

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
COMMITTEE OF PLUMBING EXAMINERS**

**March 7, 2024**

**10:00 am**

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**CALL TO ORDER:**

At approximately 11:25 a.m., immediately following Plumbing hearings (if any), Chairman Ronnie Smith called the meeting of the Committee of Plumbing Examiners to order in the CIB Conference Room, 2401 NW 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, Suite 2F, Oklahoma City, OK 73107.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ronnie Smith, Stacy Coe, Jason Bement, and Thomas Berry

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:** Glen Cates

**PRESENT FROM THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRIES BOARD:**

Jan Hubbard, Administrator; Richard Hager, Plumbing Supervisor; Dannette Yousey, Plumbing Division Secretary; Stan Scheilz, Plumbing Field Investigator; Gary Kirk Mechanical Supervisor; Shereice Word, Mechanical Division Secretary; Ron Morris, Electrical Supervisor, Timothy Mahoney, Mechanical Field Investigator.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jon Dutton, Assistant Attorney General; Brandon Stanley, Stanley Plumbing Services; Brian Dearman, Local 344 JATC; Chris Benton, CV Tech, El Reno; Josh Shandy, CV Tech, El Reno; Shawn Ramsen, R2 Plumbing & Drain Service.

**STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETING ACT**

This regular meeting of the State Committee of Plumbing Examiners, scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m., on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March 2024, has been convened in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, Oklahoma Statutes Title 25, §§ 301 through 314.

Further, this meeting was preceded by advance public notice filed electronically with the Secretary of State specifying the time and place of the meeting here convened. The agenda was posted and displayed in public view on the office site of the Construction Industries Board and notice of this meeting was given at least twenty-four (24) hours prior hereto.

18 people have filed a written request for notice of meetings of this public body to date.

Read aloud this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March 2024.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

### **UPDATE ON PLUMBING ACTIVITY**

Mr. Hager discussed the plumbing activity and provided statistical updates, field contacts, contractor and journeyman counts, and “pass/fail” rates for January 2024.

Mr. Hager stated staff had attended the Tulsa Build my Future and the OCCC 8<sup>th</sup> grade Expo, talked to them about the different trades.

He was asked by Stacy Coe to attend Plumbers Against Hunger, there was a good turnout with about 250 people attending.

Staff also did the Oklahoma City Home and Garden show, attended Oklahoma Tech advisory Committee and met with a couple new programs, Tulsa Tech and Francis Tuttle, 1,000 hour programs.

Mr. Hager read an announcement from our website concerning the Board’s decision trade Committee appointments made by the Board, “This is to notify you of a new procedure of the Board decided at the January 24, 2024, board meeting concerning appointments made by the Board to the trade committees. Appointments made by the Governor, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, Speaker of the House, or seats having no statutory requirement for nominating letters are not affected by this Board procedure.

For committee seats required by statute to be appointed from a list provided as described in statute, the Board is requesting the relevant statutorily described association or entity providing a nominating letter to list at least three names, as statutes may require, for consideration of appointment pursuant to statutory authority. For statutory provisions, see OSCN or licensing act laws at CIB's website: [www.cib.ok.gov/ruleslaws](http://www.cib.ok.gov/ruleslaws)”.

The Board is requiring all committee appointment nominating letters to be provided to the CIB by April 5, 2024, in order for those letters and nominations to be timely considered by the Board for appointment to Committee seats scheduled to expire in calendar year 2024. The Board also requests information about the nominee(s) giving sufficient information for a fair consideration of a nominee’s qualification and compliance with statutory requirements be provided to the CIB by the nominee or the nominating entity, such as a bio or resume.

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

### **DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE VOTE ON THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF PLUMBING EXAMINERS HELD ON NOVEMBER 2, 2023.**

The Committee was provided a draft of the Minutes for the November 2, 2023, regular meeting of the Committee of Plumbing Examiners.

MOTION MADE BY STACY COE WITH A SECOND BY JASON BEMENT TO ACCEPT THE SEPTEMBER 7, 2023, REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AS SUBMITTED.

