

***SOUTH CAROLINA RESIDENTIAL BUILDERS COMMISSION***

Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building  
110 Centerview Drive, Kingstree Building, Room 108  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Minutes

Wednesday, June 10, 2009

10:00 a.m.

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**Called To Order:**

Derrick Williams, Chairman, called the regular meeting of the Residential Builders Commission to order at 10:00 a.m. Other members present for the meeting included: Al Bailey, Frank Clark, Caleb Davis, Hal Dillard, Brian Dowd, and Tim Roberts.

Derrick Williams, Chairman announced that public notice of the meeting was properly posted on the bulletin boards at the main entrance of the Kingstree Building and by notice mailed to all requesting persons, organizations and news media in accordance with §30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

Staff members participating in the meeting included: Sheridan Spoon, Deputy General Counsel, Jamie Saxon, Hearing Advisor, Christa Bell, Staff Attorney, Stan Bowen, Administrator, Christine Driver, Administrative Assistant, Angela Scott, Administrative Assistant, Sandra Dickert, Administrative Assistant and Jerry Merritt, Investigation and Theresa Richardson, Office of Licensure.

Others present participating in the meeting included: Joseph Best, John Snowden, Don Gibson, Ronald Garmon and Richard Best,

**Approval Of Agenda:**

*Wednesday, June 10, 2009*

**MOTION**

Mr. Clark moved to approve the Wednesday, June 10, 2009, agenda as previously noticed. Mr. Dowd seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes:**

*Wednesday, May 13, 2009*

**MOTION**

Mr. Bailey moved to approve the Wednesday, May 13, 2009, meeting minutes. Mr. Clark seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**Approval/Disapproval of Absent Members:**

NONE

**Chairman's Remarks:**

*Derrick William, Chairman*

Mr. Williams informed the Commission that he would not be present at the August 12, 2009, meeting. Also he reported the next meeting date is July 8, 2009.

**Administrator's Remarks For Information:**

*Stan Bowen, Administrator*

NONE

**Advisory Opinions:**

*Sheridon Spoon*

NONE

**Legislative Update:**

*Robert Selman*

NONE

**Old Business:**

NONE

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**New Business:**

*Bond for Specialty License Contractors (Electrical, Plumbing and HVAC)*

Mr. Bowen asked the Commission for clarity regarding the bond requirement for the Specialty Contractor's Electrical, Plumbing and HVAC Licenses. He asked whether a \$10,000.00 Surety Bond is required for each license classification or one \$10,000.00 bond for all three license classifications.

**MOTION:**

Mr. Clark made a motion, to require a \$10,000.00 Surety Bond for each Specialty Contractor's License classification (Electrical, Plumbing and HVAC). Mr. Dillard seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**Recommendations of IRC:**

**MOTION:**

Mr. Bailey made a motion, to approve the recommendations of the Investigative Review Committee. Mr. Clark seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**Application Reviews:**

*Mr. John C. Snowden*

Mr. Snowden appeared before the Commission to ask that his credentials and work experience which he submitted on his Residential Builder's Application be approved. Mr. Snowden was sworn in by Mrs. Faye Grainger, Court Reporter.

Mr. Snowden appeared before the Commission and offered the following testimony. Mr. Snowden testified that he would like for the Commission to accept his credentials and experience. He earned an engineering degree from University of South Carolina; completed Construction Engineer training with the Marine Corps; served one year in an Engineer Battalion in Viet Nam; and received a degree from the Citadel. He is employed with Trident Technical College as Vice- President Continue Education Economic Development for 4 ½ years.

**MOTION:**

Mr. Davis made a motion, to approve Mr. Snowden credentials and work experience in which he submitted on his Residential Builder's Application. Mr. Dowd seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

*(This proceeding was recorded by a court reporter in order to produce a verbatim transcript if requested in accordance with the law.)*

*Mr. Joseph Best*

Mr. Best appeared before the Commission because he answered "yes" on his Residential Home Inspector's Application there have been any judgments, liens or claims filed against his or his business entities that he has been associated with within the past five (5) years. Due to Mr. Best's answer the application could not be processed in a routine manner. Mr. Best waived his right to counsel. Mr. Best was sworn in by Mrs. Faye Grainger, Court Reporter.

Mr. Best appeared before the Commission and offered the following testimony. Mr. Best testified that he has a tax lien from Department of Revenue for failure to file taxes on time in 2000-2001. The Department of Revenue is currently garnishing his wages to satisfy the lien. Mr. Best testified that he has some other liens filed against him that he has to make arrangement to rectify.

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Mr. Davis made a motion, to approve Mr. Best to sit for the Residential Home Inspector's Examination, once he provides proof that he has satisfied or made arrangements to rectify the tax liens listed on his credit report. Mr. Clark seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

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*Mr. Michael Beam*

Mr. Beam did not appear. No Action Taken

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**Approval of Hearing's Officer's Recommendation for Citations:**

Mr. Jamie Saxon, Advice Attorney

*Mr. Timothy Leford*

**MOTION**

Mr. Bailey made a motion, to approve the citation against Mr. Ledford. Mr. Clark seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

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*Mr. John R. Reeves*

**MOTION**

Mr. Roberts made a motion, to approve the citation against Mr. Reeves. Mr. Clark seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

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**Citation Appeal:**

*Mr. Ronald Garmon*

Mr. Garmon appeared before the Commission to appeal of 4 citations; 1229, 1230, 1231, and 1232. Mr. Garmon was represented by Mr. Don Gibson, Esquire. Mrs. Christa Bell represented that State.

**MOTION:**

Mr. Dowd made a motion to enter into executive session to seek legal advice. Mr. Davis seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Mr. Davis made a motion to come out of executive session. Mr. Clark seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. The Commission returned to public session. Chairman Williams stated for the record that no action was taken in executive session.

**MOTION:**

Mr. Clark made a motion, to uphold the Hearing Officer's Recommendations. Mr. Bailey seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

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**Date Of Next Meeting:**

The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, July 8, 2009, in conference room 108.

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**Adjournment:**

Mr. Roberts moved the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Clark seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. The June 10, 2009, meeting of the South Carolina Residential Builders Commission was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.