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STATE CONTRACTORS' BOARD

MINUTES OF THE RECOVERY FUND SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING JANUARY 27, 2003

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Schaefer called the hearing to order at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, January 27, 2003, at the offices of the State Contractors' Board, 2310 Corporate Circle, Suite 200, Henderson, Nevada 89074.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Randy Schaefer, Board Member (Committee Chairman) Mr. Spiridon Filios, Board Member Mr. Jerry Higgins, Board Member

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ms. Margi Grein, Executive Officer Mr. George Lyford, Director of Investigations Mr. Chris Denning, Deputy Director of Investigations

LEGAL COUNSEL PRESENT:

Ms. Carolyn Broussard, Legal Counsel

Ms. Grein stated that Bob Macke had posted the agenda in compliance with the open meeting law on January 22, 2003, at the Sawyer State Building, Clark County Library, and Las Vegas City Hall. The agenda was also posted in both offices of the Board, Henderson and Reno, and on the Board's Internet web site.

The Recovery Fund book was entered into the record as Exhibit #1.

2. AQUA POOLS AND SPA, LICENSE #32428

Frank Salazar and Margaret Salazar, Partners William L. Smith, Homeowner L-0110-312-RF

No one from Aqua Pools and Spa was present.

Pamela Smith, Homeowner; Investigator Greg Welch; Chris Denning, Deputy Director Investigations; and George Lyford, Director Investigations were sworn in.

Mr. Denning testified that the Smiths filed a claim with the Residential Recovery Fund against Aqua Pools & Spas for the non-completion of their swimming pool contract. The original contract price was \$40,137.00, of which \$31,677.75 was paid. The pool was finished through the gunite, which made it approximately 95% complete. Items not completed were plastering of the pool; patio cover; landscaping; mist system; solar blanket; pool light not installed; 3 foot walkway; gas line 50% installed; and volleyball net and poles.

Ms. Smith testified that the pool had been completed up to the gunite. Several subcontractors had been paid with bad checks, so the Smiths paid the subcontractors in order to prevent them from pre-liening their property. Ms. Smith stated that she had not included this information in the complaint.

MR. HIGGINS RECOMMENDED THAT THIS MATTER BE CONTINUED TO GIVE HOMEOWNER THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION RELATED TO PAYMENTS MADE TO SUB-CONTRACTORS.

MR. FILIOS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

3. CHRISTIANSEN POOLS, LICENSE #10682

Ralph Christiansen, Owner Setrak Mardirossian, Homeowner L-0110-315-RF

No one from Christiansen Pools was present.

Mr. Setrak Mardirossian, Homeowner, was not present.

Investigator Greg Welch; Chris Denning, Deputy Director Investigations; and George Lyford, Director Investigations were sworn in.

Mr. Denning testified that Setrak Mardirossian entered into a contract with Christiansen Pools on October 31, 2001, for the construction of a swimming pool for a total contract price of \$24,932.00, of which \$14,958.00 has been paid. The project was 30% completed and the claimant has paid Respondent 60% of the contract price.

MR. FILIOS RECOMMENDED TO AWARD THE CLAIMANT \$7,479.00.

MR. HIGGINS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

4. CHRISTIANSEN POOLS, LICENSE #10682

Ralph Christiansen, Owner Steven P. Jones, Homeowner L-0112-034-RF

No one from Christiansen Pools was present.

Steven Jones, Homeowner, was not present.

Chris Denning, Deputy Director Investigations and George Lyford, Director Investigations were sworn in.

Mr. Lyford testified that Steven Jones entered into a contract with Christiansen Pools for the construction of a swimming pool on June 5, 2001, for a total contract price of \$24,765.00, of which \$2,265.00 has been paid. The project was never started and plans were not submitted or a permit pulled. The Respondent has not done any work on the pool.

MR. HIGGINS RECOMMENDED TO AWARD THE CLAIMANT \$2,265.00.

MR. FILIOS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

5. CHRISTIANSEN POOLS, LICENSE #10682

Ralph Christiansen, Owner Jill M. Bulmer, Homeowner L-0111-009-RF

No one from Christiansen Pools was present.

Jill Bulmer, Homeowner, was not present.

Chris Denning, Deputy Director Investigations and George Lyford, Director Investigations were sworn in.

Mr. Denning testified that Jill Bulmer entered into a contract with Christiansen Pools for the construction of a swimming pool on May 25, 2001, for the total contract price of \$24,800.00, of which \$8,140.00 has been paid. The excavation and rough plumbing were completed when the contractor abandoned the project.

MR. FILIOS RECOMMENDED TO AWARD THE CLAIMANT \$8,140.00.

MR. HIGGINS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

6. E A M, LLC dba MICHAEL T. MARTIN GENERAL CONTRACTOR, LICENSE

#28760B Elaine Faye Martin, Manager Margaret Purdue-Johnson, Homeowner L-0203-003-RF

No one from E A M, LLC dba Michael T. Martin General Contractor was present.

Ms. Margaret Purdue-Johnson, Homeowner; Chris Denning, Deputy Director Investigations; and George Lyford, Director Investigations were sworn in.

Mr. Lyford testified that Margaret Purdue-Johnson entered into a contract with Michael T. Martin on May 11, 2001, for the installation of an aluma lattice patio cover and to enclose the existing patio, for a total contract price of \$14,894.75, of which \$4,723.00 has been paid. The project was approximately 10% completed when the contractor abandoned the project.

MR. FILIOS RECOMMENDED TO AWARD THE CLAIMANT \$4,723.00.

MR. HIGGINS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

7. UNITED STATES HOLDING COMPANY dba PERMA ROCK – TREAT IT, LICENSE #18262

James Michael Wolfe, President Norma Cooper, Homeowner L-0111-056-RF

No one from United States Holding Company dba Perma Rock – Treat It was present.

Norma Cooper, Homeowner; Chris Denning, Deputy Director Investigations; and George Lyford, Director Investigations were sworn in.

Mr. Lyford testified that Norma Cooper entered into a contract with Perma Rock on February 22, 2000, for the installation of concrete coating on the walkway of her residence, for a total contract price of \$2,189.75, of which \$2,189.75 has been paid. The project was 100% completed, however the epoxy coating on the walkway was delaminating and the contractor did not comply with the Notice to Correct. The deterioration of the work has resulted in the project needing to be completely re-done.

MR. HIGGINS RECOMMENDED TO AWARD THE CLAIMANT \$2,189.75.

MR. FILIOS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

8. BETTER BUILT HOME IMPROVEMENT, LICENSE #43699

Morris Elvin Sanford, Jr., Owner John Krauskopf, Homeowner L-0205-167-RF

No one from Better Built Home Improvement was present.

John Krauskopf, Homeowner, was not present.

Chris Denning, Deputy Director Investigations and George Lyford, Director Investigations were sworn in.

Mr. Lyford testified that John Krauskopf entered into a contract with Better Built Home Improvement on April 1, 2001, for the construction of a room addition for a total contract price of \$23,500.00, of which \$17,625.00. The project was approximately 50% complete when contractor abandoned the project. The claimant completed the project as owner builder.

MR. FILIOS RECOMMENDED TO AWARD THE CLAIMANT \$5,875.00.

MR. HIGGINS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:49 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melinda Mertz, Recording Secretary

APPROVED:

Margi Grein, Executive Officer

Randy Schaefer, Committee Chairman