

Electrical Examiners Board (Tuesday, December 5, 2023)

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Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM**Members present**

Donald Haskin, Chairman
Ronald Phetteplace, Member
Ron Derby, Member
Robert Spence, Member
Dale Abell, Member

Supporting Staff Present

Amber Harding, Permits Manager, Land Use and Growth Management
Betty Nickerson, Sr. Administrative Coordinator

1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order Start Board of Electrical Examiners Meeting

2. ROLL CALL

Roll Call of the Board of Electrical Examiners Meeting
All members present

3. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES

Motion to approve the November 7, 2023 Board of Electrical Examiners meeting minutes
Motion by Robert Spence, second by Dale Abell.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Ron Derby, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence, Dale Abell
Abstain: Ronald Phetteplace

4. SECRETARY'S REPORT

A. Secretary Report
Amber Harding, Permits Manager, Land Use and Growth Management read the monthly report for November, 2023.

5. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Homeowner exam test questions
Test questions for the January homeowners test will remain the same. Dale Abell and Ronald Phetteplace will proctor the homeowner test if needed on January 18, 2024.
- B. Update to the Letter to the Commissioners of St. Mary's County
There is no update from John Houser, Assistant County Attorney, St Mary's County Government on the Letter to the Commissioners of St. Mary's County.
- C. Final Amendments to the NEC 2023 Code
Donald Haskin, Chairman stated that the time has passed for amendments to the NEC 2023 Code. The Board of Electrical Examiners would have had to make changes before April 2023. As of right now, the code comes out in December and is adopted in St. Mary's County unless it is stopped by the Electrical Board or the St. Mary's County Commissioners.
- D. Meter Tampering Southern Maryland Electric Coop (SMECO)

SMECO has no movement to changes to their policy. The policy remains the same at this time. Ron Derby, member will give an update in future meetings and if any changes are made.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. MUELEC Virtual Meeting November 15, 2023

Donald Haskin, Chairman and Ron Derby, Member attended the virtual Maryland Uniform Electrical Licensing Examination Committee (MUELEC) meeting on November 15, 2023. PSI (Electrical testing agency for the State of Maryland) has indicated that they will be using the 2020 questions that MEULEC supplied them for testing but there was no firm date set. Once the new code questions are distributed the Board of Electrical Examiners the test questions will be updated. The Maryland State License fees will be increasing. Discussion on changes in the licensing procedure's for licenses.

B. Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Requirements

Discussion on Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Requirements. House Bill 830 establishing and altering certain requirements related to the installation of equipment for the charging of electric vehicles during the construction of certain housing units; clarifying that a county or municipal corporation may require a greater number of electric vehicle parking spaces; requiring the Maryland Energy Administration to study certain issues related to the installation of electric vehicle parking spaces at multifamily residential buildings and submit a report to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2023. Betty Nickerson, Sr. Administrative Coordinator will contact John Houser, Assistant County Attorney, St Mary's County Government via email with questions on how to proceed with the new law.

C. FY 2025 Budget

Motion to approve the FY 2025 Board of Electrical Examiners Budget.

Motion by Robert Spence, second by Dale Abell.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Ron Derby, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence, Dale Abell

7. BEE ROUND TABLE

A. BEE Round Table

Dale Abell tried to use the Electrical Inspector "Roger" and he stated he will not do inspection on building permits due to conflicts with the Middle Department Inspection Agency (MDIA). Ronald Phetteplace, member stated there is a place in Charlotte Hall that does inspections. Amber Thompson, Permits Manager, Land Use and Growth Management stated this company (person) has not provided any proof of certification to Land Use and Growth Management.

8. ADJOURN

A. Adjourn the Board of Electrical Examiners December 5, 2023 meeting

Motion to Adjourn the December 5, 2023 Board of Electrical Examiners meeting

Motion by Ronald Phetteplace, second by Ron Derby.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Ron Derby, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence, Dale Abell

Meeting adjourn at 7:46 pm