

**STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL COMMISSION**  
**Veterans' Memorial Auditorium**  
**5825 Florida Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA**  
**March 16, 2021 – 9:30 a.m.**  
**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was held virtually via Zoom and called to order by Mr. Parker at 9:33 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Members present: Todd Parker, Dr. Ansel Rankins, Jarrod Horton, Edward Reynolds, and Dr. James Ottea.

Others present: Harry Schexnayder-LDAF, Amy McInnis-LDAF Attorney, Kelly Moore-LDAF, Alicia Wheeler-Hearing Officer, Shelly Graham-LDAF, Milton Schleismann-LDAF, Jeff Porter-LPMA, Matthew Dauzat, Jim Wright-BASF, Mike Cohn-Arrow Pest Control, Bryan Billiot-Billiot Pest Control, and Randy Piggott-Rentokil.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

There were no amendments to the agenda.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**Motion:** Dr. Ottea made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 17, 2020 meeting. The motion was seconded by Dr. Rankins and passed unanimously.

**ADJUDICATORY HEARING**

Hearing Officer Alicia Wheeler conducted the hearing. LDAF Attorney Amy McInnis presented the following cases:

**Jared LaJaunie, Case No. 2339**

The Department charged Mr. LaJaunie with one (1) violation; LRS 3:3371(A)(3).

Ms. McInnis admitted LDAF's Exhibits 1 and 2 into the record.

Mr. LaJaunie was not present. Respondent admits to allegations and agrees to pay the penalty of \$1,000 within 30-days after receipt of the Commission's acceptance. The stipulation was signed by all parties.

**Motion:** Dr. Ottea made a motion to accept the facts set forth in the stipulation and that the penalty be accepted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Horton and passed unanimously.

**Brian Mahon, Case No. 2340**

The Department charged Mr. Mahon with one (1) violation; LRS 3:3371(A)(14), specifically LAC 7:XXV 121(B).

Ms. McInnis admitted LDAF's Exhibits 1 and 2 into the record.

Mr. Mahon was not present. Respondent admits to allegations and agrees to pay the penalty of \$2,000, with \$1,000 suspended, within 30-days after receipt of the Commission's acceptance. The stipulation was signed by all parties.

**Motion:** Mr. Horton made a motion to accept the facts set forth in the stipulation and that the penalty be accepted. The motion was seconded by Dr. Rankins and passed unanimously.

### **Richard Craig Hood, Case No. 2341**

The Department charged Mr. Hood with one (1) violation; LRS 3:3371(A)(14), specifically LAC 7:XXV 107(A).

Ms. McInnis admitted LDAF's Exhibits 1 and 2 into the record.

Mr. Hood was not present. Respondent admits to allegations and agrees to pay the penalty of \$200 within 30-days after receipt of the Commission's acceptance. The stipulation was signed by all parties.

**Motion:** Dr. Rankins made a motion to accept the facts set forth in the stipulation and that the penalty be accepted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Horton and passed unanimously.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### ***Consideration of Outstanding Fines and Request for Reduction – Matthew Dautat***

Mr. Dautat asked the Commission to reduce a fine that he was charged from \$14,250 to \$9,000.

Ms. McInnis and Ms. Moore gave an update on Mr. Dautat's case from the May 8, 2019 SPCC meeting.

The Commission questioned Mr. Dautat and the Department.

**Motion:** Dr. Rankins made a motion to suspend \$5,250 from Mr. Dautat's original penalty of \$14,250. \$9,000 is due within 30-days after receipt of the Commission's acceptance or the suspended portion becomes due immediately. The motion was seconded by Mr. Horton and passed unanimously.

#### ***Consideration of Rodding in Lieu of Trench and Treat – Mike Cohn***

Mr. Cohn addressed the Commission to request a rule change allowing hydraulic injection rodding in lieu of trenching and treating of pre and post construction structures in all categories.

The Commission discussed the matter with Mr. Cohn and Mr. Wright.

The Commission will rely on the advice of the Rules Committee and not make any changes at this time.