MOTION PASSED

Absent: Glen Cates

Voting aye: Ronnie Smith  
Jason Bement  
Thomas Berry  
Stacy Coe

**DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE VOTE ON WHETHER TO PURSUE A RECIPROCAL LICENSING AGREEMENT WITH ARKANSAS FOR UNLIMITED PLUMBING JOURNEYMAN LICENSING CONSIDERING WHETHER ARKANSAS' REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE SATISFY REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE IN OKLAHOMA ACCORDING TO 59 O.S. § 1000.5A (B) AND ANY OTHER OKLAHOMA PLUMBING LICENSING REQUIREMENTS**

Mr. Hager stated he has been in discussion with Arkansas regarding possible reciprocal agreement for plumbing journeyman. This agenda item is for staff to pursue in more detail of an agreement.

Mr. Dutton explained to the Committee they would need to have a formal agreement the reciprocating state, the agreement is for five years and then the Committee would review it again.

MOTION MADE BY STACY COE WITH A SECOND BY JASON BEMENT TO HAVE STAFF EXPLORE RECIPROCATING WITH ARKANSAS FURTHER.

MOTION PASSED

Absent: Glen Cates

Voting aye: Ronnie Smith  
Jason Bement  
Thomas Berry  
Stacy Coe

**DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE VOTE ON FORMAL PLUMBING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM SUBMITTED BY CANADIAN VALLEY TECHNOLOGY CENTER EL RENO CAMPUS FOR 1,000 HOURS QUALIFYING AS TWO YEARS CREDIT TOWARDS THE EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENT FOR LICENSING, CHRIS BENTON, INSTRUCTOR**

The Committee reviewed the material submitted Canadian Valley Technology Center El Reno Campus For 1,000 Hours Qualifying as two years credit towards the experience requirements for licensing.

MOTION MADE BY JASON BEMENT WITH A SECOND BY STACY COE TO ACCEPT THE FORMAL PLUMBING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM SUBMITTED BY CANADIAN VALLEY TECHNOLOGY CENTER EL RENO CAMPUS FOR 1,000 HOURS QUALIFYING AS TWO YEARS CREDIT TOWARDS THE EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENT FOR LICENSING, CHRIS BENTON, INSTRUCTOR.

MOTION PASSED

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Voting aye: Ronnie Smith  
Jason Bement  
Thomas Berry  
Stacy Coe

Absent: Glen Cates

**Discussion with possible vote on CEU Request:**

The Committee reviewed the material submitted The City of Oklahoma City, International Residential Code Significant Changes 2015-2018, March 15, 2024, Geary McMillon, Instructor, for 2-credit hours.

MOTION MADE BY STACY COE WITH A SECOND BY JASON BEMENT TO APPROVE THE CITY OF OKLAHOMA CITY, INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE SIGNIFICANT CHANGES 2015-2018, MARCH 15, 2024, GEARY MCMILLON, INSTRUCTOR, FOR 2-CREDIT HOURS.

MOTION PASSED

Voting aye: Ronnie Smith  
Jason Bement  
Thomas Berry  
Stacy Coe

Absent: Glen Cates

The Committee reviewed the material submitted by Informa Markets, The 2024 WWETT Show – Confined Space Entry Training, January 24, 2024 Ed Fitzgerald, Instructor, for 4-credit hours.

MOTION MADE BY STACY COE WITH A SECOND BY JASON BEMENT TO APPROVE INFORMA MARKETS, THE 2024 WWETT SHOW – CONFINED SPACE ENTRY TRAINING, JANUARY 24, 2024 ED FITZGERALD, INSTRUCTOR, FOR 4-CREDIT HOURS.

MOTION PASSED

Voting aye: Ronnie Smith  
Jason Bement  
Thomas Berry  
Stacy Coe

Absent: Glen Cates

The Committee reviewed the material submitted by Informa Markets, The WWETT Show – Sewer Cleaning 102, January 26, 2024, Rusty Nezat, Instructor, for 6 credit hours.

MOTION MADE BY STACY COE WITH A SECOND BY JASON BEMENT TO APPROVE INFORMA MARKETS, THE WWETT SHOW – SEWER CLEANING 102, JANUARY 26, 2024, RUSTY NEZAT, INSTRUCTOR, FOR 6 CREDIT HOURS.

