Board of Tree Experts Minutes September 20, 2022

The Board of Tree Experts met on this date at the NJBTE Office, 101 W Veterans Hwy, Jackson, NJ 08527

Those present were:

Steve Chisholm, Sr., President

- R. Wolowicz (Zoom)
- G. Lovallo
- P. Zipse (Zoom)
- B. Emens
- J. Greipp

Candice McLaughlin DAG (Zoom) Bruce Velzy DAG (Zoom)

<u>Staff</u>

Patty Aufiero, Recording Secretary Arlene Dietz, Administrative Assistant Linda Herrera, Administrative Assistant

Meeting called to order at 9:45 am

- I. Open Public Meeting Act: Read by P. Aufiero, signed by S. Chisholm and J. Greipp
- **II. Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve Agenda, with changes, by J. Greipp, seconded by B. Emens. Motion passed.
- **III. Motion to go into closed session** by J.Greipp, seconded by B. Emens. Motion passed at 9:53am. End closed session 10:51am.
- **IV. Minutes** Motion to approve minutes of August 16, 2022 by J. Greipp, seconded by P. Zipse. Motion passed.

V. Administrative Report and Correspondence

Vendor Update: Optimum for phone and Wifi is still being paid from the Wells Fargo Account.

By the Numbers: BOLO (Be On the LookOut) to be given to Compliance Inspectors for companies that are suspended, Under Review and Incomplete that have been issued NOVs.

10 Day notice of suspension will be sent before October 14, 2022

Compliance Inspector Report: G. Lovallo will call J. Tandul to inquire about activity.

- VI. Financial Report:
- VII. Public Comment

Neil Hendrickson: Readington, NJ has a tree ordinance.

VIII. Old Business

- A. Workers Comp letter: Companies claiming they do not have employees to be made aware of the law concerning Workers Comp Insurance. C. McLaughlin and B. Velzy, DAsG will assist in composing this. NJBTE can share info with NJCrib. Committee to be established for this.
- **B.** Pay Increase for office staff: Motion to approve increase and title changes by G. Lovallo, seconded by B. Emens. Motion passed
- **C. Program Manager position:** look into posting on Indeed, Banker, etc. Job is posted on NJBTE website and NJAISA website has a link.

IX. New Business

A. Motion to approve business registrations by J. Greipp, seconded by P. Zipse.

Motion passed

Ebenezer Tree Service & Landscaping LLC Freehold NJ Big Solar Marlton NJ Felix Tree Service Pennsauken NJ Xizo LLC Oak Ridge NJ Midstate Tree Management LLC Washington NJ Vickers Tree Service Inc Langhorne PA Flores Outdoor Living LKandscapes LLC Somerset NJ Alpine Tree Specialists Inc Yardley PA Oak Run Services Flemington NJ Tallest Cliff Tree Service LLC Hackensack NJ A.I.O. Tree Service Jackson NJ Star Service Group Inc Three Bridges NJ

B. Motion to certify the Exam grades of Licensed Tree Experts and Licensed Tree Care Operators Applicants for Class of August/September 2022 who have attained passing grades and will have their names read into the September 20, 2022 minutes by J Greipp, seconded by P Zipse. Motion passed.

LTCO

Chance Woodginski Belford NJ James Dillon Palisades NJ Felix Zavala Piscatawav NJ Oswaldo Gomez Freehold NJ Felix Reyes Pennsauken NJ Fredis Zamora Cruz Freehold NJ **Thomas Petner** Jackson NJ Johnny Payon-Lozano Freehold NJ Neffy Pelaez Clark NJ Jerry Vickers Langhorne PA

Matthew Sheridan

Jeffrey Garrison

Shaun Spassatempo

Michael Flores

Ana Medina

Jose Ronquillo

Reinaldo Gomez

Hillsborough PA

Bridgeton NJ

Elmer NJ

Lawride NJ

Trenton NJ

Paterson NJ

LTE

Michael Martini Barnegat NJ

C. LTCO Prep Class offered by CAA will be scheduled for mid-November.

X. Other:

Meeting attendance policy will be reviewed by B. Velzy. Calendar for next year; schedule 2 meeting in the evening. TBD January meeting will include re-organization.

XI. Motion to adjourn meeting by B. Emens, seconded by G. Lovallo. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm.