Louisiana Manufactured Housing Commission Meeting Minutes

May 21, 2024

Gary Millet Sr. called the meeting to order. Tim Duplantis called roll. Tim Duplantis, Gary Millet Sr., Phillip David Ridder and Christy Smith were all present. James Douglas Anderson, Rose Hilliard, and Susan LeBlanc were absent.

Gary Millet Sr. asked for public comment there was none.

Gary Millet Sr. asked for the reading of the April 16, 2024 commission meeting minutes. Tim Duplantis made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. Seconded, by Christy Smith, no discussion, all in favor, no opposition, motion passed.

LVLA LLC were present for their retailer license. Charles Ashy was present for LVLA and was sworn in. Tim Duplantis made a motion to issue the license. Seconded by Phillip Ridder no discussion, all in favor, no opposition, motion passed.

Cleartrail Real Estate Management LLC was on the agenda for license reconsideration due to not having background check. Tim Duplantis made a motion to deny the license. Seconded by Christy Smith, no discussion, all in favor, no opposition, and motion passed.

SHA Homes LLC was on agenda for license reconsideration due to no background check and net worth was incorrect. Tim Duplantis made a motion to deny due to complete application being submitted. Seconded by Christy Smith, no discussion, all in favor, no opposition, and motion passed.

Jo Ann Reed and M.V. Inc. were subpoenaed to appear regarding an installation complaint Ms. Reed filed. Neither parties were present. Tim Duplantis made a motion to implement the fine. Seconded by Phillip Ridder, no discussion, all in favor, no opposition, and motion passed.

Jon C d/b/a Whittington Mobile Home Service was issued an investigative subpoena for outstanding violations and fines. He did not appear. Tim Duplantis made a motion to implement the fine. Seconded by Phillip Ridder, no discussion, all in favor, no opposition, and motion passed.

Michael & Ashley Traweek were subpoenaed along with Franklin Structures LLC and Gulf Coast Modular Homes LLC regarding the consumer complaint they filed. All parties were sworn in. No motion made parties worked it out.

Rachel Verdin was subpoenaed along with Legacy Housing Corporation, Evangeline Home Center and Simoneaux’s Mobile Home Moving LLC. They were subpoenaed regarding the consumer complaint Ms. Verdin filed. All were sworn in. Manufacturer and Retailer are going to meet at homeowner’s manufactured home to get a list of items that need to be repaired. Installers will go within the next 30 days. No motion was made.

Each license application the commission issues was on agenda for review. No motions were made.

Elevation Homes LLC was present for a developer license. Alexander Horvat was sworn in. Commission advised he needs to get the park subdivided. Christy Smith made a motion to deny until conditions are met. Seconded by Tim Duplantis no discussion, all in favor, no opposition, and motion passed.

GEMCO Building Systems Corporation Scott Flarity was present for a manufacturer license to build modular homes. Tim Duplantis made a motion to defer till next meeting. Seconded by Christy Smith, no discussion, all in favor, no opposition, and motion passed.

Attorney for the Louisiana Manufactured Housing Commission Marlon Battley read the injunction regarding Derrick Celestine.

Attorney for the Louisiana Manufactured Housing Association Steve Duke did not have a report.

Assistant Chief Alton Teekel had no report.

Corporal Danny Dunn did not have a report.

Deputy Joshua Stevens did not have a report.

Deputy Jeffrey Franklin was not present.

Deputy Salvador Cruz-Montellano did not have a report.

Administrator Troxie Snearl issued a copy of the Senate Bill No. 240 and advised next meeting is June 18, 2024.

Assistant Chief Alton Teekel inquired about commission members reviewing background checks and taking classes regarding them.

Gary Millet Sr. asked if there was a reason to go into executive session. There was none.

Tim Duplantis made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Christy Smith, all in favor, motion passed.