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STATE CONTRACTORS BOARD

MINUTES OF THE MEETING April 23, 2014

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CALL TO ORDER:

Richard Scotti, Esq. called the meeting of the State Contractors Board to order at 8:30 a.m., Wednesday, April 23, 2014, State Contractors Board, Henderson and Reno, Nevada. <u>Exhibit A</u> is the Meeting Agenda and Exhibit B is the Sign In Log.

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE:

Mr. Richard Scotti, Esq.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ms. Margi Grein, Executive Officer

Mr. George Lyford, Director of Investigations

Mr. Daniel Hammack, Chief of Enforcement

LEGAL COUNSEL PRESENT:

Mr. David Brown, Esq., Legal Counsel

Ms. Grein stated the agenda was posted in compliance with the open meeting law on April 23, 2014, at Paseo Verde Library, Sawyer State Building and Clark County Library. The agenda was also posted in both offices of the Board, Henderson and Reno and on the Board's Internet Website.

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Richard Scotti, Esq.

1. **DISCIPLINARY HEARING:** (Stipulated Revocation) (Continued from January 22, 2014 and March 19, 2014)

BARAJAS & ASSOCIATES, INC., License No. 69858

Licensee was not present nor represented by counsel at the hearing.

This matter was continued.

2. DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS:

BERNARDINO BAUTISTA, OWNER, dba BAUTISTA LANDSCAPE, License No. 46463

Licensee was present but not represented by counsel at the hearing.

The following Agency Exhibits were entered:

Exhibit 1 – Board Hearing File.

Exhibit 2 - Justice Court minutes of April 1, 2014 hearing.

Exhibit 3 - A Register of Actions from Justice Court.

The following Licensee Exhibits were entered:

Exhibit – A – Correspondence from Anna C. Clark, Respondent's public defender to the Board dated April 17, 2014.

Exhibit B – Respondent's typed timeline of events.

ALJ Scotti found Respondent guilty of one (1) violation of NRS 624.3013(5), as set forth in NRS 624.265(1) failure to possess good character; one (1) violation of NRS 624.302(6) failure to comply with a written request from the Board; one (1) violation of NRS 624.3013(3) failure to establish financial responsibility. Respondent was assessed a fine of \$1,000.00 for the First Cause of Action; a fine of \$250.00 for the Fourth Cause of Action; a fine of \$500.00 for the Fifth Cause of Action for total fines of \$1,750.00 and investigative costs of \$1,931.00. The Second and Third Causes of Action were dismissed. Fines and investigative costs are to be paid in five (5) equal monthly payments beginning May 23, 2014 with the last payment due by September 23, 2014. Respondent's license was placed on Probation for One (1) Year. Respondent was ordered to provide definitive proof from the Social Security Administration of his correct social security number along with a copy of his driver's license within sixty (60) days of the April 23, 2014 hearing. Respondent's license, number 46463 shall be suspended until such time as a current financial statement with bank verification form for all cash accounts that support the license limit is provided to the Board. If the financial statement fails to support the license limit, the license limit shall be lowered to the amount the financial statement supports. If Respondent fails to timely pay the fines and investigative costs, license number 46463, Bernardino Bautista, Owner, dba Bautista Landscape shall be revoked.

3. DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS:

MEADOW VALLEY CONTRACTORS, INC., License No. 19258

HIRSCHFELD STEEL GROUP, LP, License No. 69077

Licensee was present and represented by counsel at the hearing, Christopher H. Byrd, Esq.

The following Agency Exhibits were entered:

Exhibit 1 – Board Hearing File.

Upon the Stipulation of the parties, ALJ Scotti found Respondent Meadow Valley Contractors, Inc., guilty of one (1) violation of NRS 624.302(5) failure to respond to a written request from the Board; one (1) violation of NRS 624.3013(5), as set forth in NAC 624.640(5) failure to include its license number and monetary license limit on its contracts. Respondent Meadow Valley Contractors, Inc. was assessed a fine of \$250.00 for each of the Second and Third Causes of Action for total fines of \$500.00 and investigative costs of \$1,996.00. The Fourth and Fifth Causes of Action were dismissed. Respondent Meadow Valley Contractors, Inc. shall provide a current financial statement with bank verification form for all cash accounts that support the license limit within sixty (60) days of the April 23, 2014 hearing. If the financial statement supports the license limit, the First Cause of Action shall be dismissed. If the financial statement fails to support the license limit, this matter shall be brought back before ALJ Scotti. Fines and investigative costs are to be paid within thirty (30) days of the April 23, 2014 hearing or license number 19258, Meadow Valley Contractors, Inc. shall be suspended.

4. DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS:

S. C. I. CONSTRUCTION, LP, License No. 78549

Licensee was present and represented by counsel at the hearing, Donald Williams, Esq.

The following Agency Exhibits were entered:

Exhibit 1 - Board Hearing File.

