Pikes Peak Regional Building Department

2880 International Circle Colorado Springs, Colorado 80910

LICENSING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

July 11, 2024 – Thursday – 9:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Steve Lepine, Building Contractor A, B or C

Toby Conquest, Mechanical Contractor A Dave Rojewski, Building Contractor A Maria Miller, Commercial Banker Andrew Haggard, Citizen-at-Large

MEMBERS ABSENT: Trevit Smith, Building Contractor C

RBD STAFF: Roger Lovell, Regional Building Official

Virjinia Koultchitzka, Regional Building Attorney Jay Eenhuis, Regional Building Deputy Official – Plans John Welton, Regional Building Deputy Official - Inspections

Luke Sanderson, Non-Compliance Supervisor Gina LaCascia, Executive Administrative Assistant

PROCEEDINGS:

The Licensing Committee meeting was conducted in a hybrid forum, allowing Committee members, Department staff, and the public to attend in person at the Pikes Peak Regional Development Center, 2880 International Circle, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80910, Hearing Room on the upper level, or virtually through Microsoft Teams Town Hall. Sufficient and timely access to the public to observe the meeting was made available at: https://www.pprbd.org/Information/Boards.

1. CALL TO ORDER: DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

Chair Steve Lepine called the Licensing Committee meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. **ELECTION OF OFFICER(S)**

A motion was made by Dave Rojewski to elect Toby Conquest as the Vice Chair of the Licensing Committee; seconded by Andrew Haggard; the motion carried unanimously.

3. CONSIDERATION OF THE JUNE 13, 2024 LICENSING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Andrew Haggard to **APPROVE** the June 13, 2024 Licensing Committee Meeting Minutes as written; seconded by Dave Rojewski; the motion carried unanimously.

4. **CONTRACTOR COMPLAINT(S)**

Conduct of Hearing.

Rules. Hearings need not be conducted according to the technical rules relating to evidence and witnesses.

Oral Evidence. Oral evidence shall be taken only on oath or affirmation.

Hearsay Evidence. Hearsay evidence may be used for the purpose of supplementing or explaining any direct evidence, but shall not be sufficient in itself to support a finding unless it would be admissible over objection in civil actions in courts of competent jurisdiction in this State.

Admissibility of Evidence. Any relevant evidence shall be admitted if it is the type of evidence on which responsible persons are accustomed to rely in the conduct of serious affairs, regardless of the existence of any common law or statutory rule that might make improper the admission of any evidence over objection in civil actions in courts of competent jurisdiction in this State.

Exclusion of Evidence. Irrelevant and unduly repetitious evidence shall be excluded.

Rights of Parties. Each party shall have these rights among others:

- 1. To call and examine witnesses on any matter relevant to the issues of the hearing;
- 2. To introduce documentary and physical evidence;
- 3. To cross-examine opposing witnesses on any matter relevant to the issues of the hearing;
- 4. To impeach any witness regardless of which party first called to testify;
- 5. To rebut the evidence against the party;
- 6. To represent the party or to be represented by anyone of the party's choice who is lawfully permitted to do so.
- a) A Complaint has been brought against Ryan Stiffler, Examinee for Family Ties Construction Services, Inc., dba Colorado Craftsmen Plumbing, by Lara Matisek, for performing work at 12765 Pensador Drive, Colorado Springs, Colorado prior to obtaining permit(s) and the required license(s) in violation of Sections RBC105.1, RBC201.11.3, Nos. 1, 5 and 6, RBC201.3, RBC201.8.1, RBC204.2.3.1, and RBC205.1, Pikes Peak Regional Building Code, 2023 Edition. In addition, work was performed in violation of Sections RBC201.2, Residential Construction Consulting, and RBC201.4.2, Residential Construction Consulting, Pikes Peak Regional Building Code, 2023 Edition.

As administratively continued due to technical difficulties from the April 11, 2024 Licensing Committee meeting.

Ryan Stiffler, the Examinee, advised the Department telephonically that he would not be appearing in person or virtually for this hearing and that he understood the consequences of a failure to appear, including, but not limited to the Committee's authority to recommend revocation of a license/registration and the Department's authority to impose fine(s).

Lara Matisek appeared in person and was sworn in. Virjinia Koultchitzka advised the Licensing Committee of its authority to hear the complaint or continue the matter further. The Committee heard the Complaint.

Lara Matisek stated that she contacted Ryan Stiffler in January, 2023 to install a tankless water heater as he was a master plumber and insured. She paid \$5,900, and the work began on February 3, 2023. It was her understanding that the contractor was responsible for obtaining a permit, but she indicated that Mr. Stiffler advised her that she could obtain the permit as the property owner. When Mrs. Matisek advised the contractor that he was responsible for obtaining the permit, he told her that he would take care of it.

