## RESIDENTIAL BUILDERS COMMISSION

Synergy Business Park 110 Centerview Drive Kingstree Building, Room 108 Columbia, South Carolina 29210 Wednesday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016

# NOTE: These minutes are a record of the motion and official actions taken by the Board and brief summary of the meeting.

# Called To Order:

Tim Roberts, Chairman called the regular meeting of the Residential Builders Commission to order at 10:00 a.m. Other members present for the meeting included: Al Bailey, Hal Dillard, and Bryan Dowd.

Tim Roberts, Chairman, announced that public notice of the meeting was properly posted on the bulletin boards at the main entrance of the Kingstree Building and by notice mailed to all requesting person, organizations and news media in accordance with §30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

# **Approval of Agenda:**

# **MOTION:**

Mr. Dowd made a motion to approve the June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Residential Builders Commission Meeting Agenda. Mr. Dillard seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

# **Approval of Minutes for the May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Meeting:**

# **MOTION:**

Mr. Bailey made a motion to approve the May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016 meeting minutes. Mr. Dowd seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

# **Approval /Disapproval of Absent Members:**

#### MOTION:

Mr. Bailey made a motion to approve the absence of Ms. Rhyne. Mr. Dowd seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

# **Chairman's Remarks:**

Timothy Roberts- chairman

Mr. Roberts, Chairman reminded everyone that this meeting is being recorded and asked that everyone please clearly. Additionally, he advised all applicants and licensees to direct their questions to the chairman of the board.

# **Application Reviews:**

Christopher Grindberg

The Commission held an Application Review Hearing regarding Mr. Christopher Grindberg. Mr.Grindberg appeared before the Commission to present testimony, along with his attorney Mr. Jack Pringle.

## **MOTION:**

Mr. Dowd made a motion to approve with the condition that if probation is violated Mr. Grindberg's registration will be suspended. Mr. Bailey seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

# Thomas Dorsey

The Commission held an Application Review Hearing regarding Thomas Dorsey. Mr. Dorsey appeared before the Commission to present testimony and waived his right to counsel. He also presented a witness Mr. Evan Brooks.

# **MOTION:**

Mr. Dillard made a motion to approve allow Mr. Dorsey to sit for the exam. Mr. Bailey seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

# Douglas Walton

The Commission held an Application Review Hearing regarding Douglas Walton. Mr. Walton appeared before the Commission to present testimony and waived his right to counsel.

# **MOTION:**

Mr. Bailey made a motion to allow Mr. Walton to sit for the exam. Mr. Dillard seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

### Nicholas S Herron

The Commission held an Application Review Hearing regarding Mr. Nicholas Herron. Mr. Herron appeared before the Commission to present testimony and waived his right to counsel.

# **MOTION:**

Mr. Dowd made a motion to enter into executive session to receive legal advice regarding Mr. Herron's application. Mr. Bailey seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

# **MOTION:**

Mr. Dowd made a motion to exit executive session after receiving legal advice regarding Mr. Herron's application. Mr. Bailey seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

#### **MOTION:**

Mr. Bailey made a motion to allow Mr. Herron to sit for the exam but only after he successfully completed a builder's course to be pre-approved by the Commission's Administrator. Mr. Dillard seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

# Dale Thompson

The Commission held an Application Review Hearing regarding Mr. Dale Thompson. Mr. Thompson appeared before the Commission to present testimony and waived his right to counsel.

## **MOTION:**

Mr. Dillard made a motion to allow Mr. Thompson to sit for the exam. Mr. Dowd seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

## James Filippone

*The Commission* held an Application Review Hearing regarding Mr. James Filippone. Mr. Filippone appeared before the Commission to present testimony and he waived his right to counsel.

#### MOTION:

Mr. Dowd made a motion to approve Mr. Filippone's specialty registration with the condition that he submit a resolution to the outstanding judgment as well as continue to make payments on the State tax lien. Mr. Dillard seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Jason Lyda

The Commission held an application review hearing regarding Mr. Jason Lyda. Mr. Lyda appeared before the Commission to present testimony and waived his right to counsel.

# **MOTION:**

Mr. Bailey made a motion to allow Mr. Lyda to sit for the exam. Mr. Dowd seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

#### Ronald Holte

The Commission held an application review hearing regarding Mr. Ronald Holte. Mr. Holte appeared before the commission to present testimony and waived his right to counsel.

