

MINUTES

HEATING, PIPING, COOLING AND SHEET METAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

NOVEMBER 20, 2008

The meeting was called to order by Robert H. Barrieau, Acting Chairperson at 9:35 a.m. in Room 117 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members Present: Robert H. Barrieau, Unlimited Contractor, Acting Chairperson
Thomas F. Casey, Jr., Unlimited Contractor
David G. Foster, Unlimited Contractor / General Contractor
Philip H. Benoit, Limited Sheet Metal Journeyman
Ronald J. Crabb, Unlimited Journeyman

Members Absent: Patrick Duane, Limited Sheet Metal Contractor
Michael Rosario, Unlimited Journeyman
Cameron G. Champlin, Jr., Unlimited Journeyman
Christopher M. Dupuis, Public Member

Board Vacancies: Two Public Members, appointed by the Governor

Board Counsel Present: None

DCP Staff Present: Nelson Leon, Board Secretary

Public Present:	Joseph Gangianni	Robert Detrick	Edward Tomolillo	Paul Lichwan
	Keith Beckford	Ronald Digby, Jr.	Paul A. Berlo	William Renaud
	Joel R. Lambert	Andrew Sadej	Bob Albini	Marc Lichwan
	John P. Gesualdi	Michael R. Taylor	Tammie Whiting	Gary Weech
	Jason Holcomb	John Marshall	Joseph Rogers	
	Chris Profeta	William Andreasen	Jason Lucia	
	Roy A. Hunt	Joseph Aponte	Adam Gre	
	Anthony Mongiofoco	Mark Philhower, II	Chris Barrepski	
	John Cooke	Fernand Joseph	Jon Starr	
	Clarina Marius	Robert C	Fiore Freda	
	Robert Bridges	Ed Bissonnette	Don Hunter	
	Kevin Lynch	Wayne Hughes	Ardian Latifi	
	Dave Langdon	Rick Thorn	Dan Ruggerio	
	Frank Woodbury	Frank Lemay, Jr.	Fred Smith	
	John Garofalo	Anthony Berardi	Stephen Pitka	

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BOARD MEMBER RESIGNATION

1. Paula A. Welch, Public Member, is officially resigned from the Heating, Piping, Cooling and Sheet Metal Work Examining Board.
2. E-mail dated October 28, 2008 from Tommasi Fusciello, Public Member, announcing his resignation from the Heating, Piping, Cooling and Sheet Metal Work Examining Board.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Board voted unanimously to approve minutes of the October 28, 2008 Heating, Piping, Cooling and Sheet Metal Work Examining Board meeting.

APPLICATIONS

Joseph A. Aponte, Shelton, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved (S-4)

Mr. Aponte changed his license category to (S-4) Limited Journeyman. The Board voted to approve Mr. Aponte's (S-4) Limited Journeyman application. Mr. Crabb was opposed.

Keith L. Beckford, Bridgeport, CT – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Beckford's application due to lack of required school related instruction experience (lacking heating 1 & 2 courses, which would qualify him to apply for the (S-10) Limited Journeyman license).

Anthony W. Berardi, Waterbury, CT – (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyman – No Action

Mr. Berardi was previously approved to take his (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal examination in April 2007. Mr. Berardi may re-activate his approval by submitting a new application and application fee.

Edward Bissonnette, Terryville, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved (S-4)

Mr. Bissonnette changed his license category to (S-4) Limited Journeyman. The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Bissonnette's (S-4) Limited Journeyman application, contingent upon receipt of documentation regarding his school related instruction experience.

Joseph Cangianni, Port Chester, NY – (S-7) Limited Contractor – Approved (S-10)

Mr. Cangianni changed his license category to (S-10) Limited Journeyman. The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Cangianni's (S-10) Limited Journeyman application. If Mr. Cangianni passes his (S-10) Limited Journeyman examination, he may apply and sit for the (S-9) Limited Contractor examination.

Edward W. Closser, Jr. Springfield, MA – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – No Action

Mr. Closser was not present at today's meeting and the Board took no action on his application.

John Cooke, New York, NY – (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyman – Denied

The Board voted to deny Mr. Cooke's application due to lack of a required "Letter of Apprenticeship Completion" certificate. Board member David G. Foster was opposed.

Fiore A. Freda, Putnam Valley, NY – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Freda's application, contingent upon receipt of documentation regarding his school related instruction experience. If Mr. Freda passes his (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman examination, he may apply for the (S-1) Unlimited Contractor license and appear before the Board to consider his hardship for waiving the two year requirement as an (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman.

John P. Gesualdi, New Canaan, CT – (S-10) Limited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted to approve Mr. Gesualdi's application. Mr. Crabb was opposed.

Jason Holcomb, Moosup, CT – (B-2) Limited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Holcomb's application.

Donald J. Hunter, Ashaway, RI – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – Approved

Mr. Hunter asked the Board to consider him for the (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman and the Board voted unanimously to deny consideration of the (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman. After further review of Mr. Hunter's application, the Board voted to approve Mr. Hunter's (D-2) Limited Journeyman application. Mr. Crabb was opposed.

