

**RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & TRAINING  
DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION  
BOARD OF EXAMINATION & LICENSING  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM CONTRACTORS,  
TECHNICIANS AND INSTALLERS  
TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2011  
9:00 A.M.**

**In attendance: William McGowan, Chairman**

**Paul Feeney**

**Laurence Ryan Jr.**

**Jay Bombardier**

**Robert Gaj, Chief Investigator**

**Benjamin Copple, Legal Counsel**

**Not in attendance: Steven Mollo**

**G. Thomas Chabot**

**Robert Zuba**

**Meeting was called to order at 9:21 am by William McGowan.**

**Roll call and there was a quorum.**

**Robert Gaj gave the Board an update.**

**Believing the minutes from the previous meeting have been approved, the meeting continues.**

**There are no hearings.**

**Elections:**

**Paul Feeney nominated William McGowan for Chairman, seconded by Laurence Ryan: no other nominations for Chairman, nominations are closed. A motion was by Paul Feeney to accept William McGowan as Chairman, second by Laurence Ryan. Passed unanimously by the board.**

**Laurence Ryan nominated Paul Feeney for vice-chairman, seconded by Jay Bombadier, no other nominations for Vice-Chairman; nominations are closed. A motion to accept Paul Feeney as Vice-Chairman made by Paul Feeney, seconded by Laurence Ryan. Passed unanimously by the board.**

**A motion was made by Paul Feeney to suspend nominations for secretary until the next meeting as the current Secretary, Robert Zuba, is not present, seconded by Larry Ryan. Passed unanimously by the board.**

**Review of applications was held while board members reviewed the applications.**

## **Other Business:**

**David Francis addressed the Board regarding member terms.**

**Jay Bombadier requested clarification of RIGL 5-70-6. The Board had a discussion.**

**Review of applications resumes. The Board has a discussion.**

**Bob Gaj addressed the Board regarding a meeting he had with Peter Bowman, Vice President of External Affairs for Verizon (MA and RI) with their attorney. Verizon intends to offer Burglar Alarm and CCTV service through their FIOS system. The CCTV part falls under this board and is an issue. Mr. Bowman informs that it is a self installed system, by the customer themselves, and they basically sell equipment. Mr. Gaj is concerned about installation. According to Verizon there may cases of technical assistance on-site. Mr. Gaj is concerned about this as those individuals would have to be licensed. William McGowan recommends having Verizon come in to make a presentation on the matter to provide information and allow the Board to have questions answered. Mr. Gaj noted that no applications have been received yet. Discussion continues.**

**Applications were revisited for clarification. A motion to approve the applications for Mike Shannon, Thomas Smotherman and Christopher Cunha, Jr was made by Laurence Ryan and seconded by Paul**

**Feeney. William McGowan recused himself regarding Mike Shannon and Thomas Smotherman. Passed by the Board. Applications for Lawrence Martin and Jerry Devine will be held waiting for more information.**

**A motion to adjourn was made by Laurence Ryan and seconded by Paul Feeney. Passed unanimously by the board.**

**The meeting adjourned at 10:00 am.**

**Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 5, 2011 at 9:00 am.**