I. Roll Call

Members Present:
Brian A Barrett
Jeff O. Estabrook, Vice-Chairman
David W. Miller, Chairman
Christopher P. Reed
Terry Salem

Members Absent:
Brian Feyerherm
Amy L. Schaap

Others Present:
Jim Wonder, City of Omaha Planning Department
Reid Steinkraus, Douglas County Health Department

Mr. Miller called the meeting to order at 1:31 pm.

II. Approval of Minutes from April 10th, 2013

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Miller, Reed, Salem

Motion carried 5-0.
I. **Approval of Apprenticeship Program**

13-5-70
Barney Barrett  
Barrett Plumbing  
1409 Chaput Dr  
Bellevue NE 68005  
49-244

Barney Barrett appeared before the Board for renewal of approval of apprenticeship program. Mr. Miller reviewed the file and commented that all appeared to be in order with the request.

Motion to approve by Mr. Estabrook. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Estabrook, Miller, Reed, Salem

ABSTAIN: Barrett

Motion carried 4-0-1

III. **Apprenticeship Agreement(s)**

Luke G Metzinger  
5007 S 46th Av  
Omaha NE 68117

Barrett Plumbing  
1409 Chaput Dr  
Bellevue NE 68117

Mr. Metzinger was not present.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to hold this case over to the next meeting. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Estabrook, Miller, Reed, Salem

ABSTAIN: Barrett

Motion carried 4-0-1
IV. *Cases*

13-3-65  
**From 4/24/2013**  
Erik Dickes  
1504 N 45th St  
Omaha NE 68104  

REQUEST: Renewal of approval of Provider, Instructor and CEU Class(es).

49-215

**4/24/2013:**  
The Board received a request to hold this case over to the next meeting.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to hold this case over to the May 8, 2013 meeting of the Board. Second by Mr. Salem.

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

Motion carried 7-0.

**5/8/2013:**  
Erik Dickes appeared before the Board. Mr. Dickes has taught classes in previous years; however, he has never requested approval as a Provider before today’s meeting.

Motion to approve Erik Dickes as a Provider by Mr. Estabrook. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Miller, Reed, Salem

Motion carried 5-0.

Motion to approve Erik Dickes as an Instructor for Plumbing Code & Theory by Mr. Estabrook. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Miller, Reed, Salem

Motion carried 5-0.

The Board reviewed Mr. Dickes’ submitted class materials. Mr. Wonder stated that Mr. Dickes would be audited by him in order to ensure that all information being given out was accurate. Mr. Dickes would like to give both two hour and four hour classes based on the submitted information.

Motion to approve submitted materials for up to four hours of continuing education for journeyman plumbers, master plumbers and sewer layers by Mr. Reed. Second by Mr. Estabrook.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Miller, Reed, Salem

Motion carried 5-0.
Mike Green of Central Sales and Jake Marlin appeared before the Board. Central Sales has been an approved Provider for the past several years.

Motion to renew approval of Central Sales as a Provider by Mr. Estabrook. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Miller, Reed, Salem

Motion carried 5-0.

The Board reviewed Central Sales’ proposed Instructors for 2013. Central Sales sought approval of their two returning instructors this year and one new instructor.

Motion by Mr. Reed to renew approval of Scott Green as an Instructor for water heater equipment and PVC piping. Second by Mr. Estabrook.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Miller, Reed, Salem

Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Mr. Reed to renew approval of Mike Green as an Instructor for water heater equipment. Second by Mr. Estabrook.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Miller, Reed, Salem

Motion carried 5-0.

The Board reviewed Mr. Marlin’s submitted credentials. Mr. Wonder stated that he would try to attend Mr. Marlin’s first class.

Motion by Mr. Reed to approve Jake Marlin as an approved Instructor for water heater equipment, with the stipulation that his class be audited by the Plumbing Division. Second by Mr. Estabrook.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Miller, Reed, Salem

Motion carried 5-0.

