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MINUTES
MONROE COUNTY
CONTRACTORS EXAMINING BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY JANUARY 18, 2022, 9:30 A.M.
MARATHON GOVERNMENT CENTER

Zoom webinar Information:

When: Jan 18, 2022 09:30 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Topic: Contractor Examiner Board Meeting - January 18th, 2022

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1. Call to Order / Roll Call -

Chairman Rudy Krause calls meeting to order: 10:10 A.M.

Board Members Present: Chairman Rudy Krause, Steve Henson, Gary Centonze, Frank Herrada, Brent Robinson and Donald Horton

Present no roll call: County Attorney Paunece Scull, Board Attorney Thomas Wright and Building Official Rick Griffin also via zoom – ABO Rey Ortiz

2. Excused Absence Approval

Marnie Walterson – work conflict

Venetia Flowers – traveling

**** Gary Centonze moved to approve seconded by Steve Henson – Motion Passed. ****

3. Agenda Changes
 - ** 11. New Business B. Case 21400477 Juan Manuel Conde/ request to remove from agenda violation payment made prior to scheduled meeting. Receipt # 03000068690 \$ 500.00****
 - **11. New Business D. Trade applicant extension John Obbagy/ requested approval to issue initial certificate of competency after expiration of 2-year CEB board approval requirement. Requested approval with the DBPR Registration received 2 days prior to meeting.****
4. Approval of Agenda
 - ** Frank Herrada moved to approve, Brent Robinson seconded. Motion passed****
5. Approval of Minutes for November 9th, 2021 (Must have participated in meeting to move or second)
 - **Steve Henson moved to approve, Gary Centonze seconded. Motion passed. ****
6. Next scheduled meeting: March 8, 2022
7. Swearing - in of Witnesses to Testify
 - **10:14 a.m. by Attorney Thomas Wright ****
8. "Is there anyone from the public who would like to speak on an Agenda item?"
 - **No response from public****
9. Have any Board members been contacted outside the presence of this meeting regarding an agenda item?" If so, would you please disclose the nature of the contact?
 - **No response from public****

INDUSTRY INPUT

Industry Input: We will now open the floor for any comments or questions from the construction industry or public. Please either use the raised hand feature on Zoom or make sure that you have filled out a green speaker card if you are here in person.

****No attendees in person or on zoom****

Jethon is there anyone with their hand raised on Zoom?

****Jethon answered no****

Do we have any in person speakers signed up to speak?

**** not at this time****

Old Business for Industry Input:

Updates from November 9th, 2021, Meeting:

Multi-discipline inspectors need more pay/Ed Koconis

****Ed Koconis was available on zoom – with positive information on the approval and Administrative Instruction to increase the current \$1,500 incentive for additional licensure to both Building Plans Examiners and Building Inspectors with an increase to \$2,500.00 effective immediately. ****

Chairman Krause inquired from Mr. Koconis some clarification on the new revised rule in reference to Pool in VE Flood Zone. Mr. Koconis provided some information on the new ruling. Recommendation by the board to invite Floodplain Karl Bursa to the March 8th, 2022, CEB meeting.

Update on the effects HB 735/Paunece Scull

**** Attorney Scull reported on the continued review of county permits with the Building Dept. and Bio/Planning Dept. awaiting additional feedback****

Request to move forward to next meeting: March 8, 2022

Can Aluminum Louver Panels be used below base flood levels/Bursa

**** Board approved to re-schedule request and also requested Mr. Karl Bursa provide some clarification in reference to pool permits in Coastal A & V zones****

Additional requests from the board: (Invite to Mr. Karl Bursa for March 8, 2022)

Clarification from Floodplain Karl Bursa on the limits of 299 sq ft enclosures and the excess rates being charged by the Government institutions on insurance policies for homeowners.

Coastal A & V Zone – definition of obstructions on properties, requirements of construction flush to grade.

ABO Rey Ortiz provided information on Senate Bill: 736 Construction defects claims

Chairman Krause inquired if DBPR had rescheduled their onsite visit? BO Griffin does not have information available at this time.

Chairman Krause inquired on rules and regulations when permitting replacement door/windows specifically when Energy Calculations are required and at what percentage of replacement.

****ABO Ortiz requested to revisit question at the March 8th, 2022, CEB Meeting.**

ABO Ortiz will also provide guidance and handouts in reference to MCCSec.6-100 when permits required**

[Chairman to read into record]

If there is nothing further from the public, then this closes out the industry input section of this meeting and we will continue with the rest of the CEB agenda.

