

**MEETING OF THE RHODE ISLAND**

**AUTO COLLISION REPAIR LICENSING ADVISORY BOARD**

**DATE: January 30, 2013**

**TIME: 10:30 a.m.**

**PLACE: Department of Business Regulation**

**Conference Room 69-1**

**1511 Pontiac Avenue**

**Cranston RI 02920**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Dave Reynolds - Chairman; Gerald Galleshaw; Louis DeQuattro, Jr. - Deputy Director; John Mancone - Chief Public Protection Inspector; Lt. David Doucet; Al Olney, Chris Hurd**

**BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Dennis Gamba, Steve Altieri**

**OTHERS PRESENT: Kim Precious, Larry Alan, Randy Bottella**

**Chairman Reynolds called the meeting to order at 10:42AM.**

**Chairman Reynolds motioned for a vote to accept the minutes of the July 2012 and September 2012 meetings. Seconded by John**

**Mancone. All members present were in favor.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**None**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Auto Glass Regulation:**

**Discussions on auto glass shop regulations as they relate to: clarify wording relating to intent of statute; set minimum standards; set safety standards –based on the Boards belief that the person installing glass should have training/education on how to complete the job properly and that the shop has the right type equipment to complete the job; that the shop have sufficient square footage, seven (7) board members agree that 800 square feet would be sufficient to get the vehicle off the street and into a controlled environment in adverse weather. The advisory board is taking into consideration all the information received over the years showing that glass is a structural part of the vehicle. It has a certain performance in the overall construction and safety of the vehicle. There are a lot of public safety concerns on the structural installation of glass.**

**The Glass industry will need to be prepared to go to the general assembly to testify if any statutory change is needed. Foreseeable problems-Glass installation companies who do not have a location and unlicensed shops who don't have the money to buy proper equipment will object. Mr. DeQuattro suggested the board do an impact statement so when the regulation is complete it will be ready to go forward.**

**OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**Mr. Bottella brought to the Boards attention that it was brought to his attention that there may be shops who falsified information pertaining to Technician Certification and equipment affidavits on renewal applications. The two biggest problems being the measuring systems and the welders. Randy volunteered to go with the inspector to familiarize him with the equipment.**

**Discussion to reconfirm complaint process. If the Inspector needs help we can bring it to the board in executive session. Mr. Bottella**

**also suggested that the Department work with ABARI in the complaint process.**

**Discussion on renewals as of this meeting 199 auto body shops and 19 glass licensees have renewed.**

**Chairman Reynolds motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Hurd. All members present were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 11:54 a.m.**

**Next scheduled meeting will be held on February 27, 2013.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Kim Precious**

**Implementation Aide**