The Board reviewed Central Sales’ submitted class materials. Central Sales submitted materials for a number of classes; these classes are one to two hours in length. Mr. Green confirmed that their classes are generally not brand-specific; rather they focus more on basic troubleshooting and regulations.

Motion to approve submitted materials for up to two hours of continuing education for journeyman plumbers and master plumbers by Mr. Reed. Second by Mr. Estabrook.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Miller, Reed, Salem

Motion carried 5-0.
Mr. Green requested that the Board also approve him and Scott Green to teach a two hour class covering water treatment. Materials were previously submitted to the Board; the Board reviewed this information.

Motion by Mr. Reed to approve Scott Green and Mike Green as Instructors for domestic water treatment, and to teach a two hour class in said subject, with the stipulation that this class be audited by the Plumbing Division. Second by Mr. Estabrook.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Miller, Reed, Salem

Motion carried 5-0.

13-5-67
Chris Reed
Morrissey Engineering Inc
4940 N 118th St
Omaha NE 68164

REQUEST: Waiver of section 49-636 as regards drinking fountain.

Location: 119 S 49th Av
49-636

Mr. Reed recused himself for this case. Rick Volk of Morrissey Engineering appeared before the Board with Kurt Cisar and Steve Kuzelka of Holland Basham Architects. The property in question is a multi-tenant facility; Holland Basham Architects is one of these tenants. Holland Basham Architects is expanding its current space and is renovating certain plumbing fixtures. Mr. Volk stated that their business employs a reverse osmosis water filtration system and bottled water in the break room. They also have bottled water and permanent sinks with cups throughout the space.

Motion to approve by Mr. Estabrook. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Miller, Reed, Salem

ABSTAIN: Reed

Motion carried 4-0-1.

13-5-68
Chris Reed
Morrissey Engineering Inc
4940 N 118th St
Omaha NE 68164

REQUEST: Variance of Section 49-902, Underground piping within buildings

Location: 1331 Capitol Av
49-902

Mr. Reed recused himself for this case. Rick Volk of Morrissey Engineering appeared before the Board with Mike Henrichs of Olsson Associates and Tim Callahan of Opus. Mr. Wonder stated that the building in question is located downtown Omaha; there is no room outside this building for rainwater detention. Mr. Wonder stated that the Plumbing Division had no objection to the proposed variance as submitted, provided that the following conditions were met: 1) that third party testing take place after installation to ensure that there are no leaks. 2) The materials used seemed to support the type of use and 3) that if HDPE is used, that a letter from the manufacturer of this product be submitted to the Plumbing Division certifying that the proposed materials are appropriate for use indoors.
Mr. Volk clarified that the tank will be located in the loading dock area, under an overhang; thus, it is outside the building walls and yet still within the building’s footprint. Mr. Volk clarified that the tank is not a detention system, but rather a flow-through unit. This system is designed to remove dirt, oil and grit from rainwater coming from the roof of the building before returning it to the storm sewers.

Mr. Wonder stated that he had been under the impression that the applicant wished to install a detention system; he has not seen schematics as to what type of system the applicant is intending to use. Mr. Wonder stated that in light of the new information presented, he could neither recommend nor object to the proposed waiver. In response to Mr. Wonder, the Board reviewed cut sheets for the proposed tank.

After some discussion, Mr. Estabrook made a motion to approve the requested waiver, with the stipulation that the applicant work out a testing procedure with the manufacturer and the Plumbing Division and that the installed system be tested for leaks. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Miller, Reed, Salem

ABSTAIN: Reed

Motion carried 4-0-1.

Nicholas Jasa
8723 Oak St
Omaha NE 68124

REQUEST: Waiver of section 49-636 as regards drinking fountain.

Location: 10842 Old Mill Rd Suite 6 49-636

Nicholas Jasa appeared before the Board. Mr. Jasa stated that the property in question is 2,400 square foot office space. Mr. Jasa stated that this space has an open breakroom with a permanent sink and cups. They also have bottled water in the refrigerator and a water cooler on site.

