

THE INDIANA PLUMBING COMMISSION

MINUTES

September 25, 2024, at 9:00 A.M.

402 W Washington Street CC-1

Indianapolis, IN 46204

- 1. CALL TO ORDER & ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM 9:03 A.M.**
Commission Members Present: Joe Gutzwiller, Tony Brown, Phil Laux, John Van Cleve
Staff Present: Toby Snell, Ashlee Scott, Adam Harvey, Brad Repass
- 2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA** Motion made by TB and seconded PL to approve the amended agenda
Motion carries 4-0-0
- 3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES** Motion made by TB and seconded by PL to approve the minutes
Motion carries 4-0-0
- 4. REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL**
Report given by Ian Mathew

Court Reporter Heather Orbaugh
- 5. PERSONAL APPEARANCE BY PHONE**
 - a. Edward Furlong JP license 2nd appearance**
Current probation on apprentice license
Mr Furlong appears via phone
Provided a letter from his parole officer
Motion made by TB and seconded by JVC to approve the license on probation
Motion carries 4-0-0
- 6. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING**
 - a. Evan Wood JP22000091**
Petition to Withdraw Probation 2024 IPC 0011
Evan Wood appears in person and request probation be withdrawn from his license
He has completed his criminal probation
Motion made by JVC and seconded by TB to withdrawal the probation
Motion carries 4-0-0

b. Gordon Adams PC12300030

Petition to Withdraw Probation 2024 IPC 0013

Gordon Adams appears in person

Motion made by TB and seconded by PL to withdraw probation

Motion carries 4-0-0

c. Tommy Lee Tipton Jr, PA22100593

Administrative Complaint 202407-PLU-0018

RE: Motion to Dismiss

Ian Mathew appears on behalf of the state

Tommy Lee Tipton does not appear

State requests a dismissal

Motion made by TB and seconded by JVC to dismiss

Motion carries 4-0-0

d. A Comfy Home Inc, No License

Motion to Cease and Desist 202407-PLU-0019

RE: Motion to Dismiss

Ian Mathew appears on behalf of the state

State requests a dismissal

Motion made by JVC and seconded by TB to dismiss

Motion carries 4-0-0

e. H&A Services LLC No License

Motion to Cease and Desist 202408-PLU-0020

RE: Proposed Cease and Desist Agreement

Ian Mathew appears on behalf of the state

Motion made by TB and seconded by JVC to approve the Proposed Cease and Desist

Motion carries 4-0-0

f. Austin Meyer PA21900054

Administrative Complaint 202408-PLU-0021

RE: Proposed Settlement Agreement

Ian Mathew appears on behalf of the state

Motion made by JVC and seconded by PL to approve the Proposed Settlement Agreement

Motion carries 4-0-0

7. PERSONAL APPEARANCES

a. Jeffrey Taylor Apprentice App PR

Jeffrey Taylor appears

In 2021 charged with battery with a deadly weapon
two more months of probation

Motion made by TB and seconded by PL approve to license free and clear

- b. Michael Cage-Initial App PC by Experience**
Michael Cage appears in person
His employer Dave Sanders appears with him
Explains his updated experience
Requesting approval to take the exam for the PC license
Motion made by TB and seconded by JVC to approve the license once he completes 144 hours of apprenticeship
Motion carries 4-0-0
- c. Ben Garman-Initial App PC by Experience**
Ben Garman appears
Motion made by JG and seconded by JVC to approve after receiving the affidavit.
Motion carries 4-0-0
- d. Michael Chinn- Initial App Positive Response**
Michael Chinn does not appear
- e. Hunter Myers-Initial App Positive Response**
Hunter Myers appears
Currently on criminal probation for DUI
Motion made by TB and seconded by PL to approve the license
Motion carries 4-0-0
- f. Zachariah Query- Renewal Positive Response**
Zachariah Query appears
Had a DUI in 2023 with one year of probation. He is in AA and on step 11 and doing good with three months sobriety
Motion made by TB and seconded by JVC to renew the license on probation and submit quarterly reports from probation officer or self-reports.
Motion carries 4-0-0
- g. Zane Begley-Renewal Positive Response**
Zane Begley appears
Currently on criminal probation for possession of Marijuana. Did a substance abuse evaluation and completed a course and entered into a pretrial diversion.
Motion made by JVC and seconded by PL to renew free and clear
Motion carries 4-0-0
- h. Charles Garten Jr.-Reinstatement Expired 2005**
Charles Garten appears
Once to reinstate his license so he can go back into business
He has been out of the business since about 2006. He wants to start doing small plumbing jobs.
Motion made by TB and seconded by JVC to approve the reinstatement after completing 8 hours of code.

Motion carries 4-0-0

- i. Brian Cherry-Reinstatement Expired 2013
Mr Cherry appears by phone
License expired in 2013
He was going thru some personal issues and let his license lapsed
He would like to have his license reinstated
Motion made TB and seconded by PL to complete 8 hours of code before
reinstatement
Motion carries 4-0-0

8. DISCUSSION

- a. Apprenticeship Programs and No License for apprentices
- b. Probation Report/Update

9. ADJOURNMENT 11:52 A.M.

Joe Gutzwiller
Joe Gutzwiller, Chair

**Next Scheduled Meeting:
November 13, 2024**

