STATE LICENSING BOARD FOR CONTRACTORS

RESIDENTIAL CONTRACTORS SUBCOMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

August 19, 2020

The regular meeting of the Residential Building Contractors Subcommittee was called to order by the Chairman, Lloyd “Chip” Badeaux, on Wednesday, August 19, 2020, at 9:32 a.m. at 600 North Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

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

Elliott Temple

Jim Fine

Rob Hamilton

Jim Fine

Frank Morse, Jr.

Member Wesley L. “Wes” Wyman, Jr was absent. 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, Brent Templet, Elaine Riggins, Lowana Cola, Monica Davis, Brad Hassert, Compliance Director; and Tarah Revette recording the minutes.

Mr. Temple led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Judge Darrell White gave the invocation.

Mr. Hamilton made a motion to accept the Minutes of the July 15, 2020, Residential Building Subcommittee Meeting. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

NEW BUSINESS

1. COMPLIANCE HEARINGS:
   1. Frank Duncan d/b/a F. Duncan Enterprises LLC, Thibodaux, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by FRANK DUNCAN D/B/A F. DUNCAN ENTERPRISES LLC. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

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

* 1. Mingoti Construction LLC, Harahan, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of MINGOTI CONSTRUCTION LLC. Brad Hassert, Compliance Director, 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 MINGOTI CONSTRUCTION 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. NOLA Oak Design and Build LLC, Kenner, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan stated that the company had requested a continuance. Mr. Hamilton made a motion to grant the continuance. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

* 1. Golden Painting and Renovations LLC, Belle Chasse, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of GOLDEN PAINTING AND RENOVATIONS LLC. Brad Hassert, Compliance Director, 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 GOLDEN PAINTING AND RENOVATIONS 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. Pro Renovations LLC, New Orleans, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Clifton James was present on behalf of PRO RENOVATIONS LLC and was sworn in. Mr. James entered a no contest plea. Mr. Temple made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed. Mr. James gave a statement to the board regarding this matter. Mr. Morse made a motion to assess an administrative penalty of a $2000 fine plus $500 in administrative costs and to allow the administrative penalty to be reduced to a $1000 fine plus $500 in administrative costs if the company obtains the proper license within 90 days. Mr. Hamilton seconded. The motion passed.

* 1. Lynell Turner & Associates, Inc, New Orleans, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by LYNELL TURNER & ASSOCIATES, INC. Mr. Fine made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Hamilton seconded. The motion passed.

* 1. Accu-Builders, Inc., Saint Gabriel, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of ACCU-BUILDERS, INC. Brad Hassert, Compliance Director, 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 ACCU-BUILDERS, INC. 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. a) Pierre Home Builders, L.L.C., 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 PIERRE HOME BUILDERS, L.L.C. 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) Advanced Construction of Denham Springs, Inc., Denham Springs, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by ADVANCED CONSTRUCTION OF DENHAM SPRINGS, INC. Mr. Hamilton made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

* 1. Dennis Brinegar d/b/a B & B Flooring, Denham Springs, Louisiana – La. R.S.37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Dennis Brinegar and Scott Brinegar were present on behalf of DENNIS BRINEGAR D/B/A B & B FLOORING and were sworn in. Mr. D. Brinegar entered a no contest plea. Mr. Temple made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Hamilton seconded. The motion passed. Mr. D. Brinegar gave a statement to the board regarding this matter. Mr. Hamilton made a motion to assess an administrative penalty of a $1000 fine plus $500 in administrative costs and to allow the administrative penalty to be reduced to a $500 fine plus $500 in administrative costs if the company obtains the proper license within 90 days. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

* 1. Star Framing of Louisiana, LLC, Prairieville, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of STAR FRAMING OF LOUISIANA, LLC. Brad Hassert, Compliance Director, 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 STAR FRAMING OF LOUISIANA, 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. Design & Build Consultants LLC, Covington, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(4)

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

E. STATUTORY CITATIONS:

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

OLD BUSINESS

F. COMPLIANCE HEARING/CONTINUANCE:

1. Kelvin Robins, Jr., Baton Rouge, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

This matter was continued. Mr. Morse made a motion to grant the continuance. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

G. Consideration of additional classifications for residential licenses as listed and attached to the agenda. (Page 4)

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

H. Consideration of residential applications as listed and attached to the agenda. (Pages 5-9)

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

I. Consideration of home improvement applications as listed and attached to the agenda. (Pages 10-15)

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

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Temple made a motion to adjourn at 10:02 a.m., and Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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Lloyd “Chip” Badeaux, Chairman

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Elliott Temple, Vice Chairman