

GENERAL/ HOME IMPROVEMENT LICENSING BOARD OF REVIEW

July 8, 2015

757 Carolyn Avenue

Columbus, OH 43224

Conference Room H - 1:00 p.m.

The following duly appointed members were present: Chairman – Mike Pione, Ron Miller, Ross Appeldorn, Ken Neverman and Tom Sintic. Representing the City was David Daniel. Pam Dawley was the stenographer transcribing the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pione at 1:00 p.m. Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The next item to come before the Board was the review of new Home Improvement Contractor applications.

The following applications were approved by the Board:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>LICENSE TYPE</u>
Bakies, Mitchell	General
Christensen, Andrew	General
Cionni, Romano	General
Edwards, Jeffry	Limited – Gypsum Board
Farris, Matthew	General
Heckman, Jason	General
King, Donald (5)	Limited – Roofing, Siding, Windows & Doors, Decks, Fencing & Gypsum Board
Maynard, Nicholas	Limited – Roofing
Morgan, Micah	General
Palmer, John, Jr.	General
Rader, Mike	Limited – Roofing
Roberts, Russell	General
Theis, Brandon	General
Williams, Kenneth	General
Young, William	General

Mr. Miller made a motion to certify the results of the applicants who were approved to the Department of Building & Zoning Services for the issuance of a Home Improvement Contractor's License. Mr. Neverman seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The following applications were tabled until the next scheduled meeting:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>LICENSE TYPE</u>
Skidmore, Jonathan	General

Mr. Miller made a motion to disapprove the applicants listed below. Mr. Appeldorn seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>LICENSE TYPE</u>
Adkins, Shirley	General
Foster, Jeff	General
Herrera, Alex	General
Johnson, Robert	General
Nakanishi, Naaman	General

The next item to come before the Board was the review of new Demolition Contractor applications:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>APPROVAL</u>
Lightizer, Chris	Yes

Mr. Miller made a motion to certify the results of the applicants who were approved to the Department of Building & Zoning Services for the issuance of a Demolition Contractor License. Mr. Sintic seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The next item to come before the Board was a due process hearing regarding Ralph Mason, Jr. and the City of Columbus vs. Michael Kron for a property located at 1670 Laramie Drive. Mr. Kron, license holder for Kron Construction LLC, was charged with violating Columbus Building Code Sections 4114.111, Work of a Registered OCILB Licensed Specialty Contractor and 4113.57, Permit Qualifications. Mr. Kron was not present for the meeting, however, the complainants, Ralph Mason, Jr. and Brenda Mason, were both present along with William Young who was representing Arlington Remodeling. David Daniel, City of Columbus Structural Inspection Supervisor, stated Mr. Kron received and signed for a certified notice of today's meeting on May 28, 2015. Ken Bruen, City of Columbus Structural Inspection Field Supervisor, stated he was contacted by Mr. Mason on February

