

MINUTES
OMAHA PLUMBING BOARD
Regular Meeting – Wednesday, April 9, 2014
1:30 pm – City/County Building – 1819 Farnam Street
Jesse Lowe Conference Room – Third Floor

I. Roll Call

Members Present:

Brian A. Barrett
Jeff O. Estabrook, Vice-Chairman
Brian Feyerherm
David W. Miller, Chairman
Christopher P. Reed
Terry Salem
Amy L. Schaap

Others Present:

Mike Connor, Douglas County Health Department
James Wonder, City of Omaha Planning Department

Mr. Miller called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

II. Approval of Minutes from March 26, 2014

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve the minutes from the March 26, 2014, meeting. Second by Mr. Feyerherm.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried 7-0

III. *Renewal of Apprenticeship Programs

14-4-70

Michael Miller
Micro Plumbing Inc
8988 J Street
Omaha NE 68127

REQUEST Renewal of approval of apprenticeship
program
49-244

Mr. Michael Miller appeared before the Board requesting renewal of approval of apprenticeship program. His ratios and files are in order.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve the renewal of Micro Plumbing Inc. apprenticeship program. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried 7-0

14-4-71

Nicholas M Vodicka
Two Men and a Snake
6536 N 91 Street
Omaha NE 68122

REQUEST Approval of plumbing apprenticeship
program
49-244

Mr. Nicholas Vodicka appeared before the Board requesting approval of apprenticeship program. He does not have any apprentices yet. His paperwork is in order.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve Two Men and a Snake apprenticeship program. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried 7-0

14-4-72

Andy Raymond
A Raymond Plumbing Inc
24037 195 Street
Crescent, IA 51526

REQUEST Approval of renewal of plumbing apprenticeship
program
49-244

Mr. Andy Raymond appeared before the Board requesting renewal of approval of apprenticeship program. His paperwork is in order.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve renewal of A Raymond Plumbing apprenticeship program. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried 7-0

14-4-73

Brian J Carmody
Carmody & Sons Services
641 S 150 Street
Omaha NE 68154

REQUEST Approval of renewal of plumbing apprenticeship
program

49-244

Mr. Brian Carmody appeared before the Board requesting renewal of apprenticeship program.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve renewal of Carmody & Sons Services apprenticeship program. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried 7-0

IV. *Apprenticeship Agreements

Jordan J Cornay
5007 N 135 Street
Omaha NE 68164

Micro Plumbing Inc
8988 J Street
Omaha NE 68127

Mr. Jordan Cornay appeared before the Board. Mr. Cornay is asking for a start date of March 17, 2014. He does not have the paperwork confirming this date with him today. Ratios are in order.

Mr. Estbrook made a motion to approve Mr. Cornay for the apprenticeship program with a start date of March 17, 2014 with the stipulation that he forwards documentation of start date to the plumbing board secretary. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried 7-0

Nick Engardt
1287 390 Avenue
Imogene IA 51645

Carmody & Sons Services
641 S 150 Street
Omaha NE 68154

Mr. Nick Engardt appeared before the Board. Mr. Engardt is asking for a start date of March 17, 2014. His paperwork and the ratios are in order.

Mr. Estbrook made a motion to approve Mr. Engardt for the apprenticeship program with a start date of March 17, 2014. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried 7-0

Chase A Kier
7213 Northridge Drive
Omaha NE 68112

A Raymond Plumbing Inc
24037 195 Street
Crescent, IA 51526

Mr. Chase Kier appeared before the Board. Mr. Kier is asking for a start date of June 25, 2013. He does not have the paperwork confirming this date with him today. He is not in school at this time. Ratios are in order.

Mr. Estbrook made a motion to approve Mr. Kier for the apprenticeship program with a start date of June 25, 2013 with the stipulation that he forwards documentation of start date to the plumbing board secretary. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried 7-0

Matthew Scavio
4630 N 95 Street
Omaha NE 68134

A Raymond Plumbing Inc
24037 195 Street
Crescent, IA 51526

Mr. Matthew Scavio was not in attendance today. Mr. Estabrook made a motion to hold this apprenticeship agreement over until 4/23/14. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried 7-0

V. *Cases

14-4-69
Associated Builders & Contractors Inc
2602 Harney Street
Omaha NE 68131

REQUEST Renewal of certification of apprentice
instructional curriculum
49-244, 246, 247

Ms. Thersa Ptacek with ABC appeared before the Board requesting approval of renewal of certification of ABC apprenticeship program. The instructors will use curriculum approved by the Office of Apprenticeship which is Contren Learning series. Chapter 49, of the Omaha Municipal Code will be the primary focus of the classes. They are also requesting restructuring their program from a five year to a four year. Therefore, they want to add a 60-hour session every year so the students can get strictly Omaha Plumbing Code in order to comply with the requirement of the 696 hours which is now in the five-year packet. Contractors had expressed wanting the students to finish school and OTJ at approximately the same time.

