STATE LICENSING BOARD FOR CONTRACTORS

RESIDENTIAL CONTRACTORS SUBCOMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

May 18, 2022

The regular meeting of the Residential Building Contractors Subcommittee was called to order by the Chairman, Elliott Temple, on Wednesday, May 18, 2022, at 9:30 a.m. at 600 North Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Members of the Subcommittee present: Elliott Temple, Chairman

Lloyd "Chip" Badeaux

Dodie Adams Travis Manceaux Frank Morse, Jr. Craig Stevens

Member, Jim Fine, was absent. There being a quorum present, the regular order of business was called.

Also attending the meeting were: Michael McDuff, Executive Director; Jeffrey Wale, Hearing Officer; Kevin Landreneau, Board Attorney; and from the staff, Carrie Morgan, Leann Evans, Elaine Riggins, Monica Webster, Trulisa Hollinds, Lowana Cola, Emily Laprarie, John Dixon, Brad Hassert, Compliance Director; and Tarah Revette recording the minutes.

Mr. Stevens led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Wale introduced himself as the hearing officer overseeing these proceedings and addressed the audience and board on the administrative procedures for hearings.

Mr. Badeaux made a motion to accept the Minutes of the April 20, 2022, Residential Building Subcommittee Meeting. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

Mr. Hassert introduced guest, Chimene St. Amant with the Louisiana Attorney General's Office.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No requests were received from the public to address the Licensing Board.

NEW BUSINESS

Carrie Morgan and Brad Hassert with the Compliance Department for the board were sworn in.

D. COMPLIANCE HEARINGS:

1. OWENS CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT LLC, Baton Rouge, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(4)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of OWENS CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT LLC. Investigator Brad Hassert, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find OWENS CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT LLC to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed.

2. <u>LORI WILKINSON D/B/A SERVPRO OF LAKE CHARLES</u>, Lake Charles, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2185(A)

Lori Wilkinson was present on behalf of LORI WILKINSON D/B/A SERVPRO OF LAKE CHARLES and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Ms. Wilkinson entered a no contest plea. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed. Investigator Brad Hassert, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Ms. Wilkinson gave a statement to the board regarding this matter. The board questioned Ms. Wilkinson. Mr. Badeaux made a motion to assess an administrative penalty of \$250 in administrative costs. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

3. TEXAS RESTORATION & INSPECTION SERVICES INC., Haltom, Texas – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of TEXAS RESTORATION & INSPECTION SERVICES INC. Investigator Brad Hassert, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find TEXAS RESTORATION & INSPECTION SERVICES INC. to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed.

4. BIRD CREEK ROOFING AND CONSTRUCTION LLC, Shreveport, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by BIRD CREEK ROOFING AND CONSTRUCTION LLC. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Stevens seconded. The motion passed.

5. ANTONIO JOSEPH D/B/A AFFORDABLE ROOFING, Crowley, Louisiana—La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of ANTONIO JOSEPH D/B/A AFFORDABLE ROOFING. Investigator Brad Hassert, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find ANTONIO JOSEPH D/B/A AFFORDABLE ROOFING to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed.

6. ELVIA CORINA RIVERA AND LUIS FERNANDO ARGUIJO D/B/A RIVERA CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, Dallas, Texas – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of ELVIA CORINA RIVERA AND LUIS FERNANDO ARGUIJO D/B/A RIVERA CONSTRUCTION SERVICES. Investigator Brad Hassert, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find ELVIA CORINA RIVERA AND LUIS FERNANDO ARGUIJO D/B/A RIVERA CONSTRUCTION SERVICES to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed.

7. A PLUS SILVA CONSTRUCTION INC., Marrero, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(4)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by A PLUS SILVA CONSTRUCTION INC. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Ms. Adams seconded. The motion passed.

8. **B & B CONSTRUCTION OF SOUTH LOUISIANA LLC, Rayne, Louisiana – La. R.S.** 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Cody Borges was present on behalf of B & B CONSTRUCTION OF SOUTH LOUISIANA LLC and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Mr. Borges entered a no contest plea. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed. Investigator Brad Hassert, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Borges gave a statement to the board regarding this matter. The board questioned Mr. Borges. Mr. Hassert provided additional testimony to the board. Mr. Morse made a motion to assess an administrative penalty of \$500 in administrative costs. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed.

