

MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 5, 2020 MEETING OF THE MARYLAND BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS

Date: August 5, 2020

Place: Access Using Video Conferencing
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Time: 1:30 p.m.

Present: John V. Mettee III, Chair, Professional Land Surveyor
Thomas M. Orisich, Professional Land Surveyor
Tammy L. Rollins, Consumer Member
T.J. Frazier, Professional Land Surveyor
Jeanne Lentejas Nebre, Board Member

Absent: Milena Trust, Board Counsel

Other: Daniel Burke Jr. (MSS) President-Elect, PLS
Joseph Cullingford, Executive Director
Carla Marie Zamon, Acting Assistant Executive Director
Frazier West, Investigator
Cynthia Geoghegan, Administrative Specialist III

CALL TO ORDER

John V. Mettee III called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion (I) was made by Thomas Orisich, seconded by Tammy Rollins and unanimously carried by the Board to approve the minutes with corrections of the meeting held on July 1, 2020.

COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORT

Thomas Orisich reported on the status of complaints:

03 – LS -20 – Investigating for additional information
04 – LS -20 – Administrative hold

Motion (II) was made by Tammy Rollins, seconded by Jeanne Lentejas Nebre and unanimously carried to accept the recommendations of the Complaint Committee report.

CORRESPONDENCE

MSS Report and Draft Legislation tabled to old business.

MSS CPC Question from Mr. Ganjon via email will be responded to by Joseph Cullingford including that it is not the Board's role to approve courses, only providers. The approval of the course itself rests with MSS.

NEW BUSINESS

John Mettee nominated Tammy Rollins to be Vice Chair.

Motion (III) was made by Thomas Orisich, seconded by Jeanne Lentejas Nebre and so carried by the Board.

OLD BUSINESS

MSS Report and Draft Legislation of the Practice Act was discussed on a conference call last Friday between Milena Trust, Thomas Orisich and T.J. Frazier. It was decided that the real estate legislation on coordinates was not part our law and sent to us for informational purposes only. The Board will decide in the future whether to comment or not.

The Board discussed the proposed practice act revisions that were provided by MSS. The Board made a few recommendations, through the Practice Act Committee, and will forward them to MSS for consideration.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The ED reminded the board that there is an opening for a consumer member on the Board. A new Board Administrator, Cynthia Geoghegan is joining us. Over the next month, updating the website and applications coversheet.

All Boards: Architects Board is currently sumitting a legislation proposal to update their firm permit laws. The goal is to bring the law online with other design professions and remove unnecessary restrictions.

Professional Engineers Board has an Ethics Course going live in a couple weeks.

John Mettee asked about the reopening of the office and they are continued remote for the foreseeable future. Joint Chairs meeting is scheduled for October. Thomas Orisich asked about the discussion of the office moving. There is no update.

The director welcomed Cynthia Geoghegan as the new board administrator.

Joseph Cullingford said that he was looking into having State specific exams mid-August. He plans to discuss next month with Milena how to give exams.

BOARD COUNSEL REPORT

None

MARYLAND SOCIETY OF SURVEYORS

Daniel Burke Jr., President elect of the Maryland Society of Surveyors (MSS) reported:

Dan Burke asked if there would be a town hall meeting and Thomas Orisich said that it would be too complicated.

The updated Practice Act has been received and will be sent to the Board.

APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW

The Board decided that John Mettee and T.J. Frazier would review the application and email back their decisions.

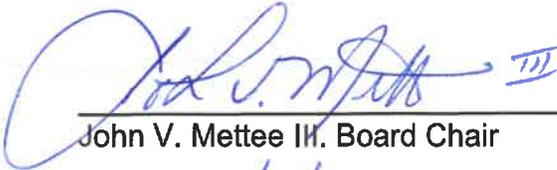
OTHER BUSINESS

Tammy has a name for the Consumer Board member and will work with Joseph Cullingford. The next meeting is scheduled for September 2, 2020.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Motion (IV) was made by Tammy Rollins and seconded by T.J. Frazier to adjourn the meeting at 2:37 p.m.

Approved: _____ without corrections with corrections



John V. Mettee III, Board Chair

Date: 9/2/2020