

STATE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY LICENSING BOARD

Division of Low Voltage Contractors

July 19, 2018 Meeting

Open Session Minutes

A meeting of the Georgia State Construction Industry Licensing Board, Division of Low Voltage Contractors was held on Thursday, July 19, 2018, at the Professional Licensing Boards, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia for the purpose of conducting Board business.

Members present:

Randy Zimler, Chairman
Counte Cooley
Bruce Bowman
Randy Locklear (via teleconference joined 1:45 p.m.,
exited 1:55 p.m.)

Members absent:

Michael Miller, Consumer Member

Staff present:

Deborah Beard, Executive Director
TiAndria Burke, Board Support Specialist
Ken English, Licensure Supervisor
Amanda Califf, Complaint/Compliance Analyst
Maximillian Changus, Assistant Attorney General

Visitors present:

Christopher Chapman
Craig Davis
Benjamin Majeski
Jeffery Smith

Call to Order:

At 10:09 a.m., Board Chairman Zimler established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

Approval of Open Session Minutes:

A motion was made by Cooley, seconded by Bowman, and the Board voted to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2018 meeting. None opposed, motion carried.

Ratifications:

The Division of Low Voltage Contractors reviewed the list of applicants which were previously reviewed and administratively approved by Cognizant Board Members. A motion was made by Bowman and seconded by Cooley and the Board voted to ratify 6 Low Voltage-Alarm, 7 Low Voltage-General, 11 Low Voltage Telecommunication and 40 Low Voltage Unrestricted licenses issued from February 1, 2018 – June 30, 2018. None opposed, motion carried.

Low Voltage Alarm

LVA206084	Patrick B Moore	LVA206087	Charles Gregory Key
LVA206085	Eric Anthony Burroughs	LVA206088	Chris Dwight Shuman
LVA206086	Wesley Lawrence Jonke	LVA206089	Robert Clark Pittman

Low Voltage General

LVG105639	Corey Nathaniel Dobbs	LVG105642	Joseph Wayne Kelley
LVG105640	Andrew James Freeman	LVG105643	Jason Tolbert Moore
LVG105641	Troy Darrin Janda	LVG105644	Steven C Woods
LVG105638	Robert Clark Pittman		

Low Voltage Telecommunication

LVT305574	Owen Al David, Jr	LVT305576	Russell Clyde Melancon
LVT305575	Chymann Lao	LVT305577	James Thomas O'Brien

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LVT305578	Adam Ray Orsak	LVT305582	Matthew James Valentine
LVT305579	Brice William Patterson	LVT305583	Quentin David Thornton
LVT305580	Aaron R. Perkins	LVT305573	Robert Jonah Cassle
LVT305581	Rebecca Anne Macone		

Low Voltage Unrestricted

LVU406724	Patrick Lawrence Pace	LVU406725	Joseph Horatio Strada, Jr
LVU406730	Wyndle Lamar Bates, III	LVU406749	Charles Robert Koon, IV
LVU406731	Jeffrey Alan Binkley	LVU406750	Brian David Leckie
LVU406732	Jason Wayne Black	LVU406751	James Shelton Mangum
LVU406733	Damian Roger Bowen	LVU406752	John Martino
LVU406734	Robert Lee Brooks	LVU406753	Charles Glynn Moore
LVU406735	Mario D. Childs	LVU406754	Daniel Park Myung
LVU406736	Christopher Lee Conner	LVU406755	Brian Keith Nutting
LVU406737	Beau Patrick Dixon	LVU406756	James Russell Phillips
LVU406738	James Eben Fleming	LVU406757	John Andrew Poplin
LVU406739	Kathleen Mary Ford	LVU406758	Michael Wayne Slade
LVU406740	Jason Scott Fultz	LVU406759	Sean John Spriggs
LVU406741	B. Gregory Goss	LVU406760	John Vandiver Stone
LVU406742	Judd Alexander Hobdy	LVU406761	Michael Kevin Stuckey, Jr
LVU406743	Stuart M Huse	LVU406762	William Matthew Thompson
LVU406744	Michael Robert Hutcherson	LVU406763	William Kevin Touchton
LVU406745	Joseph Nathan Idowu	LVU406764	Boris Vukovic
LVU406746	Gerald DeWayne Jackson, Jr	LVU406765	Kyle Jason Wells-Bobo
LVU406747	William Mark Johnson	LVU406766	Jacob Stutts White
LVU406748	Kerr Brandon Kelley	LVU406767	Dalton Reed Wilson

Board Orders:

A motion was made by Bowman, seconded by Cooley, and the Board voted to ratify acceptance of the following Board Orders. None opposed, motion carried.

