

MINUTES

HEATING, PIPING, COOLING AND SHEET METAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

JUNE 2, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Robert H. Barrieau, Acting Chairperson at 9:38 a.m. in Room-126 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members Present: Robert H. Barrieau, Unlimited Contractor, Acting Chairperson
David G. Foster, Unlimited Contractor / General Contractor
Thomas F. Casey, Jr., Unlimited Contractor
Michael Rosario, Unlimited Journeyman
John T. Higgins, Jr., Unlimited Journeyman
Philip H. Benoit, Limited Sheet Metal Journeyman
Christopher M. Dupuis, Public Member
Philip Kent, Esquire, Public Member
Barbara Riotte, Public Member

Members Absent: Cameron G. Champlin, Jr., Unlimited Journeyman
Patrick Duane, Limited Sheet Metal Contractor
Mario DiNatale, Public Member

Board Vacancies: None

Board Counsel Present: None

DCP Staff Present: Nelson Leon
Anthony Santoro, Esquire

Public Present:	Juan Correa	John MacDonald, Jr.	Michael McGinnis
	John Galerwitz	Stanley Lafkin, II	Dave Steele
Scott Clausen	Carleton Pember	Mike Rooney	Arkan Abdulsalam
David Mikienis	William Benjamin	Aaron Veillette	Kirk Reynolds
Mark Rossignol	Ronald Villenruve	Scott Vaspasiano	Michael Ponticello
Ken Waldo	Rick Ferraro	Joseph Giordano	Luke J. Ford
Shane Cooper	Chris Baskay	David Dacko	
Voltaire Tabois	Philip Smith	Tim Shine	
Angel Solis	John Kulk	Curt Woodworth	
Timothy Aker	John Murdy	Mark Mastropasqua	

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BOARD MEMBER APPOINTMENT

Appointment letter dated April 8, 2010 from the Honorable Governor M. Jodi Rell, concerning the appointment of John T. Higgins, Jr. as an Unlimited Journeyman to the Heating, Piping, Cooling and Sheet Metal Work Examining Board.

John T. Higgins, Jr. was sworn-in by Attorney Santoro.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Board voted unanimously to approve minutes of the April 7, 2010 Heating, Piping, Cooling and Sheet Metal Work Examining Board meeting.

MINUTES OF THE SOLAR THERMAL SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Board voted unanimously to approve minutes of the April 5, 2010 and April 20, 2010 Solar Thermal Sub-Committee meeting minutes.

APPLICATIONS

Arkan H. Abdulsalam, New Haven, CT – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Denied

The Board denied Mr. Abdulsalam's application at their 4/7/10 meeting due to lack of required documentation concerning his occupational and school related instruction experience.

The Board voted unanimously at today's meeting to deny Mr. Abdulsalam's application due to lack of required documentation concerning his occupational and school related instruction experience.

Michael H. Barton, Ancramdale, NY – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – No Action

Mr. Barton did not appear today and the Board took no action.

Christopher R. Baskay, Norwalk, CT – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Approved

Mr. Baskay has held an (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman since 6/22/09. Mr. Baskay is requesting waiver of the two year requirement as an (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman.

The Board voted unanimously at today's meeting to approve Mr. Baskay's application based on a qualifying hardship.

William Benjamin, Millville, MA – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Benjamin's application.

Andrew Boniface, Kinnelon, NJ – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – No Action

Mr. Boniface did not appear today and the Board took no action.

Steven G. Borsch, Jr., Hopewell Junction, NY – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – No Action

Mr. Borsch did not appear today and the Board took no action.

Scott R. Clausen, Cheshire, CT – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Tabled

Mr. Clausen has held an (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman since 12/4/09. Mr. Clausen is requesting waiver of the two year requirement as an (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman. The Board denied waiver of two year requirement as an (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman at their 4/7/10 meeting based on a non-qualifying hardship.

Juan Correa, Bridgeport, CT – (D-3) Limited Contractor – Approved (D-4)

Mr. Correa changed his license category to (D-4) Limited Journeyman and the Board voted unanimously to approve his (D-4) Limited Journeyman application.

David A. Dacko, Terryville, CT – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Withdrawn

Mr. Dacko withdrew his application.

Robert Demarco, Lindenhurst, NY – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – No Action

Mr. Demarco did not appear today and the Board took no action.

Richard Ferraro, Northford, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved (D-2)

Mr. Ferraro changed his license category to (D-2) Limited Journeyman and the Board voted (6-2) to approve his (D-2) Limited Journeyman application, contingent upon receipt of his CFC certification within six months from today. Mr. Ferraro must also serve an apprenticeship program for any license upgrades.

John Gazerwitz, Middlefield, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Gazerwitz's application.

Joseph F. Giordano, Stamford, CT – (B-2) Limited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Giordano's application.

John Kulk, Lagrangeville, NY – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Withdrawn

Mr. Kulk withdrew his application.

Stanley H. Larkin, II, Ashaway, RI – (B-1) Limited Contractor – Approved (B-2)

Mr. Larkin changed his license category to (B-2) Limited Journeyman and the Board voted unanimously to approve his (B-2) Limited Journeyman application.

Nathan T. Lemay, Springfield, MA – (D-1) Limited Contractor – No Action

Mr. Lemay did not appear today and the Board took no action.

John D. Macdonald, Westerly, RI – (B-1) Limited Contractor – No Action

No application submitted for (B-1) Limited Contractor.

Michael McGinnis, Lyndhurst, VA – (D-3) Limited Contractor – Approved (D-1)

Mr. McGinnis changed his license category to (D-1) Limited Contractor and the Board voted (5-2) to approve his (D-1) Limited Contractor based on the fact that he holds twenty six contractor licenses within various states, which the Board feels presents a very unique circumstance. The Board also agreed that this decision is not precedent setting.

