MINUTES

OF THE COLLIER COUNTY

CONTRACTORS' LICENSING BOARD MEETING

September 21, 2022

Naples, Florida

LET IT BE REMEMBERED that the Collier County Contractors' Licensing Board, having conducted

business herein, met on this date at 9:00 a.m. in REGULAR SESSION in Administrative Building F,

3rd Floor, Collier County Government Center, Naples, Florida, with the following members present:

Chairman: Vice Chairman: Kyle Lantz Terry Jerulle Matthew Nolton (excused) Richard E. Joslin Patrick G. White Todd Allen Robert Meister III Elle Hunt Stephen Jaron

ALSO PRESENT:

Kevin Noell, Esq., Contractor Licensing Board Attorney Timothy Crotts, Contractor Licensing Supervisor Colleen Kerins, Assistant Collier County Attorney Michael Governale, Collier County Licensing Investigator

1

Any person who decides to appeal a decision of this Board will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record of said proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which any appeal is to be made.

1. ROLL CALL:

Chairman Lantz opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. Roll call was taken; seven members were present in the BCC Chambers; an eighth joined later.

Supervisor Crotts said Board Member Nolton provided notice that he could not attend due to a prior commitments. He asked that his absence be approved. **Chairman Lantz** approved the absence.

[Board Member Meister joined the meeting at 9:01]

2. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS:

Supervisor Crotts asked that Agenda item 8.B, under New Business, be removed. The applicant requested that it be rescheduled to the October 19th meeting.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Board Member Joslin moved to approve the agenda, as amended. The motion was seconded. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. Approval of Minutes for August 20, 2022

Vice Chairman Jerulle moved to approve the August 20, 2022, meeting minutes. Board Member Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

5. <u>PUBLIC COMMENTS:</u>

None

6. **DISCUSSION:**

Supervisor Crotts introduced a new license and compliance investigator, John Dolan.

Investigator Dolan said he's enjoying the position and learning a lot. He was in the Marine Corps for eight years, was a police officer in Raleigh, N.C., and then worked for the federal government for many years. He retired and moved to Naples last month. He grew up in Clearwater, Florida, so he's familiar with the weather and surroundings and happy to be here. He hopes to do as well as his colleagues, who know a lot, and Mr. Crotts has been a huge help and a wonderful supervisor.

Board Member White asked what he did for the federal government. **Investigator Dolan** said he worked for the ATF as an instructor and trainer in explosives and with canines.

Vice Chairman Jerulle asked Supervisor Crotts if this was a replacement position or an addition. Supervisor Crotts said there are four openings. They have four investigators and need four more.

7. **REPORTS**: None

8. <u>NEW BUSINESS:</u> A. ORDERS OF THE BOARD

Board Member White made a motion to have the Chairman sign the Orders of the Board. Second by Board Member Allen. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0. The Orders of the Board were approved.

- B. Elvira Ortiz Sanchez Feesco Builders Corp. Building Contractor-Registered Review of Experience (Moved to the October 19, 2022, agenda)
- C. Clay M. Zook Pioneer Grapple & Recycling LLC Excavation Contractor Review of Experience Chairman Lantz called Mr. Zook to the podium and he was sworn in.

Supervisor Crotts reported that Mr. Zook has submitted an application for the issuance of an Excavation Contractor License, which requires 36 months of experience. As part of the staff review process, Mr. Zook has submitted a Verification of Experience from his current employer outlining his experience:

• <u>Leo Junior Lawn and Irrigation Services, LLC</u>, which holds a County license for landscaping. Mr. Zook has worked for this company from 2016 to present. Julio Garcia, Vice President of Leo Junior Lawn Care and Irrigation Services, said Mr. Zook's experience was in digging trenches and irrigation lines using a backhoe, and other minor excavations using a backhoe.

