

Minutes BLIC January 23, 2018
Minutes Taker-Stacy Andersen
Start Time: 10:20 AM
End Time: 12:47 PM

BOARD OF LANDSCAPE IRRIGATION CONTRACTORS

Meeting Location: DCA Building
101 S. Broad Street
Trenton, NJ 08625
1st Floor Conference Room 129

Attendees:

<u>Board Members</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>
George M. McCarthy	Spring Irrigation Co. Inc.
Gaetano Virone	Environmental Designers Irrigation
Robert Dobson	Middletown Sprinkler
Kevin Luckie	Assistant Director DCA
Fred Rapp	Atlantic Irrigation
Ken Scherer	Hillsborough Irrigation

Legal Counsel

Valentina DiPippo	DAG
Domenic Giova	DAG

DCA Staff

Stacy Andersen	Licensing & Education DCA
John Delesandro	Supervisor of Codes & Standards DCA

Irrigation Association

Clover Belluz	IA
Corrine Butler	IA

Official Start Time: 10:20

Stacy Andersen read aloud the Open Public Meetings Act statement for the Board of Landscape Irrigation Contractors and announced that adequate notice of this meeting had been provided to the Secretary of State, and designated newspapers.

Minutes were reviewed for November 28, 2017 meeting.

Gaetano Virone motioned to accept November 28, 2017 meeting minutes, Kevin Luckie seconded. Unanimous approval of November 28, 2017 meeting minutes.

Treasurer’s report was reviewed.

Ken Scherer motioned to accept Treasurer’s Report, Gaetano Virone seconded. Unanimous approval of Treasurer’s Report.

Ken Scherer motioned to go into closed session, Kevin Luckie seconded motion. Unanimous approval to proceed to closed session. Closed session began at 10:22 AM.

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Ken Scherer motioned to return to Open session at 12:08 PM, Gaetano Virone seconded the motion. Unanimous approval to return to open session.

George McCarthy stepping down as Chairman. Kevin Luckie to appoint Gaetano Virone as Chairman and Ken Scherer as Vice Chairman. George McCarthy said he would ask Michael Kukol if he wants to be on the Board. One opening still, DCA will pursue appointments.

Kevin Luckie motioned to accept Gaetano Virone as Chairman and Ken Scherer as Vice Chairman, Fred Rapp seconded. Unanimous approval.

George McCarthy and Gaetano Virone to meet with John Delesandro to go over regulations on February 7, 2018 at 10AM at the Department of Community Affairs. Regulations Sub Committee will be George McCarthy, Gaetano Virone and John Delesandro.

The Board discussed a newly licensed contractors request to change the date of his certification, due to the regulations the date of the contractor's license will remain the same.

Ken Scherer motion to accept Regulations Sub Committee, Fred Rapp seconded. Unanimous approval.

Ken Scherer motioned to adjourn meeting, Kevin Luckie seconded motion. Unanimous approval to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 12:44 close.

Minutes BLIC March 20, 2018
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Stacy Andersen	Licensing & Education DCA
John Delesandro	Supervisor of Codes & Standards DCA
Patrick Ryan	Licensing & Education

<u>Absent</u>	
Fred Rapp	Atlantic Irrigation
Gaetano Virone	Environmental Design Irrigation

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Stacy Andersen read aloud the Open Public Meetings Act statement for the Board of Landscape Irrigation Contractors and announced that adequate notice of this meeting had been provided to the Secretary of State, and designated newspapers.

Minutes were reviewed for January 23, 2018 meeting.

George McCarthy motioned to accept January 23, 2018 meeting minutes, Bob Dobson seconded. Unanimous approval of January 23, 2018 meeting minutes.

Treasurer’s report was reviewed.

George McCarthy motioned to accept Treasurer’s Report, Bob Dobson seconded. Unanimous approval of Treasurer’s Report.

Tom Pitcherello and Michael Baier from The Department of Community Affairs, Code Assistance discussed adding Rain Sensor to Plumbing Tech Section and modify to include license number for that work either two tech sections or two seals.

The Department of Community Affairs to put out a Consumer Alert to send to the IANJ and to put on our website.

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Bob Dobson motioned to accept Consumer Alert, George McCarthy seconded the motion. Unanimous approval to accept the Consumer Alert.

