

# STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL AND FINANCIAL REGULATION OFFICE OF LICENSING & REGISTRATION PLUMBER'S EXAMINING BOARD

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### OFFICIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: April 8, 2024

Meeting Location: Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation

Central Conference Room, 76 Northern Ave, Gardiner, ME

Virtually pursuant to Section 2 (a.) (ii) of the Board's Remote Participation Policy adopted by the

Board on July 7, 2023.

Time Meeting Scheduled to Begin: 9:00 a.m.
Time Meeting Began: 9:07 a.m.

#### I) Call to Order

Members Present:

Percy Brown Jr., Chairman (remote)

Nicholas Adams (remote)

Robert Hodgkin

 $Members\ Absent-n/a$ 

**Staff Present** 

Karen Ross, Interim Board Manager Michael Day, State plumbing Inspector Jim Bowie, Assistant Attorney General Betsy Stivers, Assistant Attorney General

Rebecca Smith, Hearing Officer Tyler Robinson, Board Staff

## II) Agenda Modifications & Approval

A motion was made to approve the agenda as written Motion – Nick Adams  $Seconded-Robert\ Hodgkin$  All in favor – 3 / 0 opposed

Motion carried

# III) Minutes Review and Approval

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the 2/12/24 board meeting.

Motion – Nick Adams Seconded – Robert Hodgkin All in favor – 3 / 0 opposed

Motion carries

#### IV) Adjudicatory Hearing

2023-PLU-19082 / William Young. Nick Adams recused himself from this matter.

An adjudicatory hearing was held and the Board found violations and imposed disciplinary action against the license of William Young as follows:

a) Failure to pull a permit – 2 counts /Civil Penalty \$1,500 per count for a total of \$3,000

Motion – Robert Hodgkin

Seconded - Percy Brown

2-in favor / 0-opposed / 1 recused

Motion carries

b) Failure to renew Master Plumber's license – two counts.

The Board imposed one year of probation on Mr. Young's license beginning with the date of the Decision and Order. During the period of probation, the licensee must report to Board Staff all permits pulled under this licensee for 1 year.

Motion – Robert Hodgkin

Seconded - Percy Brown

2 in favor / 0 opposed / 1 recused

Motion carries

#### V) Exam Application

JY90020649

Motion was made to approve the out of state work experience, allowing the applicant to sit for the JY exam.

Motion – Nick Adams

Seconded - Robert Hodgkin

All in favor -3 / 0 - opposed

Motion carries

#### VI) Complaint Matter

2024-PLU-19781

Assistant Attorney General, Elizabeth Stivers asked the Board to reconsider their previous agreement on this complaint, which was to set it for a hearing only, and did not offer a consent agreement. Motion to reconsider made

Motion - Nick Adams

Seconded – Robert Hodgkin

All in favor – 2 / 0- Opposed / 1-abstained

Motion carries.

Motion made to offer a Consent Agreement with a \$200 civil penalty to be paid within 60 days from the effective date of the consent agreement.

Motion - Nick Adams

Seconded - Robert Hodgkin

All in favor -3/0-opposed

Motion carries.

#### VII) Board Manager's Report

VIII) Board Inspector's Report

#### IX) Opportunity for Public Comment

#### X) Adjournment – 11:00

Motion - Nick Adams

Seconded - Robert Hodgkin

All in favor – 3 / 0 Opposed

Motion carries