

STATE LICENSING BOARD FOR CONTRACTORS
RESIDENTIAL CONTRACTORS SUBCOMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

April 17, 2019

The regular meeting of the Residential Building Contractors Subcommittee was called to order by the Chairman, Lloyd “Chip” Badeaux, on Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 9:32 a.m. at 2525 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Members of the Subcommittee present:

Lloyd “Chip” Badeaux, Chairman
Elliott Temple, Vice-Chairman
James C. “Jim” Fine
Robert J. “Rob” Hamilton
Frank W. Morse, Jr.
Wesley L. “Wes” Wyman, Jr.

Member Jody S. Guidry was absent. There being a quorum present, the regular order of business was called.

Also attending the meeting were: Michael McDuff, Executive Director; Judy Dupuy, Board Administrator; Judge Darrell White, Retired, Hearing Officer; Kevin Landreneau, Board Attorney; and from the staff, Carrie Morgan, Leann Evans, Elaine Riggins, John Dixon, Wendy Loup, Lowana Cola, Maranda Legaux; Brad Hassert, Compliance Director; compliance investigators, Todd Brady, Jessica Jones, Nathan Rawls, Marianne Sullivan, Jessie Wells, James Franklin, Dylan Bourg, Scott Corley and Tarah Revette recording the minutes.

Mr. Fine led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Judge Darrell White gave the invocation.

Mr. Wyman made a motion to accept the Minutes of the March 20, 2019 Residential Building Subcommittee Meeting. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

Mr. Hassert introduced guest Alex Reinboth with the Louisiana Attorney General’s office.

NEW BUSINESS

Carrie Morgan and Brad Hassert with the Compliance Department for the board were sworn in.

C. COMPLIANCE HEARINGS:

1. a) **SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA PHYSICIAN SERVICES, LLC**, Lake Charles, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)
- b) **BECK INDUSTRIES LLC**, DeQuincy, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offers presented by SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA PHYSICIAN SERVICES, LLC and BECK INDUSTRIES LLC. Mr. Wyman made a motion to accept the settlement offers for both matters as presented, which both included a no contest plea. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

2. **JUSTIN SHILLING D/B/A DEWITT RAYMOND CONSTRUCTION GROUP**, Gorum, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of JUSTIN SHILLING D/B/A DEWITT RAYMOND CONSTRUCTION GROUP. Investigator Scott Corley was called to the stand and was sworn in. Mr. Corley reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find JUSTIN SHILLING D/B/A DEWITT RAYMOND CONSTRUCTION GROUP to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

3. **TML CONSTRUCTION, LLC**, Crowley, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by TML CONSTRUCTION, LLC. Mr. Wyman made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Hamilton seconded. The motion passed.

4. **FRANK SIGNO AND CHRISTOPHER SIGNO D/B/A ALL IN ONE HANDYMAN**, Metairie, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of FRANK SIGNO AND CHRISTOPHER SIGNO D/B/A ALL IN ONE HANDYMAN. Investigator Dylan Bourg was called to the stand and was sworn in. Mr. Bourg reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find FRANK SIGNO AND CHRISTOPHER SIGNO D/B/A ALL IN ONE HANDYMAN to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Wyman seconded. The motion passed.

5. **MARCELLO GROSS**, New Orleans, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1) & 2175.3(A)(4)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of MARCELLO GROSS. Investigator Dylan Bourg, previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Bourg reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Hamilton made a motion to find MARCELLO GROSS to be in violation. Mr. Wyman seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Hamilton made a motion to assess MARCELLO GROSS the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Wyman seconded. The motion passed.

6. **FX4 ENTERPRISES, LLC**, Lacombe, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of FX4 ENTERPRISES, LLC. Investigator James Franklin was called to the stand and was sworn in. Mr. Franklin reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find FX4 ENTERPRISES, LLC to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

7. **WHITE STAR COMMERCIAL INC.**, New Orleans, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Joseph Lewis was present on behalf of WHITE STAR COMMERCIAL INC. and was sworn in. Mr. Lewis entered a no contest plea. Mr. Wyman made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Lewis gave a statement to the board regarding this matter. Mr. Wyman made a motion to assess a \$2000 fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to allow the fine to be reduced to \$500 plus \$1000 in administrative costs if the company obtains a proper license and/or registration within 120 days. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

8. a) **PINEDA DREAM CONSTRUCTION LLC**, Metairie, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(5)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of PINEDA DREAM CONSTRUCTION LLC. Investigator Todd Brady was called to the stand and was sworn in. Mr. Brady reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find PINEDA DREAM CONSTRUCTION LLC to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

- b) **ALFREDO JOYA**, Port Allen, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1) & 2175.3(A)(4)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of ALFREDO JOYA. Investigator Todd Brady, previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Brady

reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find ALFREDO JOYA to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Hamilton seconded. The motion passed.

9. a) **JUSTIN JACKSON CONSTRUCTION, LLC**, Greenwell Springs, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(4)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of JUSTIN JACKSON CONSTRUCTION, LLC. Investigator Marianne Sullivan was called to the stand and was sworn in. Ms. Sullivan reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Ms. Morgan provided testimony to the board. Mr. Wyman made a motion to find JUSTIN JACKSON CONSTRUCTION, LLC to be in violation. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Wyman made a motion to assess JUSTIN JACKSON CONSTRUCTION, LLC the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

- b) **PATTERSON HOMES, L.L.C.**, Central, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(4), 2 counts

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by PATTERSON HOMES, L.L.C. Mr. Wyman made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

- c) **GAFFORD BUILDERS, INC.**, Baton Rouge, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(4)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Robert Gafford was present on behalf of GAFFORD BUILDERS, INC. and was sworn in. Mr. Gafford entered a no contest plea. Mr. Wyman made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Hamilton seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Gafford gave a statement to the board regarding this matter. Mr. Wyman made a motion to assess a \$500 fine plus \$500 in administrative costs. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

- d) **JERRY MILTON D/B/A JERRY MILTON CEMENT FINISHERS**, Baton Rouge, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by JERRY MILTON D/B/A JERRY MILTON CEMENT FINISHERS. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Wyman seconded. The motion passed.

