

**MINUTES
OF THE COLLIER COUNTY
CONTRACTORS' LICENSING BOARD**

September 19, 2018
Naples, Florida

LET IT BE REMEMBERED that the Collier County Contractors' Licensing Board, having conducted business herein, met on this date at 9:00 AM in **REGULAR SESSION** in Administrative Building "F," 3rd Floor, Collier County Government Complex, Naples, Florida, with the following Members present:

Chairman: Michael Boyd

Vice Chair: Kyle Lantz

Members: Terry Jerulle
Richard Joslin
Matthew Nolton

Excused: Robert Meister
Gerard Shannon
Patrick White

ALSO PRESENT:

Everildo Ybaceta – Supervisor, Contractors' Licensing Office
Kevin Noell, Esq. – Assistant Collier County Attorney
Jed Schneck, Esq. – Attorney for the Contractors' Licensing Board
Reggie Smith – Contractors' Licensing Compliance Officer

Any person who decides to appeal a decision of this Board will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record of said proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which any Appeal is to be made.

I. ROLL CALL:

Chairman Michael Boyd opened the meeting at 9:01 AM and read the procedures to be followed to appeal a decision of the Board.

Roll Call was taken; a quorum was established; five (5) voting members were present.

II. AGENDA- ADDITIONS, CHANGES, OR DELETIONS:

(None)

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Richard Joslin moved to approve the Agenda as presented. Vice Chairman Kyle Lantz offered a Second in support of the motion.

Carried unanimously, 5 – 0.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: AUGUST 15, 2018

Richard Joslin moved to approve the Minutes of the August 15, 2018 Meeting as submitted. Matthew Nolton offered a Second in support of the motion.

Carried unanimously, 5 – 0.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT:

(None)

VI. DISCUSSION:

(None)

VII. REPORTS:

(None)

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Orders of the Board:

Terry Jerulle moved to approve authorizing the Chairman to sign the Orders of the Board. Matthew Nolton offered a Second in support of the motion.

Carried unanimously, 5 – 0.

(Note: The individuals who testified in the following cases under Item VIII, "New Business," were first sworn in by the Attorney for the Board.)

B. James Hinds – Review of Experience (Painting Contractor)
(d/b/a "JR Construction Pros, LLC")

Chairman Boyd noted the Applicant was appearing before the Board for a review of his experience. He applied for a Painting Contractor's License which requires 24-months of experience in addition to passing the required tests. He stated the Applicant had passed the tests. (Painting Contractor: Score – 88%; Business Procedures: Score – 80%)

James Hinds stated:

- He had been a Painting Contractor in Pennsylvania for approximately 3-½ years, but testing was not required.
- He obtained his experience from family members who taught him and working for property management companies. He also worked as a subcontractor for six months – "I picked it up quick."
- He later became a G.C. ("Home Improvement Contractor")
- He stated it was difficult to verify his experience since "I was my own boss."

Chairman Boyd asked the Applicant if he had been licensed while in Pennsylvania. **James Hinds** stated a copy of his license was included in the information packet that had been provided to the Board.

Vice Chairman Lantz: What were your gross sales?

James Hinds: About \$80,000 a year in Pennsylvania.

Vice Chairman Lantz: You had a license and you worked full time?

James Hinds: Five days a week – whole days, sometimes doing construction, rehabs, stuff like that.

Chairman Boyd: You had a license as a "Home Improvement Contractor?"

James Hinds: Right ... which covered everything.

Chairman Boyd: Which was valid until January of this year. How long did you have the license?

James Hinds: I believe it was a total ... to this January, it would be four years. It was about three and one-half that I actually did it.

Richard Joslin: I find it interesting, this "Home Improvement Consumer Protection Act." Is this what they used?

James Hinds: Yeah, I was able to do electric, plumbing, flips – everything. And I came to Florida and it's, like, restrictions on everything ... and I can't do anything so thought I'd start with painting.

Vice Chairman Lantz: Personally, I have no problem with this.

Chairman Boyd: If he was licensed in Pennsylvania for three or four years, he should be qualified to be a Painting Contractor.