

**RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & TRAINING
DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PLUMBERS**

1511 Pontiac Avenue

Building 70 – 2nd Floor Conference Room

Cranston, RI

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TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2005

9:00 A.M.

In attendance: William Garcia

William O'Brien

Leo Champagne

Jeffrey J. Hutton

Mr. Michael St. Martin, Mr. Michael Newman, and Mr. William Riley are not present for today's meeting. Mr. Hutton called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

Mr. Hutton asked if all board members received and reviewed the minutes of last month's meeting. Mr. O'Brien made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 2005 meeting. Mr. Champagne seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

There are two (2) hearings scheduled for today for which there is a board stenographer.

1. William Lupino – Violation # 2354

The first appeal hearing today is with regard to William Lupino. Mr. Lupino and Mr. Patrick Luther are present and sworn in by the Board stenographer.

Mr. Luther read the violation: It is alleged that Mr. William Lupino of AAA Plumbing and Heating Service did advertise in the Verizon Super Yellow Pages (03/04 Edition, page 671) without a valid RI Plumbing Master License. This is a violation of RIGL 5-20-8 "Practices for which a master license is required". Further, this ad did not include a license number. This is a violation of RIGL 5-20-24 "License displayed in place of business - advertising".

Based on the testimony provided today, Mr. O'Brien made a motion to uphold the violation of RIGL 5-20-8 "acts for which a master license is required". and RIGL 5-20-24 "License displayed in place of business - advertising". Mr. Champagne seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

2. Daniel Guastini – Violation # 2089

The next appeal today is with regard to Guastini Bros. Construction. Mr. Guastini is not present for today's hearing. Mr. Luther informed the board that this is the fourth postponement hearing scheduled for Mr. Guastini. Mr. Guastini's certified mail has been accepted. Mr. Luther also informed the board that a decision was rendered at the April meeting before he was informed that Mr. Guastini had asked for an extension on his appeal. After consulting the Department's counsel, Mr. Luther stated that the decision to uphold the violations on April 19, 2005 may stand.

This concludes today's hearings.

Mr. Luther informed the board that all the apprentice registrations are in order. Mr. Champagne made a motion to accept the registrations. Mr. Garcia seconded the motion the motion. All members voted in favor.

With no further business, Mr. Champagne made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 am. Mr. O'Brien seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

The next meeting of the Board of Examiners of Plumbers is scheduled for Tuesday, July 19, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. in Building 70, second floor conference room.