

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF  
BOARD OF ELECTRICAL APPEALS**

**September 14, 2010 - 3:00 p.m.**

**OFFICE OF CENTRAL INSPECTION  
CITY HALL, 455 NORTH MAIN  
OCI CONFERENCE ROOM, 7th FLOOR**

Chairman Harold Ragland called the meeting to order at 3:03 pm, with Board members Dave Urban, Tim Lenz, Brad Bishop and Secretary Tom Kerschen present. Also present was City attorney Jeff Vanzandt and electrical inspectors Steve Schauner and Chris Nordick. Board members Mike Kilian, Shane Chapman and Scott Alder were absent.

The minutes of the August 10, 2010 meeting were read. Board member Urban made a motion the minutes be approved as written, it was seconded by Board member Bishop and approved.

The recent examination results from Prometric for electrical examinations administered by their office for City of Wichita approved applicants were presented to the Board. The results were as follows:

<b>APPLICANT NAME</b>	<b>APPLICANT NUMBER</b>	<b>EXAMINATION CLASSIFICATION</b>	<b>EXAMINATION RESULT</b>
Jason Abasolo	4289	Master	Passed
Harry Sayers	1676	Master	Failed
Randy Cavanaugh	3026	Journeyman	Failed
Matthew Isenbart	8294	Journeyman	Failed
Alfredo Solis	9981	Journeyman	Failed
Charles Hall	2541	Journeyman	Passed

One (1) Master Electrician, four (4) Journeyman Electrician and one (1) Elevator Mechanic applications were reviewed for approval to be administered the appropriate examination for certification. The results were as follows:

<b>NAME</b>	<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>CLASSIFICATION</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
Matthew Stearman	7081	Master	Approved
Randy Cavanaugh	3026	Journeyman	Approved
Alfredo Solis	9981	Journeyman	Approved
Dallas Steele	6002	Journeyman	Approved
Brandon Clark	3095	Journeyman	Approved
Bryan Henson	7682	Elevator mechanic	Approved

Under the Old Business section of the agenda part A, Secretary Kerschen told the Board the amendments to the City Ordinance that the Board reviewed several months back are scheduled to be presented to Council the first or second Tuesday of October. The amendments recommended by the Board and staff are summarized below and include the reason/s for each recommendation.

- The 12-hours of continuing education required renewing the master, journeyman or residential wireman certificates would now require at least 6-hours to be electrical code related. This is to coincide with the new State of Kansas requirements.
- The 2008 NEC require that receptacles in garages be protected by Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters (GFCIs). The construction industry asked the Board of Electrical Appeals to review that requirement as they felt there was a greater potential of personal injury by stranding a person outside during inclement weather. Over many years, there have been no documented cases of shock hazard or other electrical injury from garage door openers. The Board and staff recommend that garage door openers be exempted from GFCI requirements set forth in the 2008 NEC.
- Amend the section on Truth in Advertising to include electronic forms of advertising. This is important with the popularity of internet sites such as “Craig’s List”.
- Created a section describing the misuse of license for elevator and handicapped accessibility lift contractors.
- Clarify that inspections need to be requested, not just obtain a permit.
- 911 emergency communication center requested that we not allow the ADA required telephone installed in elevators, automatically dial into the 911 center. The 911 center is receiving nuisance calls from the public accidentally hitting the button with their purse, briefcase, etc.

With no other business to conduct, Board member Lenz made a motion to adjourn. Board member Bishop seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned.

The time was 3:27 pm.

Tom Kerschen, Secretary,  
Board of Electrical Appeals