

MINUTES
OMAHA PLUMBING BOARD
Regular Meeting – Wednesday, March 26, 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
Amy L. Schaap

Members Absent:

Terry Salem

Others Present:

Mike Connor, Douglas County Health Department

Others Absent:

James Wonder, City of Omaha Planning Department

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

II. Approval of Minutes from March 12, 2014

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve the minutes from the March 12, 2014, meeting.

Second by Schaap.

AYES: Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Schaap

ABSTAIN: Barrett

Motion carried 5-0-1

III. *Renewal of Apprenticeship Programs

14-3-64

Dave Radden
Radden Plumbing Inc
4651 A Street
Omaha NE 68106

REQUEST Renewal of approval of apprenticeship
program

49-244

Mr. Dave Radden appeared before the Board requesting renewal of approval of apprenticeship program. His paperwork and ratios are in order.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve the renewal of Radden Plumbing Inc. apprenticeship program. Second by Amy Schaap.

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

Motion carried 6-0

14-3-69

Dave Wonder
Wonder Plumbing
7811 S 134 St #100
Omaha NE 68138

REQUEST Renewal of approval of apprenticeship
program

49-244

Mr. Dave Wonder appeared before the Board requesting renewal of approval of apprenticeship program. His ratios are in order. He will forward the appropriate apprenticeship form to the plumbing board secretary for the files.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve the renewal of Wonder Plumbing apprenticeship program. Second by Amy Schaap.

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

Motion carried 6-0

IV. *Apprenticeship Agreements

Jack S Hytrek
1002 Michael Drive
Papillion NE 68046

Radden Plumbing Inc
4651 A Street
Omaha NE 68106

Mr. Jack Hytrek appeared before the Board. Mr. Hytrek is asking for a start date of 10-10-2013. He has the paperwork confirming this date. Paperwork and ratios are in order.

Mr. Eastbrook made a motion to approve Mr. Jack Hytrek for the apprenticeship program with a start date of 10-10-2013. Second by Amy Schaap.

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

Motion carried 6-0

Kiefer D Moody
2612 Margo Street
Bellevue NE 68147

Radden Plumbing Inc
4651 A Street
Omaha NE 68106

Mr. Kiefer Moody appeared before the Board requesting approval for the apprenticeship program with a start date of 7-22-2013 . He has the paperwork confirming this date. Ratios are in order.

Mr. Eastbrook made a motion to approve Mr. Kiefer Moody for the apprenticeship program with a start date of 7-22-2013. Second by Amy Schaap.

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

Motion carried 6-0

David J Krutina Jr
1214 Applewood Drive #301
Papillion NE 68046

Wonder Plumbing
7811 S 134 St #100
Omaha NE 68106

Mr. David Krutina appeared before the Board. He is requesting a start date of 12-02-2013. The paperwork and ratios are in order.

Mr. Eastbrook made a motion to approve Mr. David Krutina Jr. for the apprenticeship program with a start date of 12-02-2013. Second by Amy Schaap.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Schaap Motion carried 6-0

Thomas J Riemer
15741 Ohern Circle
Omaha NE 68135

Wonder Plumbing
7811 S 134 St #100
Omaha NE 68106

Mr. Thomas Riemer appeared before the Board. He is requesting a start date of 11-11-2013. The paperwork and ratios are in order.

Mr. Eastbrook made a motion to approve Mr. Thomas Riemer for the apprenticeship program with a start date of 11-11-2013. Second by Amy Schaap.

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

Motion carried 6-0

V. *Cases

14-3-59 Held over from 3/12/2014

Ed Huffman
Big Rivers Marketing
12818 Jones Street
Omaha NE 68154

REQUEST Approval of renewal of provider, instructor,
and classes for continuing education

49-215

2/12/2014

Mr. Estabrook made a motion to hold over case 14-3-59 until the March 26th plumbing board meeting.

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

Motion carried 6-0.

2/26/2014

Mr. Huffman is requesting renewal of approval of provider, instructor, and classes for continuing education for 2014. The provider will be Big Rivers Marketing which was on the list as a provider in 2013.

Mr. Reed made a motion to renew the approval of Big Rivers Marketing as a provider for 2014 continuing education. Second by Mr. Eastbrook.