# **MOTION:**

Mr. Dillard made a motion to approve Mr. Holte's Specialty Registration. Mr. Dowd seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

# Carmen Mufale

The Commission held an application review hearing regarding Mr. Carmen Mufale. Mr. Mufale did not appear before the commission to present testimony.

## **MOTION:**

No Motions were made.

# Howard Charpia

The Commission held an application review hearing regarding Mr. Howard Charpia. Mr. Charpia appeared before the commission to present testimony and waived his right to counsel.

# **MOTION:**

Mr. Bailey made a motion to approve Mr. Charpia's Specialty Registration. Mr. Dowd seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

# Matthew Dubas

The Commission held an application review hearing regarding Mr. Matthew Dubas. Mr. Dubas appeared before the commission to present testimony, along with a witness Mr. David C. Smith and waived his right to counsel.

#### MOTION:

Mr. Bailey made a motion to approve Mr. Dubas' Specialty Registration. Mr. Dillard seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

# Lee Walker

The Commission held an application review hearing regarding Mr. Lee Walker. Mr. Walker did not appear before the commission to present testimony.

## **MOTION:**

No motions were made.

## Lateef Ravenell

The Commission held an application review hearing regarding Mr. Lateef Ravenell. Mr. Ravenell appeared before the commission to present testimony and waived his right to counsel.

# **MOTION:**

Mr. Bailey made a motion to approve Mr. Ravenell's Specialty Registration. Mr. Dowd seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

# **Final Order Hearings:**

John Cornett Case# 2013-599

The Board held a Final Order hearing regarding Mr. John Cornett.

### **MOTION:**

Mr. Dowd made a motion to uphold the Hearing Officer's Recommendation. Mr. Dillard seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Mr. James Oakley Case# 2015-32

The Board held a Final Order hearing regarding Mr. James Oakley. Mr. Bailey recused himself due to his service as the hearing officer.

# **MOTION:**

Mr. Dillard made a motion to uphold the Hearing Officer's Recommendation. Mr. Dowd seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

# **Memorandum of Agreement**

Mr. Stephen Hunter Case# 2013-29; 2014-261; 2014-387

Stephen Hunter was present and sworn in. Mr. Hunter was represented by counsel Mr. Frederick Hall III, Esq. Ms. Erin Baldwin Esq. represented the State. Ms. Stacey Hewson, Esq. recused herself and Ms. Darra Coleman, Esq. served as counsel to the Commission. Mr. Hunter answered questions from the Board. Ms. Baldwin requested that the Board accept the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA).

#### **MOTION:**

Mr. Bailey made a motion to accept the Memorandum of Agreement and fines of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each violation of \$40-59-110 and \$40-1-110 for a total fine of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) Mr. Dowd seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

# Administrator's Report and Recommendation for Bond Claim:

George Steiner Case# 2015-78

Ms. Janet Baumberger, Administrator to the Residential Builders Commission, brought a request to approve the amount and bond claim for case # 2015-78. Mr. Steiner did not appear before the Commission present testimony.

# **MOTION:**

Mr. Bailey made a motion to approve the Bond Claim in case # 2015-78 in the amount of eight thousand dollars and no cents (\$8,000). Mr. Dowd seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

## **Administrator's Remarks:**

No remarks were made.

## **MOTION:**

Mr. Bailey made a motion to enter into executive session. Ms. Holly Beeson, Darra Coleman and Janet Baumberger were included in the executive session. Mr. Dowd seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

# **MOTION:**

Mr. Dowd made a motion to exit executive session. Mr. Bailey seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

# **OIE Report – Mr. Todd Bond:**

Todd Bond, Chief Investigator of OIE

Ms. Janet Baumberger, Administrator for the Residential Builders Commission appeared to present the information to the commission regarding the OIE monthly report in the absence of Mr. Todd Bond.

Complaints Received –278

**Active Investigations** – 137

Closed Cases – 250

# New Business

A. Recommendations of IRC

# **MOTION:**

Mr. Bailey made a motion to approve the Recommendation of the IRC. Mr. Dowd seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

## B. Resolution Guidelines

# **MOTION:**

Mr. Dowd made a motion to approve the IRC Resolution Guidelines. Mr. Dillard seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

# **Old Business:**

No old business discussed.

## **Public Comments:**

No Comments were made.

# **Date of Next Meeting:**

The next Residential Builders Commission meeting will be held Wednesday, July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016 in room 108.

## **Adjournment:**

Mr. Dowd made a motion to adjourn the Residential Builders Commission Meeting. Mr. Bailey seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. The Residential Builders Commission Meeting was adjourned at 1:58 p.m.

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