<Items 9 and 10 were consolidated.>

- 9. **DAVID BABCOCK D/B/A FIRST RESPONSE PROPERTY ADJUSTERS,** Bush, Louisiana La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)
- 10. <u>DAVID BABCOCK D/B/A FIRST RESPONSE PROPERTY ADJUSTERS</u>, Bush, Louisiana La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations for matters 9 and 10. No one was present on behalf of DAVID BABCOCK D/B/A FIRST RESPONSE PROPERTY ADJUSTERS. Investigator Brad Hassert, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board regarding LSLBC Case 2021-0747-01. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence regarding LSLBC Case 2021-0747-01 and it was admitted. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board regarding LSLBC Case 2021-1620-01. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence regarding LSLBC Case 2021-1620-01 and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find DAVID BABCOCK D/B/A FIRST RESPONSE PROPERTY ADJUSTERS to be in violation regarding LSLBC Case 2021-0747-01, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Morse continued the motion to find DAVID BABCOCK D/B/A FIRST RESPONSE PROPERTY ADJUSTERS to be in violation regarding LSLBC Case 2021-1620-01, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed.

11. TERRY HESTER D/B/A GREEN ENERGY CAPITAL LLC, Banks, Alabama – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by TERRY HESTER D/B/A GREEN ENERGY CAPITAL LLC. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Ms. Adams seconded. The motion passed.

12. **B.O.I CONSTRUCTION, LLC,** New Orleans, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(3) and Rules and Regulations of the Board Section 135(A)

Sadat Spencer was present on behalf of B.O.I CONSTRUCTION, LLC and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Mr. Spencer entered a no contest plea. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed. Investigator Joseph Anderson was called to the stand and was sworn in. Mr. Anderson reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Spencer gave a statement to the board regarding this matter. Mr. Morse made a motion to assess an administrative penalty of a \$1000 fine plus \$500 in administrative costs. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed.

13. JOAQUIN DEL OLMO AKA DANIEL DEL OLMO, Lafayette, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Joaquin Del Olmo was present on behalf of JOAQUIN DEL OLMO AKA DANIEL DEL OLMO and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Mr. Del Olmo entered a no contest plea. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed. Investigator Brad Hassert, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Del Olmo gave a statement to the board regarding this matter. The board questioned Mr. Del Olmo. Mr. Hassert provided additional testimony to the board. Mr. Morse made a motion to assess an administrative penalty of a \$500 fine plus \$500 in administrative costs. Ms. Adams seconded. The motion passed.

14. JOAQUIN DEL OLMO AKA DANIEL DEL OLMO, Lafayette, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Mr. Hassert requested this matter be dismissed. Mr. Morse made a motion to dismiss this matter, LSLBC Case 2021-0937-01. Mr. Badeaux seconded. The motion passed.

15. **B & T CONSTRUCTION AND HOME IMPROVEMENT, LLC, Iowa, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)**

Brian Broussard was present on behalf of B & T CONSTRUCTION AND HOME IMPROVEMENT, LLC and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Mr. Broussard entered a no contest plea. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed. Investigator Brad Hassert, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Broussard gave a statement to the board regarding this matter. Mr. Morse made a motion to assess an administrative penalty of the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to allow the administrative penalty to be reduced to a \$500 fine plus \$500 in administrative costs if the company obtains the proper license within 120 days. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed.

16. <u>MICHAEL MORRIS JEFFERY D/B/A MIKE'S CONSTRUCTION</u>, Texarkana, Arkansas – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of MICHAEL MORRIS JEFFERY D/B/A MIKE'S CONSTRUCTION. Investigator Brad Hassert, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find MICHAEL MORRIS JEFFERY D/B/A MIKE'S CONSTRUCTION to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed.

