

**PLUMBING AND PIPING WORK EXAMINING BOARD**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**October 26, 2023**

Chairman Appleby called the meeting to order at 9:06 am via Microsoft Teams.

**Board Members Present**

Charles Appleby, Sr., Unlimited Contractor, Chairperson  
Carleton Pember, Unlimited Contractor  
Peter Alfieri, Unlimited Journeyperson  
Melissa Sheffy, Public Member  
Joseph Pellecchia, Unlimited Contractor  
Aaron Nachbar, Well Drilling Contractor  
Vinnie Valente, Unlimited Journeyperson

**DCP Staff Present**

John Mesner, Occupational Trades Manager  
Cynthia Fernandez, Staff Attorney  
Pamela Brown, Investigations Director  
Rachelle Hyburg, Board Coordinator  
Janita Hamel, Supervising Special Investigator  
Jason Cohen, Director of Operations

**Public Present**

Todd Berch  
Christopher Covino  
Kenneth Milligan  
Dylan Waitkus  
Andrew Hurlbut

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## **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING**

- Review of draft minutes from July 27, 2023
  - Board Member Alfieri made a motion to approve the minutes with the addition of Board Member Alfieri's attendance to the minutes. Board Member Pellecchia seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

## **COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT**

### **DCP INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION**

- 07.01.23-08.31.23
  - 3 Closed Cases

### **DCP LEGAL DIVISION**

None.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Reconsideration Hearing: Case No. 2019-1389 – Christopher F. Covino
  - Board Member Alfieri made a motion to remove the fine and allow Mr. Covino to continue with an active license. Board Member Sheffy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Application Review: Andrew Hurlbut
  - Application to take the J2 examination, providing additional training certificates for education requirements.
  - Board Member Alfieri made a motion to approve Hurlbut to sit for the J2 exam. Board Member Nachbar seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 24/25 Continuing Education Discussion
  - Final draft for board to review is on its way.
  - Public questions raised regarding the integration of 5-hour safety training as part of the CE requirements. Concerns that a second ancillary 5 hours course may be redundant.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Application Review
  - Kenneth Milligan – P-2
    - Board Member Alfieri made a motion to deny due to lack of apprenticeship. Board Member Nachbar seconded the motion.
    - Discussion: Board Member Sheffy would like trade practices to investigate the three companies Mr. Milligan has been employed at. Allstate Mechanical, Greco + Haynes and Foley Pump.
    - The motion passed (6-0-1).
  - Dylan Waitkus – P-7
    - Board Member Alfieri made a motion to deny the P7 application. Board Member Nachbar seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Exam Reviews
  - John Mesner approached the board for approval regarding changing all exams to open book. W1,2,3,4,5, and 6 are currently closed book exams whereas W7,8,9 and 10 are open book exams.
- Pending CE course applications
  - Still under review, expected to have a decision within the next couple of weeks.

## **COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT**

None.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Board Member Alfieri made a motion to adjourn. Board Member Sheffy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 11:08 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachelle Hyburg  
Board Coordinator

## **2023 CURRENT BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE**