

MINUTES

THE INDIANA PLUMBING COMMISSION

meeting held
Wednesday, January 26, 2011
at 9:00 a.m.

Indiana Government Center South
402 West Washington Street, Conference Center Room 6
Indianapolis, Indiana

REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS

Commission members reviewed applications until 9:00 am

CALL TO ORDER & ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Mr. Stephens called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. in Indiana Government Center South, Conference Center Room 6, 402 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana and declared a quorum in accordance with IC § 25-28.5-1.

Commission Members Present:

Owen Stephens, Chairman
William Ciriello
Eric Ott, Liaison
Robert Synko
John Van Cleve

State Officials Present:

Elizabeth Kiefner-Crawford, Director, Indiana Professional Licensing Agency
Crystal Heard, Assistant Director, Indiana Professional Licensing Agency
Gordon White, Advisory Counsel, Office of the Attorney General

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Commission Action: A motion was made to adopt the agenda as amended.

Ott/ Ciriello
Motion carried 4/0/0

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 24, 2010 MEETING OF THE COMMISSION

Commission Action: A motion was made to approve the minutes.

Ciriello/Van Cleve
Motion carried 4/0/0

PERSONAL APPEARANCES

1. Steven L. Stickel

Mr. Stickel appeared before the Commission to have his license reinstated. His license has been expired since 1999. Mr. Stickel indicated that he had moved out of state for several years and let his license lapse. Mr. Stickel is now moving back to Indiana and wishes to have his license reinstated. Since moving away from Indiana, he has worked as a plumber in Missouri.

Commission Action: A motion was made to have Mr. Stickel complete 4 hours of continuing education regarding the Indiana Plumbing Code, 1999 edition. Mr. Stickel's license will be renewed once the continuing education hours have been completed and proof of completion has been provided to the Commission. CE has to be obtained by list of providers or submit an alternative provider and the Commission will review to approve.

Ciriello/Ott
Motion carried 5/0/0

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

1. In the Matter of Michael Fenrick

Case Summary: The hearing began at 10:23a.m. Mr. Fenrick appeared without counsel and waived the right to counsel. Mr. Fenrick appealed the Commission's decision to deny him admission to the plumbing contractor exam. Mr. Fenrick testified that he owns a home improvement service. Mr. Fenrick previously worked in Michigan but did not hold a plumbing license in that state. Mr. Fenrick testified that the individual that signed the affidavit part of his plumbing contractor license application is his business partner in the home improvement service. That individual does not hold any license issued by the Commission. The individual that is the licensed plumber for the home improvement business is actually an employee of Mr. Fenrick's and does not supervise Mr. Fenrick's work.

Commission members Present

Owen Stephens
Robert Synko
Eric Ott
William Ciriello
John Van Cleve

Witness

Michael Fenrick

Commission Action:

A motion was made to uphold application denial of admission to sit for the plumbing contractor exam as the testimony from Mr. Fenrick reveals that he fails to meet the requirements of 860 IAC 1-1-9 or IC 25-28.5-1-12.

Ciriello/ Van Cleve
Motion carried 5/0/0

2. In the Matter of Phillip Beal

10:30a.m.

Case Summary: The hearing began at 11:07a.m. Mr. Beal appeared without counsel and waived the right to counsel. Mr. Beal appeared before the Commission to request withdrawal of probation. He stated it took him longer than one year because of medical issues.

Commission members Present

Owen Stephens
Robert Synko
Eric Ott
William Ciriello
John Van Cleve

Witness

Phillip Beal

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Commission Action:

A motion was made to withdraw the probation and reinstate Mr. Beal's license to active status.

Van Cleve/Ott
Motion carried 5/0/0

3. In the Matter of Larry Adams & Associates, Inc.

All parties appeared before the Commission. DAG Joseph Basile represented the State of Indiana and Mr. Adams appeared without counsel. A brief settlement conference was held in this matter with Commission Member Eric Ott. The parties requested a joint continuance until the March Commission meeting.

Commission Action: A motion was made to continue the matter until the March meeting.

Ciriello/Van Cleve
Motion carried 5/0/0

APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE-

Motion to accept applications approved by commission members

Ciriello/Van Cleve
Motion carried 4/0/0

Journeyman by Apprenticeship				
Name	Approve	Table	Deny	
Hollander, Jerome A.		x		
Mitchell, Brian S.		x		
Mitchell, Jay T.		x		
Mick, Brian J.	x			
Wooten, Jonathan L.	x			
Currn, James P.		x		
Contractor by Apprenticeship				
Name	Approve	Table	Deny	
Journeyman by Trade				
Name	Approve	Table	Deny	
Chamberlain, Shawn M.	x			
Buchmeier, Randy	x			
Prevsly Reinhart, Philip			x	IC 25-28.5-1-12

Elkins, Truman	x			
Zartman, Anthony		x		
Moon, S. Charles, Prev TAB			x	IC 25-28.5-1-12
Contractor by Trade				
Name	Approve	Table	Deny	
Lewis, Floyd	x			
Fyre, Rodney	x			
Holdgreve, Tyler C.	x			
Romanski, Justin R.	x			
Jewell, Kenneth	x			
Bowman, George R.		x		
Plumbing Temporary Contractor				
Name	Approve	Table	Deny	

DISCUSSION

The Commission discussed changing the format of their Board meetings. Beginning in March 2011, administrative hearings will begin at 9:00 a.m. All personal appearances will be set at 10:00 a.m. and will be heard on a first-come, first-serve basis. Letters will also be sent to those who fail to appear for personal appearances.

The Commission discussed HB 1384 regarding a requirement that journeyman plumbers obtain continuing education. The Commission indicated that they do not oppose such a bill but would also be in favor of continuing education requirements for plumbing contractors as well.

CORRESPONDENCE

COMMISSION DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Director reported that the ICC contract for the plumbing exam has been renewed.

I. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

II. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business and having completed its duties, the meeting of the Indiana Plumbing Commission adjourned at 11:55a.m.


 Owen Stephens – Chairman
 Indiana Plumbing Commission

4-11-11
 Date