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

Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Ed Huffman is requesting renewal of approval of instructor for continuing education for 2014. Mr. Huffman was on the list as an instructor in 2013. He will be teaching the same two classes regarding custom showers and water treatment.

Mr. Reed made a motion to renew the approval of Mr. Ed Huffman as an instructor for 2014 continuing education. Second by Mr. Eastbrook.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Schaap Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Huffman is going to talk on American Standard custom shower fixtures for journeymen and master plumbers only and the treatment of water for journeymen, master plumbers and water conditioning contractors. These classes will be held at Pizza Ranch on 84th Street on 4/17/2014. He is requesting two credits for each class. This was approved last year.

Mr. Eastbrook made a motion to approve these two classes for two credit hours each. Second by Mr. Reed.

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

Motion carried 6-0.

14-3-65

James Audet
6840 McKinley Street
Omaha NE 68152

REQUEST Waiver as regards installation of well

Location: 6840 McKinley Street

49-1510

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.

14-3-66

Arthur Alston
3022 N 24 Street
Omaha NE 68110

REQUEST Waiver as regards drinking fountain

Location:3022 N 24 Street

49-636

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Alston appeared before the Board. They are requesting a waiver to abandon a drinking fountain at 3022 N 24 Street. This is an office space that is not currently open. They have two drinking fountains in the space now. They would like to remove the fixture from the wall to open up the hallway and also do not feel the drinking fountain is very sanitary. There will be approximately 20 employees in this 5400 sq ft space. There will be a break room with a sink. Mr. Alston would rather install a water bottle dispenser. The Code requires one drinking fountain attached to the plumbing with ADA requirements. The Board would allow a bottle filler attached to the wall. With the working drinking fountain in place currently, they are up-to-code so the CO should not be an issue.

Mr. Reed made a motion to allow the existing drinking fountains at this property to be replaced with a water bottle filler at ADA accessible-compliant height which will need to be inspected. Second by Mr. Eastabrook.

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

Motion carried 6-0.

14-3-67

Lawrence Butler
2907 N 56 Street
Omaha NE 68104

REQUEST Waiver as regards restrooms for both sexes

Location: 4811 Northwest Radial Highway

49-630

Mr. Lawrence Butler appeared before the Board requesting a waiver regarding restrooms for both sexes. Mr. Butler stated the property dates back to 1925 where one restroom was allowed and feels this should be grandfathered in based on no change to the building occupancy. Space limitations do not allow for two restrooms. The Board stated that ADA requirements cannot be waived. This space is 686 sq ft and currently vacant. This will be a convenient/grocery store selling packaged retail food. The plumbing is there but the walls do not exist at this time.

Mr. Reed made a motion to allow the waiver for this business in this location to allow a unisex restroom without a urinal provided the restroom is handicap-compliant or some other accommodations be made with the City building inspectors. Second by Amy Schaap.

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

Motion carried 6-0.

14-3-68
Monty Dixon
DB Construction
2608 Avenue I
Council Bluffs, IA 51501

REQUEST Waiver as regards grease interceptor

Location: 741 N 114 Street

49-1104

Mr. Monty Dixon and Mr. Jon Crowe appeared before the Board requesting a waiver as regards grease interceptor at 741 N 114 Street. This will be the location of Toppers Pizza. They are requesting a waiver due to the fact that the only equipment used will be a baking oven. This property was previously called Extreme Pizza which did not have a grease interceptor. The ingredients are all precooked. There are no fryers; the wings are baked in the oven on pizza paper which is then thrown in the trash. The pizza pans are ran through the oven to sanitize them; not washed in the sink.

Motion to allow the waiver as regards grease interceptor at 741 N 114 Street by Mr. Reed. Second by Mr. Eastabrook.

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

Motion carried 6-0.

VI. Approval of Apprenticeship Renewals (3)

Jack Bogatz	J&R Mechanical	Local 16
Christopher Lewis	Eyman Plumbing	Local 16
Matt Mendicino	TSI Mechanical	Local 16

Mr. Estabrook made a motion to approve the 2014 renewal of the three apprentices listed above. Second by Mr. Feyerherm.

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

Motion carried 6-0.

VII. DISCUSSION

Discussion regarding the City attorneys looking over the subdivision agreement regarding the well waiver case above.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Estabrook made a motion to adjourn at 2:39 pm. Second by Mr. Reed.

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

Motion carried: 6-0.

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

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