In a phone interview, Mr. Zook confirmed that his experience with his current employer is with irrigation lines, but he stated that he has experience with land leveling using a Bobcat. Mr. Zook confirmed that he does not have experience in the construction or excavation of canals, lakes or levees, which is one of the elements within this license.

Based upon the information received from Mr. Zook, it is staff's opinion that Mr. Zook does not meet the experience required under Ordinance 2006-46, Section 1.6.3.18, as it relates to the trade of Excavation Contractor. Mr. Zook is being referred to the board under Section 2.5.2, Referral of the Application to the Contractors' Licensing Board for a Decision. Mr. Zook is here to answer your questions regarding his experience.

Chairman Lantz told Mr. Zook it's his job to convince the Board that he has the experience.

Mr. Zook said he wants to get into land clearing and grubbing, but he's staying away from canals and digging lakes. He failed to put on his resume that he worked for Renfroe & Jackson for three to four years. They're currently under new management so it was hard for him to get sign-offs and recommendations for his Verification of Experience. But he did a lot of tree removal, transplanting, and digging of 20,000 pounds to 25,000 pounds, and excavators.

He doesn't have 36 months of consistent excavation, but he's very familiar with excavating, removal, root removal, grubbing, etc. Right now, he's doing sub-mainlines, mainlines and digging trenches. He wants this license so he can do more of what he aspires to do.

During questioning by Board members, Mr. Zook described his experience:

- A 15,000-pound excavator larger than a mini with a closed cab, but he's operated larger ones.
- He's dug trenches 3- to 6-feet wide but has done no shoring because the trenches are about 5-feet

deep.

- He works for Leo Junior Lawn & Irrigation Service, but with his own company, he'd like to get into land clearing and recycling using horizontal grinders, such as large wood chippers, to recycle his own debris, make dirt and sell it.
- He has a partner in his company and they both own the equipment, including a 40,000-pound excavator, two grapple trucks, and a horizontal grinder.
- Although they have a lot of equipment, their work is limited due to his license.
- The equipment is titled under their company name due to needing a CDL.
- There are two owners and two employees.
- Due to license limitations, they are working, but not doing the work they want to do.

Chairman Lantz asked Supervisor Crotts if there was another license besides excavation that allows land clearing, root grubbing and similar work.

Supervisor Crotts said that's it. But this license could be restricted to the elements that Mr. Zook discussed and they discussed that during the staff interview. Mr. Zook wanted to try to go forward with a full license to build his company for the future and that's why we're here today.

Chairman Lantz noted that if they were to give him a restricted license, it would be going away in nine months.

Supervisor Crotts said this is one of the licenses that's going away (in July 2023). The makeup license for this would be Excavation on Underground Utilities, a license that will remain.

A discussion ensued and the following points were made:

- This won't allow him to dig swimming pools, just the construction and excavation of canals, lakes, levees and cleanup, including clearing the land of surface debris and vegetation, as well as scrubbing roots, and removing debris and surface land incidental to performing the environmental work.
- Board members' only concern is shoring.
- A restricted license, prohibiting shoring, could be issued, but it's difficult for the County to enforce unless a complaint is made.
- Most of that work doesn't require a permit, so the County would be unaware of the work going on.
- The restriction wouldn't show publicly, just in CityView.
- It's the contractor's responsibility to know the license restrictions.

Board Member White moved to issue a restricted license, prohibiting shoring work, and allowing excavation, but not canals, levies and lakes. **Board Member Joslin** seconded it.

Chairman Lantz questioned why he was prohibiting levies, canals and lakes. Board Member White said there was no demonstration of experience in that. Board Member Allen agreed.

Mr. Zook asked if he'd be grandfathered in under the state license. Supervisor Crotts said he needs to show underground utility experience when he applies for the other license.

Board Member White moved to issue a restricted license, prohibiting shoring work, and allowing excavation, but not canals, levies and lakes. Second by Board Member Joslin. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

D. Joseph R. Askew – West Coast Garage Doors LLC – Garage Door Installation Contractor **Review of Credit**

Chairman Lantz called Mr. Askew to the podium and he was sworn in.

