

**BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS  
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD**

**DATE: 17 October 2007**

**PLACE: 1 Capitol Hill, 2nd Floor, Conf. Rm. C  
Providence, RI 02908**

**MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Carter Ms. Bradford, Ms. Sparks  
and Ms. Votta**

**MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Pilz**

**OTHERS PRESENT: Irene Mowry, Administrative Assistant  
Attorney Thomas Palombo  
Peter Dennehy, Deputy Chief Legal Counsel**

**CALLED TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m.**

**PREPARED BY: Irene Mowry**

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Board**

**Board members reviewed the regular and executive minutes of the 24 September 2007 meeting. Motion to approve with modifications to the Executive Minutes was made by Ms. Bradford and seconded by Ms. Sparks. All members present approved motion.**

## **Executive Session**

**The Board did not move to go into Executive Session.**

## **Old Business**

**Rules and Regulations - This item is tabled for discussion at a later date.**

**Renewal Applications - There were no renewal applications for review.**

**Re-organization of Boards - Attorney Dennehy informed Chairman Carter and the Board that he had a lengthy conversation with the Board of Examination and Registration of Architects at their meeting regarding the proposed legislation. Chairman Carter said that in his opinion talking to your legislators will help but feels that it is too soon to write a letter or talk to them. He thinks that it would be better to approach house finance committee members and other officials when they are in session so that it is fresh in their minds. Attorney**

**Dennehy stated that they do not go back into session until January and if the proposed legislation is not corrected before then, it would mean that beginning in January of 2008, the Board meetings could not be held as they currently are, but would have to be held according to the new legislation. This could create serious problems.**

**Ms. Bradford disagreed with Chairman Carter and stated that she wants the other Boards' to know that we are in agreement with them and thinks that the Board should get a letter prepared to mail to the appropriate individuals. Chairman Carter then concurred with Ms. Bradford's concerns. Attorney Dennehy stated that the Board of Examination and Registration of Architects has requested a joint meeting of all Boards to be scheduled during the first couple of weeks in November. Chairman Carter asked Ms. Mowry to prepare a draft letter and email to Board members for comments.**

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**New Business**

**CLARB Presidential Recognition Award - Ms. Mowry presented Board members and legal staff with a Presidential Recognition Award**

received from CLARB President Jim Figurski. Each year the President has the pleasure of presenting an award to an individual or individuals who have made significant contributions to CLARB not only in the past year, but throughout their association with CLARB. During this year of transition at CLARB the support, commitment and diligence of Member Board Executives, Committee Members, CLARB Staff and members of the Board of Directors has been phenomenal and as a result it was the President's decision to present a very personal Presidential Award to each member Board, every active CLARB Committee Member, all of CLARB Staff and each member of the Board of Directors.

**LARE Review** - Three of the June 2007 LARE candidates have requested red-line reviews of their failed sections. After discussion with Board members, the date of the review session is scheduled on Monday, November 26, 2007 in the William E. Powers Department of Administration Building, 1 Capitol Hill, 2nd Fl., Conf. Rm. C, Providence, RI at 5:00 p.m. Candidates will have a total of one (1) hour per section for review.

**Applications - Reciprocity** applications for Kenneth R. Dickinson and Lucas W. Murray were reviewed. Upon a motion made by Ms. Sparks, seconded by Chairman Carter and approved by all members present, these applicants were approved for licensure.

**COA's** - Nancy Parmentier, LA#377, requested an exemption to the

**COA requirement but responded that she is offering landscape architectural services in this State on her renewal application. Per phone call by Ms. Mowry to Ms. Parmentier on September 26, 2007, she will be completing a corporate COA application and mailing it in.**

**Board members reviewed the renewal/amended COA application for Tetra Tech Rizzo, Inc. They are changing their name from Rizzo Associates, Inc. The COA lapsed on June 30, 2006. Motion to renew the COA and approve the name change from Rizzo Associates, Inc. to Tetra Tech Rizzo, Inc. was made by Ms. Sparks. Motion was seconded by Chairman Carter and approved by all members present.**

**It was noted that Thomas S. Benjamin was previously listed as the landscape architect in responsible charge for Rizzo Associates, Inc. Board members questioned whether or not Mr. Benjamin held a current Certificate of Authorization (COA), was currently listed on one, or was granted an exemption to the COA requirement. They asked Ms. Mowry to research this information and report at the next meeting of the Board.**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Chairman Carter motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m. Motion was seconded by Ms. Bradford and approved by all members present.**

**The next meeting of the Board scheduled on Wednesday, November 21, 2007 is rescheduled to Wednesday, November 28, 2007.**