

December 14, 2022 Meeting of the Board of Landscape Irrigation Contractors

Start Time: 11:00 AM

End Time: 12:15 PM

Attendees:

George Semple, DCA

Elizabeth DosAnjos, DCA

John Delesandro, DCA

Kevin Luckie, Board Member/DCA

George McCarthy, Board Member

Robert Dobson, Board Member

Gaetano Virone, Chair of the Board

Eric Reid, DAG

John Delesandro read public notice

John Delesandro took roll call

Minutes of Previous Meetings

Robert Dobson with George McCarthy seconding, motioned to approve the October and November 2021 open session meeting minutes- Motion CARRIED

Treasurer's Report

John Delesandro presented the treasurer's report.

George McCarthy, seconded by Robert Dobson, motioned to approve treasurer's report- Motion CARRIED.

Communications

None

Unfinished Business

Gaetano Virone asked about the status of reporting violations on the webpage and posting violators on the webpage. Work is in progress, but new portal is taking up a substantial amount of staff time right now.

John Delesandro stated the new portal is up and running, too soon to identify many issues, but it appears most people can log into their accounts. A broader review to be provided and feedback to be received at the next meeting. George Semple noted that a quick reference guide will be added to the portal to help contractors and business permit holders navigate the new system. There was discussion on course submittals and the upcoming IANJ Winter Tech event. The board requested DCA staff to present a course or lecture on the new portal and possibly Code Assistance staff added to discuss codes.

New Business

Board Vacancies

There was no update on the submitted application to become a Board member, Kevin Luckie said he would follow up. There was discussion about the on going operations of board meetings inasmuch as only 1 member could miss a meeting and a quorum would not be reached. There are currently 2 irrigation contractor seats and one seat for a landscape architect/engineer open on the Board.

Current Certification and Business Permit Status

There are currently 495 active certifications, that include 52 expired in 2021 and 35 expired in 2022. The hope was that the letters and emails to all active contractors would spur a surge in those renewals. Similarly, there are 292 active business permits the hope is that with the new portal renewals will pick up and designated certificate holders can be better sorted out.

Enforcement Cases

A list of the cases was distributed to the Board.

Exams

Robert Dobson informed the Board that the North Carolina Board of Irrigation Contractors is pondering the creation of their own exam and abandoning the CIC exam.

Board Meeting Dates for 2023

March 21, 2023

June 20, 2023

September 19, 2023

December 12, 2023

Closed Session

Kevin Luckie made a motion to go into closed session, seconded by George McCarthy. Motion CARRIED.
Kevin Luckie made a motion to return to open session, seconded by George McCarthy. Motion CARRIED.

Public Comment

None

There being no further business, Robert Dobson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Kevin Luckie. Motion CARRIED.