STATE LICENSING BOARD FOR CONTRACTORS

RESIDENTIAL CONTRACTORS SUBCOMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

May 19, 2021

The regular meeting of the Residential Building Contractors Subcommittee was called to order by the Chairman, Lloyd “Chip” Badeaux, on Wednesday, May 19, 2021, at 9:30 a.m. at 600 North Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Members of the Subcommittee present: Lloyd “Chip” Badeaux, Chairman

Elliott Temple

Dodie Adams

Jim Fine

Travis Manceaux

Frank Morse, Jr.

Craig Stevens

There being a quorum present, the regular order of business was called.

Also attending the meeting were: Michael McDuff, Executive Director; Judge Darrell White, Retired, Hearing Officer; Kevin Landreneau, Board Attorney; and from the staff, Carrie Morgan, Leann Evans, Elaine Riggins, Lowana Cola, Maranda Legaux, Brad Hassert, Compliance Director; and Tarah Revette recording the minutes.

Mr. Manceaux led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Judge Darrell White gave the invocation.

Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the Minutes of the April 14, 2021, Residential Building Subcommittee Meeting. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

Mr. Hassert introduced guest, Austin Holliday with the Louisiana Attorney General’s Office.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No requests were received from the public to address the Licensing Board.

NEW BUSINESS

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

D. COMPLIANCE HEARINGS:

* 1. Cajun Roofing Specialist LLC, Eunice, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of CAJUN ROOFING SPECIALIST LLC. Investigator Brad Hassert, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert 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 CAJUN ROOFING SPECIALIST 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.

Matters 2 and 3 were consolidated.

* 1. American Metal Professionals LLC, Westlake, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(2)
  2. American Metal Professionals LLC, Westlake, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations for matters 2 and 3. No one was present on behalf of AMERICAN METAL PROFESSIONALS LLC. Investigator Brad Hassert, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packets for both matters and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packets into evidence for both matters and they were admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find AMERICAN METAL PROFESSIONALS LLC to be in violation in relation to matter 2., La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(2), to assess the maximum fine plus $1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Morse made a motion to find AMERICAN METAL PROFESSIONALS LLC to be in violation in relation to matter 3., La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1), to assess the maximum fine plus $1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

* 1. Danny McGough d/b/a Danny McGough Roofing and General Contractor, Calhoun, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of DANNY MCGOUGH D/B/A DANNY MCGOUGH ROOFING AND GENERAL CONTRACTOR. Investigator Brad Hassert, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert 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 DANNY MCGOUGH D/B/A DANNY MCGOUGH ROOFING AND GENERAL CONTRACTOR 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.

* 1. 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. No one was present on behalf of JESSE LADART D/B/A J & W ROOFING. Investigator Brad Hassert, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Fine made a motion to find JESSE LADART D/B/A J & W ROOFING to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus $1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

* 1. Dewitt Raymond Holdings LLC, Pineville, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of DEWITT RAYMOND HOLDINGS LLC. Investigator Brad Hassert, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert 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 DEWITT RAYMOND HOLDINGS 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.

* 1. Nagem Consulting, Inc. and Danny Nagem d/b/a Lake Bruin Home Services, Saint Joseph, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by NAGEM CONSULTING, INC. AND DANNY NAGEM D/B/A LAKE BRUIN HOME SERVICES. Mr. Temple made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

* 1. Dustin Nicholas Fleming, West Monroe, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of DUSTIN NICHOLAS FLEMING. Investigator Brad Hassert, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert 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 DUSTIN NICHOLAS FLEMING 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.

* 1. Jose Garcia Construction LLC, Scott, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

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

* 1. German Garcia, Lafayette, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by GERMAN GARCIA. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

* 1. Veronica Del Olmo, Lafayette, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of VERONICA DEL OLMO. Investigator Brad Hassert, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert 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 VERONICA DEL OLMO to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine of $1500 plus $1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

* 1. Herring Brothers Construction L.L.C., Biloxi, Mississippi – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by HERRING BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION L.L.C. Mr. Temple made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

* 1. a) Alfred Green Builders Inc, Kenner, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(4)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by ALFRED GREEN BUILDERS INC. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

b) Angel’s Remodeling, LLC, Kenner, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by ANGEL’S REMODELING, LLC. Mr. Temple made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

* 1. Kex Design + Build, LLC, New Orleans, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by KEX DESIGN + BUILD, LLC. Attorney Sal Bivalacqua was present to represent the homeowners in this matter. Mr. Bivalacqua gave a statement to the board. The board questioned Mr. Bivalacqua. After discussion, Mr. Morse made a motion to deny the settlement offer as presented. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

* 1. Kelvin Painting & Remodeling LLC, Baker, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by KELVIN PAINTING & REMODELING LLC. Homeowner Pamela Smith was present and was sworn in. Ms. Smith provided testimony to the board. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

* 1. KRC Construction, LLC, Port Allen, 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 KRC CONSTRUCTION, LLC. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

E. STATUTORY CITATIONS:

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

OLD BUSINESS

F. COMPLIANCE HEARING/CONTINUANCE:

1. Stallion Construction LLC, Baton Rouge, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by by INTEGRITY CONSTRUCTION GROUP, L.L.C. Homeowners Kyle and Anna Arceneaux were present and were sworn in. Mr. and Ms. Arceneaux provided testimony to the board. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

G. REQUEST FOR REHEARING:

1. Felipe Elizondo, Thibodaux, 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. No one was present on behalf of FELIPE ELIZONDO. Mr. Morse made a motion to deny the request for a rehearing. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

1. Integrity Construction Group, L.L.C., New Orleans, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37: 2158(A)(3) and Rules and Regulations of the Board Section 135(A), 2 counts.

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and the previous action taken by the board regarding this matter. Mr. Hassert stated that staff had requested the rehearing for reconsideration of the board’s previous action. Mr. Morse made a motion to rehear this matter and to rescind the previous board action taken against this company at the March 17, 2021 Residential Subcommittee meeting. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

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

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

I. Consideration of residential applications as listed and attached to the agenda. (Pages 6-12)

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

J. Consideration of home improvement applications as listed and attached to the agenda. (Pages 13-21)

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

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Morse made a motion to adjourn at 10:25 a.m., and Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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Lloyd “Chip” Badeaux, Chairman

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Elliott Temple, Vice Chairman