Supervisor Crotts reported that Mr. Askew has submitted an application for the issuance of a specialty license of Garage-Door Installation Contractor, a license that requires a minimum credit score of 660. As part of the application process under Collier County Ordinance 2006-46, Section 2.3.9, Mr. Askew was required to submit a personal credit report. Staff reviewed it and it does not appear to meet the financial responsibility as set forth in Section 2.5.1, Subsection D: "The applicant or qualifier meets the requirements of financial responsibility set forth in Rule G1G4-15.006 of the State of Florida."

A review of the credit report submitted by Mr. Askew shows the following area of concern:

• *His credit report shows a credit score of 629; the minimum required by rule is 660.*

In a phone interview with Mr. Askew, he said he had a couple of non-construction-related issues that have been resolved but he has not been building a lot of credit. As of today, there are a lot of hard inquiries on Mr. Askew's credit report. He explained that was due to him attempting to build his credit because he doesn't meet the required minimum under the ordinance.

Mr. Askew is being referred to the Board under Section 2.5.2, Referral of the Application to the Contractors' Licensing Board for a Decision. Mr. Askew is here today to answer questions regarding his credit.

Chairman Lantz said it seems like you're more a victim of no credit than bad credit.

Mr. Askew said he paid cash for everything his whole life and his parents also took care of things until he was about 40, so he didn't need credit. He owns his house and vehicles outright.

During a discussion about his credit, the following points were made:

- There are a few outstanding balances on his credit report, including a N.Y. Electric bill that he says is not valid and he filed a police report to dispute i.
- Another outstanding balance is from Choice Medical, a bill for services he says were not rendered, so he's contesting that.
- He's been licensed in Cape Coral and Lee County since March 2022.
- He's been in this trade for 26 years and was given the license on the condition he'd build his • credit, but he didn't and moved out of state for a couple of years.
- He now uses credit under his business name, West Coast Garage Doors LLC. •
- His business is about 80% service and 20% sales. .
- He purchases about \$30,000 of equipment monthly in Tampa. •
- He's been a staple in the garage door community for many years.
- Two years ago, he had a 0-credit score and has built it to 629 or 630.
- He has a 100% payment history. •
- He can get these issues resolved within six months.

Supervisor Crotts said the County's recommendation is that the Board grant a license with 10 months' probation, require Mr. Askew to submit a credit report within six months showing no issues, and if that's achieved, probation will automatically be removed. If not, probation would continue to July 1, 2023.

Board Member White moved to grant a license with 10 months' probation, require Mr. Askew to submit a credit report within six months showing no issues, and if that's achieved, probation will automatically be removed. If not, probation would continue to July 1, 2023. Second by Board Member Allen. The

motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

E. Gabriela R. Rea – Florida Gulf Coast Roofing Inc. – Review of Credit and Reinstatement of Roofing Contractor License and New Application for Plastering & Stucco Contracting Chairman Lantz called Ms. Rea to the podium and she was sworn in.

Supervisor Crotts reported that Ms. Rea has submitted two applications, one for the issuance of a specialty license for Plastering and Stucco Contractor, and another for reinstatement as a Roofing Contractor. Both require a minimum credit score of 660.

As part of the application process under Collier County Ordinance 2006-46, Section 2.3.9, Ms. Rea was required to submit a personal and business credit report. Staff reviewed them and they appear not to meet the financial responsibility in Section 2.5.1, Subsection D; "The applicant or qualifier meets the requirements of financial responsibility set forth in Rule G1G4-15.006 of the State of Florida."

A review of Ms. Rea's personal credit report shows the following areas of concern:

- A credit score of 522; the minimum required score is 660.
- A \$4,297 charge-off by Suncoast Credit Union dated June 2022.
- A \$1,180 charge-off by Suncoast Credit Union dated August 2018.
- The total charge-off amount is \$5,477.

