CARROLL COUNTY ELECTRICAL BOARD March 26, 2019

PRESENT: CHAIRMAN - P. NOYES

BOARD MEMBERS - D. SULLIVAN, D. BROSENNE

B. LEPPERT

EXOFFICIO - D. ZEPP, L.STICKLES, J. GREEN & B. WETZEL

Notice of this meeting was provided to the public by mailing notice to members of the Carroll County Electrical Board and posting notice electronically on the County's website.

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was called to order at 8:15 a.m. by Chairman Paul Noyes at Carroll County Office Building, Permits Conference Room.

The minutes of October 24, 2018 were emailed to each board member. Mr. Noyes asked the board if everyone had read the minutes and had any changes. Mr. Sullivan made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Mr. Brosenne seconded the motion and was unanimously carried by the Board.

OLD BUSINESS;

Mr. Noyes mentioned that homeowners submitting electrical applications should be limited in what they are allowed to perform.

Mr. Zepp read the by-laws regarding homeowners doing their own electrical work. The board had a discussion on defining the word "minor work". Mr. Green mentioned we need a definition on the word "minor work" to make it easier for the office staff to make a determination when receiving a homeowner's electrical application.

Mr. Stickles reported that nothing has been presented to the Board of Commissioners regarding a change, he will check with the County Attorney to see if it has to be presented to the Board of Commissioners regarding a change.

Mr. Stickles mentioned we need to reach out to the neighboring counties to see how they handle testing and permitting for electrical work being performed by homeowners. Mr. Noyes will contact the neighboring counties to verify the procedure for homeowners doing their own work.

Mr. Sullivan mentioned whether the Chairman of the Electrical Board needs to be a licensed electrician.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Noyes read a letter from Mr. Jeffrey Rodgers regarding renewing his Carroll County Master Electrical license. Mr. Rodgers obtained his Carroll County license by examination with Carroll County in 1989. Mr. Rodgers allowed his Carroll County license to expire on June 30, 2015 and wants to renew them without taking the exam. Mr. Zepp read the bylaws stating that an "individual" must maintain his license. Mr. Rodgers will need to take the master electrical exam again. A certified letter was sent to Mr. Rodgers on February 28, 2019.

Mr. Noyes mentioned he would like to change the procedure for selecting questions for the Master Electrical Exam. Currently the questions are selected by the Chief Electrical Inspector; he would like to change the procedure to allow the board members to select the questions. Mr. Brosenne made a motion to change the procedure. Mr. Leppert seconded the motion and was unanimously carried by the Board.

Mr. Stickles mentioned about adopting new codes and asked the Board if there is anything that they would like to change.

Mr. Zepp informed the Board about the practice of line tapping the service conductors in homeowner electric panel boxes by Solar Energy contractors. Although a code compliant practice, he feels it is a safety concern for homeowners installing new wiring in the panel boxes.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 24, 2019, at Carroll County Office Building to administer Electrical License Examination #94. Mr. Brosenne made a motion for the meeting to adjourn. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion and was unanimously carried by the Board.

Submitted by:

Brenda Wetzel

Permits and Inspections

Approved by:

Paul Noyes, Chairman

Carroll County Electrical Board