

ST. MARY'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT
DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE
AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Commissioners of St. Mary's County

CC: David A. Weiskopf, County Administrator
Office of the County Administrator

THRU: Jessica S.B. Andritz, Director
Dept. of Land Use & Growth Management

THRU: Amber Harding, Building Official
Dept. of Land Use & Growth Management

FROM: Betty Nickerson, Assistant Permits Manager
Dept. of Land Use & Growth Management

DATE: July 14, 2025

RE: Board of Electrical Examiners Annual Report FY 2025

Total number of license applications (new/renewal) and associated fees collected during FY 2025.

License Type	Number	Fees
Low Voltage ¹ New	1	150
Low Voltage Renewal	14	2,100
Restricted ² New	0	
Restricted Renewal	12	1,800
Restricted Exam	2	175
Homeowner ³ New	3	75
Total Licenses Issued in FY 2025	32	4,300

Total number of examinations administered During FY 2025

Total Examinations	Number
Passed	2
Failed	2

¹ Low Voltage electrician means a licensed person, determined to be qualified by the Board of Electrical Examiners, who is engaged in the trade or business for the installation, repair, or maintenance of low voltage communications systems listed in the following: Low Voltage systems, telephone, television (including cable), sound systems, public address systems optical fiber cables and intercom systems.

² Restricted electrician means a licensed person, determined to be qualified by the Board of Electrical Examiners, who is engaged in the trade or business for the installation, repair, or maintenance of low voltage and low energy wiring and circuits for fire and burglar alarm systems as defined in the National Electrical Code.

³ Homeowners shall be issued a Homeowners license to perform electrical wiring in their own home under the following conditions: Pass (70% or higher) written test on the current National Electrical Code given by the board. Homeowner license expires in 2 years.

Memo to CSMC
Re: Board of Electrical Examiners – Annual Report – FY 2025
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See Attachment A: Meeting Minutes for all meetings conducted in FY 2025 (see attached).

Meetings were held monthly with the exception to January 7, 2025 (meeting canceled due to weather)

Electrical Examiners Board (Tuesday, July 2, 2024)

Generated by Betty Nickerson on Wednesday, July 3, 2024

Meeting called to order at 6:04 PM

Members present

Donald Haskin, Chairman

Ron Derby, Member

Robert Spence, Member

Dale Abell, Member

Members Absent

Ronald Phetteplace, Member

1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order the Board of Electrical Examiners.

2. ROLL CALL

Roll Call of the Board of Electrical Examiners

3. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES

A. Review and approve minutes of June 4, 2024

Motion to approve the Board of Electrical Examiners meeting minutes from June 4, 2024.

Motion by Dale Abell, second by Ron Derby.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ron Derby, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence, Dale Abell

4. SECRETARY'S REPORT

A. Secretary Report

Amber Harding, Permits Manager, Land Use and Growth Management read the monthly report for June 2024.

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. Final Draft Homeowner and LV/Restricted Exam Questions

Final draft for the homeowner and LV/Restricted exams questions are complete. Don Haskin, Chairman thanked Ron Phetteplace, member and Betty Nickerson, Senior Admin Coordinator for their help.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Applications for Homeowner and Restricted License testing

Board approved the application for Chris Fuller to take the homeowner exam in July 2024.

B. Examination Date for Homeowner and LV/Restricted Licenses

The test date for the homeowner exam will be July 25, 2024. The exam will be from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. Dale Abell, member and Robert Spence, member will be in attendance for the exam.

C. FY 2024 Annual Report

Motion to approve the Annual Report for FY 2024.

Motion by Robert Spence, second by Dale Abell.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ron Derby, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence, Dale Abell

D. NFPA 70 National Electric Code 2023 Edition Reference: Definition of Pool, and 680.26

Discussion of NFPA 70 National Electric Code 2023 Edition Reference: Definition of Pool, and 680.26. Dale Abell, member would like clarification of the code. The Board of Electrical Examiners discussed the information provided. Don Haskin, chairman will contact Mike Holt, (Mike Holt Enterprises) for clarification of the NEC 2023 Electrical Code for pools. The Board of Electrical Examiners will continue discussion at the August 6, 2024 meeting.