Joel R. Lambert, Kent, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Lambert's application, contingent upon receipt of his military (DD-214) documentation.

David A. Langdon, Beacon Falls, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Langdon's application. If Mr. Langdon passes his (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman examination, he may apply for the (S-1) Unlimited Contractor license and appear before the Board to consider his hardship for waiving the two year requirement as an (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman.

Ardian Latifi, Wethersfield, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Latifi's application due to lack of a required "Letter of Apprenticeship Completion" certificate.

Frank A. Lemay, Jr., S. Meriden, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Lemay's application due to lack of a required "Letter of Apprenticeship Completion" certificate.

Clarina Marius, E. Hartford, CT – (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Ms. Marius' application, contingent upon receipt of documentation verifying that Ms. Marius has completed the required apprenticeship program through her respective union (Sheet Metal Workers Union Local 40).

Mark A. Philhower II, Middletown, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – No Action

The Board was dead-lock on Mr. Philhower's application. The Board informed Mr. Philhower to have his employer register him as an apprentice with the CT Department of Labor.

Christopher A. Profeta, Danbury, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved (B-2)

Mr. Profeta changed his license category to (B-2) Limited Journeyman. The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Profeta's (B-2) Limited Journeyman application.

William F. Renaud, Chicopee, MA – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Renaud's application.

Joseph S. Rogers, W. Cornwall, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved (S-8)

Mr. Rogers changed his license category to (S-8) Limited Journeyman. The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Rogers' (S-8) Limited Journeyman application.

Daniel R. Ruggerio, West Haven, CT – (B-2) Limited Journeyman – No Action

Mr. Ruggerio was not present at today's meeting and the Board took no action on his application.

Andrew J. Sadej, New Britain, CT – (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Sadej's application.

Frederick E. Smith, Ansonia, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved (B-2)

Mr. Smith changed his license category to (B-2) Limited Journeyman. The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Smith's (B-2) Limited Journeyman application.

Jonathan M. Star, Simsbury, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Star's application.

Donald Thomas, Derby, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – No Action

Mr. Thomas was not present at today's meeting and the Board took no action on his application.

Peter T. Verderosa, Bethel, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – No Action

Mr. Verderosa was not present at today's meeting and the Board took no action on his application.

Gary Weech, Greenwich, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Weech's application.

Frank P. Woodbury, East Hampton, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved
The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Woodbury's application.

REQUESTING REINSTATEMENT OF EXPIRED LICENSE

William E. Andreasen, Winsted, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyman (Exp. 8/31/06).
The Board voted unanimously to allow reinstatement of Mr. Andreasen's license with payment of back fees from 8/31/06 to present.

Paul A. Berlo, N. Dighton, MA – (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyman (Exp. 8/31/06).
The Board voted unanimously to allow reinstatement of Mr. Dighton's license with payment of back fees from 8/31/06 to present.

Ronald Digby, Jr., Stafford Springs, CT – (B-2) Limited Journeyman (Exp. 8/31/07).
The Board voted unanimously to allow reinstatement of Mr. Digby's license with payment of back fees from 8/31/07 to present.

Robert Detrick, North Haven, CT – (B-2) Limited Journeyman (Exp. 8/31/07).
The Board voted unanimously to allow reinstatement of Mr. Detrick's license with payment of back fees from 8/31/07 to present.

John Garofalo, Wolcott, CT – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor (Exp. 8/31/06).
The Board voted unanimously to allow reinstatement of Mr. Garofalo's license with payment of back fees from 8/31/06 to present.

Adam D. Grieve, Vernon, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyman (Exp. 8/31/06).
The Board voted unanimously to allow reinstatement of Mr. Grieve's license with payment of back fees from 8/31/06 to present.

Adam D. Grieve, Vernon, CT – (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyman (Exp. 8/31/06).
The Board voted unanimously to allow reinstatement of Mr. Grieve's license with payment of back fees from 8/31/06 to present.

Wayne L. Hughes, Waterford, CT – (B-2) Limited Journeyman (Exp. 8/31/06).
The Board voted unanimously to allow reinstatement of Mr. Hughes' license with payment of back fees from 8/31/06 to present.

Fernand Joseph, Lawrenceville, GA – (S-7) Limited Contractor (Exp. 8/31/05).
The Board voted unanimously to allow reinstatement of Mr. Joseph's license with payment of back fees from 8/31/05 to present.

Mark D. Lee, W. Haven, CT – (S-4) Limited Journeyman (Exp. 8/31/07).
The Board voted unanimously to allow reinstatement of Mr. Lee's license with payment of back fees from 8/31/07 to present.

Frank A. Lemay, Jr., S. Meriden, CT – (B-2) Limited Journeyperson (Exp. 8/31/06).

The Board voted unanimously to allow reinstatement of Mr. Lemay's license with payment of back fees from 8/31/06 to present.

