

CITY OF OSWEGO
ELECTRICAL BOARD OF EXAMINERS

December 8, 2020

(via WebEx)

MEMBERS PRESENT: William Price, Richard Godden, James Soule, Brad Rombough, Eugene Spencer, Curt Miller, and Chairman, Jeffrey Hinderliter.

Chairman Hinderliter called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m., Tuesday December 8, 2020.

OLD BUSINESS:

Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Hinderliter stated that he circulated the proposed Master Electrician License Examination scheduled for January 2021 to the Electrical Board for their review. It is based on the 2017 NEC, total of 17 pages, 100 questions with a three-hour timeframe. It is an open book, multiple-choice examination. He opened the floor to the Board for questions. Members indicated they were still reviewing. Mr. Hinderliter suggested allowing the Board more review time with comments and voting to follow via teleconference. He would like feedback to make sure that the Board agrees with the examination, seeing as how this was his first examination. He reminded the Board that part of their job is to establish the examination and report to the Mayor that it is fair and will correctly assess the Master's ability and knowledge.

January 2021 Examination Applicant(s) Discussion/Approval

Mr. Hinderliter indicated that there is currently one (1) applicant. This applicant is reapplying. He was previously approved by the Board but was unable to sit for the examination due to COVID. Approval of applicant was unanimous.

License Requirements for Volunteer Electrical Work Discussion

Mr. Hinderliter spoke about non-for-profit organizations (Little League, Boy Scouts). If someone were a qualified electrician in a lot of ways but would like to do some work on a structure or a project these organizations have. They are not being compensating in any way. Mr. Godden shared a scenario for this discussion. Mr. Hinderliter stated that there is no workaround regarding permitting for these projects. The inspection is the key. His fear is if the Board were to formalize a Volunteer Variance, what would people try to cover under that.

Mr. Soule said that the Board would be doing an injustice by not controlling it somehow. There was discussion regarding a case by case situation. No action was taken.

2021 Board Chairman Nomination and Vote

Mr. Hinderliter made a motion to nominate Mr. Richard Godden as the 2021 Board Chairman. Mr. Soule seconded. Mr. Godden was unanimously elected as the 2021 Board Chairman.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Soule made a motion to adjourn at 4:26 p.m. Motion seconded by Mr. Miller, unanimous approval.