The following areas of concern were noted on the business credit reports:

- A \$3,013 collection amount owed to Superior Stucco Group Inc. by McCarthy, Burgess & Wolf dated January 2019.
- A \$14,245 collection amount against Florida Gulf Coast Roofing by Altus Global Trade Solutions dated July 2020.

During an interview with Ms. Rea, she confirmed the charge-offs and amounts are correct. Because Ms. Rea does not meet the requirements for the minimum credit score under the Ordinance, she is being referred to the Board under Section 2.5.2, Referral of the Application to the Contractors' Licensing Board for a Decision. Ms. Rea is here today to answer your questions regarding her credit.

Chairman Lantz asked about Atlas Global Trade Solutions.

Ms. Rea testified that:

- When she initially was licensed in Collier County, she fully intended to start a roofing company.
- She got equipment, vehicles and trucks.
- Soon after that, her husband got injured and she had to halt her business to take care of him.
- She was unaware that when she returned the equipment, they were going to fully charge her for a dump trailer.
- Once she was charged, she called to contest it and has been trying to resolve that because she only used it once; they're going to mail her documentation.

During questioning by CLB members, the following points were made:

- Her husband got injured around the time she rented the dump trailer and she has documentation to prove that.
- Her husband is unable to walk, so they opened a jewelry shop that allows him to work and repair jewelry.
- Now she wants to return to starting her own business.
- She has a Stucco and Plastering license in Lee County and has been doing surface work and

patching.

- She's been continuously licensed in Lee County.
- She wants to get licensed here so she can get business cards printed and get work.
- She was unaware of the \$3,013 owed to Superior Stucco Group and had never heard about the law firm attempting to collect it.
- It may be a debt owed by her partner, who is looking into it, but he's not in the country now and is coming back this week.
- Suncoast won't talk to her because the address on the account doesn't match hers, so she's trying to resolve that to determine what it involves.
- If the credit issues are resolved, the Stucco & Plastering License can be issued.
- The roofing company license would be a reinstatement; it was suspended for non-renewal.
- Ms. Rea wants to move forward with a conditional license so she can make business cards for her Collier County company while she works to resolve her credit issues.

A discussion ensued over whether to withdraw the application and hear it next month, but that would put the roofing license past the renewal date and under cancellation status.

Supervisor Crotts recommended tabling the stucco license until next month and reinstating the roofing license with a 12-month probationary period, pending payment of back fees. At the end of six months, Ms. Rea must provide a personal credit report showing an improved credit score and that charge-offs are paid in full, or that a payment plan has been entered into with all creditors; at the end of 12 months, Ms. Rea must submit a credit report showing a credit score of at least 660 and that the charge-offs have been paid in full or that the payment plan has continued in good faith, with no issues. If Ms. Rea fails to submit any of that documentation or fails to meet any requirements, she will be required to appear before the CLB again.

Board Member White made a motion with a slight modification as to the six- and 12-month requirements. The debts should be paid, have a payment plan, or must be satisfactorily resolved. **Board Member Allen** seconded it.

Chairman Lantz asked what Supervisor Crotts' definition of charge-offs was. Is the stucco collection part of that or the roof license?

Supervisor Crotts confirmed that was separate, for Florida Gulf Coast Roofing. The \$14,245 is a charge-off for Atlas Global that is under the business portion of her credit report, while her personal credit report has a total of \$5,477 by Suncoast Credit Union.

Board Member Joslin asked if the motion would be to either pay it all off or to set up a payment plan. **Board Member White** said pay it off or have it satisfactorily resolved on the credit report.

Board Member Joslin asked if she could do that.

Ms. Rea said she's been working on it but doesn't feel she should have to pay the full price if she returned the trailer after using it once.

Board Member Joslin told her to just show she's working on that.

