

STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD

DATE 17 November 2009

PLACE 1511 Pontiac Avenue, Building 69-2 Conference Room, Cranston, RI

MEMBERS PRESENT Chairman Richard S. Lipsitz (present 1:00 PM to 2:35 PM), Vice Chairman Tomas D. Drury, Jr., Secretary Alfred W. DiOrio, Board Members Louis Federici and John Mensinger

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT Ms. Christina M. Styron, Administrative Assistant

Mr. Richard W. Berstein, Legal Counsel (present 1:00 PM to 1:25 PM)

Mr. Brian J. Riggs, DBR Department Budget Administrator

CALLED TO ORDER Chairman Lipsitz called the meeting to order at 1:10 PM.

AGENDA ITEM #1 Secretary DiOrio made a motion, seconded by Mr. Federici, to

Approval of Minutes approve the Regular and Executive Session minutes of the 20 October

2009 meeting. The motion was passed unanimously; five in favor.

Voting

in favor were Chairman Lipsitz, Vice Chairman Drury, Secretary DiOrio,

Messrs. Federici and Mr. Drury.

AGENDA ITEM #2 Because of the nature of the following items, Secretary DiOrio made a

Executive Session motion, 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 unanimously; five in favor. Voting

in favor were Chairman Lipsitz, Vice Chairman Drury, Secretary DiOrio,

Messrs. Federici and Mr. Drury at 1:11 PM.

Secretary DiOrio made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mensinger, to seal the executive session and record the votes taken in executive session pursuant to RIGL §42-46-4 and §42-46-5. The motion was passed unanimously ; five in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Lipsitz, Vice Chairman Drury, Secretary DiOrio, Messrs. Federici and Mr. Drury.

Record of Votes Taken in Executive Session

Executive Agenda Item #s 2.a.1. - Chairman Lipsitz made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Drury, to send the Consent Orders to both parties and to continue this matter. The motion was passed, four in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Lipsitz, Vice Chairman Drury, Secretary DiOrio and Mr. Drury; Mr. Federici did not vote as he was recused.

Executive Agenda Item #s 2.a.2. - No motions were made regarding this agenda item.

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Executive Agenda Item #s 2.a.3. - No motions were made regarding this agenda item.

Executive Agenda Item #2.b.c. - Secretary DiOrio made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mensinger, to continue this matter. The motion was passed unanimously; the motion was passed unanimously; five in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Lipsitz, Vice Chairman Drury, Secretary DiOrio, Messrs. Federici and Mr. Drury.

Executive Agenda Item #2.b.d. – No motions were made regarding this agenda item.

Executive Agenda Item #2.b.e. - No motions were made regarding this agenda item.

Adjournment Secretary DiOrio made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mensinger, to come out

of Executive Session and reconvene to an open meeting pursuant to RIGL

§42-46-4. The motion was passed unanimously at 2:31 PM; five in favor.

**Voting in favor were Chairman Lipsitz, Vice Chairman Drury,
Secretary**

DiOrio, Messrs. Federici and Mr. Drury.

End of record of votes taken in Executive Session

**Upon Chairman Lipsitz's departure, Vice Chairman Drury assumed
the**

duties of the Chairman.

**AGENDA ITEM #3 1. Notification of the NCEES 2010 Joint
Northeast/Southern Zone Interim**

Correspondence Meeting to be held 8-10 April 2010 was received.

2. NCEES Licensure Exchange was received

**3. A letter from Thomas Champlin requesting exemption from the
Continuing Education requirements accompanied by a doctor's note
was received. We will ask Attorney Berstein to review this
correspondence.**

4. Erosion Control magazine was received.

AGENDA ITEM #4 a. Legislation

Old Business

Attorney Berstein advised that any legislative changes should be

submitted by the end of November.

b. **Statewide Planning/RIGIS – Two copies of the Memorandum of Understanding executed by Paul Jordan, RIGIS Executive Committee was received. Chairman Lipsitz executed both copies at the meeting. One copy of the fully executed document will be sent to Mr. Jordan and one will be retained in the Board’s file.**

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c. **PDH review - The following courses were reviewed and recommended PDH value as follows:**

Sponsor Dates Seminar/Course Title PDH Value

McKissock ongoing/ Mapping Floodplains: A 4 with proof of 100% online Legal & Scientific Process completion –

Education 0 without proof

RI Flood 10-29-09 Risk MAP 2 with proof

Mitigation 11-19-09 LOMR/Elevation Certificates 2 with proof

Association 1-21-10 Sea Level Rise 2 with proof

2-25-10 Freeboard 2 with proof

TBD Community Liability 2 with proof

Mr. Mensinger made a motion seconded by Secretary DiOrio, to approve the above listed courses and PDH values as indicated. The motion was passed; four in favor. Voting in favor were, Vice Chairman Drury, Secretary DiOrio, Messrs. Federici and Mr. Drury; Chairman Lipsitz did not vote as he left the meeting at 2:35 PM.

d. Administrative Issues

Vice Chairman Drury informed the Board that he will not be seeking reappointment to the Board. His term expired on 1 September 2009. Per RIGL § 5-8.1-5(b), he will continue to serve until his successor is appointed and qualified. We will notify the Governor's office.

e. NCEES – There was no discussion on this agenda item.

f. NSPS – There was no discussion on this agenda item.

g. Miscellaneous

1. RISPLS Advisory Committee regarding the Technical Standards & Code of Ethics

The draft of the proposed standards is complete; therefore, the Committee will not be meeting anymore. This will no longer appear as an Agenda Item.

AGENDA ITEM #5 a. COA Application Review - There were no COA applications for review:

New Business

b. LSIT/PLS Application

Christopher Coppens – PLS applicant – We will call him for an interview next month.

c. Miscellaneous – There are no miscellaneous agenda items.

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d. Comments from the General Public

Mr. McCormick reported that he will be setting up an informational workshop with the Building Officials and Mr. Federici representing the Board.

e. The next Board meeting is scheduled for 8 December 2009 at 1:00 PM.

AGENDA ITEM #6 Upon the appropriate motion, the meeting was adjourned at 3:07 PM.

Adjournment

Secretary DiOrio made a motion, seconded by Mr. Federici, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was passed; four in favor. Voting in favor were, Vice Chairman Drury, Secretary DiOrio, Messrs. Federici and Mr. Drury; Chairman Lipsitz did not vote as he left the meeting at 2:35 PM.

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