

MINUTES

**UTAH
PLUMBERS LICENSING BOARD
MEETING**

October 6, 2010

**Room 474 Fourth Floor– 9:00 AM
Heber Wells Building
Salt Lake City, UT 84111**

CONVENED: 9:02 AM

ADJOURNED: 10:19 AM

Bureau Manager:

Dan S. Jones

Board Secretary:

Ann Naegelin

Board Members Present

David Told, Board Chair

Travis Dalley

Sean Conlon

Ed Gongaware

Board Members Absent

Dave Halverson, excused

Guests:

Will Pierce, DATC

Bob Bergman, UMCA

Lori Stewart, MATC

Jeff Pedersen, UPHCA

Trina Hansen, OWATC

Mitchell Williams, applicant

Dave Largent, applicant

DOPL Staff Present:

Wayne Holman, Chief Investigator

Susan Higgs, Compliance Specialist

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Approval of August and September Minutes

Mr. Gongaware made a motion to approve the minutes of the August and September meeting. Mr. Conlon seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Division Changes

Mr. Jones introduced himself and explained the staffing changes within the Division.

Probation Update

Ms. Higgs reported that fifteen plumbers are on probation. Two of the fifteen licensees are out of compliance with the terms of their probation, but have talked with Ms. Higgs about coming into compliance. Two more licensees are out of compliance and have been referred to the Attorney General's Office for an Order to Show Cause. They will not be allowed to renew their license until they come into compliance.

APPOINTMENTS:

Mitchell Williams
Review out of state experience

Mr. Williams met to discuss his application. He gave a brief explanation of his history as a plumber. He has been licensed in California as a plumbing contractor since 1993. Mr. Gongaware made a motion to have Mr. Williams take the journeyman practical and written exams. Upon passing the journeyman practical and written exam, he can take the master practical and written exams. The two years of wait time between the journeyman and master exams will be waived. Mr. Dalley seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

After continued discussion regarding the exams, Mr. Gongaware modified his motion to require the journeyman practical exam but not the master practical exam. Mr. Conlon seconded the modified motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Dave Largent
Journeyman Application

Mr. Jones reviewed Mr. Largent's criminal history and work experience with the Board. Mr. Gongaware made a motion to recommend that Mr. Largent be allowed to take the journeyman practical and written exams with a Memorandum of Understanding for a probationary license for four years with the usual terms. Motion was seconded by Mr. Dalley. Motion passed by unanimous vote. Mr. Jones explained the process for the MOU.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Definition of Minor Plumbing Work

This item has already been reviewed by the Board. It will be reviewed by the Commission at their next meeting.

Investigation Update

Mr. Holman gave a brief summary of investigations since the last meeting. The investigators did their monthly saturation last week. They did not find very many construction projects or violations.

Apprentice School Visits

Mr. Told discussed visiting the schools Mr. Conlon will visit Cedar City, St. George. Mr. Gongaware will visit DATC. Mr. Dalley will visit SLCC. Mr. Told will visit MATC, Logan and Vernal. Mr. Halverson will visit Ogden Weber. The Division will obtain contact information for the schools. The assignments and the dates will be finalized at the next meeting.

Joseph Raymond Meraz
Apprentice Plumber
Application Review

Mr. Jones reviewed the application for Mr. Meraz with the Board. The criminal conduct took place more than ten years ago. The statutes do not allow DOPL to take disciplinary action more than ten years after the unlawful conduct.

Review Test Scores

PSI has been notified of the change to the 2009 International Plumbing Code. The Board would like to know when the updated codes will be used for the exams.

ADJOURN:

10:19 am

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

November 3, 2010
Date Approved

s/s David Told
Chairperson, Plumbers Licensing Board

November 3, 2010
Date Approved

s/s Dan S. Jones
Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational & Professional
Licensing