Kevin Luckie motioned to go into closed session, George McCarthy seconded motion. Unanimous approval to proceed to closed session. Closed session began at 10:56 AM.

Exam Applicants:

Justin Tal – Denied, Israel Ramirez – Denied and NOV to Deans Greens, Steve Moss – Denied and NOV pending more information.

Reg changes – Bob Dobson objected to CIC recognition. The whole Board email changes, deadline for comment and notice for action at June meeting.

George McCarthy motioned to return to Open session at 12:08 PM, Bob Dobson seconded the motion. Unanimous approval to return to open session.

George McCarthy motioned to deny 3 applicants for Exam, Kevin Luckie seconded. Unanimous approval.

George McCarthy motioned to go back to close session 12:17 PM, Kevin Luckie seconded. Unanimous approval.

Public information on Violations and Judgments

George McCarthy motioned to return to open session at 12:19 PM, Kevin Luckie seconded. Unanimous approval.

George McCarthy motioned to adjourn meeting, Kevin Luckie seconded motion. Unanimous approval to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 12:20 close.

Minutes BLIC June 19, 2018
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Start Time: 10:15 AM
End Time: 12:47 PM

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Fred Rapp	Atlantic Irrigation
Ken Scherer	Hillsborough Irrigation

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Stacy Andersen read aloud the Open Public Meetings Act statement for the Board of Landscape Irrigation Contractors and announced that adequate notice of this meeting had been provided to the Secretary of State, and designated newspapers.

Minutes were reviewed for March 20, 2018 meeting.

George McCarthy motioned to accept January 23, 2018 meeting minutes, Kevin Luckie seconded. Unanimous approval of March 20, 2018 meeting minutes.

Treasurer’s report was reviewed.

George McCarthy motioned to accept Treasurer’s Report, Bob Dobson seconded. Unanimous approval of Treasurer’s Report.

Communications

Commissioner’s Office issued a press release regarding non-certified contractors.

Michael Kukol submitted a resume to sit on the Board and his resume was sent up to the commissioner’s office for approval.

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Unfinished Business

Gaetano Virone brought up the progress of the new software that will be used for the Board of Landscape Irrigation Contractors. Kevin Luckie explained the progress and suggested that the Board pay for the developers to move up the launch date.

John Delesandro suggested that the Board not renew the IA contract when it expires on December 31, 2018

George McCarthy made a motion to start a subcommittee on tech improvements and expenses.

Gaetano Virone suggested that the Department of Community Affairs puts together a list of pending items. John Delesandro suggested that a log be created like the Code Advisory Board.

Gaetano Virone would like to get together a list of the contractors who expired to see who is still working. John Delesandro to put together a notice to the expired contractors. Stacy Andersen to get a list to Bob Dobson of people that are expired by date to verify. Bob Dobson will put together a list of people to companies.

Gaetano Virone would like the Department of Community Affairs to focus on the 2017 contractors/companies and threaten with a fine to bring contractors into compliance. New Letter for 2018 contractors to renew. Stacy Andersen to put together a list of contractors by expiration date, a list of retired contractors and a list of deceased contractors.

George McCarthy motioned to accept subcommittee, Gaetano Virone seconded the motion. Unanimous approval to accept the subcommittee.

New Business

Renewals – Stacy Andersen to work with IT for combining Business Permits and License Irrigation Contractors.

Kevin Luckie motioned to go into closed session, Bob Dobson seconded motion. Unanimous approval to proceed to closed session. Closed session began at 11:22 AM.

Kevin Luckie motioned to return to Open session at 12:37 PM, Bob Dobson seconded the motion. Unanimous approval to return to open session.

Kevin Luckie motioned to go to closed session at 12:38 PM, George McCarthy seconded the motion. Unanimous approval to return to closed session.

George McCarthy motioned to go back to open session 12:45 PM, Bob Dobson seconded. Unanimous approval to return to open session.

Bob Dobson motioned to accept exam results, Kevin Luckie seconded. Unanimous approval to accept exams results.

George McCarthy motion to accept cut scores from IA and misses one section by less than 50% now and moving forward pass, Kevin Luckie seconded. Unanimous approval.

George McCarthy motioned to check all Docketed Judgements and issue second penalty and daily fine if still in violation, Kevin Luckie seconded. Unanimous approval.

