

**RI BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL LAND
SURVEYORS**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD

DATE 14 March 2006

**PLACE 1 Capitol Hill, 2nd Floor Conference Room B, Providence,
RI**

**MEMBERS PRESENT Messrs. DiOrio, Federici, Lipsitz, Reddington
and Sheldon**

**OTHERS PRESENT Ms. Christina Styron, Administrative Assistant
Mr. Peter N. Dennehy, Esquire, Legal Counsel
Mr. Matthew Cotta, RISPLS Liaison
Mr. Thomas D. Drury, Jr.**

**CALLED TO ORDER Chairman DiOrio called the meeting to order at
1:08 PM.**

**AGENDA ITEM #1 Mr. Federici made a motion, seconded by
Secretary Reddington, to
Approval of Minutes approve the Regular and Executive Session**

minutes of the 14 February

2006 meeting. The motion was passed unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM #2 Because of the nature of the following items, Secretary Reddington made Executive Session a motion at 1:09 PM, seconded by Mr. Federici, to hold an

Executive Session according to Section 42-46-5a of the Rhode Island

General Laws, for sessions or work sessions pertaining to collective

bargaining or litigation under Section 42-46-5(A)(2) and for investigative

proceedings regarding allegations of civil or criminal misconduct under

Section 42-46-5(A)(4) and the motion was passed. See Executive Session

Minutes Agenda.

Vice Chairman Sheldon made a motion at 2:26 PM, seconded Mr. Lipsitz, to come out of Executive Session. The motion was passed unanimously.

Vice Chairman Sheldon made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lipsitz, to seal the Executive Session minutes of today's (14 March 2006) meeting of the Board and a record of the vote taken. The motion was passed unanimously.

Record of Votes Taken in Executive Session

Executive Agenda Item #1 - The Board reviewed the revised draft Entry of Judgment. Mr. Federici made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lipsitz, to have Attorney Dennehy proceed with the Entry of Judgment. The motion was passed unanimously.

Mr. Federici made a motion, seconded by Secretary Reddington, to continue this matter until the next meeting. The motion was passed unanimously.

Executive Agenda Item #2 - Mr. Lipsitz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Federici, to follow-up on this if no responses have been received by the next meeting. The motion was passed unanimously.

Mr. Lipsitz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Federici, to continue this matter until the next meeting. The motion was passed unanimously.

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Executive Agenda Item 3. - Mr. Federici made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Sheldon to continue this matter. The motion was passed unanimously.

Executive Agenda Item 4 - Mr. Lipsitz made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Sheldon to continue this matter. The motion was passed unanimously.

Executive Agenda Item 5 - Mr. Federici made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lipsitz to continue this matter. The motion was passed unanimously.

Executive Agenda Item 6 - Mr. Lipsitz made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Sheldon to continue this matter. The motion was passed unanimously.

Executive Agenda Item 7 - Secretary Reddington made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lipsitz, to send the person named in the complaint a letter recommending that he/she improve his/her communications with clients in the future and a letter to the complainant stating that the Board feels that this is a contractual issue and to close this complaint file after the letters have been mailed. The motion was passed unanimously.

Executive Agenda Item 8 - Mr. Lipsitz made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Sheldon, to close this complaint file after the letter has been mailed. The motion was passed unanimously.

Executive Agenda Item 9 Vice Chairman Sheldon made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lipsitz, to continue this matter. The motion was passed unanimously.

Executive Agenda Item 10 - Mr. Lipsitz made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Sheldon, to close this complaint file after the letters have been mailed. The motion was passed unanimously.

Executive Agenda Item 11 - Mr. Federici made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lipsitz, to continue this matter. The motion was passed unanimously.

Executive Agenda Item 12 - Mr. Federici made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lipsitz, to continue this matter. The motion was passed unanimously.

Executive Agenda Item 13 - Mr. Lipsitz made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Sheldon, to close this complaint file after the letters have been mailed. The motion was passed unanimously.

Executive Agenda Item 14 Mr. Federici made a motion, seconded by

Vice Chairman Sheldon, to send a letter to the complainant stating that the Board does not see anything within this matter that rises to the level of our jurisdiction. We will include a copy of the person named in the complaint's response. If he can be more specific as to a dispute with the boundary or

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as to how the survey does not meet the Standards of this Board per RIGL 5-8.1-15(b)4, the Board would be willing to further address this matter.. We do not resolve boundary disputes between two neighbors. Defacing property is a civil matter. The motion was passed unanimously.