A discussion ensued and the following points were made:

- Ms. Rea is the owner and qualifier for her company.
- She hasn't made headway on her credit issues.
- She's the owner and qualifier and is financially responsible for the company and did nothing about the charges after learning about them four weeks ago.
- A 522-credit score for someone who has been a contractor for years is a problem.
- If the roofing license reinstatement isn't approved today, it will be canceled.

- The looming cancelation deadline shouldn't play a part in their decision; Ms. Rea agreed.
- Her husband's health took up a lot of her time, so she wasn't able to resolve her credit issues.
- She's not a risk to the public and hasn't mismanaged the business.
- If she gets a license and a complaint is filed, she'll be back before the CLB or it could be handled in court.
- The state license is still valid.
- She doesn't have a roofing license in Lee County, just stucco.
- She was aware of no letters to her stucco company demanding payment.

Board Member White withdrew his motion.

A discussion ensued over Ms. Rea awareness of her company's credit issues and the following points were made:

- She needs to stay on top of finances for her company.
- If the Board tables this for 30 days, it will give her time to work on her credit issues.
- It would be helpful if she asked her partner to appear before the CLB with her next month.
- She could take 60 or 90 days but needs to get the issues resolved.
- Her license will go into cancelation status, but she won't have to take the test again.
- She can go to Supervisor Crotts' office for assistance on what documentation she needs to move forward.

Ms. Rea agreed to table both applications for 30 days.

Board Member White made a motion to table Ms. Rea's Review of Credit and Reinstatement of Roofing Contractor License and the New Application for Plastering & Stucco Contracting for 30 days. Second by Board Member Joslin. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

Vice Chairman Jerulle advised Ms. Rea that as the qualifier of the stucco company, it's her duty to get all the information and find out why there is a credit issue from three years ago. It may have been paid, but it's her responsibility to make sure that happens.

Board Member Joslin told her if it's her partner's credit issue, that should be easy for her to resolve. **Ms. Rea** said he's going through a divorce and his ex-wife has credit problems.

F. Teresa Quiroz – Elite Painters of SWFL LLC – Painting Contractor – Review of Credit Chairman Lantz called Ms. Quiroz to the podium and she was sworn in.

Supervisor Crotts reported that Ms. Quiroz has submitted an application for the issuance of a specialty license of Painting Contractor, which requires a minimum credit score of 660. As part of the application process under Collier County Ordinance 2006-46, Section 2.3.9, Ms. Quiroz was required to submit a personal credit report. Staff reviewed the report, which appears not to meet the financial responsibility as set forth in Section 2.5.1, Subsection D: "The applicant or qualifier meets the requirement for financial responsibility set forth in Rule G1G4-15.006 of the state of Florida."

A review of the credit reports submitted by Ms. Quiroz shows the following areas of concern:

- An average credit score of 642. This is based upon a TransUnion credit score of 650, an Experian credit score of 623, and an Equifax credit score of 653. The minimum required is 660.
- A \$2,392 charge-off by Capital One Bank dated July of 2019.

During an in-person interview with Ms. Quiroz, she confirmed the charge-off amount was correct. Because Ms. Quiroz does not meet the required minimum credit score under the Ordinance, she is being referred to

the Board under Section 2.5.2, Referral of the Application to the Contractors' Licensing Board for a Decision. Ms. Quiroz is here today to answer questions regarding her credit.

Chairman Lantz asked Ms. Quiroz to provide more information.

During questioning, Ms. Quiroz testified about the following:

- She contacted creditors and are working on a payment plan.
- She has documentation showing she has a \$50 monthly automatic-withdrawal payment plan.
- The woman handling her credit issues is asking about removing interest from that and will get back to her today.
- She's also working with an accountant on credit repair and he's going to help her increase her credit score.
- She offered to submit all those records to the CLB.

Board Member White made a motion to accept her records into evidence. Second by Board Member Joslin. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

Board Member White asked for Supervisor Crotts' recommendation.

