

MECHANICAL SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
June 14, 2023

There was a meeting of the Mechanical Safety and Licensing Board held on June 14, 2023. The public may attend via video/teleconference. The following Board Members attended in person at the Board's Office: Jesse Doucette, Robert Roy, Joseph Nash, Paul Perry, Elisha Cole, Steve Guercia, Peter Kendrigan and Michael Harrison.

Also, attended in person from OPLC were Board Administrator Dawn Couture, Chief Mechanical Inspector Marc Prindiville and Board Counsel Attorney Elizabeth Eaton and Attorney Shane Goulet.

I. Call to Order – 9:00 a.m.

- II. Approval of Public Minutes of the May 10, 2023 meetings** – Board Member Roy made a motion to approve the public minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Board Member Perry. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Non-Public Session

At 9:04 a.m. upon the motion of Board Member Harrison and the second of Board Member Nash, to go into a non-public session the Board, by roll call, voted to conduct a non-public session for the purpose of discussing and evaluating complaints against licensees, accredited individuals, institution, or organizations, or persons charged with practicing unlawful activity, and noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II(c), RSA 91-A:5, IV, *Lodge v. Knowlton*, 118 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges. The motion passed with each member recording his or her vote on the motion.

IV. Resume Public Session

At 10:30 a.m. upon the motion of Board Member Harrison and the second of Board Member Cole, the Board unanimously voted by roll call, to reconvene the public meeting.

V. Seal the Minutes of the Non-Public Session

Upon the motion of Board Member Harrison and the second of Board Member Cole, by roll call voted to seal the minutes of the non-public session from the public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, III(c), on the grounds that public disclosure would be likely affect adversely the reputation of licensees, accredited individuals, institutions, or organizations, or persons charged with practicing unlawful appraising activity, RSA 91-A:5, IV, *Lodge v. Knowlton*, 118 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges. The motion passed with each member recording his or her vote on the motion.

VI. New Business –

- A. Chief Inspectors Report – Chief Inspector Prindiville provided the Board with an update.
- B. Approval of updated Exam Questions for Gas from MCC – Board Member Perry made a motion to approve the updated exam questions. The motion was seconded by Board Member Nash. The motion passed unanimously.
- C. Approval of Journeyman & Master Exam Questions – The education committee informed the Board that they went through the math questions and briefed updated formulas and constants. Board Member Nash made a motion to approve the updated exam questions. The motion was seconded by Board Member Roy. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. Rules Review and Other Legislative Topics –

- A. Mec 200 – Board to vote on adoption – Board Member Nash made a motion to adopt the 200's as presented. The motion was seconded by Board Member Perry. The motion passed unanimously. The new rules will go in effect the day after Tina files them.
- B. 10:30 am hearing on Mec 300 – The hearing opened at 10:31 a.m. The Board heard public comments. The hearing closed at 10:46 a.m.
- C. Mec 400 – Review final proposal – Tina will reword the language of Mec 406.03 (3)(b) and provide another draft to the Board.
- D. Mec 605.02 – Board to review question from JLCAR – The Board provided feedback. Tina will report back to JLCAR.
- E. OPLC Attorney on Legislative Update – Counsel Attorney Goulet provide a brief update to the Board.

VIII. Non-Public Session

At 11:06 a.m. upon the motion of Board Member Nash and the second of Board Member Roy, to go into a non-public session the Board, by roll call, voted to conduct a non-public session for the purpose of the reading and approval of the non-public minutes of the May 10, 2023 meeting, and evaluating complaints against licensees, accredited individuals, institution, or organizations, or persons charged with practicing unlawful activity, and noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II(c), 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 roll call vote of all members present.

IX. Resume Public Session

At 12:00 p.m. upon the motion of Board Member Nash and the second of Board Member Roy, and the Board unanimously voted by roll call, to reconvene the public meeting.

X. Seal the Minutes of the Non-Public Session

Upon the motion of Board Member Harrison and the second of Board Member Cole, by roll call voted to seal the minutes of the non-public session from the public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, III(c), on the grounds that public disclosure would be likely affect adversely the reputation of licensees, accredited individuals, institutions, or organizations, or persons charged with practicing unlawful appraising activity, RSA 91-A:5, IV, *Lodge v. Knowlton*, 118 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges. The motion passed with each member recording his or her vote on the motion.

XI. Public Comment – Karen Machado asked about her letter submitted on June 1st requested for Manchester School of Technology to be added back onto the Board's website under Education Training approved schools for Plumbing and Gas. Administrator Couture will look into it getting it back on the Board's website.

XII. Next Meeting – Board Chair Doucette made a motion to appoint Board Member Nash as the Chair for the Board's July meeting. The motion was seconded by Board Member Cole. The motion passed unanimously.

XIII. Adjournment – Board Member Nash made a motion which was appropriately seconded by Board Member Cole to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously; meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.