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### MINUTES OF THE MEETING March 21, 2024

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

Chair, Boyd Martin called the meeting of the State Contractors Board to order at 8:30 a.m., Thursday, March 21, 2024. The meeting was held at the Reno and Las Vegas Board Offices. Exhibit A is the Meeting Agenda and Exhibit B is the Sign In Log.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mr. Boyd Martin

Mr. Bryan Cowart

Mr. Joe Hernandez

Mr. Jan Leggett

Mr. Louis Polish, Jr.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Mr. Kent Lav

Ms. Margaret Cavin

#### STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ms. Margi Grein, Executive Officer

Mr. Dave Behar, Deputy Executive Officer

Ms. Susan Broili Kamesch, Licensing Administrator

#### LEGAL COUNSEL PRESENT:

Mr. Noah Allison, Esq.

Ms. Grein stated the agenda was posted in compliance with the open meeting law on the Board's Internet Website, the Public Notice Website, both offices of the Nevada State Contractors Board, and e-mailed electronically to persons who have expressed interest in being kept informed of the Board's meetings.

#### 2. STATEMENT OF THE BOARD'S MISSION

Ms. Grein read the Board's mission statement into the record: "The Nevada State Contractors Board is committed to ensuring the integrity and professionalism of the construction industry in Nevada. The NSCB has the responsibility to promote quality construction by Nevada licensed contractors through a regulatory licensing system designed to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public."

#### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no one present to offer Public Comment.

## 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Approval of Agenda with the Inclusion of any Emergency Items and Deletion of any Items

Ms. Grein noted that Agenda Item #6 should read "Discussion Concerning Proposed Legislation regarding Additional Requirements for Solar Contractors".

It was moved and seconded to accept the amended agenda. MOTION CARRIED.

Recommendations for Agenda Items for Future Board Meetings

Ms. Grein reported that the Legislative Subcommittee Meeting has been tentatively scheduled for April 8, 2024. Ms. Grein also noted that ethics training will be held on May 16, 2024 and the annual training with the Attorney General's office will be held in July. Finally, Ms. Grein noted that Daniel lacafano will present the Board with the draft Strategic Plan document for FY 2024-25 in May 2024 and the joint Board Meeting with the California State Licensing Board will take place in Newport Beach, California in June 2024.

#### 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of February 22, 2024 meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

#### 6. EXECUTIVE SESSION

· Executive Officer's Report

Ms. Grein reported that she participated in the annual strategic planning meeting, held two very successful Hammers & Hope events in Reno and Las Vegas, hosted an Underground Task Force meeting, and held the Commission on Construction Education Rulemaking Workshop concerning R119-23. Ms. Grein also noted that the Board will be changing the health insurance plan to the State insurance plan on July 1, 2024, and reported that she will be presenting requested information about the Board before the Interim Committee on Commerce and Labor.

Review of Monthly Department Statistics:

Ms. Grein provided the following statistics for the month of February:

- Our Licensing Department:
  - Received 252 new license applications and 280 change applications;
  - Issued 133 new licenses:
  - Approved 738 license renewal applications:
  - Renewed and issued 33 Certificates of Eligibility to receive preference in bidding; and
  - Hosted 1 online Business Assistance Program with 20 participants in attendance.
- Our Investigations Department:
  - Held 10 Disciplinary Hearings where 34 cases were heard and
  - Opened 9 Recovery Fund claims, although there were no Recovery Fund meetings held during the reporting period.
- Our Compliance Division:
  - Received and opened 149 complaints and closed 197 complaints.
  - As of February 29<sup>th</sup>, there are 901 compliance complaints open active with average days open of 158.
- Our Criminal Division:
  - Received 64 complaints and closed 76 complaints;
  - Issued 19 Administrative Citations; and
  - Sent 4 criminal cases to local District Attorney's offices, although no bench warrants were issued.
  - As of February 29th, 3 court cases are pending adjudication.
  - 47 criminal complaints are open active with the average days open being 33.

It was moved and seconded to approve the Monthly Statistics Report. MOTION CARRIED.

Report of Disciplinary Hearing Outcomes for February 2024

Ms. Grein reported on the disciplinary hearing outcomes for February 2024.

Report of Application Denial Hearing Outcomes for February 2024

Ms. Grein reported on the application denial hearing outcomes for February 2024.

- Legal Report
  - Discussion Concerning Potential or Pending Litigation
  - Discussion and Action Concerning Decision in American Staffing Association v Nevada State Contractors Board Case No. CV21-01597

Mr. Allison reported on pending legal matters.