- e) **A.P. DODSON LLC**, Greenwell Springs, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(4), 2 counts

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by A.P. DODSON LLC. Mr. Wyman made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

- f) **R & M HOME MAINTENANCE LLC**, Plaquemine, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of R & M HOME MAINTENANCE LLC. Investigator Marianne Sullivan, previously sworn, was called to the stand. Ms. Sullivan reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find R & M HOME MAINTENANCE LLC to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Wyman seconded. The motion passed.

- g) **SOUTHERN SLABS LLC**, Baton Rouge, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of SOUTHERN SLABS LLC. Investigator Marianne Sullivan, previously sworn, was called to

the stand. Ms. Sullivan reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find SOUTHERN SLABS LLC to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

10. **GRAN CONTRACTING LLC**, Zachary, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Gary Williams was present on behalf of GRAN CONTRACTING LLC and was sworn in. Mr. Williams entered a no contest plea. Mr. Temple made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Hamilton seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Williams gave a statement to the board regarding this matter. Mr. Wyman made a motion to assess \$250 administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Wyman continued the motion to also include that if the company does not obtain a proper license and/or registration within 120 days the company will be assessed the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

11. **ANOINTED HANDS CONTRACTORS LLC**, Baton Rouge, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan stated that the company requested a continuance. Mr. Wyman made a motion to grant the continuance. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

12. **FRANK O’S PEST CONTROL LLC**, Zachary, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2185(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by FRANK O’S PEST CONTROL LLC. Mr. Wyman made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Hamilton seconded. The motion passed.

13. **HERBERT MAZE D/B/A HPM SPECIALIST ENTERPRISES**, Ethel, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Herbert Maze was present on behalf of HERBERT MAZE D/B/A HPM SPECIALIST ENTERPRISES and was sworn in. Mr. Maze entered a no contest plea. Mr. Wyman made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed. Investigator Nathan Rawls was called to the stand and was sworn in. Mr. Rawls reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Temple made a motion to find HERBERT MAZE D/B/A HPM SPECIALIST ENTERPRISES to be in violation, to assess a \$3500 fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs, to issue a cease and desist order and to allow the fine to be reduced to \$500 plus \$1000 in administrative costs if the company obtains a proper license and/or registration within 120 days. Mr. Hamilton seconded. The motion passed.

14. **MICHAEL L. YOUNG D/B/A YELLOWSTAR BUILDING AND REMODLING COMPANY**, Baton Rouge, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by MICHAEL L. YOUNG D/B/A YELLOWSTAR BUILDING AND REMODLING COMPANY. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

D. STATUTORY CITATIONS:

Ms. Morgan presented the statutory citations. Mr. Wyman made a motion to accept the statutory citations as presented. Mr. Hamilton seconded. The motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

E. COMPLIANCE HEARINGS/CONTINUANCES:

1. **MARLON T. STEVENSON D/B/A S & S HOME REPAIR**, Baton Rouge, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Marlon Stevenson was present on behalf of MARLON T. STEVENSON D/B/A S & S HOME REPAIR and was sworn in. Mr. Stevenson entered a no contest plea. Mr. Temple made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Stevenson gave a statement to the board regarding this matter. Mr. Wyman made a motion to assess a \$2000 fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to allow the fine to be reduced to \$500 plus \$500 in administrative costs if the company obtains a proper license and/or registration within 120 days. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

F. REQUEST FOR REHEARING:

1. **SAMUELS HANDYMAN SERVICES LLC**, Walker, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and the previous action taken by the board regarding this matter. Samuel Weber was present on behalf of SAMUELS HANDYMAN SERVICES LLC and was sworn in. Mr. Weber gave a statement to the board regarding his request for a rehearing. Mr. Wyman made a motion to rehear the matter. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Weber entered a no contest plea. Mr. Wyman made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Weber provided a statement to the board regarding the matter. Mr. Morse made a motion to assess a \$1000 fine plus \$500 in administrative costs. Mr. Wyman seconded. The motion passed.

2. **BRYANT BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION LLC**, New Orleans, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and the previous action taken by the board regarding this matter. Mr. Wyman made a motion to rehear the matter. Mr. Hamilton seconded. The motion passed. Ms. Morgan read the settlement offer presented by BRYANT BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION LLC. Mr. Wyman made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

3. **JESSE LADART D/B/A J & W ROOFING**, Monroe, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and the previous action taken by the board regarding this matter. No one was present on behalf of JESSE LADART D/B/A J & W ROOFING. Mr. Morse made a motion to deny the company's request for a rehearing. Mr. Hamilton seconded. The motion passed.

- G. Consideration of additional classifications for residential licenses as listed and attached to the agenda. (Page 5)

Mr. Wyman made a motion to approve the additional classifications for residential licenses as listed on the agenda. Mr. Hamilton seconded. The motion passed.

- H. Consideration of residential applications as listed and attached to the agenda. (Pages 6-10)

Mr. Wyman made a motion to approve the new residential applications as listed on the agenda. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

- I. Consideration of home improvement applications as listed and attached to the agenda. (Pages 11-14)

Mr. Wyman made a motion to approve the new home improvement registration applications as listed on the agenda, and Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Wyman made a motion to adjourn at 10:45 a.m., and Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

Lloyd "Chip" Badeaux, Chairman

Elliott Temple, Vice-Chairman