

GENERAL/ HOME IMPROVEMENT LICENSING BOARD OF REVIEW

October 7, 2015

757 Carolyn Avenue

Columbus, OH 43224

Conference Room H - 1:00 p.m.

The following duly appointed members were present: Chairman – Mike Pione, Vice-Chairman – Ross Appeldorn, Ken Neverman, Tom Sintic, Daniel Wolt and Shayne Kaylor. 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. Wolt 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>
Batkiewicz, Daniel	General
Blankenship, Charles	General
Collins, James (2)	Limited – Asphalt Paving and Sidewalk & Driveway Approaches
Craig, Trent	General
Dashkovsky, Alexander	General
Hardwick, Adam	General
Harris, Lamont	General
Jestadt, Ryan	General
Kolp, Andrew	General
Lane, Sean	General
Lee, Calvin	General
Myrthil, Jean	General
Norfal, Murad	General
Pettit, Randy	General
Phieffer, James	General
Raines, Christopher	Limited – Decks
Schuer, Joseph	General
Spires, Kenneth	Limited – Swimming Pools
Williamson, Chad	General

Mr. Appeldorn 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>
Foley, Michael	General
McCaulley, Kirpatrick	General
Quintana, Jose	General

The following applications were disapproved:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>LICENSE TYPE</u>
Blake, Simon	General
Harrison, Dante	General
Helpman, Kenneth	General
Marteina, Damon	General
May, Larry	General
Pitteroff, Jason	General
Robinson, Albert	General
Wynn, David	General

The next item to come before the Board was the review of a new Demolition Contractor application.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>APPROVAL</u>
Rutledge, Anthony	Yes

Mr. Appeldorn 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. Neverman seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The next item to come before the Board was a due process hearing regarding Virginia Norman and the City of Columbus vs. Terry Takacs for a property located at 1252 Nautical Drive. Mr. Takacs,

license holder for Lowe's, was charged with violating Columbus Building Code Sections 4113.37(B), Building Permits Required, 4115.01, Inspections Required, and 4115.03, Approvals Required. Ms. Norman was present for the meeting. Mr. Takacs was not present for the meeting, however, Michael Smith was present representing Lowe's. Mr. Smith stated he is now the license holder for Lowe's since Mr. Takacs is no longer licensed. Ken Bruen, City of Columbus Structural Field Supervisor, stated Ms. Norman entered into a contract with Lowe's on April 25, 2015 for the replacement of her siding. He further stated the project was completed on June 5, 2015 and on June 18, 2015, Ms. Norman contacted the City because she did not feel the siding was installed properly and at that time, she found there was no permit issued for the work done at her property. He stated the permit was issued June 25, 2015 and on July 7, 2015, he did an inspection and found installation violations. He stated there was no weather barrier installed and the wrong fasteners were used. Mr. Smith stated he would like to have a new crew come in and tear everything off and redo the siding installation. Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to find that Mr. Takacs/Lowe's did work at this address without obtaining a permit. Mr. Sentic seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to find Mr. Takacs/Lowe's guilty of violating the abovementioned Columbus Building Code Sections. Mr. Wolt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to table this issue for 30 days to allow Mr. Takacs/Lowe's to make the necessary corrections at this address. Mr. Wolt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The next item to come before the Board was a due process hearing regarding the City of Columbus vs. Victor Yanev for a property located at 3964 Redroyal Avenue. Mr. Yanev, license holder for Champion Windows of Columbus, was charged with violating Columbus Building Code Sections 4113.37(B), Building Permits Required, 4115.01, Inspections Required, 4115.03, Approvals Required, and 4115.05, Inspection Before Covering. Mr. Yanev was not present for the meeting, however, Michael Prall was present representing Champion Windows. Mr. Prall stated Mr. Yanev could not be present for the meeting. Dave Daniel, City of Columbus Inspection Supervisor, stated on May 22, 2015, Structural Inspector George Pyers observed an open porch being converted to an enclosed porch without a permit. He also stated this is a new home and the plans show the porch being open. He further stated the permit was obtained on July 29, 2015. Mr. Prall stated this job was on hold because it first had to be approved by the Homeowner's Association. He stated once it was approved, they went ahead and began the work and forgot to obtain the permit. Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to find that Mr. Yanev did work at this address without obtaining a permit. Mr. Wolt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to find Mr. Yanev guilty of violating the abovementioned Columbus Building Code Sections. Mr. Wolt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to take no action against Mr. Yanev's license. Mr. Wolt 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 5987 Brookmont Drive. Mr. Schmidt, license holder for Brothers Painting and Remodeling, was charged with violating Columbus Building Code Sections 4113.37(B), Building Permits Required, 4115.01, Inspections Required, and 4115.03, Approvals Required. Mr. Schmidt was present for the meeting. Dave Daniel, City of Columbus Inspection Supervisor, stated on August 10, 2015, Tracy Baker witnessed a new shingle roof being installed at this address without a permit. He also stated the permit was obtained by Mr. Schmidt that same day. Mr. Schmidt stated the homeowner informed him that this property was located in the City of Hilliard. Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to find that Mr. Schmidt did work at this address without obtaining a permit. Mr. Wolt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to find Mr. Schmidt guilty of violating the abovementioned Columbus Building Code Sections. Mr. Wolt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to take no action against Mr. Schmidt's license. Mr. Wolt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The next item to come before the Board was a due process hearing regarding the City of Columbus vs. Shawn Lawyer for a property located at 394-396 Mithoff Street. Mr. Lawyer, license holder for GEM Renovations LLC, was charged with violating Columbus Building Code Section 4114.111, Work of a Registered OCILB Licensed Specialty Contractor. Mr. Lawyer was present for the meeting. Dave Daniel, City of Columbus Inspection Supervisor, stated on August 31, Building Inspector Steve Waddell was scheduled for a framing inspection at this address and while he was there he discovered that neither HVAC or plumbing permits had been obtained for work done on this property. He also stated on September 14, 2015, a mechanical permit was issued to A Team Heating and Cooling and on September 18, 2015, the mechanical inspection was disapproved. Mr. Lawyer stated he did not obtain mechanical and plumbing permits because he had trouble getting the plans from the architect. Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to find that Mr. Lawyer did work at this address which he was not licensed to do and without obtaining the appropriate permits. Mr. Wolt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to find Mr. Lawyer guilty of violating the abovementioned Columbus Building Code Section. Mr. Wolt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to table this case for 30 days to allow Mr. Lawyer time to pull the necessary permits. Mr. Wolt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The next item to come before the Board was a due process hearing regarding the City of Columbus vs. Shawn Lawyer for a property located at 1682 Bryden Road. Mr. Lawyer, license holder for GEM Renovations LLC, was charged with violating Columbus Building Code Sections 4113.37(B), Building Permits Required, 4115.01, Inspections Required, 4115.03, Approvals Required, 4115.05,

