

**TALBOT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTRICAL EXAMINERS
MINUTES OF THE MAY 18, 2017 MEETING**

ATTENDEES

Chris Kleppinger Maria Brophy
Tim Fluharty Brent Garner
Joe Secrist
Bob Jump
Don English

Meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

Minutes from the April 20th meeting were read by Bob Jump. A minor correction was made to the minutes. A motion was made by Don English to approve the minutes as corrected and was seconded by Tim Fluharty; decision passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Brent Garner stated that the RFP for Electrical Inspection Services and Electrical Permitting has been approved and signed by MDIA. Brent is currently working on creating an electrical permit. A flyer for the electrical permits will be mailed out with each license renewal application.

Tim Fluharty asked if a flyer for the Text Amendment to the Floodplain Legislation could also be mailed with the license renewal applications. Chris Kleppinger does not believe the Text Amendment has been approved by the County Council. Brent Garner will confirm this.

Bailey Marine sent Chris Kleppinger a bill from Lane Engineering. Brent Garner stated that the Board has the option to pay the Land Surveyor bill, or request in writing for the Department of Planning and Zoning to pay the bill. Tim Fluharty made a motion to pay the bill with the Electrical Board's budget and was seconded by Don English; decision passed unanimously. The bill must be coded appropriately before being sent to the Finance office. Brent Garner and Chris Kleppinger will look into coding the bill.

NEW BUSINESS

Review of license applications.

Brent Garner has completed the electrical permit application and will be mailing the applications to electricians. Tim Fluharty asked if the electricians can start emergency jobs prior to receiving an electrical permit. Brent responded saying, yes; if it is an emergency they have 24 hours to apply for an electrical permit. Tim asked if electricians need permits for repairs. Brent stated that if the project needs an inspection then it needs a permit. The Board reviewed the Electrical Permit Application and made a minor correction.

Timothy Fluharty asked if there would be an additional fee of \$35 for the floodplain review for pier permits. It was determined that no additional flood fee would be charged for electrical work associated with marine construction.

A motion was made by Joe Secrist to accept the revised electrical permit application and was seconded by Don English; decision passed unanimously.

Chris Kleppinger asked for an update on the Text Amendment to the Floodplain Legislation. Brent Garner stated that it has not been introduced to the Council yet.

John W. Tieder III changed company name. The previous company, John W. Tieder, Inc. no longer has a County license. A letter will be sent to John W. Tieder, Inc. informing them that they cannot perform electrical work without receiving a license. A copy of the letter will be sent to MDIA.

Joe Secrist will take care of bill from Land Surveyor.

Brian Murfree is in violation for performing work in the County without a license. The Board will impose a fine of \$100. A letter will be sent to Mr. Murfree and Wicomico County.

Brent Garner stated that he will no longer attend Electrical Board meetings unless his presence is specifically requested.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:21 p.m.

Next meeting will take place on June 15, 2017.