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Brevard County Contractors' Licensing Board  
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**The following Board members were present:**

Clifford Barber  
Roger Drabyk  
Ralph (RJ) Durham  
David Foley  
Albert Underwood

**The following members of staff were present:**

Justin Caron, Assistant County Attorney  
Dawn Verostic, Development Services Manager  
Claudine Mickle, Development Services Assistant Manager  
Cherronda Washington, Development Services Supervisor  
Misty Shirah, Development Services Supervisor  
Marc Smith, Manager Contractor and Code Compliance Division  
Denny Long, Supervisor Contractor and Code Compliance Division

**Call to Order:**

Vice-Chair *Albert Underwood* called to order the June 19, 2024, Brevard County Contractors' Licensing Board meeting.

**Old Business:**

**Affirm Staff Finding**

**Raymond Smith, Roofing and General Contractor, G and G Roofing Construction Inc**

Claudine Mickle updated the Board on the situation with G and G Roofing and the pending legal case of qualifier Raymond Smith. Per the request of the Board in the interest of not suspending permitting privileges, staff met with G and G Roofing accountant Karen Barton and their new Vice President Jamie Mendiola. After contacting DBPR and finding a non-renewable certificate was not applicable, Jamie Mendiola has since applied to the state in the process of becoming the secondary qualifier for the company.

**New Business:**

## **Personal Appearance**

### **James Hicks requests the Board approve his exam application for Marine Contractor**

Mr. Hicks was present to speak on his experience and history of out of state felony convictions. Much of Mr. Hicks' experience was off the books and self-employed work, which staff was unable to validate.

The Board questioned Mr. Hicks on any other construction work he had done, and just because what he spoke to did not meet the qualifications for Marine Contractor specifically does not mean it will not count as experience. They suggested Mr. Hicks gather more invoices and pictures of previous jobs to provide further documentation. Further, The Board stated that Mr. Hicks could look into getting certifications and doing work under a General or Marine Contractor to get exposed to aspects of what is allowed under the Marine license that he is not familiar with.

The Board moved on to address Mr. Hicks' previous out of state felony charges. He has since married and has children, and stated he has moved forward from that point in his life 14 years ago. When asked to provide documentation that these charges were closed, Mr. Hicks said that he would do so.

Motion to table the item for 60 days so Mr. Hicks can provide additional documentation of his experience by *RJ Durham*, second *David Foley*. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Dustin Roske requests the Board approve his exam application for Plumbing Contractor**

Dustin Roske was not present.

Motion to table until next meeting by *Albert Underwood*, second *David Foley*. Motion carried unanimously.

## **Request for Show Cause Hearing:**

Claudine Mickle stated staff was recently informed that Roofing Contractor John Tutty, J and J Roofing Solutions, had criminal charges from 2020 and a

conviction in 2022. He had previously appeared before the Board for Framing Contractor in 2018 with previous criminal charges reviewed by the Board, which has since become a deregulated trade. He later was administratively approved for Roofing Contractor before these new charges occurred.

Motion to proceed to Show Cause Hearing with intent to revoke license by *Clifford Barber*, second *RJ Durham*. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board further discussed procedure on this type of criminal activity by Licensed Contractors and asked staff to look into the possibility of local ordinances for guidance rather than only State statutes for self-reporting.

**Applicants That Passed the GITS and Prov Exams:**

*Clifford Barber* motioned to approve, second *Roger Drabyk*. Motion carried unanimously.

**Administrative Transfers:**

*RJ Durham* motioned to approve, second *Roger Drabyk*. Motion carried unanimously.

**Citation Report:**

The Board reviewed the report. It was discussed to have any Licensed Contractor with an unpaid citation be requested to appear before the Board as a method of enforcement, as well as other possible avenues.

**Public Speaking Session:**

No public speakers.

**Reports:**

**Dawn Verostic, Development Services Manager**

No report

**Justin Caron, Assistant County Attorney**

No report

**Bud Crisafulli, Board Chair**

No report

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**Members of the Board**

RJ Durham spoke on upcoming refrigerant equipment requirement changes for 2025 by the Department of Energy that will be coming before the Board and county staff in the future.

**Adjourn:**

Meeting adjourned at 7:16 PM