## MINUTES THE WEST VIRGINIA CONTRACTOR LICENSING BOARD

August 25, 2022

The West Virginia Contractor Licensing Board met on August 25, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. at 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East – State Capitol Complex – Building 3 – Room 124 – Charleston, West Virginia.

## **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Jacob S. Meck, Chair Manny Alvarez Ted H. Brady, Co-Chair Michael E. Davis Frank R. Ferguson Mary J. Neenan James M. Noel Charles K. Smith

#### **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Amy Fairman Steven Solomon

## **OTHERS PRESENT**

Mitchell E. Woodrum, Commissioner Brooke M. Farber Esq., Deputy Commissioner Brian White, Labor Programs Manager Larry Rucker, Labor Program Specialist Kimberly Legg, Board Secretary

### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

A quorum being present, Mr. Brady called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve the agenda of the August 25, 2022, board meeting. Mr. Alvarez seconded. Motion carried.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2022, board meeting. Mr. Noel seconded. Motion carried.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one appeared for public comment.

#### LICENSEE DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS

A. Duda Cable Construction, Inc. – Vandergrift, PA – WV032174 (Hiring unlicensed subcontractors)

Tom Reitz appeared on behalf of the company.

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to take no action against the company. Mr. Davis seconded. Motion carried.

# B. Gudenkauf Corporation – Columbus, OH – WV002544 (Hiring unlicensed subcontractors)

Mark Rogers appeared on behalf of the company.

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to take no action against the company. Mr. Alvarez seconded. Motion carried.

C. Bentz Property & Contracting, LLC – Charleston, WV – WV053132 (Kanawha County Circuit Court judgment in the amount of \$695,201.42, plus interest)

Kenneth Pence appeared on behalf of Bentz Property & Contracting, LLC.

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to give company 14 days to submit a copy of an appeal of the judgment or a release, or the license will be revoked. Mr. Smith seconded. Motion carried.

#### **CEASE AND DESIST ORDERS**

## A. Advisory Letters

*UL015903 – Matthew Day appeared on behalf of Allegheny Door Enterprises* 

UL015939 - Julio Morales appeared on his own behalf with an interpreter

UL015947 - Martin Garcia Tomas appeared on his own behalf with an interpreter

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to accept staff recommendations. Mr. Alvarez seconded. Motion carried.

#### B. \$200.00 Fines

UL015981 - Joseph Haynes appeared on behalf of Joe's Handy Home Repair, LLC

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to reduce UL015981 to a Reprimand. Mr. Haynes was caught in traffic due to an accident on the West Virginia Turnpike and was late to the meeting. Mr. Meck seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Alvarez made a motion to accept remaining staff recommendations. Mr. Ferguson seconded. Motion carried.

#### C. \$500.00 Fines

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to accept staff recommendations. Mr. Meck seconded. Motion carried.

## D. \$1,000.00 Fines

Mr. Smith made a motion to accept staff recommendations. Mr. Ferguson seconded. Motion carried.

## APPROVAL OF DIVISION OF LABOR PAYROLL REIMBURSEMENT INVOICE

Mr. Woodrum presented the FY 2022 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Financial Report and Payroll Reimbursement Invoice to the Board for approval.

Mr. Alvarez made a motion to approve the reimbursement invoice. Mr. Smith seconded. Motion carried.

## AB CONTRACTING, INC. ACTION PLAN

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to approve the action plan provided by AB Contracting, Inc. in response to disciplinary action from the April 28, 2022, board meeting. Mr. Meck seconded. Motion carried.

## DOL REPORT

- An update was provided to the Board on Advisory Letters sent to companies for hiring unlicensed subcontractors.
- Criminal Action Report update was provided to the Board
- Advised the Board of the results of disciplinary action taken at April board meeting
- Testing Agent contract was awarded to PSI
- Updated the Board on the creation of administrative positions
- Legislative Rule changes have been approved and are in effect.

## **NEXT MEETING DATE**

December 15, 2022, at 10:00am

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Noel made a motion to adjourn at 10:46 a.m. Mr. Ferguson seconded. Motion carried.

Approved:

Jacob S. Meck, Chair