10. Old Business:

A. Dennis Porcelain requests reinstatement of his permit pulling privileges in Monroe County

****Licensing Coordinator Jamie Gross provided the board her investigation information. Mr. Porcelain was available on zoom and requested reinstatement at this time. Frank Herrada moved to approve reinstatement, Gary Centonze seconded. Motion passed. ****

B. Don Horton's application to become a member of the CEB

On December 8th, 2021, the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) approved the appointment of Mr. Horton for 3 years to expire December 8, 2024.

****Read into record****

C. ABO Rey Ortiz - Update from March 9th, 2021, Presentation by County Admin. Christine Hurley

1. Work without permits at resorts by Handyman
2. Handyman Business Tax Receipt vs. Contractor License/ Certificate of Competency
3. Outreach to Hotels and Realtors

****Board requested further clarification and the issuance of a directive by the Building Official in reference to the definition and guidance for a Handyman scope of work****

D. Journeyman new requirements from HB 735

Questions from board after review of presentation by Jamie Gross on November 9th, 2021

****Licensing Coordinator Jamie Gross provided new information to the board: The College of the Fla Keys now offers a Fla. Board of Education recognized 4 years Apprentices Program for specific disciplines in the construction field. ****

11. New Business:

- A. Application for Reinstatement/Renewal of Expired Certificate of Competency for renewal period October 31, 2021. Application fees paid; no open/active code cases:

Continued:

1. Lisdan Machado Mesa
Square and Compass General Contractor Inc.
Registered General Contractor – GC479A/RG291104027

Continued:

****Mr. Mesa was available on zoom**

Motion made by Steve Henson to approve request to reinstate, seconded Frank Herrada**

B. Lien request for non-payment of citation/Imposition of fines & costs:

Case No: 21400477

Name: Juan Manuel Conde

Company: n/a

MCC: 6-77 Certificate of Competency Required: unlicensed contractor

Issued: 09/20/2021

Intent to Lien Notice: 12/13/2021

Fine: \$500.00 Administrative Costs: \$ 412.35

****Agenda change - Item/ remove from Agenda – citation paid 1/18/2022**

Receipt # 0300068690 Investigator Thompson provided information and scheduled to close case. **

C. Construction Trades Application Review for Verification of Construction Experience and Approvals:

1. Vacarella, Summer/ New Application/ Residential Contractor

****Ms. Summer was available on zoom**

Reviewed by Gary Centonze after conversation request for more experience required. Approval denied. **

D. Trade Applicant Extension Request

Trade applicant John Obbagy approved by CEB for testing on 12/10/2019 requesting an extension to complete initial license registration, due to delays with DBPR State of Florida.

****Agenda change – Prior to meeting applicant received DBPR State of Florida Contractor Registration license RR282812179. Request to the board to approve the issuance of the Certificate of Competency for a 2-year term. Mr. Obbagy was present and provided the registration process delays to the board.**

Frank Herrada approved recommendation and seconded by Steve Henson, no nays**

- E. CEB Board Member Frank Herrada renewal for membership to the Contractors Board due to expire March 23,2022 requesting additional 3 years March 2025.

****Board recommends approval to the BOCC Board for a renewal of a three (3) year term****

- F. ABO Rey Ortiz – Presentation on Building Safety Inspection Program (BSIP)

****Re-scheduled for the CEB March 8,2022 regular scheduled meeting****

12. Staff Reports

1. Rick Griffin, Building Official/CEB Secretary/ Rey Ortiz, Assistant Building Official
****Mr. Griffin – nothing to report****
2. Thomas Wright, Contractors Examining Board Attorney
****Mr. Wright – nothing to report****
3. Paunece Scull/ Assistant County Attorney
****Ms. Scull – nothing to report****
4. LaChelle Thompson, Unlicensed Contractor Code Investigator
****Ms. Thompson provided Summary Report and reported moving forward with advertisement of position for assistant unlicensed contractor code investigator****

****Gary Centonze requested information on the counties current position on the implementation of HB735. ABO Ortiz provided clarification on the permitting and licensing definitions in reference to owner permit requirements. ****

Meeting adjourned: 12:08 p.m.

**Maria L. Partington CEB liaison / Senior Licensing Coordinator
Assistant liaison Jamie Gross / Licensing Coordinator
Monroe County Contractors Examining Board**

Meeting Location - Open to the public:
Marathon Government Center

BOCC Room Second Floor
2798 Overseas Highway
Marathon, Fl. 33050

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