Minutes of the Maine Real Estate Commission Meeting May 15, 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT	STAFF PRESENT
Edie Fontaine, Chair	Catherine Pendergast, Director
Leanne Nichols, Vice Chair	Jeffrey Hill, Deputy Director
Jane B. Towle	Lisa Wilson, AAG
Forrest C. Peterson	Regina Ritchie, Professional Licensing Supervisor
Charles Brawn	Meghan Corbett, Field Investigator
	Kaleigh Kennedy, Office Specialist I
MEMBERS ABSENT	Shara Chesley, Office Specialist I

Location: 76 Northern Ave Gardiner, ME

<u>Start</u>: 9:00 a.m.

Adjourn: 9:17 a.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was opened by Chair Fontaine at 9:00 a.m.

II. <u>AGENDA MODIFICATIONS</u>

None

III. MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

A motion was made by Nichols and seconded by Towle to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2024, meeting. Unanimous.

IV. <u>DECISION AND ORDER</u>

A motion was made by Fontaine and seconded by Nichols to approve the Decision and Order for case number 2024-REC-19761 as presented. Unanimous.

V. PROPOSED DISMISSALS

A motion was made by Nichols and seconded by Brawn to approve the dismissal of case numbers 2021-REC-17576; and 2024-REC-19729. Unanimous.

VI. <u>CONSENT AGREEMENTS</u>

A motion was made by Nichols and seconded by Brawn to approve the proposed consent agreements for case numbers: 2024-REC-19884; 2024-REC-19886; 2024-REC-19931; 2024-REC-19960; 2024-REC-19961; 2024-REC-19966; 2024-REC-19968; 2024-REC-19969; and 2024-REC-19996. Unanimous.

Nichols recused and was put in a breakout room.

A motion was made by Fontaine and seconded by Brawn to approve the proposed consent agreement for case number 2024-REC-19949.

Nichols returned from the breakout room to the meeting.

VII. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Director presented an update on Public Law 585- An Act Regarding Disclosure of Flood Risk by Sellers of Real Estate which will be effective August 9, 2024. No action was taken.

The board discussed fraud and other scams occurring in real estate transactions. No action was taken.

VIII. <u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u>

None.

IX. MEETING SCHEDULE

The next meeting is currently scheduled for Thursday, June 20, 2024.

X. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

A motion was made by Towle and seconded by Brawn to adjourn the meeting at 9:17 a.m. Unanimous.