

**State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION
1511 Pontiac Avenue, Bldg. 68-2
Cranston, Rhode Island 02920**

**Division of
Design Professionals STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR
PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD**

DATE: 12 January 2016

**PLACE: 1511 Pontiac Avenue, Building 68 Conference Room 68-1,
Cranston, RI**

**MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Michael J. McCormick, Secretary Mark D.
Boyer and Member Amy N. Sonder**

**MEMBER ABSENT: Vice-Chair Daniel R. Cotta
Macky McCleary, Director of DBR**

OTHERS PRESENT: Mrs. Lois Marshall, Administrative Assistant

**CALLED TO ORDER: Chair Michael J. McCormick called the meeting
to order at 1:19 p.m.**

A. MEETING MINUTES (Review/Discuss/Take Action)

Secretary Boyer made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 8, 2015. Member Sonder seconded. Motion passed; three (3) in favor and one absent. Voting in favor were, Chair Michael J. McCormick, Secretary Mark D. Boyer and Member Amy N. Sonder. Vice-Chair Daniel R. Cotta was absent.

B. EXECUTIVE SESSION

(1) Because of the nature of the following items, Member Sonder moved to convene into Executive Session at 1:47 p.m. Pursuant to RI General Laws, §42-46-5(a) (2), for sessions or work sessions pertaining to collective bargaining or litigation and §42-46-5(a) (4) for investigative proceedings regarding allegations of civil or criminal misconduct. Secretary Boyer seconded. Motion passed; three (3) in favor and one absent. Voting in favor were, Chair Michael J. McCormick, Secretary Mark D. Boyer and Member Amy N. Sonder. Vice-Chair Daniel R. Cotta was absent.

(2) Member Sonder moved to adjourn from Executive Session and to reconvene to an open meeting at 2:40 p.m. Secretary Boyer seconded. Motion passed; three (3) in favor and one absent. Voting in favor were, Chair Michael J. McCormick, Secretary Mark D. Boyer and Member Amy N. Sonder. Vice-Chair Daniel R. Cotta was absent.

(3) Member Sonder moved to seal the executive session and record

the votes taken in executive session pursuant to RI General Laws §42-46-4 and §42-46-5. Secretary Boyer seconded. Motion passed; three (3) in favor and one absent. Voting in favor were, Chair Michael J. McCormick, Secretary Mark D. Boyer and Member Amy N. Sonder. Vice-Chair Daniel R. Cotta was absent.

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(4) Member Sonder moved to record the votes taken in executive session in accordance with RI General Laws §42-46-4 as follows: Motions were made to continue the following agenda items B,C,D, E, F, H, I and J and to close G. Secretary Boyer seconded. Motion passed; three (3) in favor and one absent. Voting in favor were, Chair Michael J. McCormick, Secretary Mark D. Boyer and Member Amy N. Sonder. Vice-Chair Daniel R. Cotta was absent.

(5) Member Sonder moved pursuant to R I 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). Secretary Boyer seconded. Motion passed; three (3) in favor and one absent. Voting in favor were, Chair Michael J. McCormick, Secretary Mark D. Boyer and Member Amy N. Sonder. Vice-Chair Daniel R. Cotta was absent.

(6) In Executive Session pending matters, there are eight (8) pending matters.

Member Sonder moved to approve and seal the Executive Session Meeting Minutes of December 8, 2015 as published. Secretary Boyer seconded. Motion passed; three (3) in favor and one absent. Voting in favor were, Chair Michael J. McCormick, Secretary Mark D. Boyer and Member Amy N. Sonder. Vice-Chair Daniel R. Cotta was absent.

C. CORRESPONDENCE (Review/Discuss/Take Action)

The Rhode Island Society of Professional Land Surveyors monthly bulletin was received.

D. OLD BUSINESS (Review/Discuss/Take Action)

(1) Professional Development Hours (PDH) Approval Requests

There was no approval request received for Professional Development Hours.

(2) National Council of Examiners for Engineers and Surveyors (NCEES)

The Board did not receive any correspondence from NCEES.

(3) Rules and Regulation

Chair McCormick moved to have Ms. Marshall email the new Rules and Regulations to all registrants as well town clerks, Building

Officials, Planning and Zoning Departments.

(4) 2015 Legislation – Status Update

The Board is continues to work on legislation to be re-submitted.

(5) PLS Examination

• Exam Database

There was no update to report.

• RI Portion Exam

These exams are under review.

(6) Any other Old Business

There is no old business at this time.

E. NEW BUSINESS (Review/Discuss/Take Action)

(1) Any Other New Business

(2) Comments from the General Public

No comments at this time.

F. Applications (Review/Discuss/Take Action)

(1) Certificate(s) of Authorization (COA) Application(s)

There were no Certificate of Authorization applications

**(2) Land Surveyor-in-Training/Professional Land Surveyor (LSIT/PLS)
Application(s) by Examination and Comity**

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Chair McCormick moved to send a letter to Mr. Hingorany requesting his presents at the 9 February Board meeting to discuss his course work regarding Survey II requirements. Secretary Boyer seconded. Motion passed; three (3) in favor and one absent. Voting in favor were, Chair Michael J. McCormick, Secretary Mark D. Boyer and Member Amy N. Sonder. Vice-Chair Daniel R. Cotta was absent.

G. Next Meeting 9 February 2016 Adjournment

Chair McCormick moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:25 p.m. Secretary Boyer seconded. Motion passed; four in favor. Voting in favor were Chair Michael J. McCormick, Vice-Chair Daniel R. Cotta, Secretary Mark D. Boyer and Member Amy N. Sonder.

Posted on 10 February 2016 electronically on Secretary of State's Office website; pursuant to the Open Meetings Law, R.I. Gen. Laws Sec. 42-46-6(b), business not included in this notice may be

considered with the consent of the majority of the members, and/or may convene into Executive (closed) Session pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws Sec. 42-46-5.

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