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 August 7, 2018 at 9:00 a.m., 121 South Fruit St, Concord.*

8. Adjournment – 11:55 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pamela Olin".

Pamela Olin,
Administrative Assistant