17. MARK WHITE D/B/A THE MOG CONSTRUCTION COMPANY LLC, Vidalia, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by MARK WHITE D/B/A THE MOG CONSTRUCTION COMPANY LLC. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Ms. Adams seconded. The motion passed.

18. JASON LANGLEY, Hineston, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of JASON LANGLEY. Investigator Brad Hassert, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find JASON LANGLEY to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Ms. Adams seconded. The motion passed.

19. **REDSTICK ROOFING SPECIALISTS LLC**, Baton Rouge, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(3), Rules and Regulations of the Board Section 105(B)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by REDSTICK ROOFING SPECIALISTS LLC. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed.

E. STATUTORY CITATIONS:

Ms. Morgan presented the statutory citations. Mr. Badeaux made a motion to accept the statutory citations as presented. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

F. REQUESTS FOR REHEARING:

<Matters 1 and 2 were heard together.>

- 1. WILLIAM" BILL" WOMACK, JR. D/B/A AG CONCRETE, Ponchatoula, Louisiana La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)
- 2. BILL WOMACK JR. D/B/A AG CONCRETE, Ponchatoula, Louisiana La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

No one was present on behalf of WILLIAM" BILL" WOMACK, JR. D/B/A AG CONCRETE or BILL WOMACK JR. D/B/A AG CONCRETE. Investigator Brad Hassert, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Landreneau questioned Mr. Hassert and Ms. Morgan regarding service of the rehearing notice. Mr. Badeaux made a motion to deny the rehearing requests for matters 1 and 2. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed.

3. MECHLEB BUILDERS, LLC, Baton Rouge, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(4), 3 counts

Jean Mechleb was present on behalf of MECHLEB BUILDERS, LLC and was sworn in. Mr. Morse made a motion to grant the rehearing. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Mechleb entered a plea of admission. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Mechleb gave a statement to the board regarding this matter. Mr. Morse made a motion to assess an administrative penalty of a \$1000 fine plus \$500 in administrative costs. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed.

<Items 4 and 5 were consolidated.>

- 4. COPPER ROOFING, LLC, Columbus, Georgia La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)
- 5. COPPER ROOFING, LLC, Columbus, Georgia La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Christopher Nicolais and Alice Dunn were present on behalf of COPPER ROOFING, LLC and were sworn in. Mr. Morse made a motion to grant the rehearing for matters 4 and 5. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Nicolais entered a no contest plea for both matters. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the pleas for both matters. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board regarding LSLBC Case 2021-0239-01. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence regarding LSLBC Case 2021-0239-01 and it was admitted. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board regarding LSLBC Case 2022-0186-01. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence regarding LSLBC Case 2022-0186-01 and it was admitted. Mr. Nicolais and Ms. Dunn gave a statement to the board regarding this matter. Mr. Morse made a motion to assess an administrative penalty of a \$500 fine plus \$500 in administrative costs regarding LSLBC Case 2021-0239-01 and to dismiss the matter regarding LSLBC Case 2022-0186-01. Ms. Adams seconded. The motion passed.

 GRACHELLE FONTENOT D/B/A KINDER ROOFING AND CONSTRUCTION, Lake Charles, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1).

Ms. Morgan stated that the company requested a rehearing and had a settlement offer to be presented. Mr. Morse made a motion to grant the rehearing. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by GRACHELLE FONTENOT D/B/A KINDER ROOFING AND CONSTRUCTION. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed.

G. Consideration of additional classifications for residential licenses as listed and attached to the agenda. (Page 6)

Mr. Morse made a motion to approve the additional classifications for residential licenses as listed on the agenda. Ms. Adams seconded. The motion passed.

H. Consideration of residential applications as listed and attached to the agenda. (Pages 7-12)

Mr. Morse made a motion to approve the new residential applications as listed on the agenda. Ms. Adams seconded. The motion passed.

I. Consideration of home improvement applications as listed and attached to the agenda. (Pages 13-20)

Mr. Morse made a motion to approve the new home improvement registration applications as listed on the agenda, and Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Morse made a motion to adjourn at 10:45 a.m., and Mr. Badeaux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Elliott Temple, Chairman		
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Lloyd "Chip" Badeaux, Vice Chairman	 	