

**TALBOT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTRICAL EXAMINERS
MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 18, 2024 MEETING**

ATTENDEES

Chris Kleppinger
Don Ewing
Tim Fluharty
Bob Jump

Brennan Tarleton-Planning Officer
Brent Garner-Building Official
Patrick Thomas-County Attorney

Grace Davis

Meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Mr. Tim Fluharty.

Tim asked if everyone had an opportunity to read the minutes from the December 21, 2023 meeting. The minutes were read by all and approved unanimously. Bob Jump made a motion to approve the minutes and Don Ewing seconded the motion.

OLD BUSINESS

Change of Contractor policy.

NEW BUSINESS

Reviewed Master Electrical Registration applications and Limited License applications.

Discussion began regarding the proposed Change of Contractor policy/procedure.

Patrick Thomas, Talbot County Attorney, found language in a bill that was proposed but never enacted from 2015 that addresses permitting for electrical work.

Chris Kleppinger asked if Patrick could start drafting language into the code, focusing on how a change of contractor would occur and what procedures would be involved. Patrick said that he would need the direction of Chuck Callahan, President of the Talbot County Council, to begin drafting language for a change of contractor section or sub section to the County Electrical Code. Patrick also said that he could 'workshop it' with the Board at the next meeting.

There was a question raised by Patrick as to if there is any other permit language in any other section of the code that may be conflicting or confusing. Brennan said he would double check the building and zoning codes to see if there is any mention of it also. Brennan has said that he has not found anything since the December meeting. The Board agrees that they do not want to rewrite the code or add language that may conflict with current codes.

Patrick will present a draft for review at the next meeting.

Don Ewing made a motion to adjourn seconded by Bob Jump. The meeting was adjourned at 1:53 pm.

Next meeting will take place on February 15, 2024 at 1:00 pm in Conference Room 1.