

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

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD**

**DATE 19 October 2010**

**PLACE 1511 Pontiac Avenue, Building 69-1 Conference Room,  
Cranston, RI**

**MEMBERS PRESENT Chairman Thomas D. Drury, Jr., Vice Chairman  
John Mensinger. Secretary Alfred W. DiOrio, and Board Members  
Louis Federici and Richard S. Lipsitz**

**MEMBERS ABSENT: None**

**OTHERS PRESENT Ms. Christina M. Styron, Administrative  
Assistant**

**Mr. Louis A. DeQuattro, Jr., Legal Counsel**

**Mr. Brian J. Riggs, DBR Department Budget Administrator**

**CALLED TO ORDER Chairman Drury 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 14 September**

**2010 meeting with an amendment on Agenda Item #4c. The motion was**

**passed unanimously; five in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Drury,**

**Vice Chairman Mensinger, Secretary DiOrio, Mr. Federici and Mr. Lipsitz.**

**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 Drury, Vice Chairman Mensinger, Secretary**

**DiOrio,**

**Mr. Federici and Mr. Lipsitz at 1:01 PM.**

**Secretary DiOrio made a motion, seconded by Mr. Federici, 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 Drury, Vice Chairman Mensinger, Secretary DiOrio, Mr. Federici and Mr. Lipsitz.**

**Secretary DiOrio made a motion, seconded by Mr. Federici, pursuant to RI General Law §42-46-4 that the Board defer disclosure of all votes in executive session until such time as such disclosure would not jeopardize any strategy, negotiation, or investigation undertaken concerning RI General Law §42-46-5(a). The motion was passed unanimously; five in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Drury, Vice Chairman Mensinger, Secretary DiOrio, Mr. Federici and Mr. Lipsitz.**

**Record of Votes Taken in Executive Session**

**Executive Agenda Item #s 2.a.1. – Disclosure deferred.**

**Executive Agenda Item #s 2.a.2. - Disclosure deferred.**

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**Executive Agenda Item #s 2.a.3. – Mr. Lipsitz made a motion, seconded by Secretary DiOrio, to close Complaint C10-LS-1 - John J. Barker, Jr./Barker Land Surveying, Inc. vs. George Marderosian/Clubhouse Capital. The motion was passed; four in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Drury, Secretary DiOrio, Mr. Federici and Mr. Lipsitz; Vice Chairman Mensinger abstained.**

**Executive Agenda Item #s 2.a.4. – Mr. Lipsitz made a motion, seconded by Secretary DiOrio, to close Complaint C10-LS-2 - CRMC/Warwick Building Inspector and to now list CRMC as a Regular Agenda item. . The motion was passed; five in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Drury, Vice Chairman Mensinger, Secretary DiOrio, Mr. Federici and Mr. Lipsitz.**

**Executive Agenda Item #2.b.1. Disclosure deferred.**

**Executive Agenda Item #2.b.2. – Disclosure deferred.**

**Executive Agenda Item #2.b.3. - Mr. Lipsitz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Federici, to send Carol Cummings a letter and a copy of American Engineering's response and to close the Carol Cummings/Northeast Engineers & Consultants, Inc. matter. The motion was passed; five in favor. The motion was passed; five in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Drury, Vice Chairman Mensinger, Secretary DiOrio, Mr. Federici and Mr. Lipsitz.**

**Adjournment Secretary DiOrio made a motion, seconded by Mr. Federici, to come out of Executive Session and reconvene to an open meeting pursuant to RIGL §42 46-4. The motion was passed unanimously at 1:50 PM; five in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Drury, Vice Chairman Mensinger, Secretary DiOrio, Mr. Federici and Mr. Lipsitz.**

**In Executive Session pending matters, there are seven (7) pending matters, comprised of seven (7) investigative matters, with one (1) recusal in one (1) matter, two (2) recusals in one (1) matter and one (1) recusal in one (1) matter.**

**End of record of votes taken in Executive Session**

**Messrs. DeQuattro and Riggs left the meeting at 1:55 PM.**

**AGENDA ITEM #3 1. RISPLS Newsletter was received.**

**Correspondence**

**AGENDA ITEM #4 a. Legislation – There are no Legislative Issues at this time.**

**Old Business**

**b. PDH Approval Requests- There are no PDH Approval requests.**

**c. Administrative Issues – There are no Administrative Issues.**

**d. NCEES – There are no NCEES Issues.**

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## **e. Adoption of Procedural & Technical Standards**

**Vice Chairman Mensinger suggested that another workshop be scheduled.**

## **f. Miscellaneous**

**RI Portion Exam – Mr. Federici will set up an exam questions database.**

## **AGENDA ITEM #5 a. COA Application Review**

### **New Business**

**The Board reviewed the following Initial COA applications:**

**GEOD Corporation applying as a corporation listing Paul N. Robinson as the person in responsible charge**

**Mr. Chris Emilius, Secretary, GEOD Corporation appeared before the Board. The Board reviewed a written response from John Emilius, President, GEOD Corporation as to why they were providing survey services in RI in Spring 2010 prior to applying for a COA (Certificate of Authorization. The Board accepted their explanation.**

**Mr. Lipsitz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Federici, to approve GEOD Corporation's COA application pending receipt of a Certificate of Good Standing from the RI Secretary of State's office. The motion**

**was passed; five in favor. The motion was passed; five in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Drury, Vice Chairman Mensinger, Secretary DiOrio, Mr. Federici and Mr. Lipsitz.**

**The Board reviewed the following reinstatement COA applications:**

**Conklin & Soroka, Inc. listing Todd Andrews as the person in responsible charge**

**John P. Caito Corporation - David Small as the person in responsible charge**

**Secretary DiOrio made a motion, seconded by Mr. Federici, to approve the above listed amended COA applications. The motion was passed; three in favor. Voting in favor were Vice Chairman Mensinger, Secretary DiOrio and Mr. Federici.**

**J. R. Andrews, III, Survey & Engineering Associates, Inc. – removing Albert Florentz as a person in responsible charge**

**Mr. Lipsitz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Federici, to approve the listed reinstatement and amended COA applications. The motion was passed; five in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Drury, Vice Chairman Mensinger, Secretary DiOrio, Mr. Federici and Mr. Lipsitz.**

**b. LSIT/PLS Application – There are no applications for review.**



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**c. Miscellaneous**

**Barrington Tax Appeals Board**

**Mr. Lipsitz reported that he had received a call a while ago from the Barrington Tax Assessor asking if Class IV surveys were sufficient for him**

**to do tax appeals. Mr. Lipsitz told him that a Class I would be appropriate.**

**A client asked Mr. Lipsitz for a Class III survey for a Tax Appeal. An engineer had told the client that a Class III is sufficient. Mr. Lipsitz will**

**bring more information to a future meeting.**

**The Board agreed to continue this matter.**

**d. Comments from the General Public – There were no comments.**

**e. The next Board meeting is scheduled for 9 November 2010 at 1:00 PM.**

**AGENDA ITEM #6 Upon the appropriate motion, the meeting was adjourned at 2:36 PM.**

**Adjournment**

**Mr. Federici made a motion , seconded by Secretary DiOrio, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was passed; five in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Drury, Vice Chairman Mensinger, Secretary DiOrio, Mr. Federici and Mr. Lipsitz.**

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