

**RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & TRAINING
DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
MECHANICAL BOARD
1511 PONTIAC AVENUE
Building 70 – 2nd Floor Conference Room
Cranston, RI 02920**

TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2007

In attendance: Stanley Davies, Chairperson

Bobby Jo Harris

Michael Carreiro

John Webster

Michael Januario

Ronald Cronin

Ted Whittaker

Charles Wright

Quinlin Regan

Chester Stewart

Not in Attendance: Peter Lombardi, Kenneth Aurrecchia

**Mr. Stanley Davies, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 9:05
a.m.**

There was a Quorum.

First Order of Business:

Charlie Wright reported that David J. Carreiro, of Carreiro & Carlson Mechanical Contracting, Inc. (#3040) has been postponed to our next meeting, May 2, 2007.

There will be one (1) hearing today.

Hearings:

1. Steven Rossi/N.E. Boiler Works – Violation #3050

Steven Richard Rossi and RIDLT Investigator, Charlie Wright is present today to provide testimony and have been sworn in by the board stenographer.

Ted Whittaker, RIDLT Investigator, read the violation: Location of violation: 29 Sawmill Road, Harmony (Glocester): On December 11, 2006, New England Boiler Works, LLC did have Steven Rossi install heating equipment at the above referenced address. There was no permit issued by the Town of Glocester to perform this work at the above location. This is a violation of RIGL 28-27-20 "State and municipal inspections and installation permits."

Steven Rossi addressed the Board and reported that this was rental property, and this was an emergency situation for an elderly person. Steven reported that by the time he could get to the Town of Glocester to get a permit, it was too late to obtain a permit.

Michael Carreiro made a motion that the Findings of Fact did occur and based on the testimony heard today, that the violation be suspended for one year and that the fine of \$500.00 be suspended for one year, pending any other violations, and that a recommendation be made to the Director of same. John Webster seconded the motion.

All the board members were in favor. Steven Rossi will be receiving a letter from the Director.

John Webster made a motion to accept the minutes of the March 7, 2007 minutes. Michael Januario seconded the motion.

Other Business:

A letter from Hebert Hitchen, who works for Lincoln Sheet Metal, Inc., has become aware that his present Master license for the Refrigeration and Pipefitter trades are not adequate to pursue complete mechanical contracts in the State of Rhode Island Rhode Island. Mr. Hitchen is requesting to test for the Sheet Metal Master Class I. Mr. Hitchen is currently a RI Refrigeration Master Class I, and RI Pipefitter Master Class 2. Michael Carreiro made a motion to take this under advisement. Four Board members were in favor of this motion, and three Board members were opposed. The motion carried to take this issue under advisement.

Barry Stroud was present today. Barry is a graduate of RI Vocational Technology, Corliss Park, Providence, RI. Barry has been involved in the layout and fabrication of sheet metal fittings. Barry wrote to the Board (Board received a copy of the letter) to have them consider him to be licensed to install duct work. Chester Stewart made a motion to have Barry take the test based on his experience. John Webster seconded the motion. All Board members were in favor.

Charlie Wright passed out letters to the Board members and a copy was sent to the Governor's office from Peter Lombardi that three names were submitted for his replacement to the Governor's office.

Letters from White Fuel Company were passed out to the Board members regarding Ronald Manish, Steven Dapont, Kevin Westgage, and Donald Ballard, who requested the Board to consider their applications for Refrigeration Journeyman 2 licenses under section 28-27-11 on the basis of past experience. Michael Carreiro made a motion to have a letter sent to White Fuel Company and speak to the Board at our next meeting, which will be held in May. Charlie Wright will send a letter to White Fuel Company. John Webster seconded the motion.

Charlie reported to the Board that the rules and regulations are in the hands of our lawyer.

John Webster made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 am. Michael Januario seconded the motion.

There was no further business.

Review of applications was brought before the Board after the meeting.

The next meeting of the Board of Mechanical Engineers is Wednesday, May 2, 2007 at 9:00 am in Building #70 of the Department of Labor & Training, second floor conference room, 1511 Pontiac Avenue, Cranston, RI 02920.

Respectively submitted by Elaine J. Heiss, April 4, 2007