

**January 20, 2012**  
**LANDSCAPE IRRIGATION CONTRACTORS**  
**EXAMINING BOARD**

The Landscape Irrigation Contractors Examining Board held their meeting at the DEP building, Trenton, NJ. George McCarthy called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. The following members were in attendance:

| <b>MEMBER</b>   | <b>AFFILIATION</b>   |
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| Linda Cantwell  | NJDEP                |
| Robert Dobson   | Middletown Sprinkler |
| Patric LiSanti  | Growing Concern Inc  |
| George McCarthy | Spring Irrigation    |

Mike Schuit, DAG, Gene Rosenblum, DAG, and Charlie Maack, DEP, and were also in attendance.

Linda Cantwell read the Open Public Meetings Act statement for the Landscape Irrigation Contractors Examining Board and announced that adequate notice of this meeting had been provided to the Secretary of State and designated newspapers, as well as posted in DEP.

The open and closed session minutes from the November 15, 2011 meeting were approved as presented.

A Treasurer's report was not available. Members will be sent an electronic copy once it becomes available.

Changes to the exam application were discussed. Comments included modifying instructions, verifying citations, and reiterating certain language. Members will be sent an electronic version of the application in order to review and make necessary changes.

Members were provided with a draft approval letter that will be sent to course providers as courses are approved. A discussion was held and changes were made to the letter.

Bob Dobson informed the members that he had recently met with Katie Barnett (from DEP) concerning the irrigation program. As a result of their discussion, Mr. Dobson prepared draft legislative changes to remove the plumber's exemption.

Members were provided with information from North Carolina's website regarding their irrigation certification process. A discussion was held and some of their ideas may be incorporated into NJ's exam application.

The Board reviewed, discussed, and approved revisions to a new penalty matrix.

The Board motioned to enter into a closed session in order to discuss enforcement matters.

The Board returned to open session.

The Board voted to approve penalties for cases 083 (\$2,000), 019 (\$2,000), 391 (\$1,000), and 460 (\$2,000) for installations without a certified contractor.

The Board voted to approve and send correspondence prepared for an exam applicant requiring special accommodations for the April 2012 examination.

The Board reviewed and approved results from an applicant applying for reciprocity and passing the NJ portion of the exam.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned. at 1:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "George McCarthy". The signature is written in black ink on a light-colored background.

George McCarthy, Chairman  
Landscape Irrigation Contractors Board