Secretary Reddington made a motion, seconded by Mr. Federici, to continue this matter until the next meeting

AGENDA ITEM #3 1. A CRMC notice of Public Hearing was received.

Correspondence

2. A letter from the National Society of Professional Surveyors regarding the Registration Boards Forum to be held on April 23, 2006, in Orlando, FL, was received. We will respond that no one is able to attend due to lack out any out-of -state travel funding.

3. A letter of invitation and a registration packet from the West Virginia State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers for the 2006 Northeast Zone Meeting to be held May 18-20, 2006, was received. The Zone is offering financial support to Board delegates who cannot attend otherwise.

Secretary Reddington made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Sheldon, to have Ms. Styron represent the Board, if financial aid is granted. The motion was passed unanimously.

4. A letter requesting proposals for the 2011 NCEES Annual meeting city was received. This Board will not be making a proposal.

5. NCEES Licensure Exchange newsletter was received.

AGENDA ITEM #4 a. Legislation - Attorney Dennehy gave a status report:

Old Business Continuing Education Exemption Repeal Bill - House Bill No. 6836 was introduced and referred to House Corporations on 18 January 2006, scheduled for hearing and/or consideration on 31

January and then continued.

Increasing Fines Bill - House Bill No. 7575 was introduced and referred to

House Corporations on 16 February 2006.

Interim COA - There is no update on this matter.

Comity Applicants - Secretary Reddington and Mr. Federici are working on developing a guideline as a policy. We will target June 2006 for re-visitation.

b. Statewide Planning/RIGIS - There is no update at this time.

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c. CEU committee - The following courses were reviewed and assigned PDH value as follows:

Sponsor Date Seminar/Course Title PDH Value

**PESI 5-11-06 RI Easements: Rights of
Way & Other Encumbrances 8**

Secretary Reddington made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Sheldon, to approve the above listed course and PDH value as indicated. The motion was passed unanimously.

d. Administrative Issues/Budget -There is no update at this time.

e. CRMC - Chairman DiOrio - There is no update at this time. This will no longer appear as agenda item.

f. NCEES - There is no update on this matter

g. NSPS - Mr. Drury gave a brief update.

h. Education

• CCRI Update - There is no update at this time.

- **RISPLS - Equivalency degree option**

- i. **City of Providence - Abandoned Streets -We will ask Attorney Dennehy how we can be amore aggressive on this.**

- j. **Miscellaneous -**

- **Question of re-writing the Technical Standards & Code of Ethics**

Ms. Styron will e-mail the Technical Standards & the Code of Ethics to Board members for their review and suggested revisions.

- **Prepare a rundown of complaints for the society**

Chairman DiOrio is in the process of writing a summary

Have the Board review Board policies

- **Mr. Federici will review the policies in the Board member binders**

AGENDA ITEM #5 a. COA Application Review

New Business

The following new COA application was re-reviewed by the Board:

Anderson Engineering LLC

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Secretary Reddington made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lipsitz, to approve this application pending their amending their purpose at the Secretary of State's office to include land surveying and submitting an amended Certificate of Good Standing.. The motion was passed; Vice Chairman Sheldon abstained.

b. LSIT/PLS Application Review

Review correspondence from Robert Schultz & Brain Florek

Vice Chairman Sheldon will review their correspondence and make recommendations to the Board at the 11 April 2006 meeting.

Interview with Michael Darveau/LSIT Applicant Mr. Darveau appeared before the Board to further discuss his experience and qualifications to sit for the LSIT exam..

Secretary Reddington made a motion, seconded by Mr. Federicip. to allow Mr. Darveau to sit for the April 2006 NCEES LSIT exam. The motion was passed unanimously.

c. Miscellaneous - There is nothing at this time.

d. Comments from the General Public - There is nothing at this time.

e. The next Board meeting will be 14 March 2006 at 1:00 PM.

ADJOURNMENT The meeting was adjourned on the appropriate motion and was

approved unanimously at 4:41 PM.

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