

BOARD OF LAND SURVEYORS
APRIL 30, 2020 AT 9:00 A.M.
PUBLIC MINUTES

There was a meeting of the Board of Licensure for Land Surveyors on April 30, 2020. Chairperson Doucet called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Also present were Board members Joe Wichert, Ginny Christenton and Michael Dahlberg. Not Present was Tracey Sweeney. Present from OPLC was Chris Horne and Joe Shoemaker.

Prior to starting the agenda W. Doucet reviewed a state of emergency checklist for Zoom Board meetings. This document stated the meeting information and how public was able to access.

1. Acceptance of Agenda – M. Dahlberg made a motion to approve the agenda as written. G. Christenton seconded, all in favor and motion passes.

2. Reading and Approval of the Minutes of the February 6, 2020 Meeting- M. Dahlberg made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 6, 2020 meeting. W. Doucet seconded, G. Christenton abstains and motion passes by roll call vote.

3. Interview/meeting – none

4. Communications – General – J. Wichert mentioned the recent survey through NCEES. NHs was completed by J. Wichert. Mark Sargent of NSPS reached out to W. Doucet to discuss making licensure easier for Land Surveyors who are licensed in other states get licensed in NH. This is parallel to the direction NCEES is going.

5. Communications – Board Action –

- a. Discussion on Lan 305.03 Licensed Land Surveyor Seal/ Stamp- the Board discussed how it is difficult right now to get plans stamped and signed. Board would like to be able allow digital stamps for the rest 2020. Board realizes there is a possible fraud issue but it is very low.

Eric Mitchell and Cynthia Boisvert polled the states town registrars. They are willing to work with the land surveyors but will not accept digital stamps/ signatures.

A request to the Governors office has been submitted to allow digital stamps and signatures. This request was one of many submitted by the agency. OPLC is waiting to hear back.

J. Wichert made a motion, if approved by the Governor's office, to continue the request for the rest of 2020. M. Dahlberg seconded, all in favor by roll call vote and motion passes.

- b. Lan 403.03-Continuing Education- This is also part of the proposal that was sent to the Governor's office. J. Wichert made a motion to waive the CEU requirements for the rest

of the state of emergency plus 120 days. G. Chrisnton seconded, all in favor by roll call vote.

- c. Exam Date- The Board will review this at next month's meeting. There are concerns for the proctor of the exam, also concerns that many are coming from out of state to test. Staff will keep exam applicants aware of the date.

6. Applications –

- a. 20-10 Bruce Martinson- reviewed and approved by W. Doucet to sit for the next exam.
- a. 20-11 Jeremy Leicy- under review

7. Unfinished Business –

- a. COA discussion- Board reviewed the statute and rules as to what has to be on the COA application. The only discrepancy is the full time being listed as 37.5 hours. this will be removed. The rule referring to full time will be added. The full time / part time will also be removed from the application. M. Dahlberg made a motion to make these changes. J. Wichert seconded, all in favor by roll call vote.

8. New Business –

- a. Upon the motion of J. Wichert and the second of G. Chrisnton the Board, by roll call vote, voted to conduct a non-public session at 9:40 a.m. Such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II(j), RSA 91-A:5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, 118 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 unanimous vote of all members present.
- b. Upon return to public session at 9:50 a.m. J. Wichert made a motion to seal the minutes. M. Dahlberg seconded, all in favor by roll call vote and motion passes.
- c. Nomination for a Vice-Chair- W. Doucet made a motion to nominate J. Wichert for vice-chair. M. Dahlberg seconded, all in favor and motion passes by roll call vote. Congratulations Joe.
- d. Date and time of next meeting – May 28, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

10. Adjournment J. Wichert made a motion to adjourn at 10:05 a.m. G. Chrisnton seconded, all in favor by roll call vote and meeting adjourned.