MINUTES
OMAHA PLUMBING BOARD
Regular Meeting – Wednesday, February 13, 2019
1:30 pm – City/County Building – 1819 Farnam Street
Jesse Lowe Conference Room – Third Floor

Board Members:
Brian A Barrett
Jeff O. Estabrook, Vice-Chairman
Steve Johnston
David W. Miller, Chairman
Christopher P. Reed
Terry Salem
Amy L. Schaap
Russell Hadan, Douglas County Health Department (non-voting)
Jim Wonder, Chief Plumbing Inspector, City Planning Department (non-voting)

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

I. Roll Call

Brian Barrett
Jeff Estabrook
Steve Johnston
David Miller
Christopher Reed
Terry Salem
Amy Schaap

Others Present:
Jim Wonder, Chief Plumbing Inspector
Doug Clark, Douglas County Health Department
Autumn Drickey, Board Secretary

II. Approval of Minutes from January 23, 2019

Motion by Mr. Jeff Estabrook to approve the minutes from the January 23, 2019 meeting. Second by Mr. Brian Barrett.

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

Motion carried: 7-0, Approved
Mr. Bernie Vacek appeared before the Board in regards to the above request at the above address. Mr. Miller summarized the request. Mr. Estabrook asked about what the previous use was. Mr. Vacek confirmed and provided a drawing. Mr. Jim Wonder stated that they do this on existing restrooms because of when the code came into play and they want a waiver on record. Mr. Estabrook asked about the number of employees. Mr. Vacek answered stating he doesn’t have an exact number. He explained the original permit that brought attention to the unisex restroom. Mr. Doug Clark asked about food prep. Mr. Vacek stated that the Health Department approved the hand sink to be where it is on the drawing. Mr. Christopher Reed summarized the chain of events that brought them here. Mr. Estabrook asked if they could break up the floor to add another restroom. Mr. Vacek stated he didn’t measure. Mr. Barrett asked about the square footage. Mr. Vacek stated approximately 1,000 square feet. Mr. Wonder explained the reason why they are here. Mr. Miller stated that he would want to know if another restroom could fit. Mr. Reed explains his understanding of the unisex. Mr. Barrett asked if there is a floor drain. Mr. Vacek confirmed and stated there is no urinal. Mr. Estabrook asked about the size. Mr. Terry Salem asked if it was ADA compliant. Mr. Wonder stated the department does not have an opinion on this request, but wanted a waiver from the Board since it has been identified. Mr. Barrett asked how long it has been there. Mr. Vacek stated a long time. There is discussion about what to do with this request and what it means for future requests.

Motion by Mr. Reed to approve the request for this business at this location only and if usage changes the waiver would become void. Second by Mr. Barrett.

AYES: Barrett, Johnston, Reed, Schaap
NAYES: Estabrook, Miller, Salem

Motion carried: 4-3, Approved

No one appeared before the Board in regards to the above request. Mr. Clark stated that a permit was applied for with the Health Department. He stated that they have no problem as long as the previous well is decommissioned. Mr. Miller stated MUD does not object to this request. Mr. Wonder stated that even though they aren’t here, they could rule on the case.

Motion by Mr. Reed to approve the well waiver for domestic use only with the stipulation that the existing well is decommissioned. Second by Mr. Estabrook.

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

Motion carried: 7-0, Approved
IV. *Apprenticeship Agreements*

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*Request for change in start date*

No one appeared. Mr. Miller stated that this is a request to change his start date.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve a new start date to the Omaha Apprenticeship Program for Mr. Diamond to August 20, 2018. Second by Mr. Salem.

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

Motion carried: 7-0, Approved

Wendell Russell II  
1020 4th Ave  
Plattsmouth, NE 68048

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No one appeared. Mr. Miller stated his documentation is in order but there is no documentation of hours or a start date.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve Mr. Russell to the Omaha Apprenticeship Program with a start date of February 13, 2019. Second by Mr. Salem.

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

Motion carried: 7-0, Approved

V. Discussion

- Mr. Wonder – Noel Holmstedt request to move exam to May without fee or penalty due to personal reasons.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve Mr. Holmstedt to move to May test without any consequence and move the pre-paid fee to the May exam. Second by Mr. Salem.

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

Motion carried: 7-0, Approved

- Mr. Wonder – next meeting for top 3 scorers
- Mr. Wonder – LB107 allows for the non-renewal of a license for not completing continuing education, if it is passed. He explained the intent and how it will impact the Omaha Municipal Code. He stated the Board must be given the authority to waive continuing education by the Omaha Municipal Code. There is discussion about how it would be written and how it would potentially play out.

VI. Executive Session to Grade Exams

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to move into executive session to grade the test. Second by Mr. Salem.

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

Motion carried: 7-0, Executive Session at 1:50 p.m.
- Journeyman Plumber Exam
  1. Allen, David
  2. Anderson, Broxton
  3. Barnes, David
  4. Blake, Kyle
  5. Blasingame, Joshua
  6. Bowery, Elliott
  7. Brust Jr, Mark
  8. Bybee, Skyler
  9. Calderon, Michael
  10. Chapin, Corey
  11. Childers, Allen
  12. Childers, Benjamin
  13. Douthit, Steve
  14. Frank, Zachary
  15. Gamelin, Russell
  16. Heidvogel, David
  17. Kidder, Andrew
  18. Klusaw, Daniel
  19. Knoblauch, Devin
  20. Lathrop, Christopher
  21. Leonovich, Matthew
  22. Nelson, Daniel – Did not provide documentation to test
  23. Pratt, Billy
  24. Reese, Tanner
  25. Richardson, Ryan
  26. Riesgaard, Jonathan
  27. Ring, Phillip
  28. Rouch, Douglas
  29. Scavio, Matthew
  30. Schulz, Skylar
  31. Simpson, Jordan

- Master Plumber Exams
  1. Amill, Coresian
  2. Barrett, Bernard
  3. Gruhn, Joshua
  4. Holmstedt, Noel – Requesting approval to postpone without fee or penalty
  5. Lee, Aaron
  6. Manderichio, Brent
  7. Pringle, Ken
  8. Roediger, Robert
  9. Shadden, William

- Lawn Sprinkler Contractor Exams
  1. Costanzo, Michael
  2. Hand, Fritz
  3. Hernandez, Jose
  4. Morar, David
VII. Adjournment

General consensus at 2:30 p.m.

*APPLICANT MUST BE PRESENT AT MEETING.

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