7. BEE ROUND TABLE

A. Round Table

Amber Harding, Permits Manager, Land Use and Growth Management found old documents pertaining to the Board of Electrical Examiners in her office and asked the Board if she could scan the documentation and put it in the (S:) drive in the Electrical Board folder. The Board members approved her suggestion.

8. ADJOURN

Action: A. Adjourn the Board of Electrical Examiners July 2, 2024

Motion to Adjourn the Board of Electrical Examiners meeting for July 2, 2024.

Motion by Dale Abell, second by Ron Derby.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ron Derby, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence, Dale Abell

Meeting Adjourn 6:36 PM

Electrical Examiners Board (Tuesday, August 6, 2024)

Generated by Betty Nickerson on Thursday, August 15, 2024

Meeting called to order at 6:01 PM

Members Present

Donald Haskin, chairman

Ronald Phetteplace, member

Ron Derby, member

Members Absent

Dale Abell, member

Robert Spence, member

1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order the Board of Electrical Examiners.

2. ROLL CALL

Roll Call of the Board of Electrical Examiners.

3. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES

A. Review and approve minutes of July 2, 2024

Motion to approve the Board of Electrical Examiners meeting minutes from July 2, 2024

Motion by Ron Derby, second by Ronald Phetteplace.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Ron Derby, Donald Haskin

4. SECRETARY'S REPORT

A. Secretary Report

Amber Harding, Permit's Manager, Land Use and Growth Management read the monthly report for July 2024.

5. Old Business

A. Continued discussion of NFPA 70 National Electric Code 2023 Edition Reference: Definition of Pool, and 680.26

Don Haskin, chair stated that the only change is a Tentative Interim Amendment (TIA) to the definition of a pool in the 2023 code to exclude bodies of water incorporated as part of an industrial process or lakes, lagoons, surf parks or other natural or man made bodies of water that may incorporate swimming and swimming areas. Don Haskin, chair also stated on the back of page one of the NFPA 70 National Electrical Code 2023 Edition Definition of Pool and 680.26 B. unpaved portions of perimeter surfaces if you look at number one where it says copper ring has been crossed out. Don Haskin, chair thinks that what they have done at least temporarily is the #8 copper ring that has been put around pools for years is no longer acceptable. You have to have the grid or the reinforcing steel that meets the requirements. Mike Holt sent a response from an email and he quoted from one of his books. Conductive pool shells, casting plate concrete, sprayed concrete must be bonded in one of the following methods. Structural reinforcing steel, copper or conducted grid. Copper grid must be 8 AWG, the copper must conform. The single #8 does not appear anywhere anymore only copper grid.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Homeowner Exam results

Homeowner did not pass the Homeowner Exam 2023 NEC. The test score was a 59%. You need a 70% to pass the exam. Dale Abell, member and Robert Spence, member were present for the homeowner exam on July 25,

2024.

7. BEE ROUND TABLE

A. Round Table

Amber Harding, Permits Manager, Land Use and Growth Management stated Heather Moritz, Health Department sent John Sterling Houser, Deputy County Attorney, St. Mary's County Government an email about septic's and some recent changes. Don Haskin, chair stated that any outdoor receptacles up to 60 amps and even 240 volt must be GFCI protected. The email states they are getting trips from GFI. Don Haskin, chair stated that this may happen occasionally. Ron Phetteplace, member stated that typically the alarms have a separate circuit. Don Haskin, chair stated they have alarms for a reason and there is no exception in the code for sewage pumps. The only exception is for hard wired air conditioners and that is a temporary exclusion that expires September 1, 2026. Don Haskin, chair does not think it is in the scope of the Board of Electrical Examiners to change or grant an exception to the code. Changes to the code has to be assured that the Board of Electrical Examiners provided equivalent safety. The only thing that could be is to make them be hardwired so they have a ground and he doesn't think they will want to do that. Right now the way the code is written if its a receptacle and its outside we don't care what it is used for. There used to be exceptions but they are all gone. Ron Phetteplace, member stated that the question in the email but there has been no change in the code. There is nothing new in the code and that GFI has been required. Amber Harding, Permits Manager, Land Use and Growth Management asked if the code was in effect before the 2023 code. Ron Phetteplace, member and Don Haskin, chair stated this requirement has been in effect for many many years. Amber Harding, Permits Manager, Land Use and Growth Management said she will let Heather Moritz, Heath Department know.