MOTION PASSED

Voting aye: Ronnie Smith  
Jason Bement  
Thomas Berry  
Stacy Coe

Absent: Glen Cates

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The Committee reviewed the material submitted by O.P.I.A. (OK Plumbing Inspector's Association), Plumbing Interceptors, April 25, 2024, Tony Cole, Instructor, for 2-credit hours.

MOTION MADE BY STACY COE WITH A SECOND BY JASON BEMENT TO APPROVE O.P.I.A. (OK PLUMBING INSPECTOR'S ASSOCIATION), PLUMBING INTERCEPTORS, APRIL 25, 2024, TONY COLE, INSTRUCTOR, FOR 2-CREDIT HOURS.

MOTION PASSED

Absent: Glen Cates

Voting aye: Ronnie Smith  
Jason Bement  
Thomas Berry  
Stacy Coe

The Committee reviewed the material submitted by ***O.P.I.A. (OK Plumbing Inspector's Association)***, Potable Water Control Valves (Backflow, ACV, PRV, PVB), April 25, 2024, Micah Mosely, Instructor, for 2-credit hours.

MOTION MADE BY STACY COE WITH A SECOND BY JASON BEMENT TO APPROVE O.P.I.A. (OK PLUMBING INSPECTOR'S ASSOCIATION), POTABLE WATER CONTROL VALVES (BACKFLOW, ACV, PRV, PVB), APRIL 25, 2024, MICAH MOSELY, INSTRUCTOR, FOR 2-CREDIT HOURS.

MOTION PASSED

Absent: Glen Cates

Voting aye: Ronnie Smith  
Jason Bement  
Thomas Berry  
Stacy Coe

The Committee reviewed the material submitted by ***O.P.I.A. (OK Plumbing Inspector's Association)***, Drainage Systems (Siphonic Drainage & Trap Seal Primers), April 25, 2024, Tony Cole, Instructor, for 2-credit hours.

MOTION MADE BY STACY COE WITH A SECOND BY JASON BEMENT TO APPROVE O.P.I.A. (OK PLUMBING INSPECTOR'S ASSOCIATION), DRAINAGE SYSTEMS (SIPHONIC DRAINAGE & TRAP SEAL PRIMERS), APRIL 25, 2024, TONY COLE, INSTRUCTOR, FOR 2-CREDIT HOURS.

MOTION PASSED

Absent: Glen Cates

Voting aye: Ronnie Smith  
Jason Bement  
Thomas Berry  
Stacy Coe

The Committee reviewed the material submitted by ***At Your Pace Online***, 2021 IPC Update, Online, Randy Drake, Instructor, for 6-credit hours.

MOTION MADE BY STACY COE WITH A SECOND BY JASON BEMENT TO APPROVE AT YOUR PACE ONLINE, 2021 IPC UPDATE, ONLINE, RANDY DRAKE, INSTRUCTOR, FOR 6-CREDIT HOURS.

MOTION PASSED

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Voting aye: Ronnie Smith  
Jason Bement  
Thomas Berry  
Stacy Coe

Absent: Glen Cates

The Committee reviewed the material submitted by *Plumbers Training Institute*, 2021 IPC Update, Online, Randy Drake, Instructor, for 6-credit hours.

MOTION MADE BY STACY COE WITH A SECOND BY JASON BEMENT TO APPROVE M. PLUMBERS TRAINING INSTITUTE, 2021 IPC UPDATE, ONLINE, RANDY DRAKE, INSTRUCTOR, FOR 6-CREDIT HOURS.

Voting aye: Ronnie Smith  
Jason Bement  
Thomas Berry  
Stacy Coe

MOTION PASSED

Absent: Glen Cates

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION MADE BY JASON BEMENT WITH A SECOND BY STACY COE TO ADJOURN.

Voting aye: Ronnie Smith  
Jason Bement  
Thomas Berry  
Stacy Coe

MOTION PASSED

Absent: Glen Cates

Minutes approved in Regular Session on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of July 2024.

/s/ Ronnie Smith  
Ronnie Smith, Vice-Chairman

PREPARED BY: /s/ Dannette Yousey  
Dannette Yousey, Secretary to the Plumbing Examining Committee