

**RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & TRAINING
DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
BOARD OF EXAMINATION & LICENSING
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM CONTRACTORS,
TECHNICIANS AND INSTALLERS
1511 Pontiac Avenue, Bldg 70, 2nd Floor Conference Room
Cranston, RI 02920
Tuesday, May 1, 2012
9:00 A.M.**

In attendance: Jay Bombardier, Sr.

Paul Feeney

William McGowan, Chair

Laurence E. Ryan, Jr.

Robert Zuba

Not in attendance: G. Thomas Chabot and Steven J. Mollo

Also in attendance: Benjamin Cople, Legal Counsel; Robert Gaj, Chief Licensing Examiner; Joseph R. Degnan, Assistant Director; Ron D'Ambruoso, Administrator (not entire meeting)

1. - Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 9:10 am by William McGowan, Chair.

2. - Minutes:

Paul Feeney made a motion to accept the minutes to the February 7, 2012 meeting; seconded by Jay Bombardier. and passed unanimously by the Board.

3. - Conflict of Interest: Benjamin Cople, Legal Counsel, addressed the Board reminding the Board regarding their ethics requirements. This Board is subject to the statutory and regulatory requirements of the Rhode Island Ethics Commission. Conflicts of interest and recusals are discussed.

4. - Violation Appeal Hearings:

Lane Valente Industries (Violation # 4196): Respondent does not appear. Robert Gaj confirms that Lane Valente Industries were notified of today's hearing by both Certified Mail and Regular Mail. Neither was returned. USPS Tracking confirming delivery of the certified mail is marked Exhibit A. Robert Gaj, Chief Licensing Examiner, read the violation:

Date of Violation: 2/14/12

Name of Violator: Lane Valente Industries, 20 Keyland Court, Bohemia, NY

Location of Violation: Interlink Garage Jefferson Blvd., Warwick, Rhode Island

Violation: On February 1, 2012, DLT Chief Licensing Examiner, Robert Gaj, witnessed two employees of Lane Valente Industries providing infrastructure cabling and devices for a telecommunication

system (data). Lane Valente Industries employees were performing this work without possession of Rhode Island telecommunication systems technician licenses. This is two violations of Rhode Island General Law - Title 5, Chapter 70 (RIGL 5-70-2 Practices Prohibited - Unlicensed technicians). Lane Valente Industries is not in possession of a Rhode Island telecommunication system contractor license and failed to apply for a permit with the State of Rhode Island as required in RIGL 5-70-2 and RIGL 5-70-19d respectively. This is two violations of Rhode Island general law-Title 5, Chapter 70. Lane Valente Industries employees, Brian Chapman and Christopher D'Amato. A fine in the amount of \$2,000.00 was issued.

Robert Gaj provides testimony. The Board questions Mr. Gaj.

Paul Feeney made a motion that there was in fact a violation and the penalties imposed should be carried forward; seconded by Laurence Ryan and passed unanimously by the Board.

The recommendation will be forwarded to the Director.

End of hearings.

5. - Board Elections:

Chair: William McGowan nominates Paul Feeney for Chair. Mr. Feeney respectfully declines. Paul Feeney nominates William McGowan for Chair of the Board of Examination and Licensing of

Telecommunications Systems Contractors, Technicians and Installers and seconded by Robert Zuba. There were no other nominations and the nominations were closed. The Secretary, Robert Zuba, cast one vote for William McGowan. William McGowan is elected Chair.

Vice Chair: Laurence Ryan nominates Paul Feeney for Vice Chair of the Board of Examination and Licensing of Telecommunications Systems Contractors, Technicians and Installers; and seconded by Robert Zuba. There were no other nominations and the nominations were closed. The Secretary, Robert Zuba, casts one vote for Paul Feeney for Vice Chair. Paul Feeney is elected Vice Chair.

Secretary: Laurence Ryan nominates Robert Zuba for Secretary of the Board of Examination and Licensing of Telecommunications Systems Contractors, Technicians and Installers; seconded by Paul Feeney. There were no other nominations and the nominations were closed. The Secretary, Robert Zuba, casts one vote for Robert Zuba for Secretary. Robert Zuba is elected Secretary.

6. - Application Review / Approval:

The Board reviews the applications.

1. John A. Judge – TSC Data / Telephony: Paul Feeney made a motion to allow John A. Judge to sit for the TSC Data / Telephony exam; seconded by Laurence E. Ryan, Jr. and passed unanimously by the Board.

2. William K. Letson – TSC Video: Paul Feeney made a motion to allow William K. Letson to sit for the TSC Video exam; seconded by Robert Zuba and passed unanimously by the Board.

3. Richard E. Tanner – TSC Data / Telephony: Paul Feeney made a motion to allow Richard E. Tanner to sit for the TSC Data / Telephony exam; seconded by Robert Zuba and passed unanimously by the Board.

7. - Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Paul Feeney; seconded by Robert Zuba and passed unanimously by the board. The meeting adjourned at 9:50 am.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 5, 2012 at 9:00 am.