***LPMA Report – Jeff Porter***

There are currently four licensee re-certifications being planned for the winter months around the Shreveport, Lafayette, and Kenner areas, and a CACTP Master Class is scheduled for April 14-15, 2021 at the Lois Caffey Termite Training Center.

***Contract Review Committee Report – Harry Schexnayder***

Mr. Schexnayder presented contracts from Billiot Pest Control and Rentokil North America. The Contract Review Committee recommends approval of the contracts as presented.

The Commission asked several questions regarding the Rentokil contracts.

The matter was discussed with Mr. Piggott representing Rentokil and Ms. McInnis representing the Department.

**Motion:** Dr. Rankins made a motion to approve the contract as presented from Billiot Pest Control. The motion was seconded by Mr. Reynolds and passed unanimously.

**Motion:** Mr. Reynolds made a motion to approve the contracts from Rentokil North America once the stated revisions are made to those contracts. The motion was seconded by Dr. Rankins and passed unanimously.

***Rules Committee Report – Harry Schexnayder***

Mr. Schexnayder briefed the Commission on the proposed Rules changes that were discussed in the Rules Committee Meeting on March 2, 2021.

**Motion:** Dr. Rankins made a motion to accept the changes presented by the Rules Committee. The motion was seconded by Mr. Horton and passed unanimously.

***LDAF Report – Harry Schexnayder***

Mr. Schexnayder reported that the Department has seen a high turnover of inspectors throughout the Covid pandemic, but are currently interviewing, hiring, and training new inspectors. The Department office staff is back to 100% capacity for in-office work hours.

Mr. Wofford gave a brief report about the pesticides pick-up program. He will forward information for up-coming events as soon as details are finalized.

**CONSIDERATION OF LICENSEE APPLICATIONS**

NAME OF APPLICANT	PHASES	STAFF RECOMMENDATION	COMMISSION DECISION
James J. Arceneaux	GPC CVC TC	Approve Approve Approve (pending CACTP)	Approve Approve Approve (pending CACTP)
Michael Carette-Meyers	GPC CVC TC ComFum ShipFum	Disapprove Disapprove Disapprove Approve Approve	Disapprove Disapprove Disapprove Approve Approve

Derrick Celestine	GPC CVC	Approve Approve	Approve Approve
Samuel D. Clemts	GPC CVC TC	Approve Approve Approve (pending CACTP)	Approve Approve Approve (pending CACTP)
Eugene P. Cortez Jr.	GPC CVC	Approve Approve	Approve Approve
Jeremy Gamble	GPC	Approve	Approve
Christopher Dylan Huff	GPC TC	Approve Approve (pending CACTP)	Approve Approve (pending CACTP)
Troy D. Liner	GPC CVC TC	Approve Approve Approve (pending CACTP)	Approve Approve Approve (pending CACTP)
Wendell Lotts	GPC CVC TC	Approve Approve Approve (pending CACTP)	Approve Approve Approve (pending CACTP)
John Matherne	ShipFum	Disapprove	Disapprove
Nathan R. McClelland	ComFum ShipFum	Approve Approve	Approve Approve
Maurice Perkins	TC	Approve (pending CACTP)	Approve (pending CACTP)
Miguel R. Sperandeo	GPC CVC TC	Approve Approve Approve (pending CACTP)	Approve Approve Approve (pending CACTP)
Adam Marco Villareal	GPC	Approve	Approve
Desi Ray White	GPC TC	Approve Approve (pending CACTP)	Approve Approve (pending CACTP)

**Motion:** Mr. Reynolds made a motion to disapprove Mr. Michael Carette-Meyers in General Pest Control, Commercial Vertebrate Control, and Termite Control and Mr. John Matherne in Ship Fum due to lack of required experience, and to approve all remaining applicants. The motion was seconded by Dr. Rankins and passed unanimously.

### **STATUS REPORTS**

Mr. Schexnayder presented the status report for the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of 2020.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

## **FUTURE MEETINGS**

The next Structural Pest Control Commission meeting will be held on June 29, 2021, at 9:30 a.m., at the Department of Agriculture and Forestry, Veterans' Memorial Auditorium.

## **ADJOURN**

**Motion:** Dr. Rankins made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Reynolds and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:22 a.m.