George McCarthy motioned to adjourn meeting, Bob Dobson seconded motion. Unanimous approval to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 12:47 close.

Minutes BLIC October 2, 2018
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End Time: 1:08 PM

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Patrick Ryan	Licensing & Education

Absent

Fred Rapp	Atlantic Irrigation
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Minutes were not reviewed at this meeting.

Treasurer's report was reviewed.

George McCarthy motioned to accept Treasurer's Report, Ken Scherer seconded. Unanimous approval of Treasurer's Report.

Public Comment

Tim Martin from the Irrigation Association of New Jersey (IANJ) was present as well as Nathan Simcox. Tim Martin discussed the December 5, 2018 conference in Atlantic City. Tim Martin also discussed Legislation S2805 uses a fee for municipal water. Tim Martin asked that the Board to look at and possibly comment IANJ position is irrigation should be exempt. The Bill establishes as a fund at Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) for infrastructure improvements. Two meters one for domestic and the other irrigation. Domenica Giova to review the Legislation.

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New Business

Bob Dobson motioned to accept the Exam applicants, George McCarthy seconded. Unanimous approval to accept Exam applicants.

Updates on Certifications and Business Permits List given to Bob Dobson of people out of business and who passed away. Sending out notices to expired contractors and cease and desist orders to be sent out.

Gaetano Virone discussed an unlicensed contractor who was being sued for a workplace injury. Gaetano Virone will issue the complaint after the conflict is closed. Domenic Giova to look into allowability of his complaint.

John Delesandro UCC Cooperation he explained Blackflow preventers certifications, towns are not inspecting residential.

Ken Scherer motioned to go into closed session, George McCarthy seconded motion. Unanimous approval to proceed to closed session. Closed session began at 11:58 AM.

Ken Scherer motioned to return to Open session at 1:05 PM, George McCarthy seconded the motion. Unanimous approval to return to open session.

Fred Rapp officially resigned as a Board Member.

Ken Scherer motion to allow DCA to spend up to \$65,000 on the new computer system, George McCarthy seconded. Unanimous approval.

George McCarthy motioned to verify Docketed Judgements to proceed 30 day notice to satisfy or send new penalties, Kevin Luckie seconded. Unanimous approval.

George McCarthy motioned to adjourn meeting, Ken Scherer seconded motion. Unanimous approval to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 1:08 close.

Minutes BLIC November 13, 2018

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Stacy Andersen read aloud the Open Public Meetings Act statement for the Board of Landscape Irrigation Contractors and announced that adequate notice of this meeting had been provided to the Secretary of State, and designated newspapers.

Minutes for June 19, 2018 were reviewed and approved.

June 19, 2018 meeting minutes were approved by Bob Dobson, Kevin Luckie seconded. Unanimous approval of June 19, 2018 meeting minutes.

Treasurer's report was reviewed.

George McCarthy motioned to accept Treasurer's Report, Kevin Luckie seconded. Unanimous approval of Treasurer's Report.

Ken Scherer – Any word on any new Board Members. Bob Dobson said that Gus DeBlasio would be a good candidate.

Irrigation Association contract will be renewed for one year instead the usual two years.

Stacy Andersen to make a list of pending items. List of unlicensed contractors who are working. Check on the licensed contractors who expired to see if they are doing any sort of advertising. Anyone who has expired and is advertising are to be sent a violation.

The list of judgments needs to be checked to see if those who were fined for advertising are still advertising. Make a group of the worst cases that do have judgments.

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Discussion about bringing on a temp for 6 months to help with the list of judgments and the expired list.

George McCarthy motioned to hire a temp, Ken Scherer approved. Unanimous approval to hire a temp.

Exam Results

George McCarthy motioned to approve the exam results, Bob Dobson seconded. Unanimous approval to accept the exam results.

Kevin Luckie motioned to go into closed session, Ken Scherer seconded motion. Unanimous approval to proceed to closed session. Closed session began at 11:28 AM.

Ken Scherer motioned to return to Open session at 12:14 PM, George McCarthy seconded the motion. Unanimous approval to return to open session.

Ken Scherer motioned to adjourn meeting, George McCarthy seconded motion. Unanimous approval to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 12:14 close.