

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

March 13, 2012 - 3:00 p.m.

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

Chairman Dave Urban called the meeting to order at 3:01 pm, with Board members Mike Kilian, Tim Lenz, Brad Bishop, Tony Naylor, Brad Ragland and Secretary Tom Kerschen present. Also present was Assistant City Attorney Jeff Vanzandt and Electrical Inspector Chris Nordick.

The minutes of the January 10, 2012 meeting were read. Board member Lenz made a motion the minutes be approved as written, it was seconded by Board member Naylor 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:

APPLICANT NAME	APPLICANT NUMBER	EXAMINATION CLASSIFICATION	EXAMINATION RESULT
Joe Correll Jr.	7098	Master	Failed
Stanislav Jekov	3750	Master	Failed
Billy Joe Vancleave	5752	Master	Failed
Chad Dore	9469	Master	Failed
Kevin Smith	4444	Master	Failed
Andrew Mabe	2150	Journeyman	Failed
Wesley Reeves	8143	Journeyman	Failed
Matthew Wood	1940	Journeyman	Passed
Jason Sneed	0977	Journeyman	Passed

Eight (8) Master Electrician, six (6) Journeyman Electrician and one (1) Elevator Electrical applications were reviewed for approval to be administered the appropriate examination for certification. The results were as follows:

NAME	NUMBER	CLASSIFICATION	ACTION
Kevin Smith	4444	Master	Approved
Harry Boyles III	0020	Master	Approved
Victor Ryan	9764	Master	Approved
Billy VanCleave	5752	Master	Approved
Eric Bahns	5058	Master	Approved
Chad Dore	9469	Master	Approved
Kevin Smith	4444	Master	Approved
Joshua Wolf	6022	Master	Approved
Jason Hesseling	4091	Journeyman	Approved
Michael Hoobler	9363	Journeyman	Approved
James Loughridge	4815	Journeyman	Approved
Michael Oaks	3197	Journeyman	Approved
Bryan Rogers	8667	Journeyman	Approved
Kirk Lewis Jr.	8630	Journeyman	Approved
Danny Ballard	9577	Elevator	Approved

Under part A of the new business section of the agenda, the Board welcomed Jeff Duerr with Graf Electric. Mr. Duerr talked to the Board about the idea of expediting the time it takes to get power restored in emergency situations during normal business hours of Central Inspection. Mr. Duerr continued explaining that his idea is it should be outside temperature driven, that is to only allow the emergency procedure if the outside temperature was below 40 degrees or above 80 degrees Fahrenheit. His suggestion is to allow three business days to have the electrical work inspected by Central Inspection and should the contractor not comply, impose a fine to the contractor as well as not allow the contractor to apply for future permits until the emergency work is inspected and approved.

Secretary Kerschen explained to the Board the current procedure for an emergency situation during normal business hours is for the contractor to apply for a permit, this can be done from the contractors office either by faxing in a permit or applying for the permit on the internet at Central Inspection's Online Permitting and Inspection web page. Then the contractor needs to call either myself or the electrical inspector for the area with a short explanation of what the emergency is and an approximate time the repairs will be complete and ready for inspection. We then do our best to have an inspector at the location as close to the requested time as our schedule permits.

Board member Naylor stated he is also concerned about the safety to the inspector doing the inspection after power has been restored rather than performing the inspection while the power is still off. Mr. Duerr said that we they are upgrading a service that the contractor temporizes in the power so in those situations the inspector is performing his inspection with the meter and panel energized. The Board thanked Mr. Duerr for his time and idea and would continue to discuss the idea and he would be notified by mail of the outcome of the meeting.

The Board continued this discussion in depth raising concerns over not just this idea but also safety concerns about the policy of allowing the electrical contractor to reenergize the new/replaced electrical meter and panel prior to inspection not just in emergency situations but even in the scheduled service upgrades. Do to all the safety regulations and changes in NFPA 70E and OSHA over the past few years the Board will continue to discuss the possibility of recommending a change in inspections on service or meter upgrades.

Board member Naylor made a motion that for the safety of all people involved, the requirements that an inspection and approval by the City electrical inspector prior to the restoration of power should continue. Board member Kilian seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

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

The time was 3:50 pm.

Tom Kerschen, Secretary,
Board of Electrical Appeals