Don Haskin, chair, heard one rumor about the 2026 code is that they will revise the requirement for the exterior disconnect for one and two family dwellings. The service disconnect must be on the outside of the building. There will be further discussion if the code changes.

Ron Phetteplace, member asked if the new inspection company is doing inspections. Amber Harding, Permits Manager, Land Use and Growth Management said they have. The only thing the cannot do is one of the trades plumbing or HVAC but they are doing inspections. Don Haskin, chair asked the name of the company. Amber Harding stated the name was Flagsin Group and they are located in Charlotte Hall. She also stated that Planck Inc. is doing commercial inspections.

8. ADJOURN

A. Adjourn the Board of Electrical Examiners meeting for August 6, 2024

Motion to adjourn the Board of Electrical Examiners meeting for August 6, 2024.

Motion by Ron Derby, second by Ronald Phetteplace.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Ron Derby, Donald Haskin

Meeting adjourn at 6:24 PM

Electrical Examiners Board (Tuesday, September 3, 2024)

Generated by Betty Nickerson on Wednesday, September 4, 2024

Meeting called to order at 6:05 PM

Members Present

Donald Haskin, Chairman
Ronald Phetteplace, member
Ron Derby, member
Robert Spence, member

Members Absent

Dale Abell, member

1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order the Board of Electrical Examiners

2. ROLL CALL

Roll Call of the Board of Electrical Examiners

3. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES

A. Review and approve minutes of August 6, 2024

Motion to approve the Board of Electrical Examiners meeting minutes from August 6, 2024

Motion by Ronald Phetteplace, second by Robert Spence.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Ron Derby, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence

4. SECRETARY'S REPORT

A. Secretary Report

Amber Harding, Permit's Manager, Land Use and Growth Management read the monthly report for August 2024.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. December Training Class

Don Haskin, chairman suggested two consecutive Wednesday classes in November or December. Ron Derby, member will look at SMECO's calendar for November and December.

6. BEE ROUND TABLE

A. Round Table

Robert Spence, member asked a question on EVSE Charging Station (electric vehicle supply equipment) is it required to have a grounding rod? Don Haskin, chairman stated no unless the instructions for the charger require a ground rod. If it is only one circuit and a snap switch is the disconnect, no grounding electrodes required. Don Haskin, chairman received an email from Gaspar Janos from NESEA for recommendations for a full time electrician for hire at NESEA. Don Haskin, chairman gave him a few electrical contractors that he knew of in an email. Don Haskin, chairman stated that this was another example of if we had an accurate list of master electricians we could send out something to them for a job opportunity. Don Haskin, chairman, asked where is the outlet for a well pump? Does a well pump need GFCI (ground fault circuit interrupter) protection? Don Haskin, chairman has had email discussions with Mike Holt. Don Haskin, chairman stated that this may

become a problem in 2026 code unless it is clarified. He also stated that the Board of Electrical Examiners may be called to make that determination at some point.

7. ADJOURN

A. Adjourn the Board of Electrical Examiners September 3, 2024

Motion to adjourn the Board of Electrical Examiners September 3, 2024

Motion by Ron Derby, second by Ronald Phetteplace.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Ron Derby, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence

Meeting Adjourn at 6:22 PM

Electrical Examiners Board (Tuesday, October 1, 2024)

Generated by Betty Nickerson on Monday, October 7, 2024

Meeting called to order at 6:01 PM

Members present

Donald Haskin, Chairman
Ronald Phetteplace
Robert Spence
Dale Abell

Members Absent

Ron Derby

1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order the Board of Electrical Examiners

2. ROLL CALL

Roll Call of the Board of Electrical Examiners

3. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES

A. Review and approve minutes of September 3, 2024

Motion to approve the Board of Electrical Examiners meeting minutes from September 3, 2024

Motion by Robert Spence, second by Ronald Phetteplace.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence, Dale Abell

4. SECRETARY'S REPORT

A. Secretary Report

Amber Harding, Building Official, Land Use and Growth Management read the monthly report for August 2024.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. Kitchen Island 2023 IRC Code You Tube Video

Video is available for viewing on Board Docs. Amber Harding, Building Official, Land Use and Growth Management will send a copy to all of the Board of Electrical Examiners members.