Jason D. Lucia, Torrington, CT – (SM-1) Limited Sheet Metal Contractor (Exp. 8/31/03).

The Board voted unanimously to allow reinstatement of Mr. Lucia's license with payment of back fees from 8/31/03 to present.

Anthony Mangiofico, Meriden, CT – (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyperson (Exp. 8/31/07).

The Board voted unanimously to allow reinstatement of Mr. Mangiofico's license with payment of back fees from 8/31/07 to present.

John N. Marshall, West Hartford, CT – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor (Exp. 8/31/06).

The Board voted unanimously to allow reinstatement of Mr. Marshall's license with payment of back fees from 8/31/06 to present.

John N. Marshall, West Hartford, CT – (SM-1) Limited Sheet Metal Contractor (Exp. 8/31/06).

The Board voted unanimously to allow reinstatement of Mr. Marshall's license with payment of back fees from 8/31/06 to present.

Thomas Pellecchia, N. Grosvenordale, CT – (SM-1) Limited Sheet Metal Contractor (Exp. 8/31/06).

The Board voted unanimously to allow reinstatement of Mr. Pellecchia's license with payment of back fees from 8/31/06 to present.

Stephen Pitka, East Haven, CT – (S-4) Limited Journeyperson (Exp. 8/31/99).

The Board voted unanimously to allow reinstatement of Mr. Pitka's license with payment of back fees from 8/31/99 to present.

Michael R. Taylor, Gales Ferry, CT – (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyperson (Exp. 8/31/05).

The Board voted unanimously to allow reinstatement of Mr. Taylor's license with payment of back fees from 8/31/05 to present.

Charles J. Thompson, Carmel, NY – (B-4) Limited Journeyperson (Exp. 10/1/93).

The Board voted unanimously to allow reinstatement of Mr. Thompson's license with payment of back fees from 10/1/93 to present.

Richard T. Thorn, Plantsville, CT – (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyperson (Exp. 8/31/04).

The Board voted unanimously to allow reinstatement of Mr. Thorn's license with payment of back fees from 8/31/04 to present.

Edward Tomolillo, Johnson, RI – (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyperson (Exp. 8/31/05).

The Board voted unanimously to allow reinstatement of Mr. Tomolillo's license with payment of back fees from 8/31/05 to present.

REQUESTING EXTENSION OF TIME TO TAKE EXAMINATION

John A. Perna, Bethel, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman.

Mr. Perna has been approved to take his (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman examination in 2005 and 2007. Mr. Perna is requesting an extension of time granted to take his examination based on a family medical hardship.

The Board voted unanimously to grant Mr. Perna an extension of time to take his (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman examination based on his family medical hardship.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Occupational Trade Board Apprentice's Permit Application.
2. Correspondence dated 9/25/08 from Bob Trabka, requesting answers to questions on steam and hot water heating boiler work.

The Board unanimously concluded that a license is required to perform steam and hot water heating boiler work, pursuant to CT General Statutes, Chapter 393.

3. Correspondence dated 11/4/08 from Jim Butler, Town of Southington Building Official, requesting an interpretation concerning the scope of work for a (B-1) Limited Contractor license holder.

The Board voted unanimously to table this matter to their next meeting scheduled January 22, 2009, for further review and discussion.

4. Email dated 11/5/08 from Mark P. Foley, requesting if a license is needed to perform "Advance Flue Testing".

The Board unanimously concluded that a license is required to perform "Advance Flue Testing", pursuant to CT General Statutes, Chapter 393.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Board is requesting that DCP Trade Enforcement Division provide them with an update concerning applications the Board forwarded to them to investigate the respective employer(s) of applicants for not registering them as apprentices.

PRESS RELEASE

Press release dated October 16, 2008, concerning a Bolton man convicted of doing electric and plumbing work without required permits and has paid more than \$6,000.00 in fines and restitution.

Edwin R. Lewis, age 48, of 24 Mount Sumner Drive, Bolton, CT, pled guilty under the Alford doctrine on September 24, 2008, in Rockville Superior Court to one count of Larceny by False Pretense in the Fourth Degree and two counts of Failure to Secure a Building Permit.

Mr. Lewis, operating under the name of ERL Electric, had no electrical or plumbing permit for the work he did or caused to be done at a single-family residence in Hebron in May 2007. The restitution was paid to the owner of the house.

Mr. Lewis has now paid \$2,454.00 in restitution and \$4,000.00 fine imposed by Honorable Judge Kenneth L. Shluger who also sentenced the defendant to a six-month suspended sentence and three years of conditional discharge.

By pleading guilty under the Alford doctrine, Mr. Lewis did not admit guilt but acknowledged that he likely would have been convicted had the case gone to trial. Mr. Lewis does not hold an electrical contractors license.

The case was prosecuted by the Supervisory Assistant State's Assistant State's Attorney for Housing Matters of the Office of the Chief State's Attorney in conjunction with the Town of Hebron Building Department and the Trade Practices Division of the State of Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nelson Leon
Board Secretary

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 22, 2009 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 117.