Supervisor Crotts said the County recommends that the license be granted and placed on a probationary period until July 1, 2023. Ms. Quiroz must submit a new credit report after six months to show an improved credit score and submit documentation showing that all charges have been paid in full or a payment plan has been entered into and is current and active. If Ms. Quiroz fails to meet the requirements of this order, the probationary period would continue until July 1, 2023. At the end of the six months, if the credit report does not satisfactorily meet the requirements of this order, then she would be required to appear back in front of the Board.

Board Member Allen made a motion to grant the license with a probationary period until July 1, 2023; ordered Ms. Quiroz to submit a new credit report after six months that shows an improved credit score; submit documentation showing that all charges have been paid in full or a payment plan has been entered into and is current and active. If she fails to meet those requirements, the probationary period will continue until July 1, 2023. If the credit report does not satisfactorily meet the requirements of this order after six months, then Ms. Quiroz is required to appear in front of the Board again. Second by Board Member Jaron. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

9. OLD BUSINESS:

Board Member Joslin submitted an 8B Form, a Memorandum of Voting Conflict for County, Municipal and other Local Public Officers, for last month's hearing on Dale P. Dear – Dear Home Services Inc. – and asked if it was sufficient.

Attorney Noell accepted it, saying it was sufficient.

[The Board took a break from 10:10 a.m. to 10:26 a.m.]

10. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

 A. 2022-09 - Cullen Z. Walker, dba Work-A-Holics Landscape Management Inc. (CEMIS20220005387)
Chairman Lantz called Mr. Walker to the podium and he and Investigator Governale were sworn in.

Investigator Governale said a copy of the case packet and complaint was presented and signed and dated

by the respondent and asked to submit the Preamble and Case Packet for 2022-09 into evidence.

Board Member White made a motion to open the hearing and accept the preamble for 2022-09. Second by Board Member Allen. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0. The hearing was opened and the preamble was accepted into evidence.

Investigator Governale presented his opening statement and testified that:

The respondent, Collin Walker, a Collier County licensed contractor with Issuance No. 11674 is the qualifier and owner of Work-A-Holics Landscape Management Inc. Mr. Walker contracted and received payment from the property owner to remove landscaping, stump grind and to supply and install a Tremrone Stonegate retaining wall at 1314 Noble Heron Way in the City of Naples.

Work-A-Holics Landscape Management Inc. subcontracted and made payment to Keyestone Interlocking Paving Contractor Inc. to install the retaining wall without a permit when one was required. On July 20, 2022, Case No. 202207 was heard by the Collier County Contractors' Licensing Board and the Board stated in the discussion and noted in the minutes that the burden of the permit requirement should be placed on Work-A-Holics Landscape Management Inc., not Keyestone Interlocking Paving Contractor Inc.

Mr. Walker is in violation of Collier County Code of Laws & Ordinances, Section 22-201(2), which states, in pertinent part, that it is misconduct for the holder of a Collier County Certificate of Competency to contract to work outside the scope of their competency, as listed on their competency card, and defined in the Ordinance or as restricted by the Contractors' Licensing Board, and 22-201 (18), which states, in pertinent part, that it is misconduct by the holder of a Collier County Certificate of Competency to proceed on any job without obtaining permits or inspections from the City Building or Zoning Division or the County Building Review & Permitting Department.

Cullen Walker, owner of Work-A-Holics Landscape Management, presented his opening statement and testified that:

We've been doing business here for 40-plus years. As a landscaping limited contractor, we take care of landscaping for homeowners in 38 villas in Noble Heron Villas. A homeowner approached us to do some landscape work, which we do, and they wanted us to pull out and put in some plants. He also asked us to do what we thought was a deck extension because they had pulled out a tree and leveled it out and put in a three-course wall, a landscape paver wall.