B. Permit 22-1804 Kitchen Island example

Amber Harding, Building Official, Land Use and Growth Management has issued a separate permit for the kitchen island to the 2023 code. Amber Harding, Building Official, Land Use and Growth Management will check with MDIA to see if they have received the permit request.

C. SMECO dates for November National Electric Code Training class.

The November training dates are November 13, 2024 and November 20, 2024 at the SMECO Building. Don Haskin, chairman has 25 students registered so far. Amber Harding, Building Official, Land Use and Growth Management will send a second email notice to all of the Electricians.

6. BEE ROUND TABLE

A. Round Table

Don Haskin, Chairman, discussed where the outlet is for the well. Don Haskin also discussed a question that is being talked about on the internet that GFCI's (Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters) are required on any receptacle in the kitchen. In open concept kitchen's where does the kitchen end? Breakfast area's are they in the kitchen?

Don Haskin stated these are some of the questions he is seeing on the internet. Don Haskin wants to keeping everyone aware of the discussions that may come up.

Amber Harding, Building Official, Land Use and Growth Management stated she has a new job title. Her official title is Building Official.

8. ADJOURN

A. Adjourn the Board of Electrical Examiners October 1, 2024

Motion to Adjourn the Board of Electrical Examiners for October 1, 2024

Motion by Robert Spence, second by Ronald Phetteplace. Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence, Dale Abell

Meeting Adjourn at 6:17 PM

Electrical Examiners Board (Tuesday, November 5, 2024)

Generated by Betty Nickerson on Wednesday, November 6, 2024

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM

Members Present

Donald Haskin, Chairman

Ronald Phetteplace

Ron Derby

Dale Abell

Members Absent

Robert Spence

1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to order the Board of Electrical Examiners

2. ROLL CALL

Roll Call of the Board of Electrical Examiners

3. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES

A. Review and approve minutes of October 1, 2024

Motion to approve the Board of Electrical Examiners meeting minutes from October 1, 2024

Motion by Ronald Phetteplace, second by Dale Abell.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Ron Derby, Donald Haskin, Dale Abell

4. SECRETARY'S REPORT

A. Secretary Report

Amber Harding, Building Official, Land Use and Growth Management read the monthly report for October 2024.

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. Webster Field email

Don Haskin, Chairman, clarified information that was emailed to him from Webster Field. The clarification was Webster Field wanted to hire a Master Electrician.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. BEE meeting dates for 2025

Motion to approve the Board of Electrical Examiners meetings for 2025.

Motion by Ron Derby, second by Ronald Phetteplace.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Ron Derby, Donald Haskin, Dale Abell

B. January 2025 Low Voltage and Homeowner test date and application.

Motion to approve January 16, 2025 as the test date for Low Voltage and Homeowner exams.

Motion by Ron Derby, second by Ronald Phetteplace.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Ron Derby, Donald Haskin, Dale Abell

C. Building Permit 22-1672

Motion to approve modification to building permit 22-1672 in reference to NEC 2020, 210.52 (2) (b, that the location of the 4' versus 2' provides reasonable safety.

Motion by Ron Derby, second by Dale Abell.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Ron Derby, Donald Haskin, Dale Abell

7. BEE ROUND TABLE

A. Round Table

Dale Abell, Member asked about the certification for Flags In inspection agency. Amber Harding stated they should have their plumbing certification this month. MDIA will no longer do inspections with another inspection agency.

The solution to this issue was that Dale Abell's company A&G Electric refiled inspections with MDIA so the customer can move forward.

8. ADJOURN

A. Adjourn the Board of Electrical Examiners November 5, 2024

Motion to adjourn the Board of Electrical Examiners meeting for November 5, 2024.