Motion to approve by Mr. Reed. Second by Mr. Estabrook.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Miller, Reed, Salem

Motion carried 5-0.
Mark Roseland of Backlund Plumbing appeared before the Board. The property in question is a high-end home; the owner wishes to employ an unusual double sink design in the downstairs basement. This sink will have two faucets but one drain. One sink will extend over the other; water from this sink will flow down the sink and cascade over the side into the lower sink, which will contain the single drain for this fixture. The applicant also wishes to use a bottle trap on this fixture for aesthetic purposes.

Objections were raised over the possibility of dirty water from the upper sink coming into contact with persons who may be using the lower sink at the same time, and at the possibility that the lower sink could back up or overflow, creating a mess for the homeowner. After extensive debate about this design, it was generally agreed upon by the Plumbing Division, the Health Department and the Board that the proposed sink design was not acceptable. Mr. Roseland was directed to bring a sample of the proposed bottle trap to Mr. Wonder in the Plumbing Division; he may be asked to bring this product to the Board for further review at a later date.

Motion to deny by Mr. Reed. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Miller, Reed, Salem

Motion carried 5-0. Request denied.

II. *Journeyman Plumber Examinations*

Nicholas M Botkin  
1414 S 16th Apt 104  
Omaha NE 68108

Wonder Plumbing Inc  
7811 S 134th St #100  
Omaha NE 68138

Tom Callahan  
6042 Hickory St  
Omaha NE 68106

Vincentini Plumbing  
2308 S 16th St  
Omaha NE 68108-3948

Andrew E Cannon  
18608 60th St  
Plattsmouth NE 68048

Steve Douthit  
1717 Scarborough Dr Apt 2T  
Bellevue NE 68123

Burton Plumbing  
5020 F St  
Omaha NE 68117

Anthony M Eeman  
10640 M St  
Omaha NE 68127

Plumbers Local 16  
4801 F St  
Omaha NE 68117

John A Ellis  
129 Bryan St  
Gretna NE 68028
Shane M Farley  
5326 N 5th St  
Omaha NE 68110

Precise Plumbing  
13109 144th St  
Louisville NE 68037

Nicholas J Ferraguti  
1305 S 8th St  
Omaha NE 68108

Plumbers Local Union 16  
4801 F St  
Omaha NE 68117

Aaron M Frank  
13009 Woodridge Cir  
Bellevue NE 68123

Micro Plumbing  
8988 J St  
Omaha NE 68127

Frank E Golwitzer  
6822 Hillcrest Lane  
Papillion NE 68128

Vincentini Plumbing  
2308 S 16th St  
Omaha NE 68108

Justin K Howell  
4220 Maple  
Omaha NE 68111

The Frazier Company  
14830 B Cir  
Omaha NE 68144-5556

Nicholas R Howell  
803 Monarch Circle  
Papillion NE 68046

The Frazier Company  
14830 B Cir  
Omaha NE 68144-5556

Joshua D Huston  
19416 X St  
Omaha NE 68135

Dave Janke Plumbing Inc  
15013 Grover St  
Omaha NE 68144

Russell J Jackson  
315 N Maple St  
Logan IA 51546

Plumbers Local 16  
4801 F St  
Omaha NE 68117

Joshua Johnson  
910 County Rd 4  
Ashland NE 68003

Andrew M Korten  
5103 S 46th Av  
Omaha NE 68117

Plumbers Local 16  
4801 F St  
Omaha NE 68117

Vincent L Lohmeier  
Simet Plumbing  
4424 N 20th St  
Omaha NE 68110

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Omaha NE 68110

Ben Marshall  
2604 Jefferson St  
Bellevue NE 68005

Roto-Rooter  
7941 Drexel St  
Ralston NE 68127
Michael T McCart  
3028 7th Av  
Council Bluffs IA 51501  
Plumbers Local 16  
4801 F St  
Omaha NE 68117