25, 2015 stating Mr. Kron had pulled a Building Permit for the construction of a room addition at his property on October 20, 2014, however, no permits were obtained for any of the mechanical work. Mr. Bruen further stated he made a site visit on February 27, 2015 and found evidence that plumbing, electrical and HVAC work had been started without permits. He stated at that time, he posted a Stop Worker Order. He also stated an Electric Permit was pulled on March 22, 2015 by one of the sub-contractors hired by Mr. Kron. Mr. Young stated he has been hired by the Masons to complete this job. He also stated he will be repairing some of the framing work, which did not pass the inspection, as well as pulling permits to complete the electric, plumbing and HVAC work. Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to find that Mr. Kron did, in fact, perform the work of a registered limited specialty contractor and that he did fail to pull the appropriate permits as it relates to the mechanical trades. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to find Mr. Kron guilty of violating the abovementioned Code sections. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to revoke Mr. Kron's license for the period of one year effective immediately. Mr. Neverman seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The next item to come before the Board was a due process hearing regarding Donna Heron and the City of Columbus vs. Michael March for a property located at 619 D'Lyn Street. Mr. March, license holder for Memco Builders & Home Improvements, was charged with violating Columbus Building Code Sections 4113.37(B), Building Permits Required, 4115.01, Inspections Required, 4115.03, Approvals Required, and 4114.111, Work of a Registered OCILB Licensed Specialty Contractor. Mr. March and Ms. Heron were present for the meeting, along with Dave March who was also representing Memco Builders & Home Improvements. Mr. Bruen stated Ms. Heron entered into an agreement with Mr. March on December 6, 2014 to make structural repairs to her carport and also to do some minor electric work. He further stated after receiving the contractor complaint on May 26, 2015, he made a site visit on June 8, 2015 and found no permits had been pulled for the work done at this address. Mr. March stated he did pull a building permit on July 6, 2015 and his subcontractor pulled the electric permit that same day also. He further stated he was not aware he needed to pull a permit for the carport in a condominium complex. Ms. Heron stated she did not want Mr. March to finish the work on her property until an inspection was performed by the City. Mr. Miller made a motion to find that Mr. March did, in fact, perform work at this address without obtaining the proper permits. Mr. Appeldorn seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Miller made a motion to find Mr. March guilty of violating the abovementioned Codes sections. Mr. Appeldorn seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Miller made a motion to hold any action on Mr. March's license in abeyance until the next scheduled meeting to allow the City time to inspect the work done by Mr. March at this property. Mr. Appeldorn seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The next item to come before the Board was a due process hearing regarding Wade Roby and the City of Columbus vs. Louis Dawkins for a property located at 194 Charleston Avenue. Mr. Dawkins, license holder for LTD Home Improvement, was charged with violating Columbus Building Code Sections 4115.03, Final Inspection Required, and 4114.119(B), Using Unlicensed Subcontractor. Mr. Dawkins was present for the meeting along with Ryan Crawford who was representing Creative Building Services LLC. Cliff Spruill, City of Columbus Structural Inspection Field Supervisor, stated he received a contractor complaint from this homeowner on June 9, 2015 after the homeowner received a letter from the City dated March 10, 2015 informing him that the permit for this deck, obtained September 12, 2014, would expire in 45 days since work had stopped on this job for 6 months. He further stated the final inspection performed on October 24, 2014 was disapproved due to the fact the contractor did not provide a grippable handrail. Mr. Crawford stated he drew the plans but did do any construction on the deck. He further stated that was all done by Mr. Dawkins who did pull the permit for this work. Mr. Dawkins stated he was aware the final inspection was disapproved, however, he thought the permit was good for one year. He further stated he obtained a new permit on July 2, 2015 and the final was approved earlier today. Mr. Daniel cautioned Mr. Crawford that he should not be advertising or entering into a contract to perform this type of work unless he's a licensed contractor. Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to find that Mr. Dawkins did, in fact, fail to obtain all the required inspections, however, he did not use an unlicensed subcontractor to perform this work. Mr. Neverman seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to find Mr. Dawkins guilty of violating Columbus Building Code Section 4115.03, Final Inspection Required, and not guilty of violating Columbus Building Code Section 4114.119(B), Using Unlicensed Subcontractor. Mr. Neverman seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to take no action against Mr. Dawkins' license. Mr. Neverman seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The next item to come before the Board was a due process hearing regarding the City of Columbus vs. William Schmidt for a property located at 137 Cardwell Square North. Mr. Schmidt, license holder for Brothers Painting & Remodeling, was charged with violating Columbus Building Code Sections 4113.37(B), Building Permits Required, 4115.01, Inspections Required, and 4115.03, Inspections Required. Mr. Schmidt was present for the meeting. Mr. Spruill stated on May 20, 2015, Structural Inspector, Randy Eddy, observed Brothers Painting & Remodeling installing a new roof at this address without a permit. He further stated on that same day, Mr. Schmidt obtained the permit and paid the working without permit fee. Mr. Daniel stated he offered Mr. Schmidt the opportunity to sign a Working Without Permit Affidavit admitting his guilt, however, Mr. Schmidt did not sign and return the Affidavit. Mr. Schmidt stated he lost the Affidavit and decided to just attend the meeting. He also stated most of the jobs they do are outside of Columbus so this one slipped through the cracks. Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to find that Mr. Schmidt did, in fact, fail to obtain the proper

permit and inspections at this address. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to find Mr. Schmidt guilty of violating the abovementioned Code sections. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to take no action against Mr. Schmidt's license. Mr. Neverman seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mr. Daniel stated he had accepted the resignation of Board member, Frank Petruzzi. He also stated Tom Sintic has been appointed to the Board as a General HIC Contractor.

Mr. Appeldorn moved to adjourn. Mr. Neverman seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Mike Pione - Chairman

David Daniel - Secretary