Mr. Estabrook made a motion to approve the certified program curriculum for ABC Contractors. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried 7-0

14-3-65 *Held over from 3/26/2014*

James Audet
6840 McKinley Street
Omaha NE 68152

REQUEST Waiver as regards installation of well

Location: 6840 McKinley Street/Audet Estates
Lot 2

49-1510

3/26/2014

Mrs. Christina Audet and Mr. Bill Condon appeared before the Board. Mrs. Audet is requesting approval for installation of a new well at 6840 McKinley Street. MUD opposes the application for this request. The District recommends that the applicant connect to the 12" water main in McKinley Street, pay all associated fees, and discontinue use of their well for domestic purposes. There is nothing wrong with the existing well. Mrs. Audet recently subdivided the property and wants to build another home. Therefore, an additional well is needed. Mrs. Audet supplied a copy of the subdivision agreement signed by the City of Omaha Directors that states that water will be provided by individual private well.

Mr. Estabrook made a motion to hold case 14-3-65 over until 4/09/2014 pending legal advice from the City of Omaha attorneys regarding the subdivision agreement provided by Mrs. Audet. Second by Mr. Reed.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Schaap

Motion carried 6-0.

4/09/2014

Mrs. Christina Audet and Mr. Bill Condon appeared before the Board. Mr. Jim Wonder stated there are two issues; an ordinance which requires that all wells get approval from the Omaha Plumbing Board and a resolution which is not an ordinance but carries legal weight. After discussion with the City attorney, it was recommended that the waiver be granted for a well. A waiver would be required in the future for remaining Lots 3&4.

Motion by Mr. Reed for approval of the waiver to allow installation of a well for 6840 McKinley Street also known as Audet Estates Lot 2 with the stipulation that if the initial well were to fail that the owner would be required to connect to MUD providing water. Second by Mr. Estabrook.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried 7-0

14-4-74

Joseph Virgil
1819 Farnam Street
Omaha NE 68183

REQUEST Renewal of approval of instructor for continuing
education

49-215

Mr. Jim Wonder represented Mr. Joe Virgil before the Board. Mr. Virgil is requesting renewal of approval of instructor for Omaha Plumbing Code and Theory. He has been approved in the past.

Mr. Reed made a motion to approve the renewal of Mr. Joe Virgil as an instructor for continuing education in the topic of Omaha Plumbing Code and Theory. Second by Amy Schaap.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried 7-0

14-4-75

Bob Mahoney
Mahoney Fire Sprinkler Inc
5004 S 110 Street
Omaha NE 68137

REQUEST Approval of provider, instructors, and classes for
continuing education for 2014

49-244

Mr. Bob Mahoney presented before the Board representing Mahoney Fire Sprinkler Inc and Fire Sprinkler Contractors Association of Nebraska (FSCAN). This is regarding class for Grade VI water operators, journeymen, and master plumbers.

Mr. Reed made a motion for approval of FSCAN as provider for continuing education classes. Second by Mr. Estabrook.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried 7-0

Mr. Reed made a motion to approve Mr. Ron Thompson as an instructor of continuing education in Backflow Prevention. Second by Mr. Estabrook.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried 7-0

Mr. Reed made a motion to approve Mr. Terrence Vail as an instructor of continuing education in Backflow Prevention. Second by Mr. Estabrook.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried 7-0

Mr. Estabrook made a motion to approve Mr. Jim Bewley as an instructor of continuing education in Backflow Prevention. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried 7-0

Mr. Estabrook made a motion to approve Mr. Michael Wentink as an instructor of continuing education in Backflow Prevention. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried 7-0

This class will be held at Bellevue Fire Department Training Facility on May 9th, 2014 from 8:15 am-3:45pm. Motion by Mr. Reed to approve this class for two hours of continuing education credit for journeyman and master plumbers for backflow prevention. Second by Mr. Estabrook.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried 7-0

VI. Approval of Apprenticeship Renewals (11)

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| Joseph Aburumuh | Barrett Plumbing | Metro |
| John Adams | Barrett Plumbing | Metro |
| David D Barnes | Barrett Plumbing | Metro |
| Burke Clausen | Paragon Plumbing | Metro |
| Nilo Cervantes | Paragon Plumbing | Completed |
| Chase A Kier | A Raymond Plumbing Inc | Metro |
| Luke Metzinger | Barrett Plumbing | Metro |
| Donald Spittler, Jr | Wonder Plumbing | Metro |
| Matt E Roth | JTM Plumbing Service | ABC |
| Jordan Simpson | Precise Contracting & Plumbing | ABC |
| James Wolz, Jr | Dave Janke Plumbing | ABC |

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve the 11 apprentices for renewal for 2014. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap Motion carried 7-0

VII. DISCUSSION

Mr. Jim Wonder spoke on behalf of the Plumbing Code Committee reviewing the Omaha Plumbing Code. A draft of the Code was given to each Plumbing Board member. We will post one month for open comments and then will take two weeks for the Board to look at it and take a vote. It will then go to the Legal Department and finally to City Council for approval. This hopefully will be finalized in September at the earliest.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Estabrook made a motion to adjourn at 2:52 pm. Second by Amy Schaap.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap.

Motion carried: 7-0.

* = **APPLICANT MUST BE PRESENT AT MEETING**

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