

Land Surveyors Public Meeting

Land Surveyors Board May 4, 2023 at 9:00 AM EDT to May 4, 2023 at 11:00 AM EDT OPLC, 7 Eagle Square, Concord NH 03301

Board Members Present: William Doucet, Joe Wichert, Michael Dahlberg, Timothy Peloquin and Ginny Chrisenton

Minutes

- **I. Call to Order-** W. Doucet called the meeting to order at 9:02 am.
- **II. Review and Approval of Agenda-** M. Dahlberg made a motion to approve the agenda. T. Peloquin seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.
- **III. Approval of Public Minutes**
 - **A. February 16, 2023 minutes-** J. Wichert made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 16, 2023 meeting. G. Chrisenton seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.
 - **B. March 7, 2023 minutes** T. Peloquin made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 7, 2023 meeting. J. Wichert seconded, M. Dahlberg abstains and motion passes
- IV. Public Appearances- none
- V. OPLC and/or Board Administration Updates-
- VI. Old Business
- VII. New Business-
- **A. Board Elections-** W. Doucet discussed with the Board that he has been chair awhile and felt he wanted to give someone else a chance to be chair. After discussion, T. Peloquin made a motion to make J. Wichert the Chair and M. Dahlberg the vice-chair. G. Chrisenton seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

Items for the next Board meeting- the elimination of the US Survey Foot, Items to approve licenses for exam, decoupling.

- VIII. Licensure Approval (if applicable)- Those listed below were approved to take the exam.
 - A. Steven Hyde-approved to test, April exam
 - B. Lee-Ann Roberge-approved to test, April exam
 - C. Christopher Michaud-approved to test, April exam
 - D. Jeremiah O'Dean- approved to test, October exam
 - E. Timothy Fish-approved to test, October exam
- **IX. Rules Review and Other Legislative Topics** Board attorney Shane Goulet spoke to legislation. HB 655 addresses how complaints are handled. The application process, due to maps, the Board will still approve applications for the NHL exams. The Board could come up with items that are required in an application. Colonial states would be able to be approved to

take the NHL exam by the staff. W. Doucet spoke to approving any applicant who has an MLS record from NCEES to take the NHL exam.

The authority to initiate the rulemaking process will change.

Board asked if the legislation to combine Boards would come up again in the next session. Attorney Goulet said yes it will be back in some form.

X. Non-Public Session- M. Dahlberg made a motion to enter non-public session at 9:38 am. G. Chrisenton seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

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.

Upon return to public session at 11:21 pm. G. Chrisenton made a motion to seal the minutes. M. Dahlberg seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

XI. Adjournment-

The next meeting will be on September 7 at 9:00 am unless a meeting is required sooner. Then June 11 at 9:00 am.

M. Dahlberg made a motion to adjourn at 11:35 am. J. Wichert seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.