

Meeting Minutes

**MEETING OF THE PROFESSIONAL SURVEYING
COMMITTEE of the Board Licensure of Professional
Engineers and Professional Surveyors held at
9:00 a.m., Thursday, June 9, 2022,
Office of Souder Miller & Associates,
5454 Venice Ave. NE, Ste. D, Albuquerque, NM
& Virtual**

Members Present- David Cooper, PS, Committee Chair
Maxine McReynolds, Esq., Public Member
Robert Gromatzky, PS

Others Present- Perry Valdez, BLPEPS, Executive Director
Miranda Gonzales, BLPEPS, Administrative Manager
Isaac Maes, BLPEPS, Executive Assistant
Angelica Urioste, BLPEPS, Compliance Officer
Valerie Joe, Legal Counsel
Earl Burkholder, PEPS
Joe Adams

1. Convene, Roll Call and Introduction of Audience

Mr. Valdez read the meeting script regarding the virtual meeting protocols. Mr. Cooper convened the meeting at 9:12 a.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum was noted. Audience introductions made at this time.

2. Meeting Notification

Mr. Valdez informed the Committee the meeting was noticed on the Board's website and at the Board Office.

3. Approval of Agenda

MOTION by Mr. Gromatzky to approve the agenda as presented, **SECONDED** by Ms. McReynolds,

Roll Call Vote:

Voting 'Aye': Mr. Cooper, Ms. McReynolds, Mr. Gromatzky

The motion **PASSED unanimously.**

4. Approval of Minutes

a. Minutes of February 11, 2022

b. Minutes of April 7, 2022

MOTION by Ms. McReynolds to approve the Minutes of February 11, 2022 and April 7, 2022 as presented, **SECONDED** by Mr. Gromatzky

Roll Call Vote:

Voting 'Aye': Mr. Cooper, Ms. McReynolds, Mr. Gromatzky

The motion **PASSED unanimously.**

5. Requested Public Comment

a. Adams J.

Mr. Adams stated that he applied for licensure in New Mexico but was denied due to the lack of a PLSS course on his transcripts. He provided a brief background on his education experience.

Mr. Adams added that he believed that based off of his job experience and recent course work in Illinois and Indiana, he had met the missing requirement.

Mr. Cooper thanked Mr. Adams for his comment and stated that since Mr. Adams' PS Endorsement was on the agenda for this meeting, the Committee would discuss this item in closed session and Board Staff would notify him on the Committee's decision.

6. Old Business

Mr. Valdez informed the Committee that there was no 'Old Business'.

7. New Business

a. Online Article: LandGlide App to find property lines.

Mr. Valdez informed the Committee he was informed of an online article regarding the online application *LandGlide*. He reported the application *LandGlide* allows the public to see where surveyed property lines are, but noted that because the application has a disclaimer that states "However, there are some things the *LandGlide* app can't do. For example, if you and your neighbor are having a property dispute, the *LandGlide* parcel data isn't accepted in court

cases.” Due to this Mr. Valdez was requesting input from the Committee what could be done, if anything, to ensure public safety.

Mr. Gromatzky said he was not sure what the proper protocol would be for this item.

Ms. McReynolds concurred with Mr. Gromatzky and said this might be something that might be resolved on its own, due to the company that developed *LandGlide* facing legal issues.

Mr. Cooper stated that because the application has no authoritative date or statement about surveying lines, the Committee can’t pursue any action. Mr. Gromatzky concurred.

Mr. Cooper requested that Board Staff send this article about *LandGlide* to NMPS for more information.

Mr. Gromatzky and Ms. McReynolds agreed with Mr. Coopers’ request.

Audience participant Mr. Burkholder commented that this application is a disservice to the public.

Mr. Cooper agreed with Mr. Burkholder and stated this application might face a high volume of litigation.

b. Election of officers

1) Committee Chair

MOTION by Ms. McReynolds to nominate Mr. Gromatzky as Chair,
SECONDED by Mr. Cooper

Roll Call Vote:

Voting ‘Aye’: Mr. Cooper, Ms. McReynolds, Mr. Gromatzky

The motion **PASSED unanimously.**

2) Vice Chair

MOTION by Mr. Gromatzky to nominate Ms. McReynolds as Vice Chair,
SECONDED by Mr. Cooper,

Roll Call Vote:

Voting 'Aye': Mr. Cooper, Ms. McReynolds, Mr. Gromatzky

The motion **PASSED unanimously.**

8. Executive Session

MOTION by Mr. Gromatzky that the Committee enter into closed Executive Session to discuss the items listed on the agenda pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1 (H) (1) and (3) to discuss matters pertaining to the issuance, suspension, renewal or revocation of a license and to deliberate on pending cases, **SECONDED** by Ms. McReynolds

Roll call vote taken, voting 'Yes': Mr. Cooper, Ms. McReynolds, Mr. Gromatzky

9. Action on Items Discussed During Executive Session

Mr. Cooper brought the Committee back into open session and affirmed that while in closed session it discussed only those matters specified in the motion to close the meeting and listed on the agenda under executive session, in accordance with NMSA 1978 Section 10-15-1 (H) (1).

a. Disciplinary Cases

1) Case 1-PS-01-27-2020 Default Order Mr. Cooper tabled this item.

2) Case 6-PS-09-08-2020

MOTION by Ms. McReynolds to attempt to enter into a Pre-NCA Settlement agreement as previously approved, and with a fine, and if no agreement is reached then the Board will refer to the AG's office, **SECONDED** by Mr. Gromatzky,

Roll Call Vote:

Voting 'Aye': Mr. Cooper, Ms. McReynolds, Mr. Gromatzky

The motion **PASSED unanimously.**

b. Status Review of Complaints and NCA Referrals

A report was reviewed on the status of pending cases and referrals for Notice of Contemplated Actions.

c. Applications for Review

1) PS Endorsement

a) Adams, J.

MOTION by Ms. McReynolds to approve for PS Endorsement,
SECONDED by Mr. Gromatzky,

Roll Call Vote:

Voting 'Aye': Mr. Cooper, Ms. McReynolds, Mr. Gromatzky

The motion **PASSED unanimously.**

b) Fisher, C.

MOTION by Mr. Gromatzky to conditionally approve for
endorsement, provided the applicant can provide proof of completion
of a PLSS course with the satisfaction of Board Staff, **SECONDED** by
Ms. McReynolds,

Roll Call Vote:

Voting 'Aye': Mr. Cooper, Ms. McReynolds, Mr. Gromatzky

The motion **PASSED unanimously.**

c) Norby, A.

MOTION by Mr. Gromatzky to approve applicant for PS Endorsement,
SECONDED by Ms. McReynolds,

Roll Call Vote:

Voting 'Aye': Mr. Cooper, Ms. McReynolds, Mr. Gromatzky

The motion **PASSED unanimously.**

10. Next Scheduled Meeting Date: August 11, 2022 – Albuquerque/Virtual

11. **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Submitted by:

s/Isaac Maes

Isaac Maes, Executive Assistant

Approved by:

s/ Robert Gromatzky

Robert Gromatzky, Committee Chair

August 11, 2022

Approval Date