WORCESTER COUNTY ELECTRICAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES December 8, 2020

The Worcester County Electrical Board met on Tuesday December 8, 2020 in the meeting room of the Government Center Building, One West Market Street Room 1102, Snow Hill, MD 21863. Members present were Kenny Lambertson, Chairman, Steve Kolarik, Michael Patchett, Duane Duncan, Roy Case and Jeffrey Novak Members. Also in attendance was Deborah Mooney, License Permit Clerk II, Kristin Trembley Zoning Administrator, and Roscoe Leslie, County Attorney in attendance by phone.

The meeting was called to order by Kenny Lambertson chairman, at 3:00P.M.

The minutes of the last meeting held on March 10, 2020 and the agenda for this meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Steve Kolarik and Jeffrey Novak seconded the motion, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes, as presented.

The following is the Treasurer's Report to be included in the minutes:

Treasures Report for March:

60 permits were issued in March \$1,500.00 for electrical permits and \$2260.00 for electrical license. There were (3) new master electricians: Jonathan Metz, William Birch and Tim Mast all of them reciprocated with the State of Maryland. Tim Mast took over his father's number Alvin Mast who retired this year. Total for March is \$3760.00. Subject to confirmation by department.

Treasures Report for April:

42 permits were issued in April \$1050.00 for electrical permits and \$940.00 for electrical license. There were (2) new master electricians: Fred Jones and Jason Planck both of them reciprocated with the State of Maryland. Total for April is \$1990.00. Subject to confirmation by department.

Treasures Report for May:

33 permits were issued in May \$825.00 for electrical permits and \$730.00 for electrical license. There were (7) new master electricians: Robert J Eigenbrode, Wayne Messick, James Weaver, Joseph Johnson, Edward Allebach, David Baldwin and Carl Ramsey all of them reciprocated with the State of Maryland. Total for May is \$1555.00. Subject to confirmation by department.

Treasures Report for June:

78 permits were issued in June \$1950.00 for electrical permits and \$630.00 for electrical license. There were (5) new master electricians: Frank Panetta, Richard Tang Jr, Kyle Lankford and Joel Navarro all of them reciprocated with the State of Maryland. Daniel Cullen reciprocated with Virginia State. Total for June is \$2580.00. Subject to confirmation by department.

Treasures Report for July:

57 permits were issued in July \$1425.00 for electrical permits and \$400.00 for electrical license. There were (4) new master electricians: Clifford Watterton, Michael Riffey, Jack Wilson and Scott Carpenter all of them reciprocated with the State of Maryland. Total for July is \$1825.00. Subject to confirmation by department.

Treasures Report for August:

42 permits were issued in August \$1050.00 for electrical permits and \$500.00 for electrical license. There were (5) new master electricians: Neil Wharton, William Decker, Keith Whitaker and Dean Reedy all of them reciprocated with the State of Maryland. Donaldo Ortego Lagunes reciprocated with Wicomico County. Total for August is \$1550.00. Subject to confirmation by department.

Treasures Report for September:

55 permits were issued in September \$1375.00 for electrical permits and \$290.00 for electrical license. There was (2) new master electricians John Twaddell and Karl Richter who reciprocated with the State of Maryland. Jeffrey Garnett Jr .who reciprocated with Wicomico County (the Board approved by email). And Charles Rizer unshelved his electrician general license. Total for September is \$1665.00. Subject to confirmation by department.

Treasures Report for October:

58 permits were issued in October \$1,450.00 for electrical permits and \$600.00 for electrical license. There was (5) new master electricians Todd Cusick, Michael S. Maslanik, Keith Blizzard & Ryan Carrion all who reciprocated with the State of Maryland and Klaus Braun who reciprocated with Wicomico Co. Rodney Cannon reciprocated with Wicomico Co for an electrician limited license (the Board approved by email) and Russell Andrew Queen passed exam with Worcester County for an electrician general license. Total for October is \$2050.00. Subject to confirmation by department.

Treasures Report for November:

48 permits were issued in November \$1,200 for electrical permits and \$200.00 for electrical Licenses. There were (2) new master electricians Harvey Carlton and Christopher Buritz which both reciprocated with the State of Maryland. Total for November is \$1,400.00. Subject to confirmation by department.

In Old Business Mike Patchett asked about when we conduct testing for the applicants who have been approved to take their exams for their respective licenses. With the ongoing Covid 19 pandemic the Government Center Building has not been open to the public. Chairman Lambertson asked if the meeting could move on to New Business and then the issue could be addressed then. Mr. Patchett agreed.

The first item of New Business the Board reviewed was the application for Adam Smith to take the inspector's exam. Jeffrey Novak motioned to approve the request and Mike Patchett seconded the motion, and it was unanimously carried to approve the application. At this point in the meeting the subject of giving exams was addressed. Mr. Leslie advised that the Board was given great leeway in its testing. With that being said there has been precedence of giving examinations at times other than normal business hours, and at locations other than county buildings. When the Board conducts such examinations there are usually at least two board members present. The applicants are still allotted the normal four hours, with a current code book, and a calculator. The Board felt that the applicants have waited long enough and should be allowed to take their exams as it is now affecting their livelihoods. Deborah Mooney will discuss with Mr. Ed Tudor about the possibility of using the meeting room when there is a time available and have all the applicants take their examinations then. If such arrangements cannot be made, the Board members agreed that then other arrangements would be made to accommodate the applicants and not have them to wait any longer.

Next, the board reviewed the application of Mr. Frederick Verbos Jr. to reciprocate for an electrician limited license. Reviewing the application. Upon further investigation there was a receipt where Mr. Verbos had paid to renew the license but due to the Covid 19 pandemic the license had not been sent out or issued as of yet. Mr. Roy Case then motioned to approve the application and Mr. Duane Duncan seconded the motion, and was unanimously carried to approve the application.

There being no other business to be discussed Duane Duncan motioned to adjourn the meeting and Mike Patchett seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the meeting adjourned at 3:26 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Deborah Mooney, License Permit Clerk II Electrical Board