Kevin M McLaughlin  
6230 Fort St  
Omaha NE 68104  
ServiceOne Inc  
9335 J St  
Omaha NE 68127-1206

Christopher P Morrison  
2110 Avenue D  
Council Bluffs IA 51501  
Plumbers Local 16  
4801 F St  
Omaha NE 68117

Carl C Parys  
6785 Pinkney St  
Omaha NE 68104  
Plumbers Local 16  
4801 F St  
Omaha NE 68117

Jason D Pedersen  
3231 Avenue F  
Council Bluffs IA 51501  
Vincentini Plumbing  
2308 S 16th St  
Omaha NE 68108

Aaron Perry  
12622 Anne St  
Omaha NE 68137  
Express Plumbing  
17410 Storage Rd  
Omaha NE 68136

Joseph J Rempe  
2925 S 113th St  
Omaha NE 68144  
JP Plumbing Co  
7705 S 92 St  
LaVista NE 68128

Jonathan M Riesgaard  
6824 S 38th St  
Omaha NE 68107  
Vincentini Plumbing  
2308 S 16th St  
Omaha NE 68108

Phillip R. Ring Jr.  
3501 N 54th Street  
Omaha NE 68104  
Roto-Rooter Services  
7941 Drexel St  
Ralston NE 68127

Matt E Roth  
15014 Ellison Av  
Omaha NE 68116  
JTM Plumbing Service  
12616 S 218th Av  
Gretta NE 68028-5985

Duane J Safarik Jr  
8106 Ralston Av  
Ralston NE 68127  
Precise Contracting & Plumbing  
13109 144th St  
Louisville NE 68037

Jeffrey R Tritz  
15411 Blackwell Dr  
Omaha NE 68137  
Plumbers Local 16  
4801 F St  
Omaha NE 68117
III. *Master Plumber Examinations*

Charles B Anderson  
7005 S 79th St  
La Vista NE 68128

Brian R Bales  
6318 N 109th Circle  
Omaha NE 68164

Brad S Birge  
3524 Parkview Dr  
Omaha NE 68134

Sean P Cidone  
7705 N 230th St  
Elkhorn NE 68022

David H Gerken  
4607 Manchester Dr  
Omaha NE 68152

Steven J Grzywa  
5706 R Street  
Omaha NE 68117
IV. *Lawn Sprinkler Contractor Examinations

Daryn J Hill
1019 E 9th St
Fremont NE 68025

Tony M Reed
8725 N 52nd Av
Omaha NE 68152

Richard R Tweedy
1915 County Rd T
Colon NE 68018

V. *Water Conditioning Contractor Examination Applications

Steve Scebold
17021 Pierce St
Omaha NE 68130

Convenient Water Treatment
10505 N 47th St
Omaha NE 68152
VI. *Water Conditioning Installer Examination Applications*

