MINUTES

PLUMBING AND PIPING WORK EXAMINING BOARD

SEPTEMBER 19, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Charles E. Appleby, Sr., Chairperson, at 9:30 a.m. in Room-126 at the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut 06106.

Members Present: Charles E. Appleby, Sr., Contractor, Chairperson

George C. Sima, Well Drilling Contractor

James Piccoli, Contractor

Christopher M. Bowman, Contractor

John R. Damico, Unlimited Journeyperson Anthony Calandrino, Unlimited Journeyperson Hubert J. Barnes, Unlimited Journeyperson Frank J. DaCato, Unlimited Journeyperson

John R. Sullivan, Public Member Joyce Topshe, Public Member Melissa C. Sheffy, Public Member Carl W. Schaefer, Public Member

Member Absent: None

Board Vacancies: None

Board Counsel Present: None

DCP Staff Present: Nelson Leon

Anthony Santoro, Esq.

Ken Duff Janita Hamel Robert Nakano

Public Present: Chris Pinto

Krzysztof Matczuk

John Philbin John Elias

Hayes Rembijas Steve Perry Daniel Regan Nicholas Rinninger Samuel Worthen

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Allan Kurasz

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Board voted unanimously to approve minutes of the July 18, 2011 Plumbing and Piping Work Examining Board meeting.

APPLICATIONS

Robert C. Caldwell, II, Coventry, CT – (P-7) Limited Contractor – No Action Mr. Caldwell did not appear today and the Board took no action.

Jon M. Cullins, Springfield, MA – (P-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – No Action Mr. Cullins did not appear today and the Board took no action.

John Elias, Belchertown, MA - (P-1) Unlimited Contractor - Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Elias application due to lack of required apprenticeship completion certificate from Massachusetts verifying 8,000 hours of occupational related experience and 720 hours of occupational school related instruction experience.

John Graglia, Methuen, MA – (W-3) Non-Water Supply Contractor – No Action Mr. Graglia did not appear today and the Board took no action.

Allan J. Kurasz, Plainfield, CT – (P-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Kurasz application, contingent upon receipt of his original application.

Christopher H. Pinto, Darien, CT – (SP-1) Limited Pool/Spa Contractor – Approved (SP-2) The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Pinto's (SP-1) application due to lack of a required (SP-2) Limited Pool/Spa Journeyperson license for a minimum of two years. After further review of Mr. Pinto's application, the Board voted unanimously to approve him to sit for the (SP-2) Limited Pool/Spa Journeyperson exam based on equivalent experience & training and qualifying hardship.

John T. Rank, Branford, CT – (P-1) Unlimited Contractor – No Action Mr. Rank did not appear today and the Board took no action.

Nicholas Renninger, Uncasville, CT – (P-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Renninger's application due to lack of a required "Apprenticeship Completion Certificate". The Board requested Mr. Renninger's application be referred to DCP Trade Enforcement Division for investigation of his employers permitting applicant to perform plumbing work without required plumbing licensure or apprenticeship registration.

Martin Waung, Vernon, CT – (P-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – No Action Mr. Waung did not appear today and the Board took no action.

Samuel C. Worthen, Old Lyme, CT – (SP-1) Limited Pool/Spa Contractor – Approved (SP-2) The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Worthen's (SP-1) application due to lack of a required (SP-2) Limited Pool/Spa Journeyperson license for a minimum of two years. After further review of Mr. Worthen's application, the Board voted unanimously to approve him to sit for the (SP-2) Limited Pool/Spa Journeyperson exam based on equivalent experience & training.

LATE ARRIVING APPLICATIONS

(The Board voted unanimously to review the following late arriving applications)

Krzysztof E. Matczuk, Plano, IL – (P-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Approved The Board voted unanimously approved Mr. Matczuk's application.

Steven M. Perry, Harrisville, RI – (W-3) Non-Water Supply Contractor – Approved (W-4) The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Perry's (W-3) application due to lack of a required (W-4) Non-Water Supply Journeyperson license for a minimum of two years. After further review of Mr. Perry's application, the Board voted unanimously to approve him to sit for the (W-4) exam, contingent upon receipt and review of an apprenticeship completion certificate from the Rhode Island licensing authority attesting to his occupational related experience and school instruction related experience in order to determine if such is comparable or similar to the CT standards as it relates to the scope of work covered under the (W-4) license scope of work.

Daniel K. Regan, Jamestown, RI – (W-4) Non-Water Supply Journeyperson – ApprovedThe Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Regan's application based on equivalent experience and training. If he passes the (W-4) exam, he may apply for the (W-3) Non-Water Supply Contractor license and appear before the Board for hardship waiver of the two year requirement as a (W-4) Journeyperson.

Hayes Rembijas, Jamestown, RI – (W-3) Non-Water Supply Contractor – Denied The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Rembijas application due to lack of a required (W-4) Non-Water Supply Journeyperson license for a minimum of two years.

CORRESPONDENCE

 News Release from the State of CT Division of Criminal Justice, concerning a Massachusetts contractor sentenced for propane incident.

Mr. Nakano expanded on DCP involvement on this matter. The Board voted unanimously to have the Board Chairperson further consult with DCP Commissioner to see if this matter can be pursued under DCP jurisdiction.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

- 1. (CICA) CT Irrigation Contractors Association, Inc. 2011 continuing education filing for (J-4) Journeyperson types.
- **2.** (CICA) CT Irrigation Contractors Association, Inc. 2012 continuing education course filing for (J-3) Contractor types.

The Board voted unanimously to approve the 2011/2012 continuing education course filings on behalf of (CICA) CT Irrigation Contractors Association, Inc. for (J-3) and (J-4) license types.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board unanimously recommend that DCP continue to perform continuing education audit of licensed plumbers.

OLD BUSINESS

The Board is requesting copies of CT General Statutes concerning "Aeration Piping".

2011 MEETING SCHEDULE

Mondays --- January 24, March 21, May, 16, July 18, September 19, November 21.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.
Respectfully submitted,
Nelson Leon Board Secretary
The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 21, 2011 at 9:30 a.m. in Room-126.