

Construction Licensing Enforcement and Appeals Board

October 3, 2017

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm. In the Highlands County Board of County Commission Chambers at 600 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring Florida, with the following members present: J.C. Shoop, John Palmer, Terry Webster, Rob Horne and Chairman Scott LeConey.
2. Terry Webster made motion to approve the minutes from the July 11, 2017 meeting, seconded by John Palmer and passed by unanimous vote.
3. Business:
 - A. Applicant Michael Schmidt was moved to 3-b on the agenda as his application was not in members' package. Building official passed his copy for review as we addressed next applicant.
 - B. Applicant Travis Wvotke applying for garage door certification.
Chairman LeConey recused himself as he has personal interaction with applicant. Terry Webster took the gavel for Mr. Wvotke's proceedings. Mr. Wvotke spoke to his experience and history in construction. Board reviewed his application with little discussion. Motion to approve was made by John Palmer and seconded by Rob Horne and passed by unanimous vote.
 - C. Back to applicant Michael Schmidt applying for Finish Carpentry certification.
Gavel was passed back to Chairman LeConey. Time was allowed for review of Mr. Schmidt's application. Mr. Schmidt spoke to his experience and history in construction. Board had little discussion due to thoroughness of application and experience. Motion to approve was made by Rob Horne and seconded by John Palmer and passed by unanimous vote.
 - D. Building official gave an update of building department functions in aftermath of hurricane Irma, discussing unlicensed activity and efforts made to inform citizens to protect themselves from fraudulent activity. Also discussed were efforts made by the building department to streamline recovery efforts and permitting repair projects.
 - E. The next meeting date was set for November 7, 2017.
 - F. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Building Official