LV180001	Voluntary Cease and Desist Order
LV170024	Voluntary Cease and Desist Order

Appearances:

- **Steve Dale** – Requested to be rescheduled.
- **Davis, Craig** – Mr. Davis addressed the Board and was seeking a distinction between the different low voltage license types, and a distinction between video and alarm. He reported the alarm and fire protection systems have evolved to integrated systems. He told the Board they have to look at technology and what the installer has to do. He says it is cloudy when it comes to a camera and he discussed camera's detecting burglars. He inquired as to why applicants are tested on the work if not allowed by the license to do the work. He reported the standards and manuals is a more sophisticated analysis than code. He informed the Board that he has filed multiple complaints with the Board. He said that his complaint is that "alarm guys" are putting in stand-alone systems. He said all subcontractors are handing televisions and hanging cables. He reports seeing job postings and the employees doing the work are 1099 employees.

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Board Member Cooley agreed that technology is growing fast in all industries and that there is a lot of integration in the industry. He referred to the Board law for clarification of the different license types and their definitions. The Board doesn't have authority over codes. As for complaints filed with the Board, cases may or may not have enough information to take action.

Mr. Davis reported the local code enforcement officers don't know the law and that licensure is required. He said they report not ever being notified of the information. He asked the Board about sending out letters. He was informed to provide the names and address of those he has spoken with for a letter to be sent. The Board isn't seeking to send letter to all local code enforcement officers.

Mr. Davis also mentioned the Board minutes as it relates to his first meeting with the Board. He was informed the minutes reflect generally what happened at the meeting and the minutes do not require a transcript.

Mr. Davis was informed that the Board has to stay within the definitions and confines of the board law. As for changing the board law and codes, he may need to contact his legislature. The Board agreed that there are differences of the subclasses and it is getting more and more difficult to discern the difference, but the Board does ae to stay within the confines of the law.

- **Chapman, Chris** – He addressed the board for clarification as to whether a low voltage license was required for gate installers. He reports there are no questions on the examination regarding gate operators. He mentioned several code books, but especially the 2018 version of IBC which he reports now covers gate operators. He also mentioned the specialty contractors list which the State Board for Residential and General Contractors, and the fact that a general contractor license may be required. He also discussed sub-contracting certain types of work without a license. He reported there are persons out there representing themselves as gate operators without a license. He also discussed advertising, and gave an example of an individual advertising without a license. A motion was made by Cooley, seconded by Bowman, and the Board voted to send a response letter that the Board primarily focuses on the installation of low voltage wiring. None opposed, motion passed.

Correspondence:

A motion was made by Bowman, seconded by Cooley, and the Board voted upon review of correspondence to accept the following recommendation. None opposed, motion carried.

Sifre, Mathew – Based on the information submitted a minimum of a Low Voltage – Alarm is required.

Sudol, Linda – Refer to the laws and rules for licensure.

Executive Session:

At 12:10 p.m. a motion was made by Cooley seconded by Bowman, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-2(k), 43-1-19(h), and 50-14-2(1) to review and discuss executive correspondence, and conduct applicant appearances. None opposed, motion carried.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session on Thursday, July 19, 2018 Zimler declared the meeting to be "open" pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken during executive session.

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Executive Correspondence:

A motion was made by Locklear, seconded by Bowman, and the Board voted upon review of correspondence to accept the following recommendation. Cooley abstained. None opposed, motion carried.

S.P. – Inform inquirer there is no current provision to grant a license without meeting the current requirements for licensure as required by the Board laws and rules; and unfortunately, the Board no longer has the authority to issue a license without examination.

809958 S.C. – Based on the information provided, licensee may reapply for licensure and submit DD214 with application.

Applicant Appearances:

A motion was made by Bowman, seconded by Cooley, and the Board voted to accept the following recommendations. None opposed, motion carried.

