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MEETING MINUTES:	BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS
DATE AND TIME:	June 16, 2016 at 8:30 a.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room A, first floor of the Cannon Building
APPROVED:	July 21, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT

Franco R. Bellafante, Professional Member, Chair, Presiding
Charles Adams, Jr., Professional Member, Vice-Chair
James Bielicki, Jr., Professional Member
Carla Cassell-Carter, Public Member
Kelly Katz, Professional Member
Rhonda West, Public Member, Secretary

DIVISION STAFF

Meredith Hurley, Administrative Specialist II
Kevin Maloney, Deputy Attorney General

PUBLIC PRESENT

Matthew Joyce

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Bellafante called the meeting to order at 8:38 a.m.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Bielicki made a motion, seconded by Mr. Katz, to approve the May 19, 2016 meeting minutes as written. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Continued Discussion of Plan Certification Notes

Mr. Adams read a statement that he would like to see as far as a generalized certification note that could be included on the plans. Mr. Maloney advised that he would have to review the language and compare it to the statute and rules and regulations to see if it is compatible. This change would eliminate piggybacking off other surveys that were done in the past and protect the current survey.

Review of Additional Documentation for Matthew Joyce for Post-Renewal Continuing Education Audit

Mr. Katz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Adams, to accept the additional documentation provided by Mr. Joyce, making him compliant with the 2015 post-renewal audit. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Review of Additional Documentation for Robert Hughes for Post-Renewal Continuing Education Audit

The Board did not have enough documentation from Mr. Hughes to make a decision on his audit material at this time.

Review of Substantially Related Crimes List

Mr. Maloney will provide the Board's crime list, with a breakdown of the severity of each, to Ms. Hurley so she may send it out to the Board members for more clarity before the next meeting.

Follow-Up to Mr. Szymanski Correspondence

Ms. Hurley stated that the requested change of the language on the final audit notice has been accomplished.

Mr. Maloney advised the Board that he will have the corrected changes to 10.1.2 of the rules and regulations for the next meeting.

Review of Application for Licensure by Reciprocity

The Board considered the previously tabled application for licensure by reciprocity for Mark Benzin. Mr. Adams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bielicki, to table the application until the next regularly scheduled meeting in order to conduct additional research regarding the type of licensure he holds in Maryland. The motion carried with Mr. Bellafante recusing.

NEW BUSINESS

Review and Consider Final Order on Hearing Officer Recommendations

The Board reviewed the order of John Beattie and affixed their signatures.

Ratification of Issuance of Land Surveying Certificate of Authorization

Mr. Katz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bielicki, to ratify the certificate of authorization for URS Corporation (S8-0000132). By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Review of Rules and Regulations Regarding Reciprocity

The Board reviewed the reciprocity requirements outlined in section 15.0 of the Rules and Regulations to determine if changes were needed. The Board agreed that no changes should take place at this time.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)

The Board discussed the article from the News Journal titled, "Newport-Area Bridge Too Low; DeIDOT Must Correct Error." The problem discussed was that there were no actual surveyors involved in the project but surveyors in general were seen as the "bad guys". The project was overseen by engineers.

Mr. Bellafante brought up a letter he had written in the past about the counties having different laws about boundary surveys and staking properties. Local standards seemed to come into play and there have been no apparent complaints about the differences between the counties.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held Thursday, July 21, 2016 at 8:30 a.m., Conference Room A, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Dover, DE 19904.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, Ms. West made a motion, seconded by Mr. Adams, to adjourn the meeting at 10:46 a.m. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Meredith Hurley
Administrative Specialist II