Phillip Wm Rhodes Jr  
1514 S Saddlecreek Rd  
Omaha NE 68106

Futuramic Clean Water Center  
1514 S Saddlecreek Rd  
Omaha NE 68106

VII. Sewer Layer Examinations

Demetrius Blackwell  
11017 Sleepy Hollow Lane  
Omaha NE 68152

Dave Janke Plumbing Inc  
15013 Grover St  
Omaha NE 68144

Josh A Byland  
711 2nd St  
Waterloo NE 68069

Dave Janke Plumbing Inc  
15013 Grover St  
Omaha NE 68144

Robin S Cannon  
27198 270th St  
Underwood IA 51576

Ready Rooter Inc  
1109 N 15th St  
Council Bluffs IA 51501

Jorge L Cardenas  
4528 Monroe St  
Omaha NE 68117

Kersten Construction  
11050 S 204th St  
Gretta NE 68028-7977

Donald Courter  
7505 Plum Dale Road  
LaVista NE 68128

Dave Janke Plumbing Inc  
15013 Grover St  
Omaha NE 68144

Corey M Dolson  
117 12th Av  
Council Bluffs IA 51503

Ready Rooter Inc  
1109 N 15th St  
Council Bluffs IA 51501

Clint Erickson  
13210 Centennial Rd  
Omaha NE 68128

Graham Construction  
13210 Centennial Rd  
Omaha NE 68128

Jesse Foust  
9144 S 147th St  
Omaha NE 68138

Heimes Corporation  
9144 S 147th St  
Omaha NE 68138
Benjamin D Gengler  
11764 Hartman Av  
Omaha NE 68164  
Graham Construction  
13210 Centennial Rd  
Omaha NE 68128

Micah Hanusek  
9144 S 147th St  
Omaha NE 68138  
Heimes Corporation  
9144 S 147th St  
Omaha NE 68138

Aaron Hunter  
4221 N 169th St  
Omaha NE 68116  
K2 Construction  
6818 Grover St Suite 106  
Omaha NE 68106

Jerome R Kabourek  
1740 N Oak St  
Wahoo NE 68066  
M.E. Collins Contracting Co., Inc.  
980 E 25th St  
PO Box 83  
Wahoo NE 68066

Todd S Kastanek  
1788 N Walnut St  
Wahoo NE 68066  
M.E. Collins Contracting Co., Inc.  
980 E 25th St  
PO Box 83  
Wahoo NE 68066

Marty Nonella  
9144 S 147th St  
Omaha NE 68138  
Heimes Corporation  
9144 S 147th St  
Omaha NE 68138

Scott L Reimers Jr.  
3456 S 126 Av  
Omaha NE 68104  
Dave Janke Plumbing Inc  
15013 Grover St  
Omaha NE 68144

Scott L Reimers Sr.  
34182 Hwy 6  
Oakland IA 51560  
Dave Janke Plumbing Inc  
15013 Grover St  
Omaha NE 68144

Tim Robbins  
202 Cort Plaza  
Gretna NE 68028  
Dave Janke Plumbing Inc  
15013 Grover St  
Omaha NE 68144

Jeremy J Van Ampting  
3300 N 155th St  
Lincoln NE 68527  
Nemaha Landscape Construction  
430 W Pioneers Bd  
Lincoln NE 68522

Chris T Whitson Jr  
9144 S 147th St  
Omaha NE 68138  
Heimes Corporation  
9144 S 147th St  
Omaha NE 68138
V. Discussion

- Mr. Wonder discussed an affidavit to bring a master plumber before the Board for revocation of license. He read the sworn affidavit aloud to the Board members, and asked them whether they wished to proceed with a revocation hearing for the plumber’s license(s).

Motion to hold a hearing for the possible suspension or revocation of Nathan Steele’s plumbing license(s) by Mr. Estabrook. Second by Mr. Reed.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Miller, Reed, Salem

Motion carried 5-0. Revocation hearing to take place June 12, 2013.

- The Board reviewed an updated version of the apprentice plumber renewal form. The Board directed the Board Secretary to begin using this updated form for all future requests for apprentice plumber license renewals.

- Mr. Wonder asked the Board for clarification on testing policies; namely to clarify the rules regarding which sections testers are required to take (i.e., only the sections that they have not passed; or all sections of the exam) after failing to pass the exam within four consecutive attempts. After some discussion, the Board tabled this matter until the next meeting, as they wished to receive feedback from those Board members not present today.

VI. Executive Session

Mr. Wonder asked that the Board go into executive session in order to grade plumbing examinations.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to go into executive session in order to grade plumbing examinations. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Miller, Reed, Salem

Motion carried 5-0. Board entered executive session at 2:57 pm.

VII. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned by mutual consent at 3:30 pm

* = APPLICANT MUST BE PRESENT AT MEETING

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If alternative (tape) to the agenda is needed, please advise Jim Wonder. A 72-hour notice is required.