Motion by Ronald Phetteplace, second by Dale Abell.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Ron Derby, Donald Haskin, Dale Abell

Meeting Adjourn 6:42 PM

Electrical Examiners Board (Tuesday, December 3, 2024)

Generated by Betty Nickerson on Friday, December 6, 2024

Meeting called to order at 6:01 PM

Members present

Donald Haskin, Chairman

Ronald Phetteplace

Ron Derby

Robert Spence

Dale Abell

1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order the Board of Electrical Examiners

2. ROLL CALL

Roll Call of the Board of Electrical Examiners

3. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES

A. Review and approve minutes of November 5, 2024

Motion to approve the Board of Electrical Examiners meeting minutes from November 5, 2024

Motion by Robert Spence, second by Dale Abell.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Ron Derby, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence, Dale Abell

4. SECRETARY'S REPORT

A. Secretary Report

Betty Nickerson, Senior Administrative Coordinator, Land Use and Growth Management read the monthly report for November 5, 2024.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. MUELEC meeting minutes from May 22, 2024

MUELEC meeting minutes from May 22, 2024.

B. MUELEC meeting November 21, 2024

Don Haskin, Chairman stated the MUELEC meeting on November 21, 2024. Don Haskin stated there have been no updates since the May 22, 2024 meeting. The state is still testing 2017 code.

C. November 2024 Training Class

The November training class had 26 participants with 2 of the participants had 5 hour training. The Board of Electrical Examiners will offer another class in the spring of 2025. Don Haskin thanked SMECO for the use of the facility for the training class.

D. 2026 Budget

Motion to approve the 2026 Budget Motion by Ron Derby, second by Robert Spence.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Ron Derby, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence, Dale Abell

E. Low Voltage and Homeowner Exam date

Motion to approve the Low Voltage and homeowner exam date to be January 16, 2025 6:00 PM at the Department of Land Use and Growth Management 23150 Leonard Hall Dr. Leonardtown, MD 20650. Dale

Abell and Ron Derby will be in attendance for the exam.

Motion to approve January 16, 2025 for Low Voltage and Homeowner exams.

Motion by Dale Abell, second by Ron Derby.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Ron Derby, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence, Dale Abell

F. Homeowner and Low Voltage Examination Applications

Motion to approve the Low Voltage and Homeowner applications. Betty to contact Jason Zabrocki to have him to draw out more complete plan. Plan should show exiting receptacles, proposed receptacles, wire size and amperage.

Motion to approve the homeowner and low voltage applications for examination on January 16, 2025.

Motion by Dale Abell, second by Robert Spence.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Ron Derby, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence, Dale Abell

6. BEE ROUND TABLE

A. Round Table

Don Haskin, chairman found in the NEC 2023 code book the homeowners in the last meeting wanted permission to change the spacing in the kitchen. Don Haskin found in the NEC 2023 code book a new exception where a required receptacle outlet cannot be installed in the wall area as shown, the receptacle outlet shall be permitted to be installed as close as practical to the countertop area be served. The total number of receptacle outlets serving the counter top shall not be less than the number needed to satisfy spacing. These outlets shall be located in accordance with 210.52.C3. Don Haskin stated that the approval that was given is in accordance with the NEC 2023 code.

7. ADJOURN

A. Adjourn the Board of Electrical Examiners December 3, 2024

Motion to adjourn the Board of Electrical meeting for December 3, 2024.

Motion by Robert Spence, second by Dale Abell.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Ron Derby, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence, Dale Abell

Meeting Adjourn 6:22 PM

Electrical Examiners Board (Tuesday, February 4, 2025)

Generated by Betty Nickerson on Wednesday, February 5, 2025

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM

Members present

Ron Derby
Ronald Phetteplace
Robert Spence
Dale Abell

Members absent

Don Haskin

1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order the Board of Electrical Examiners

2. ROLL CALL

Roll Call of the Board of Electrical Examiners

3. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES

A. Review and approve minutes of December 3, 2024

Motion to approve the Board of Electrical Examiners meeting minutes from December 3, 2024

Motion by Ronald Phetteplace, second by Robert Spence.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Ron Derby, Robert Spence, Dale Abell

4. SECRETARY'S REPORT

A. Secretary Report

Amber Harding, Building Official gave the secretary report for December 2024 and January 2025.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. Low Voltage and Homeowner exam scores

Three exams were given on January 16, 2025. Dale Abell and Ron Derby proxied the exam. There were two homeowner exams and one low voltage/restricted exam. One homeowner passed with an 88%, one homeowner failed with a 39%. The person who took the low voltage/restricted exam failed with an 58%.

