LLR - MANUFACTURED HOUSING BOARD

Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building 110 Centerview Drive, Kingsteee Building, Room 108 Columbia, South Carolina 29210 MINUTES

Tuesday, October 13, 2009

10:00 A.M.

Welcome And Call To Order:

Randall Altman, Chairman called the regular meeting of the Manufactured Housing Board to order at 10:00 a.m. Other members present for the meeting included: Mr. Tim Holt; Mr. Michael Levy; Mr. Paul Laurent; Ms. Jane Ballagh; and Ms. Sharon Johnson.

Randall Altman, Chairman announced that the meeting was held in accordance with §30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act by notice mailed to all requesting persons, organizations, and news media. In addition, notice was posted on the bulletin boards at the main entrance of the Kingstree Building.

Staff members participating in the meeting included: Sheridon Spoon, Assistant Deputy General Counsel, Micheal Anderson; Administrator, Angela Scott Administrative Assistant.

Others present participating in the meeting included: Mr. Alan Hutto; Mr. Bruce Kelly; and Mr. Cardess Green.

Approval of Agenda:

Tuesday, October 13, 2009

MOTION:

Ms. Ballagh moved the Board to approve the Tuesday, October 13, 2009, agenda as previously noticed. Mr. Holt seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes - Tuesday, August 11 2009

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MOTION:

Mr. Holt moved the Board to approve the Tuesday, August 11, 2009, meeting minutes. Ms. Ballagh seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Approval/Disapproval of Absent Members:

Mr. Strickland and Mr. Iseman received excused absences.

Chairman's Remarks:

Chairman Altman thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Administrators Remarks For Information:

- 1. Resignation of Mrs. Vanessa Gardner Mr. Anderson reported that Mrs. Vanessa Gardner submitted her resignation from the Board to the Governor. Since that time he has spoken with Mr. Mark Dillard, Manufactured Housing Institute regarding replacing the contractor, installer seat on the Board.
- 2. Quarterly Board Meetings Mr. Anderson recommended having Quarterly Board meetings beginning February 2010.
- 3. Apprentice Salesperson Regulations -Mr. Anderson reported that the Apprentice Salesperson Regulations will be published in the State Register this month and anyone who would like to speak against the proposed regulations should make a request within 30 days. The December 2009, meeting has been slated to hear the hearings. He went on to say if there are no request for a regulation hearing the meeting may be cancelled.
- 4. Field Inspector Mr. Anderson reported that Manufactured Housing Board has two field inspectors and both of them are tarring, which will end in a few months.

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5. 2010 License Plate Renewal – Mr. Anderson reminded all Members to turn in the 2010 license plate renewals.

Advisory Opinions

Sheridon Spoon

NONE

Legislative Update

Mr. Robert Selman

NONE

Progress Reports

NONE

New Licenses

New Licensees

NONE

Administrative- Protest Hearings & Citations

Administrative Hearings:

NONE

Old Business:

NONE

New Business:

Bond Claims:

Mr. Anderson reported that Fleetwood Homes, Inc., went out of business and a new company has purchased the company and kept the same name.

<u>Jason Bozard Bond Claim</u> – Mr. Anderson reported that Mr. Bozard sold a use manufactured home for \$19,600.00 to an individual who was looking for land to put the home. Prior to the homeowner finding land to place the home, Mr. Bozard was contacted and he stated that he had given the homeowners the title to the home. Since that time Mr. Bozard has resold the home to another individual. Mr. Bozard is currently licensed as a retail salesperson.

Mr. Spoon advised that a bond claim can be filed against Advantage Homes and not Mr. Bozard's salesperson license because he was not licensed as a retail salesperson at the time the home was sold.

<u>Margo's Homes</u> – Mr. Anderson reported that Ms. Margo Holt sold a consumer a home and the consumer filed a compliant stating that she never received a heating and air unit and washing and dryer. Since that time he received notice that Ms. Holt passed away, therefore a bond claim has been filed.

Application Review:

Mr. Cardess Green

Mr. Anderson reported that Mr. Green requested to appear before the Board because the Board previously denied him a license until such time as the judgment placed against Mr. Green was resolved.

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Mr. Green appeared before the Board and offered the following testimony. Mr. Green presented evidence and testified that the judgment filed against him was satisfied.

MOTION:

Mr. Levy made a motion, to grant Mr. Green a license should at anytime application is approved for a license. Ms. Johnson seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

(This proceeding was recorded by a court reporter in order to produce a verbatim transcript if requested in accordance with the law.)

Public Comments:

Alan Hutto

Mr. Alan Hutto, Manufactured Housing Institute reported that the institute is in the process of appealing the case against Angela Brown Neal Chastain with the Administrative Law Judge. Mrs.Chastain sold a detitled manufactured home.

Mr. Hutto reported that the Legislative Committee is working with Department of Motor Vehicles on legislation regarding manufactured homes being sold that were never titled and the manufacturer is no longer in business. Also, they are working on legislation for manufactured homes that were titled that has liens that were never satisfied. He went on to say that a homeowner that do not have a title and can not get a CEO may go to Department of Motor Vehicles and show were that have paid taxes on the manufactured home for 5 or 6 years; ad the Department of Motor Vehicles will issue a title.

Michael Levy

Mr. Levy reported that there are concerns regarding manufactured homes that have had the Data Plates removed.

Michael Anderson

Mr. Anderson reported that he have received calls from consumers whom have had manufactured homes financed through dealerships and the dealership has gone out of business or died and they do not have a title to the home. He went on to say that it is very important to have regulations that would assist these homeowners.

Anderson informed the Board that Mr. Bruce Kelly, Manufactured Housing Academy was present.

Bruce Kelly

Mr. Kelly thanked Mr. Anderson for coming out and speaking to the licensee at the Manufactured Housing Academy.

Dates of Next Meeting:

December, 2009, Room 108

The next meeting for the Manufactured Housing Board is scheduled for Tuesday, December, 2009, in conference room 108.

2010 Board Meeting Dates:

Mr. Anderson reported that the 2010 Board Meeting dates are Tuesday, March 9, 2010, June 8, 2010, September 14, 2010, and December 14, 2010.

Adjournment:

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10:00 A.M.

Mr. Laurent moved the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Holt seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. The October 13, 2009, meeting of the South Carolina Manufactured Housing Board was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.