We recommended a paving company or paver install company since we don't do that directly. The homeowner said he was going to be going up north and asked us to take care of it for him as a favor. Inadvertently, we found that we contracted outside of our license and took the money and had him do it for us, instead of doing it directly for the homeowner, so we're in violation that way.

Board Member White asked if it was fair to say that's an admission of guilt with respect to the two counts in the administrative complaint?

Mr. Walker said yes, but they didn't do it on purpose. Whenever they'd done paving before, they always had paver companies do it directly with homeowners.

Board Member White made a motion to find Mr. Walker guilty of the two counts in the Administrative Complaint. Second by Board Member Joslin. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

Board Member White asked Supervisor Crotts if the County had a recommendation.

Supervisor Crotts said the County recommends that on Count 1, a \$1,000 fine must be paid within 90 days. Failure to pay within 90 days would result in the license being automatically revoked. The license should be placed on probation for a period not to exceed July 1, 2023. In Count 2, a \$1,000 fine must be

paid within 90 days. Failure to pay within 90 days would result in the license being automatically revoked. The license should be placed on probation for a period not to exceed July 1, 2023. He noted that there were no costs of prosecution or restitution owed.

Board Member White made a motion to order Mr. Walker to pay a \$1,000 fine each on Count 1 and Count 2 (\$2,000) within 90 days; failure to pay within 90 days will result in the license being automatically revoked; and placed the license on probation until July 1, 2023. Second by Board Member Joslin. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

Chairman Lantz asked if the landscaping permit issue had been resolved. **Investigator Governale** testified that Keyestone pulled a permit, which was issued and the installation was completed and passed a site inspection and site survey.

Chairman Lantz asked if the permit was in the contractor's name. **Investigator Governale** said it was.

Board Member Joslin asked whether the property, which has a pool, got a screen. **Investigator Governale** said Liberty Aluminum out of Lehigh Acres is working to get a permit for a pool barrier fence. The homeowners are deciding what they want to do. There are a couple of solutions and the contractors are looking at getting corrections on the permit within two to three weeks.

Mr. Walker asked if there were two \$1,000 fines. Mr. Board Member White said that's correct.

Board Member White made a motion to close the hearing. Second by Board Member Joslin. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

Chairman Lantz said the Board can now move on to findings of fact. Upon consideration of all testimony received under oath, evidence received, and arguments presented by the parties during the public hearing, the Board issues the following findings and conclusions:

- Service of the Administrative Complaint and notice was legal, sufficiently provided and in compliance with the applicable law.
- The Respondent is the holder of the license as set forth in the Administrative Complaint.
- The Respondent was present at the hearing and was not represented by counsel.
- The Board has jurisdiction over the Respondent and subject matter raised in the Administrative Complaint.
- The Respondent committed the violations set forth in Count 1 and Count 2 of the Administrative Complaint.

Therefore, by a vote of 8-0, the Respondent is found guilty of the violation set forth in Counts 1 and 2 of the Administrative Complaint and the Board imposes the following sanctions against the respondent:

- A \$1,000 fine on Count 1 must be paid within 90 days.
- Probation will continue until July 2023.
- A \$1,000 fine on Count 2 must be paid within 90 days.
- Probation will continue until July 2023.
- If the fines are not paid within 90 days, the license will be automatically revoked.

This concludes the order of the Board in this matter.

11. <u>NEXT MEETING DATE:</u> WEDNESDAY, October 19, 2022

Commissioners' Chambers, Third Floor, Administrative Building F, Collier County Government Center, 3299 E. Tamiami Trail, Naples, FL

Board Member White made a motion to adjourn. Second by Board Member Joslin. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

There being no further business for the good of the County, the meeting was adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

Collier County Contractors' Licensing Board

MA 7 Z Kyle Lantz, Board Chairman

These minutes were approved by the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Contractors' Licensing Board on 12 - 21 - 2022, (check one) as submitted \checkmark or as amended _____.