6. BEE ROUND TABLE

A. Round Table

Ron Derby announced he will be retiring from SMECO and the Board of Electrical Examiners in March 2025. Ron discussed the new hire may want to serve on the board once hired but there were other candidates that are interested in serving as well. Amber Harding will contact Diane Gleissner to find out the procedure on electing a replacement board member.

7. ADJOURN

Adjourn the Board of Electrical Examiners February 4, 2025

Motion to adjourn the Board of Electrical Examiners February 4, 2025

Motion by Robert Spence, second by Dale Abell.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Ron Derby, Robert Spence, Dale Abell

Meeting Adjourn 6:08 PM

Electrical Examiners Board (Tuesday, March 4, 2025)

Generated by Betty Nickerson on Thursday, March 6, 2025

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM

Members present

Donald Haskin, Chairman

Ronald Phetteplace,

Ron Derby

Robert Spence

Dale Abell

1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order the Board of Electrical Examiners

2. ROLL CALL

Roll Call of the Board of Electrical Examiners

3. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES

A. Review and approve minutes from February 4, 2025

Motion to approve the Board of Electrical Examiners meeting minutes from February 4, 2025

Motion by Ronald Phetteplace, second by Robert Spence.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Ron Derby, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence, Dale Abell

4. SECRETARY'S REPORT

A. Secretary Report

Amber Harding, Building Official gave the secretary report for February 2025.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. Board of Electrical Examiners pay increase

Amber Harding discussed the pay increase for the Board of Electrical Examiners members.

6. BEE ROUND TABLE

A. Round Table

Don Haskin will be holding a Electrical Code training class in April 2025. Mr. Haskin requested from Ron Derby to see if SMECO had an available room for April 23, 2025 and April 30, 2025. Amber Harding will email electricians for the training class. Ron Derby discussed his replacement for the Board of Electrical Examiners. Ron will received the link from St. Mary's County Government and as soon as the person is named, they will apply to the Commissioners of St. Mary's County and will let the process evolve. Don Haskin also discussed codes 210.21.B1 210.21.B.3 and 406.4.A of the 2023 code.

7. ADJOURN

A. Adjourn the Board of Electrical Examiners March 4, 2025

Motion to adjourn the Board of Electrical Examiners March 4, 2025

Motion by Robert Spence, second by Ron Derby.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Ron Derby, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence, Dale Abell

Meeting Adjourn 6:17 PM

Electrical Examiners Board (Tuesday, April 1, 2025)

Generated by Betty Nickerson on Wednesday, April 2, 2025

Meeting called to order at 6:01 PM

Members present

Donald Haskin,
Ronald Phetteplace
Robert Spence
Dale Abell

1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order the Board of Electrical Examiners.

2. ROLL CALL

Roll Call of the Board of Electrical Examiners.

3. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES

A. Review and approve minutes from March 4, 2025

Motion to approve the Board of Electrical Examiners meeting minutes from March 4, 2025.

Motion by Robert Spence, second by Ronald Phetteplace.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence, Dale Abell

4. SECRETARY'S REPORT

A. Secretary Report

Amber Harding, Building Official gave the secretary report for March 2025.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. New member for the Board of Electrical Examiners update

Amber Harding had no update for the new member.

B. Training Classes for April 23, 2025 and April 30, 2025

Don Haskin, Chairman stated there were 24 students registered for the April training classes. Amber to send out another invitation to electricians via email.

6. BEE ROUND TABLE

A. Round Table

Amber Harding, Building Official asked the Board of Electrical Examiners for an explanation of code 250.140.5.b in the NEC 2023 Electrical Code. Don Haskin, Chairman gave the explanation of code 250.140.5.b. Don Haskin, chairman discussed information that may be in the 2026 NEC Code. Betty to add the July 2025 meeting to the agenda for May 2025.

7. ADJOURN

A. Motion to adjourn the Board of Electrical Examiners April 1, 2025.

Motion by Dale Abell, second by Robert Spence.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence, Dale Abell

Meeting Adjourn 6:12 PM

Electrical Examiners Board (Tuesday, May 6, 2025)

Generated by Betty Nickerson on Friday, May 9, 2025

Meeting called to order at 6:11 PM

Members present

Donald Haskin, Chairman
Ronald Phetteplace,
Robert Spence,
David Lindsey

Member absent

Dale Abell

1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order the Board of Electrical Examiners meeting.

