# Kent County Board of Electrical Examiners Meeting Summary

The Kent County Board of Electrical Examiners met on Thursday, June 3, 2021, at 8:30 a.m., in the Commissioners' Hearing Room, 400 High Street, Chestertown, Maryland. The following members were in attendance: D. Michael Usilton, Chair; and Victor Shepard, Member. Also present were Mike Bitting, Chief Code Enforcement Officer; Craig Busick, Inspector; and Sandy Adams, Clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m.

# **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:**

The May 6, 2021 meeting minutes were approved as presented by D. Michael Usilton, Chair.

## **BOARD DISCUSSION:**

#### MULEC Meeting -

- Craig Busick informed the Board that effective July 1, 2021, all electrical examinations will be given at the State level.
- Craig Busick said he was informed by the Chief Inspector of MDIA that also effective July 1, 2021, the National Electrical Code is being rolled back to 2017. Mr. Busick said that anyone currently in the middle of a project and working under the 2020 code will be compliant with the 2017 code, but when finished, they will not have to install the new GFI protected breakers prior to final inspection.

<u>Action</u>: Mike Bitting said he will send an email to Norman Wang, Director, Maryland Building Code, for confirmation of the above changes.

#### Electric Licenses -

- Mike Bitting informed the Board that the County's three In Plant licenses are up for renewal, and he inquired about the process for renewing the licenses. A discussion ensued and it was determined that the following is required:
  - 1. The In Plants call MDIA and make an appointment for an inspection;
  - 2. An inspector inspects the site and submits an inspection report to the County; and
  - 3. The County renews the license (in the form of a certificate) for the next two-year licensing period.

Action: Mike Bitting has agreed to reach out to each of the three In Plants to discuss renewing their license.

- Mike Bitting inquired about the licensing requirements for doing low voltage electrical work (for security systems) in the County. <u>Action</u>: Mike Bitting said he will review the Code and look into the type of license that is required.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

With there being no further business, Chairperson Usilton adjourned the meeting at 8:52 a.m.

Michael D. Usilton, Chair

Sandy Adams, Clerk

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