Upon the Stipulation of the parties, ALJ Scotti found Respondent guilty of one (1) violation of NRS 624.3013(5), as set forth in NAC 624.700(1)(a) and (b) engaging in business or acting in the capacity of a contractor without having an active license. The Second Cause of Action was dismissed. Respondent was assessed a fine of \$7,500.00 for the First Cause of Action and investigative costs of \$1,756.00. Fines and investigative costs are to be paid within thirty (30) days of the April 23, 2014 hearing or license number 78549, S. C. I. Construction, LP shall be suspended.

5. DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS:

NOW ELECTRIC, INC., dba NOW ELECTRIC, INC., License No. 67680

Licensee was present and represented by counsel at the hearing, Matthew Pawlowski, Esq.

The following Agency Exhibits were entered:

Exhibit 1 - Board Hearing File.

The following Licensee Exhibits were entered:

Exhibit A – An e-mail from Respondent's attorney, Matthew P. Pawlowski, Esq. to the Board dated April 22, 2014.

ALJ Scotti found Respondent guilty of one (1) violation of NRS 624.3013(5), as set forth in NAC 624.640(3) failure to notify the Board of the sale of the company; one (1) violation of NRS 624.3014(2)(a) and (c) aiding or abetting an unlicensed person to evade the provisions of this chapter and allowing a license to be used by an unlicensed person. Respondent was assessed a fine of \$100.00 for the First Cause of Action; a fine of \$250.00 for the Second Cause of Action for total fines of \$350.00 and investigative costs of \$1,931.00. Respondent's license limit is reduced to \$10,000.00. Respondent was ordered to provide a current self prepared financial statement with bank verification form for all cash accounts that support the license limit. Fines and investigative costs are to be paid within sixty (60) days of the April 23, 2014 hearing or license number 67680, Now Electric, Inc., dba Now Electric, Inc. shall be suspended.

6. DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS:

AIR SQUAD HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING, LLC, ARMEN SHARKHNAZARYAN, MANAGER, AN UNLICENSED CONTRACTOR

Mr. Sharkhnazaryan was present but not represented by counsel at the hearing.

The following Agency Exhibits were entered:

Exhibit 1 - Board Hearing File.

The following Exhibits were entered:

Exhibit A – Mr. Sharkhnazaryan's Answer to the Board's Complaint dated April 2, 2014.

ALJ Scotti found Armen Sharkhnazaryan guilty of one (1) violation of NRS 624.3016(7) misrepresentation or the omission of a material fact to obtain a license. Mr. Sharkhnazaryan was assessed a fine of \$500.00 for the First Cause of Action and investigative costs of \$1,000.00. Fines and investigative costs are to be paid within thirty (30) days of the April 23, 2014 hearing.

7. DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS: (Stipulated Revocation)

CASINO ROOFING, INC., License No. 55265

Licensee was not present nor represented by counsel at the hearing.

The following Agency Exhibits were entered:

Exhibit 1 – Board Hearing File.

ALJ Scotti found Respondent guilty of one (1) violation of NRS 624.3013(3) failure to establish financial responsibility. Respondent was assessed a fine of \$500.00 for the First Cause of Action and investigative costs of \$1,795.00. License number 55265, Casino Roofing, Inc. was revoked. Respondent is required to make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund plus pay the fines and investigative costs prior to consideration of future licensure.

8. DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS - DEFAULT ORDER:

a. GINO ANTHONY LONG, OWNER, dba SOUTHWEST ROOFING COMPANY, License No. 64952

Licensee was not present nor represented by counsel at the hearing.

The following Agency Exhibits were entered:

Exhibit 1 – Board Hearing File.

ALJ Scotti found Respondent Gino Anthony Long, Owner, dba Southwest Roofing Company, license number 64952 in default and adopted the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law as set forth in the Administrative complaint. The Respondent was found guilty of one (1) violation of NRS 624.3017(1) substandard workmanship; one (1) violation of NRS 624.3013(5), as set forth in NAC 624.700(3)(a) failure to comply with the Board's Notice to Correct; one (1) violation of NRS 624.3013(3) failure to establish financial responsibility. Respondent was assessed a fine of \$1,000.00 for the First Cause of Action; a fine of \$500.00 for each of the Second and Third Causes of Action for total fines of \$2,000.00 and investigative costs of \$1,973.00. License number 64952, Gino Anthony Long, Owner, dba Southwest Roofing Company was revoked. Respondent is required to make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund plus pay the fines and investigative costs prior to consideration of future licensure.

NEVADA STATE CONTRACTORS BOARD MINUTES OF APRIL 23, 2014 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by ALJ Scotti at 11:05 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melinda Mertz, Recording Secretary

APPROVED:

Margi A. Grein, Executive Officer

Richard Scotti, Esq., Administrative Law Judge