

MINUTES

PLUMBING AND PIPING WORK EXAMINING BOARD

NOVEMBER 5, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Charles Appleby, Sr. on November 5, 2020 at 9:06 and was held remotely via Zoom Webinar.

Members Present:

Charles Appleby, Sr., Chairperson	Unlimited Contractor
Christopher M. Bowman	Unlimited/General Contractor
James Piccoli	Unlimited Contractor
Jay More	Unlimited Journeyperson
Vinnie Valente	Unlimited Journeyperson
Melissa Sheffy	Public Member
Joyce Topshe	Public Member

Members Absent:

George C. Sima	Well Drilling Contractor
Peter Alfieri	Unlimited Journeyperson

Board Vacancies:

One Unlimited Journeyperson
Two Public Members

DCP Board Staff:

Richard M. Hurlburt, Director, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division
Karen Layman, License and Applications Analyst

Others Present:

Michelle Seagull, DCP Commissioner
Janita Hamel, DCP Supervising Special Investigator
Michael Rosario, Plumbers and Pipefitters UA 777
Peter Kelly

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

The Board voted unanimously to approve the draft minutes of the October 8, 2020 Plumbing and Piping Work Examining Board meeting as written.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

None

DCP INVESTIGATION DIVISION COMPLAINT STATUS REPORTS:

The Board reviewed complaint reports dated 6-01-20 to 7-31-20 and 8-01-20 to 10-31-20 provided by the Investigations Division.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Proposed Well Drilling and Geothermal Systems Regulations

An update was not provided at today's meeting.

2. Application Review Working Group

Chairperson Charles Appleby reported that this group has been meeting to review applications for further processing by the Department.

3. Contractors not registering workers as apprentices

No discussion took place on this topic at today's meeting.

4. Discussion of an extension of time to take on-line continuing education offerings going into the 2021 cycle.

The Board voted unanimously to recommend that Executive Orders 7GGG and 7EEE be modified to extend the deadlines for plumbers to complete their continuing education requirements and for course providers to continue offering both in person and interactive online courses. This modification shall take effect immediately and remain in effect for the duration of the public health and civil preparedness emergency.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Board Member Resignation – Carl Schaefer, Public Member

Charles Appleby informed the Board of Public Board Member Carl Schaefer's resignation. The Board thanked Carl for his twelve years of service and noted that he was a great asset to the Board with his input, participation, and knowledge of the trade.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

The Board requested that they have a representative from the Attorney General's Office attend Legal Administrative Hearings that come before this Board. The Board was advised to contact the Attorney General's Office directly for this request.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Layman,
License & Applications Analyst

2021 MEETING SCHEDULE:

- January 28
- April 22
- July 29
- October 28