

**Electricians Board**  
**Public Minutes**  
**October 4, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.**  
**7 Eagle Square, Concord, NH 03301**

There was a meeting of the Electricians' Board held on October 4, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m. by Matt Connors, Chairman. Also in attendance were Board Members Henry Szumiesz, Mike Palmeri, Will Infantine and Phil Biron, from the FMO. Not present was Deck Robblee. Chris Horne, Shana Warriner, Shane Johnson and Joe LeSage, Chief Electrical Inspector were present from OPLC. Representing the AG's office Sheri Phillips.

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Review and Approval of Agenda** – W. Infantine made a motion to accept the agenda. H. Szumiesz seconded, motion passes with a roll call vote.

**III. Reading of the Minutes of the September 13, 2022, Meeting** – H. Szumiesz made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 13, 2022, meeting. M. Palmeri seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote. W. Infantine and P. Biron abstained.

**IV. Public Appearances** –

**a. Marcelo Arajao** – Moved to non-public.

**b. Brian Haskell Hearing** – Hearing began at 10:33 a.m. Present for OPLC Hearing Counsel was Attorney John Garrigan. Hearings officer was Attorney Nikolas Frye. W. Infantine made a motion to downgrade the Master license to a Journeyman for of 6 months when Brian Haskell renews his currently expired license. After the six-month downgrade, the license will return to Master and he will be on probation 18 months where he will need to report all jobs. H. Szumiesz seconded, motion passes with a roll call vote.

At the conclusion of the hearing the W. Infantine made a motion to go into non-public at 11:37 a.m. H. Szumiesz seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote. For discussing matters that if discussed in public would likely adversely affect the reputation of persons other than a member of the body itself and noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II(c), (j), RSA 91-A:5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, 11 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.

Upon return to public session at 11:59 a.m. W. Infantine made a motion to seal the minutes from the non-public session. H. Szumiesz seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

**V. OPLC and/or Board Administration Updates** –

**a. Heather Kelley on Prov** – Heather spoke to the board about the contract with Prov and how they need to find sites for in-person testing as the contract requires. Henry at Prov has been reaching out to the colleges they have used in the past, but they are not opening the testing ability for Prov. If they are not able to secure in-person testing they will be in breach of contract. Heather will have an update for the Board in November's meeting.

**VI. Unfinished Business** –

**a. Education Committee** –

1. Granite State Trade School – H. Szumiesz reached out to GSTS and would like to table until November meeting.
2. @Leisure Contractor Licensing – Tabled until they comply with requirements.
3. Maine Electrical Institute – Tabled until the November meeting. They are making changes to the curriculum to meet the needs of NH licensing.

M. Palmeri made a motion to accept H. Szumiesz requests to table. P. Biron seconded; motion passes with a roll call vote.

**b. Building Code Review Board Report** – Dean Sotirakopoulos he has no update currently.

**c. Report from Fire Marshal's Office** – Phil Biron stated the FMO is looking at the 2021 Fire and Life Safety codes. The FMO has some big projects coming up and may ask the electrical inspectors if they can help. H. Szumiesz made a motion to approve this report. W. Infantine seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

**d. Review PROV Test Results** – reviewed the scores from the past month and the year to date. H. Szumiesz made a motion to approve the Prov report. M. Palmeri seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

**e. School Reports**- None received as of 9/26/22. Should start receiving anytime now.

## **VII. New Business**

**a. Chief Inspector LeSage's Report** – Joe LeSage discussed his report with the board. still searching for a n inspector. Only 1 probation report at this time and no issues on that. Discussed the Prov bank of questions. M. Palmeri made a motion to approve this report. H. Szumiesz seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

**b. Non-Public** - Upon the motion of H. Szumiesz and the second of M. Palmeri, the Board, by roll call vote, voted to conduct a non-public session at 10:13 a.m. For the purpose of discussing matters that if discussed in public would likely adversely affect the reputation of persons other than a member of the body itself and noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II(c), (j), RSA 91-A:5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, 11 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.

**c.** Upon return to public session at 10:33 a.m. H. Szumiesz made a motion to seal the minutes from the non-public session. W. Infantine seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

## **VIII. Licensure Approval (if applicable)- none**

## **IX. Rules Review and Other Legislative Topics**

**a. RSA 319-C:10 Corporations and Partnerships-** Board will try to work on language to fix the language in the statute. A rules subcommittee can be formed to work on this. At the next meeting the Board will be prepared to resolve. They will the mechanical statutes to see how business licenses are addressed there. W. Infantine made a motion to table this item until next month. H. Szumiesz seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote.

**b.** Amendments have been signed into law and are in effect now. 2023 Code Providers are able to send in applications to teach the 2023 code.

**Date and Time of next meeting** – November 1, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

**7. Adjournment** – H. Szumiesz made a motion to adjourn at 12:09 p.m. M. Palmeri seconded, and motion passes with a roll call vote.