It was moved and seconded to approve the Legal Report. MOTION CARRIED.

 Review and Discussion Concerning the Department of Business and Industry's Request for Information Regarding Duties, Fees, Organizational Structure and Other Pertinent Statutory Details Selection of Legislative Subcommittee Members

Ms. Grein provided discussion concerning the Department of Business and Industry's request for information regarding duties, fees, organizational structure and other pertinent statutory details selection of Legislative Subcommittee Members.

It was moved and seconded to approve the discussion concerning the Department of Business and Industry's request for information regarding duties, fees, organizational structure and other pertinent statutory details selection of Legislative Subcommittee Members. MOTION CARRIED.

Selection of Legislative Subcommittee Members

It was moved and seconded to approve Mr. Martin, Mr. Lay and Ms. Cavin as Legislative Subcommittee Members. MOTION CARRIED.

 Discussion Concerning Proposed Legislation Regarding Additional Requirements for Solar Contractors

Mr. Behar and Ms. Grein provided discussion concerning proposed legislation regarding additional requirements for solar contractors.

- Discussion Concerning Potential Legislative Initiatives for the 2025 Legislative Session
  - Review and Discussion of Possible Legislative Concepts

Ms. Grein provided discussion concerning possible legislative concepts.

Subcommittee Reports

Executive Subcommittee, Recovery Fund Subcommittee, Classification/Regulation Subcommittee, Finance Subcommittee.

Ms. Grein reminded the Board of the Recovery Fund Meeting this afternoon.

#### 7. <u>APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:</u>

Ratification of Staff Approved License Applications, Changes of Licensure, Reinstatement of Licensure, Voluntary Surrenders (List Attached, Items 1 to 395)

#### Mr. Boyd Martin made the following disclosures:

- Item #10 (Alcal Specialty Contracting Inc) Disclosed and abstained based on a current business relationship with the applicant.
- Item #36 (Builders Firstsource Group Of Nevada LLC)

   Disclosed and abstained based on a current business relationship with the applicant.
- Item #49-50 (Dri Tech LLC)

   Disclosed a past business relationship with the applicant.
- Item #300-301 (M T X Contractors Inc) Disclosed and abstained based a current business relationship with the applicant.
- Item #334 (Valley Steel LLC)

   Disclosed a past business relationship with the applicant.
- Item #343 (High Impact Sign & Design LLC)— Disclosed a past business relationship with the applicant.
- ltem #391 (Sunstate Companies LLC) Disclosed a past business relationship with the applicant.

## Mr. Bryan Cowart made the following disclosures:

- Item #334 (Valley Steel LLC) Disclosed a past business relationship with the applicant.
- Item #343 (High Impact Sign & Design LLC)—Disclosed and abstained based on a current business relationship with the applicant.

#### Mr. Joe Hernandez made the following disclosures:

- Item #71 (H2O to Go of Las Vegas LLC) Disclosed and abstained based on a current business relationship with the applicant.
- Item #200 & 392-393 (Universal Drywall Inc)— Disclosed and abstained based on a personal relationship and past business relationship with the applicant.

#### Mr. Jan Leggett made the following disclosures:

• Item #366-367 (Gardner Mechanical Services Inc) – Disclosed and abstained based on current business relationship with the applicant.

#### Mr. Louis Polish made the following disclosures:

- Item #226 (Home Depot USA Inc) Disclosed and abstained based on a current business relationship with the applicant.
- Item #326 (T G Construction LLC)

   Disclosed a personal relationship and the applicant is a competitor.
- Item #391 (Sunstate Companies LLC)— Disclosed a personal relationship and the applicant is a competitor.

It was moved and seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. MOTION CARRIED.

## 8. NEW APPLICATION DENIAL HEARING:

### **NEXT LEVEL EXTERIORS LLC dba BEAUTIFY**

Benjamin Glenn Johnson, Managing Member/Proposed Qualified Individual Class C-14C (Ornamental Metal)

Exhibit 1 is the Board's Application File Exhibit A is the Applicant's Answer

Benjamin Johnson was present for the hearing.

#### Mr. Coward disclosed a personal friendship and past business relationship with the applicant.

It was moved and seconded to approve license classification Class C-14C (Ornamental Metal) with a \$200,000 monetary limit and a standard bond. MOTION CARRIED.

### 9. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no one present to offer public comment.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by Boyd Martin at 9:31 a.m.

APPROVED:

Margi A. Grein, Executive Officer

Boyd Martin, Chair

Respectfully Submitted,

Crystal Caywood, Recording Secretary