Inspection Before Covering and 4114.111, Work of a Registered OCILB Licensed Specialty Contractor. Mr. Lawyer was present for the meeting. Dave Daniel, City of Columbus Inspection Supervisor, stated on July 6, 2015, Mr. Lawyer obtained a permit to repair the foundation per an engineer's design. He further stated on August 11, 2015, Building Inspector Steve Waddell performed a requested inspection under the foundation repair permit and during that inspection, he found that new plumbing, electric and HVAC had been installed as well as other rehab work which was not part of the foundation repair permit. Mr. Lawyer stated this property is in a historic district so he was waiting on their approval for the scope of work. He also stated he only hooked up electric in order to have power to work, and he left it exposed because he was planning on obtaining a permit. He further as far as the HVAC work, he only hooked up what was there. He stated he thought he wrote interior rehab on the work description. Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to find that Mr. Lawyer did perform work without the necessary permits and inspections and he did the work of a licensed specialty contractor without the appropriate license. Mr. Wolt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to find Mr. Lawyer guilty of violating the abovementioned Columbus Building Code Sections. Mr. Wolt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to table this case for 90 days to allow Mr. Lawyer time to pull the necessary permits. Mr. Wolt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The next item to come before the Board was a due process hearing regarding the City of Columbus vs. Thomas Connors for a property located at 5576-5578 Sullivant Avenue. Mr. Connors, license holder for RE Connors Construction Ltd. was charged with violating Columbus Building Code Sections 4113.37(B), Building Permits Required, 4115.01, Inspections Required and 4115.03, Approvals Required. Mr. Connors was present for the meeting. Dave Daniel, City of Columbus Inspection Supervisor, stated on August 24, 2015, Building Inspector Tracy Baker, observed new shingles being installed on the roof at this address without a permit. He also stated later that same day, Mr. Connors obtained the permit and paid the associated fees. Mr. Connors stated he thought the address was in Grove City, and he was at the Grove City Permit Office when he got the call that Mr. Baker was on the job site. Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to find that Mr. Connors did work at this address without obtaining a permit. Mr. Wolt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to find Mr. Lawyer guilty of violating the abovementioned Columbus Building Code Sections. Mr. Wolt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Appeldorn made a motion to take no action against Mr. Connors' license. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mr. Neverman moved to adjourn. Mr. Kaylor seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.** Adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Ross Appeldorn – Vice-Chairman

David Daniel - Secretary