David N. Mikienis, Cheshire, CT – (SM-4) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted (4-1) to approve Mr. Mikienis' application.

David N. Mikienis, Cheshire, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – No Action

No application submitted for (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman.

John R. Murdy, Jr., Broad Brook, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Withdrawn

Mr. Murdy withdrew his application.

Carleton H. Pember, IV, Madison, CT – (ST-1) Limited Contractor – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Pember's application.

Jeremy Petzold, Milford, PA – (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyman – No Action

Mr. Petzold did not appear today and the Board took no action.

Christopher K. Pompilli, S. Deerfield, MA – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor.

Board approved (S-1) at their 4/7/10 meeting, contingent upon receipt and review of statement from his current employer (Carrier) indicating that Mr. Pompilli needs the (S-1) Unlimited Contractor license to be retained as an employee. Mr. Pompilli is requesting a hardship waiver of the two year requirement as an (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman. Mr. Pompilli has held his (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman license since 6/3/09.

The Board voted unanimously at today's meeting to approve Mr. Pompilli's application based on a qualifying hardship.

Michael J. Ponticello, Stamford, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Withdrawn

Mr. Ponticello withdrew his application.

Kirk Reynolds, Wyoming, RI – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Approved (S-2)

Mr. Reynolds changed his license category to (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman and the Board voted unanimously to approve his (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman application.

The Board voted unanimously at today's meeting to table Mr. Clausen's application subject to validating his written hardship request.

Michael Rooney, Danville, NH – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – No Action

Mr. Rooney has held his (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman license since 3/4/10 which the Board approved at their 1/20/10 meeting. Mr. Rooney only holds a journeyman license in Massachusetts. Mr. Rooney is requesting waiver of the two year requirement as an (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman.

The Board's vote at today's meeting was dead lock (4-4) and no action was taken on Mr. Rooney's application.

Mark Rossignol, Windsor Locks, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Rossignol's application due to lack of a required "Letter of Apprenticeship Completion" certificate.

Thomas F. Sanford, Norwich, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – No Action

Mr. Sanford did not appear today and the Board took no action.

Timothy Shine, Higganum, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved (S-10)

Mr. Shine changed his license category to (S-10) Limited Journeyman and the Board voted unanimously to approve his (S-10) Limited Journeyman application.

Philip D. Smith, Canterbury, CT – (S-4) Limited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Smith's application.

Dave Steele, Bridgeport, CT – (S-4) Limited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Steele's application.

Steven Sunderland, Apalachin, NY – (D-4) Limited Journeyman – No Action

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Sunderland's application.

Voltaire E. Tabois, Groton, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Tabois' application due to lack of a required "Letter of Apprenticeship Completion" certificate.

Michael Tiberii, Charlton, MA – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Approved

Mr. Tiberii has held an (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman since 1/11/10. Mr. Tiberii is requesting waiver of the two year requirement as an (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman.

The Board voted unanimously at today's meeting to approve Mr. Tiberii's application based on a qualifying hardship.

Scott Vaspasiano, N. Branford, CT – (S-4) Limited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Vaspasiano's application.

Aaron Veillette, Torrington, CT – (G-2) Limited Journeyman – Withdrawn

Mr. Veillette withdrew his application.

Kenneth R. Waldo, Jr., Orange, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Waldo's application.

Curtis Woodworth, Plainville, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Woodworth's application, contingent upon verification with the CT Department of Labor that he has completed at least two years as a registered apprentice.

LATE ARRIVING APPLICATIONS

(The Board voted unanimously to review the following late arriving applications:)

Timothy J. Aker, Canton, CT – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Aker's application based on a qualifying hardship.

Robert A. Barr, Oxford, PA – (S-4) Limited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Barr's application.

James D. McVay, Havertown, PA – (S-4) Limited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. McVay's application.

Robert J. Unger, Oxford, CT – (S-10) Limited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Unger's application, contingent upon receipt of documentation verifying his occupational related experience with his respective employers.

REQUESTING REINSTATEMENT OF EXPIRED HEATING, PIPING AND COOLING LICENSE

Steven D. Bournival, Waterbury, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyman (Lapsed 8/31/08)

Mr. Bournival did not appear today and the Board took no action.

REQUESTING REINSTATEMENT OF EXPIRED SHEET METAL LICENSE

Evan Garthwait, Waterbury, CT – (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyman (Lapsed 8/31/07)

The Board voted unanimously to deny reinstatement of Mr. Garthwait's license and is requiring him to re-apply and re-test for his license.

Angel L. Solis, Portland, CT – (SM-4) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyman (Lapsed 8/31/08)

The Board voted unanimously to deny reinstatement of Mr. Solis' license and is requiring him to re-apply and re-test for his license.

REQUESTING PERMISSION TO SIT FOR FOURTH EXAMINATION

Shane Cooper, Windsor Locks, CT – (S-10) Limited Contractor.

The Board suggested Mr. Cooper submit a new application and application fee in order to renew his eligibility to test for another year. Testing eligibility approval is valid for a twelve month period and requires new application and application fee for each additional twelve months of testing eligibility.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Benoit expressed concern about sheet metal issues and inspectors on the road, and is asking how this problem is going to be solved. Mr. Benoit said that licensees are now paying double the amount of monies for their license and receiving less amount of protection. Mr. Barrieau suggested speaking with DCP Commissioner to express concerns with him.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nelson Leon
Board Secretary

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 4, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. in Room-126.