2. ROLL CALL

Roll Call of for the Board of Electrical Examiners. Introduction of new member David Linsey.

3. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES

A. Review and approve minutes of April 1, 2025

Motion to approve the Board of Electrical Examiners meeting minutes from April 1, 2025

Motion by Ronald Phetteplace, second by Robert Spence.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence

4. SECRETARY'S REPORT

A. Secretary Report

Amber Harding, Building Official gave the secretary report for April 2025.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. July 1, 2025 meeting

Motion to cancel the July 1, 2025 meeting.

Motion by Robert Spence, second by Ronald Phetteplace.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence

B. SMECO request to install energy management equipment in residences

Tabled until June meeting. David Linsey, member will find out more information from SMECO. Amber Harding, Building Official to gather more information of the program.

C. EV charging equipment in new dwellings

Discussion on Electric Vehicle charging equipment in homes. The Board of Electrical Examiners would like more information on who enforces the Maryland mandated law in homes.

6. OLD BUSINESS

A. Training class for April 23, 2025 and April 30, 2025

Don Haskin thanked SMECO for the use of their facility. Student registration, 45 registered 32 completed the 10 hour class (master electrician requirement) , 6 completed 5 hours class (journeyman requirement) 2 withdrew

from the class and 5 no shows.

7. BEE ROUND TABLE

Discussion, Information: A. Round Table

Don Haskin, chairman stated there was a MUELEC (Maryland Uniform Electrical Licensing and Examination Committee, Inc.) meeting on Friday May 2, 2025. Mr. Haskin missed the meeting due to writing the incorrect start time. Mr. Haskin explained the role of MUELEC. Betty Nickerson, Sr. Admin Coordinator will be sending out emails for Low Voltage and Restricted License renewals that are due in June 2025.

8. ADJOURN

A. Adjourn the Board of Electrical Examiners May 6, 2025

Motion by Ronald Phetteplace, second by Robert Spence.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence, David Lindsey

Meeting Adjourn 6:38 PM

Electrical Examiners Board (Tuesday, June 3, 2025)

Generated by Betty Nickerson on Friday, June 6, 2025

Meeting called to order at 6:04 PM

Members present

Donald Haskin, Chairman
Ronald Phetteplace,
Robert Spence,
Dale Abell,
David Lindsey

1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order the Board of Electrical Examiners meeting.

2. ROLL CALL

Roll Call of for the Board of Electrical Examiners.

3. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES

A. Review and approve minutes from May 6, 2025

Motion to approve the Board of Electrical Examiners meeting minutes from May 6, 2025

Motion by Ronald Phetteplace, second by Robert Spence.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Phetteplace, Donald Haskin, Robert Spence, Dale Abell, David Lindsey

4. SECRETARY'S REPORT

A. Secretary Report

Amber Harding, Building Official gave the secretary report for May 2025.

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. SMECO request to install energy management equipment in residences

David Lindsey, member told the board the SMECO request to install energy management equipment has been tabled for now. No action is required.

B. EV Charging equipment in new dwellings

Amber Harding, Building Official stated LUGM is waiting on a response from legal. Dale Abell, stated that new dwelling preparation pulling a 50 amp circuit and blanking it off. MDIA is doing an inspection for it.

Electricians are installing 20 amp circuits in each bay per 2023 code.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Exam dates for July 2025

Exam dates for July 2025. Betty Nickerson, Assistant Permits Manager stated there were no applicants as of June 3, 2025. Don Haskin, chairman asked to put in a tentative schedule for July 17, 2025 and ask for two volunteers to proctor the exam. Ron Phetteplace, member and David Lindsey, member will proctor the exam on July 17, 2025. Betty Nickerson, Assistant Permits Manager will contact them if there are any applicants. There will be a special meeting if there are applicants to review the applications before the exam.

7. ROUND TABLE

No comments for the round table.

8. ADJOURN

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Meeting adjourn at 6:13 PM.