Between February and November of 2023, she was in constant contact with Ryan Stiffler asking him to complete the job by having the permit closed, which he obtained after he finished the install of the tankless water heater. At an additional cost, Mrs. Matisek stated she had to seal the wall that Mr. Stiffler tore down, and she hired an HVAC contractor to finish the work at an additional cost of \$2,000.

Luke Sanderson confirmed that Family Ties Construction Services, Inc., dba Colorado Craftsmen Plumbing, holds a Plumbing A Registration with Regional Building Department and have been in business since on about February 8, 2023; the license is currently suspended due to the registration expiration on February 29, 2024 and liability insurance coverage expiring on August 21, 2023. Family Ties Construction Services, Inc., dba Colorado Craftsmen Plumbing has two permits with the Department, both of which are voided; there are no open permits currently.

A motion was by made by Toby Conquest to recommend to the Board of Review that a **LETTER OF REPRIMAND** be placed in the contractor and examinee file(s) of Ryan Stiffler, Examinee, Family Ties Construction Services, Inc., dba Colorado Craftsmen Plumbing, and that further the registration of Ryan Stiffler, Examinee, with Family Ties Construction Services, Inc., dba Colorado Craftsmen Plumbing, be **REVOKED** for failing to obtain permits for work performed at 12765 Pensador Drive, Colorado Springs, Colorado, 80921; seconded by Andrew Haggard; the motion carried unanimously.

Virjinia Koultchitzka advised of the right to appeal and discussed Section RBC101.7, in which a follow-up letter of this advisement will be sent to the parties, wherein they will have thirty (30) calendar days to file an appeal if aggrieved by the Licensing

Committee decision. In addition, the Department has the authority to impose administrative fine(s) in accordance with Section RBC103.12 of the Code for any work being done in violation of the Code.

5. CONSENT LICENSE REQUESTS

Consent license requests will be acted upon as a whole unless a specific item is called for discussion by a Committee member or a citizen wishing to address the Committee.

BUILDING CONTRACTOR A-1 (COMMERCIAL)

South Coast Improvement Company - Thomas Quinlan

(License Reinstatement)

Taylor Bros. Construction Co Inc - Jeffrey Chandler

(Limitation of No Ground Up)

BUILDING CONTRACTOR B-1 (LIMITED COMMERCIAL)

Certified General Contracting, LLC - Bradley Evans

Dodgewerks, Inc. - Chris Dodge

(License Reinstatement)

Mammoth Inc. - Joseph Gaw III

Mountain Wave Construction, Inc - Thomas Alexander

(Company Changes Examinee and Limitation of No Ground Up)

Spyder Construction, LLC - Andrew Bakker

(License Upgrade)

Teller Street Construction, LLC - Andrew Seck

(Limitation of No Ground Up)

The Arcticom Group Refrigeration, LLC dba Victory Construction &

Refrigeration - Jimmie Elmore Jr.

(License Reinstatement and Examinee Changes Company)

Top Consulting Inc - Karen Harricharan

(Examinee Changes Company and Limitation of

Manufactured Buildings Only)

Vortex Engineering, Inc. dba Vortex Engineering & Architecture, Inc. - Robert Jones

BUILDING CONTRACTOR B-2 (LIMITED COMMERCIAL)

Belfor USA Group Inc dba Belfor Property Restoration dba 1-800-Boardup

of Denver Metro fka Belfor USA Group Inc dba Belfor Property

Restoration - Arles Joos

(Company Name or dba Change)

FTL Builders - Kent Brady

(Limitation of No Ground Up)

BUILDING CONTRACTOR C (HOMEBUILDER)

Challenger Building, LLC - Matthew Rankin

(Additional License)

Elmont Remodeling - Michael Elmont

(License Reinstatement and Limitation of 1-Open Ground Up Permit)

GX, LLC - Carlos Castaneda

Mize Builds LLC - Ronald Mize

Premier One, Inc. - Kevin Zapp

(Examinee Changes Company)

Rice Remodeling LLC fka Rice's Remodeling - David Rice

(Company Name or dba Change)

Tralon Homes, LLC - Nichole McGraw

(Company Changes Examinee and Examinee Changes Company)

Weekley Homes, LLC - Ievgen Vermenchuk

(Examinee Changes Company and Additional License)

Weekley Homes, LLC - Joseph Morkes

(Additional License)