2697879 B.M. – Rescind previous motion and approve to sit for exam, and upon passing, may issue license.

2703006 J.S. – Uphold previous motion.

Executive Session:

At 1:56 a.m. a motion was made by Cooley seconded by Bowman, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-2(k), 43-1-19(h), and 50-14-2(1) to review and discuss applications, complaints, renewals, and the Attorney General’s report. None opposed, motion carried.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session on Thursday, July 19, 2018 Zimler declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken during executive session.

Approval of Executive Session Minutes:

A motion was made by Cooley, seconded by Bowman, and the Board voted to approve the Executive Session minutes of February 28, 2018 meeting. None opposed, motion carried.

Applications Report:

A motion was made by Bowman, seconded by Cooley, and the Board voted to accept the following recommendations as discussed:

Approve the following applicant(s) to sit for the exam and upon passing exam, may issue license.

2717154	2732503	2717151	2731686
2747124	2717116	2745535	2716553
2733279	2731522	2716821	2747634
2747659	2748063	2747693	2747968
2746713	2716835	2747948	2747635
2747699	2710111	2726382	2717144
2718735	2747962	2717107	2734305
2729702	2717137	2722312	2713082
2700845	2747652	2710082	2747963
2731528	2716060	2747631	2713696

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2747638	2716830	2747673	2720924
2747094	2747966	2721748	2747632
2660013	2747899	2720752	2748754
2716547	2717245	2720748	2717389
2711716	2717499	2716303	2695315
2717501	2746414	2558883	2657916
2745987	2745067	2731935	2717505
2746411	2717145	2691049	2745842
2747642	2717141	2738370	2711451
2716469	2748159	2747969	
2746406	2717248	2716819	

Approve the following applicant(s) to sit for the exam and upon passing exam, bring back to the board for further review.

2747641

Approve the following applicant(s) to sit for the exam and upon passing exam, schedule applicant interview.

2701135

Request another reference form and upon receipt approve the following applicant(s) to sit for the exam and upon passing, bring back to the board for further review.

2705414

Approve the following applicant(s) for licensure by reciprocity.

2694231	2722232	2724036	2710454
2717495	2738690	2726234	2724401
2705541	2744711	2728773	

Approve the following applicant(s) for licensure by exam.

2737129 2717394

Approve the following applicant(s) for reinstatement less than three years. No exam required.

2724049 2669504 2736329

Deny the following applicant(s) for failure to meet qualifications for licensure based on experience, may apply for the Low Voltage-General license.

2694251

Send the following applicant(s) a deficiency letter for additional information.

2694259	2747645	2735141
2741732	2745065	2744148
2747648	2747637	2747646

May apply for a low voltage unrestricted license and would be required to sit for the exam again.

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Case Review (Legal and Discipline cases)

(LV= Low Voltage Contractors Investigative Case Number)

A motion was made by Bowman, Seconded by Cooley and the Board voted to accept the recommendations on the cases reviewed. None opposed, motion carried.

Close the following case(s) with no action.

LV180002	LV180004	LV180022
LV180003	LV180021	LV180023

Close the following case(s) with no violation.

LV180007	LV180012	LV180013	LV180025
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Close the following case(s) and accept the Cease and Desist Order.

LV180001

Close the following case(s) and accept the Board Order.

LV180024

Refer the following case(s) to Investigations for a Cease and Desist Order.

LV180011	LV170009	LV180010	LV180014
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Refer the following case(s) to Investigations for additional information.

LV170022

Renewals:

A motion was made by Cooley, seconded by Bowman, and the Board voted to accept the following recommendation.

735794 N.R. – Approve request for renewal.

Attorney General Status Report:

A motion was made by Bowman, seconded by Cooley, and the Board voted to accept the Attorney General Status Report as presented.

With no other business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 2:53 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on October 24, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.

Minutes recorded by:

TiAndria Burke, Board Support Specialist

Minutes edited and reviewed by:

Deborah Beard, Executive Director

RANDY ZIMLER

Division Chairman

DEBORAH BEARD

Executive Director

These minutes were approved on November 1, 2018.