



## Board of Electricians Public Meeting

Electricians Board

May 2, 2023 at 9:00 AM EDT to May 2, 2023 at 12:00 PM EDT

7 Eagle Square, Concord NH 03301

Board Members Present: Matt Connors, Hank Szumiesz, Michael Palmeri, William Infantine. Dexter Robblee and Phil Biron

### Minutes

**I. Call To Order-** M. Connors called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. P. Biron arrived at 9:20 a.m.

**II. Approval of Public Minutes 4/4/23-** H. Szumiesz made a motion to approve the minutes from the April meeting. D. Robblee seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

### III. Public Appearances

**A. Hearing at 10:30 a.m. - Ralph Shalsi/ Shalsi Electric-** Hearing began at 10:32 a.m. and closed at 11:09 a.m. Both sides presented their case. Prosecution made a recommendation to the Board for discipline. Board will deliberate in non-public.

### IV. OPLC and/or Board Administration Updates

**A. Director Bethany Cottrell - Fees Discussion / ProV-** addressed below in the minutes.

**B. Listening Session on National Apprenticeship System Enhancements-** This will be on May 5, 2023. H. Szumiesz will be attending and will report back to the Board at the June meeting.

### V. Unfinished Business

**A. Education Committee-**D. Robblee made a motion to approve this report. M. Palmeri seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

**1. Mike Miller - 15 Hr. App.-** H. Szumiesz made a motion to approve this provider application. D. Robblee seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

**2. Vermont Tech Code Course-** H. Szumiesz made a motion to approve this provider application. W. Infantine seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

**3. David DeVincentis - 15 Hr. App.-** H. Szumiesz made a motion to approve this provider application. D. Robblee seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

**4. George Howe - 15 Hr. App.-** H. Szumiesz made a motion to approve this provider application. M. Palmeri seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

**5. Christian Magoun- 15 Hr. App.-** H. Szumiesz made a motion to approve this provider application. D. Robblee seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

**6. Christos S. Xerras- 15 Hr. App.-** H. Szumiesz made a motion to approve this provider application. M. Palmeri seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

**7. Sayed Haidar Sadat-** after review and discussion of the submitted information, H. Szumiesz made a motion to credit Mr. Sadat the first year of education. He would be

able to start year two. If he wants to provide more information on his education the Board would review again to see if he would be able to get credit for more time. D. Robblee seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote. Staff will reach out to him.

**8. MA Electricians Board Meeting-** H. Szumiesz attended this meeting. Topics of discussion were the current landscape of licensing within the New England states, working in other states and how to track hours. MA doesn't regulate apprentices so tracking hours is difficult when working in other states.

**9. MA Education Subcommittee-** waiting on the May meeting date. H. Szumiesz will be attending with a number of others.

**B. Building Code Review Board Report-** Dean Sotirakopoulos reported that they are reviewing the 2021 codes. These are the energy codes for commercial and residential. Updating and removing outdated rules. H. Szumiesz made a motion to approve this report. W. Infantine seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

**C. Report from the Fire Marshalls Office-** P. Biron reported that they are reviewing the 2021 NFB Codes. D. Robblee made a motion to approve this report. M. Palmeri seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

**D. Review of Prov Results-** Board reviewed the results and then discussed with Heather Kelley and Bethany Cottrell the requirement for Prov to have in person testing. Heather will follow up with Prov for in person testing for northern NH. H. Szumiesz made a motion to approve this report. W. Infantine seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

## **VI. Rules Review and Other Legislative Topics**

**A. Elec 300- Initial Proposal-** Board would like to compare the Ele 300's with the Plc 300's. discussion on the application processing, criminal history responses. The Plc 300s are for the procedures the Ele 300s are the requirements. Bethany Cottrell will look into the fees to confirm what they should be. She will also look into possibly having a confirmation email get sent to licenses to make sure email was entered correctly.

**B. Elec 400- Initial Proposal-** Apprentices are 2 years, Board is concerned about how licensing is going to know if the apprentices are completing the required education. Bethany Cottrell feels there may be a possibility with the new licensing program to make the license invalid if schooling isn't entered. She will review further.

**C. RSA 332-G:13 Petition for Review of a Criminal Record-**discussion of the criminal history, Board can deny an applicant if the required information isn't clear enough for the Board to make a decision. Board can also request a show cause hearing to discuss the licensee's application. Because of the timeline of 60 days to get licensed the Board can't request more information. A decision needs to be made to approve, deny, or a show cause hearing.

**D. Public Hearing on Rules at the June Meeting-FYI/ Reminder**

**1. Elec 103.05, 104.02 and 104.03 – Hearing scheduled for 6/6/2023-** noted

**2. Elec 200 – Hearing scheduled for 6/6/2023-**noted

## **VII. Licensure Approval (if applicable)**

**A. Robert Provo-**W. Infantine made a motion to approve this application. H. Szumiesz seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

**B. Caleb Wheeler-** D. Robblee made a motion to approve this application. M. Palmeri seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

**C. Phillip Stamos-** H. Szumiesz made a motion to approve this application. D. Robblee seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

**D. Christian Figueroa-** H. Szumiesz made a motion to approve this application. M. Palmeri seconded, W. Infantine votes no and motion passes.

## **VIII. New Business**

### **A. Chief Inspectors Report**

**1. Electricians Board Data-** noted

**2. Probation Report-** Lowell Central has been late once and this month hasn't submitted a probation report. If we don't have this by Friday, D. Robblee made a motion to begin disciplinary proceedings. W. Infantine seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

**3. New Chief Electrical Inspector** starts on Friday.

**B. James Shaw Letter-** Board reviewed the letter from James Shaw. There is no relief for retired status. The Board feels with a license there are responsibilities to keep up with code updates and there is a cost to having a license. M. Connors made a motion for staff to send a response to Mr. Shaw. W. Infantine seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

**C. Non-Public Session-** H. Szumiesz made a motion to enter non-public session at 11:51 a.m. W. Infantine seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

*\* Motion (in public session) to move into Non-Public session per:*

***RSA 91-A:3, II(c)** Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, **other than a member of this board**, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to include any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant.*

*\* Roll Call Vote*

**1. Motion to Seal the Minutes from Non-Public-** Upon return to public session at 12:39 p.m. W. Infantine made a motion to seal the minutes from the non-public session. D. Robblee seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

## **IX. Adjournment**

**A. Date of Next Meeting-** D. Robblee made a motion to adjourn at 12:50 p.m. H. Szumiesz seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

Next meeting will be on June 6, 2023