BUILDING CONTRACTOR D-1 (CARPORTS)

Hard Steel LLC - Miguel Jurado Hernandez

BUILDING CONTRACTOR D-1 (EXTERIORS)

Champion Contractors & Services Commercial, LLC - Kirby Vogler

(License Reinstatement)

Ethos General Contractors LLC - Constantine Anest

(License Reinstatement)

Lowe's Home Centers, LLC - Noah Hasenauer

(Additional License)

Storm Exteriors LLC - Russell Perkins

BUILDING CONTRACTOR D-1 (ROOFING)

Ascent Roofing Solutions Ltd. - Joshua Walkup

Chamberlin Dallas LLC - Lyle Coston

Cornerstone Roofing And Restoration LLC - Briley Wahl

Daniel Koski, Inc. dba 5280 Creative Construction Solutions - Daniel Koski

Edward Hamel LLC dba Ace Construction and Exteriors fka Ace Construction

and Exteriors (Company Name or dba Change and License Reinstatement

Subject to an Administrative Lock Until All 'A' Status Permits,

if any, are Resolved)

Formula Roofing and Remodeling - Evan Harris

(Company Changes Examinee)

New Era Industries, Inc. - Hugo Carrasco

(License Reinstatement Subject to an Administrative Lock Until

All 'A' Status Permits, if any, are Resolved)

Olympic City Roofing LLC - Nathan Agrimson

Premier Restoration & Construction Inc - Nathan Smith

Pro Worx Roofing, LLC - Michael Bye

Re-Paint Co. dba Re-Store Property Services Co - Kevin Murdock

Restoration Coatings, LLC - Sheena Dwyer

Roofready.Com LLC - George Quijano

Stone Creek Roofing & Exteriors, LLC dba Stone Creek Roofing &

Solar - Ontika Stoddard

(Company Changes Examinee)

Truebuilt Contracting Inc. - Cail Hernandez

(License Reinstatement Subject to an Administrative Lock Until

All 'A' Status Permits, if any, are Resolved)

West Point Roofing LLC - Nathan Campbell

BUILDING CONTRACTOR D-1 (SIDING)

Quality First Roofing Inc - Christian Gonzalez (Additional License)

BUILDING CONTRACTOR D 2A (WRECKING)

Elite Dirt & Demo, LLC - Cory Regan (License Reinstatement)

BUILDING CONTRACTOR E (MAINTENANCE & REMODELING)

Welsh Construction LLC - Ryan Welsh (Company Changes Examinee)

BUILDING CONTRACTOR F-1 (SOLAR)

BB Solar Maintenance LLC - Douglas Brodhagen

MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR A (COMMERCIAL)

Community Mechanical Services LLC - Jose Ortiz

HVAC Solutions, Inc. - Cameron Donegan

(Additional License)

Lennox National Account Services LLC - Charles Albanese

(Company Changes Examinee)

Major Heating and Air Conditioning, Inc. - Jack Major

(License Reinstatement)

Pipe Line Specialties Inc. dba PLS Electrical dba PLS High Purity dba PLS

Mechanical Inc dba PLS Services - Bryan Graham

(Company Changes Examinee and Additional License)

MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR C-1 (GAS PIPING)

Coleman's Solution, LLC - Michael Coleman

MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR E (ELEVATOR)

Fair Inc. dba 1 Elevator Services of Colorado - Dean Glau (License Reinstatement)

HEATING MECHANIC IV (HVAC SERVICE TECH)

Aaron Kelner
Brian Parmelee
Julian Hunter (License Reinstatement)
Kristopher Palmer Merritt
Leonardo Ramirez
Terance Thompson (License Reinstatement)

CONSENT ITEMS FOR VOLUNTARY SUSPENSION

Joshua Collingwood

A motion was made by Toby Conquest to approve the Consent License Requests; seconded by Maria Miller; the motion carried unanimously.

6. ITEMS CALLED OFF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

No items were called off the Consent Calendar.

7. LICENSE REQUESTS CONSIDERED INDIVIDUALLY

There were no License Requests appearing individually.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a) Ratification of June 13, 2024 Consent Calendar (Action Item)

Roger Lovell stated that the Colorado Springs Gazette required publication of the consent license requests failed to meet certain publication deadline(s). Therefore, the Consent Calendar items from the June 13, 2024 Licensing Committee meeting must be ratified.

A motion was made by Andrew Haggard to ratify the June 13, 2024 Consent License Requests; the ratification was seconded by Dave Rojewski; the motion carried unanimously.

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no New Business to discuss.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

The Licensing Committee meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger N. Lovell, Regional Building Official

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