

Marion County Board of County Commissioners

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Marion County License Review Board Minutes July 9, 2024

The monthly meeting of the Marion County License Review Board was held at the Growth Management Building, 2710 E. Silver Springs Blvd., Ocala, FL 34470.

The Vice Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. An official recording of the meeting was made by the Marion County Building Safety Department with BIS recording software.

1. INVOCATION

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL:

Board members present were: Lee Kitzmiller, Jeremiah Bennett James Duryea, Roger Sandor, Fawn Singletary, John "Mike" Gartner Jr. Alternates – Chuck Stokes and Alan O'Cull

Board members absent were: Zachary Curry

Also attending: Antoinette Hernandez. Board Secretary; Ryan Arbuckle, Supervisor of Investigations for Marion County Building Department; Michael Savage, Marion County Building Director; Michael Fanelli – Manager Permitting & Licensing for the Marion County Building Department; Valdoson Shealey, Assistant County Attorney for Marion County.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

James Duryea moved to adopt June 11^{th,} 2024 Minutes. Roger Sandor seconds. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

5. LICENSE REVIEW OF CONTRACTORS:

Incoming Contractors through Letter of Reciprocity: None.

Applicants to take G.I.T.S Exam: None.

6. LIENS FOR UNLICENSED & LICENSED CONTRACTORS:

James Duryea moved to approve presented list. Roger Sandor seconds. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

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7. OLD BUSINESS:

LRB 2024-13 Vina Szymczak v. Shawn Kevin Hughes / Trident Pool Solutions, LLC.

Ryan Arbuckle – present -sworn – provides update.

Complainant - Vina Szymczak - present - sworn - provides update.

Complainant - Matthew Szymczak - present - sworn.

Contractor Shawn Kevin Hughes – present - sworn - provides update and states he can have the project completed within the next 30 days.

James Duryea moves that the Board withhold final decision to next regular meeting. Roger Sandor seconds the motion.

The motion passed unanimously

The case is postponed for 30 days to the August 13, 2024 License Review Board Hearing.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

LRB 2024-15 Ledin Martinez v. Juan Hilario / Optimum Air Conditioning, LLC.

Ryan Arbuckle - Investigator -sworn.

Luis Roman - Investigator - Spanish Interpreter.

Ledin Martinez - Complainant - sworn - provides testimony with help of Spanish Interpreter - Luis Roman. Juan Hilario - Contractor - sworn - provides testimony.

Both parties state that they can agree to work out issue.

James Duryea moves to postpone final decision to next regular meeting. Roger Sandor seconds

The motion has passed unanimously.

The Board's decision is to postpone case for 30 days to the August 13, 2024 License Review Board Hearing for both parties to get together and work out issue.

<u>LRB 2024-16 Pablo D. Martinez v. Marion County Building Department (Appeal citations 954757-1; 954757-2; 954757-3; 954757-4; 954757-5).</u>

Ryan Arbuckle - sworn - Investigator - presents case.

Michael Savage - sworn - Building Director - provides testimony.

Pablo D, Carillo-Flores - contractor - sworn - provides testimony.

Doug Wood - Homeowner of where work was completed - sworn - provides testimony.

James Duryea moves to deny appeal. Roger Sandor seconds.

The motion has passed unanimously.

The License Review Board hereby finds as fact: that Pablo D. Carillo-Flores did preform work which was in violation of Marion County Ordinance 18-25, RES 18-R-43; Sec 5.5-66 (B) (6), Sec 2.4 A-6. FS 489.13, FS 489.127(2) (a-c) and moves to deny appeal of LRB 2024-16 which includes citations: 954757-1; 954757-2; 954757-3; 954757-4; 954757-5.

And; therefore, the Board's decision is to deny the appeal of LRB 2024-16 which includes

citations: 954757-1; 954757-2; 954757-3; 954757-4; 954757-5.

9. OTHER BUSINESS:

Michael Savage, Building Official states this is an active time in the Building Safety Dept. The Building Department has issued 148 Stop Work Orders on 148 homes – 30 citations were issued. The Board will be Hearing these cases in the future regarding these violations.

The Building Department is adding an Investigator and 3 Remote Video Inspectors.

Ryan Arbuckle, Supervisor of Licensing & Investigations states there are over 2000 open violation cases in Marion County.

The meeting adjourned at approx. 7:55 PM.

The next scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, August 13th, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

10. NOTATION FOR RECORD: None.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Kitzmiller / Chair

Antoinette Hernandez / Secretary

cc: Marion County Board of County Commissioners - Assistant County Attorney Marion County Board of County Commissioners Record Clerk