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# NYS Elevator Safety and Standards Advisory Board Minutes

#### Locations:

- WA Harriman Campus Building 12, First Floor, Rooms D&E Albany, New York 12226
- 4175 Transit Road, Williamsville, NY 14221
- 199 Church Street 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room, New York, New York 10007

Date: Monday, May 6, 2024

Time: Commencing at 10:05 a.m.

#### Attendees:

Board Members (meeting location):

Michael Halpin, Chairman (Albany)

Hiren "Harry" Vyas (NYC)

Mark Gregorio (NYC)

Patrick Tenneriello (NYC)

Randall Pawlik (Williamsville)

Susan McGee (Albany)

Charanjeet Singh, PE (NYC)

Kelly Fuller (Albany)

Jim Hagerty (Albany)

Jerald Pittman (Albany)

### **NYSDOL Staff:**

Vincent Rapacciuolo Safety and Health Program Manager 2 (Albany)

Chek Beng Ng Professional Engineer 2 (Industrial) (Albany)

Deirdre Quain (Williamsville) Supervising Counsel

#### Agenda Item 1 Welcome:

Vincent Rapacciuolo welcomed all to the second quarter meeting of the NYS Elevator Safety and Standards Advisory Board, and announced some ground rules for the meeting: those joining by zoom will be muted upon entry and remain muted throughout entire meeting, with any distracting video





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disabled; there will be public testimony under Item 6; members are joining from Albany, Williamsville and New York City (NYC) and by videoconference; the meeting is an open meeting and will be posted to the Department of Labors' website. Roll call performed to determine quorum of 10 members present. Chairman Michael Halpin welcomed all and began conduct of meeting.

### **Agenda Item 2 Draft Minutes:**

Draft minutes for the January 23, 2024, meeting were presented to the Board. Jim Hagerty made a motion to accept. Jerald Pittman seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Agenda Item 3 Current Status of the Elevator Licensing Program:

Vincent Rapacciuolo gave a presentation on inspections since the start of elevator law. Statistics were given on number of inspections and violations since law went into effect. Noted an increase of complaints received since Board began meeting. Check Beng NG presented documents on the Continuing Education Approval Program and status of applications. Board discussion with NYSDOL followed.

#### Agenda Item 4 Procedure for Remote Attendance:

Vincent Rapacciuolo provided a brief introduction to the procedures for Remote Attendance and read the Draft Proposal for Resolution to allow for Remote Attendance under extraordinary circumstances. Board discussion for questions, concerns, or comments on written proposal. Jim Hagerty made a motion to approve. Randall Pawlik seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called. Motion passed unanimously.

## **Agenda Item 5 Examinations:**

Vincent Rapacciuolo gave a brief introduction of the item, followed by Board discussion for questions, concerns, or comments. Jerald Pitman made a motion to form a Subcommittee. Kelly Fuller seconded the motion. Names for the Subcommittee is needed. Chairman Halpin recommended subcommittee to be formed with 5 members of the Board, 2 New York City (NYC), 2 Albany and 1 Williamsville.

Subcommittee Members: Mark Gregorio and Charanjeet Singh, PE (NYC), Randall Pawlik (Williamsville), and Jim Hagerty and Jerald Pittman (Albany).

Discussion on other solutions instead of Subcommittee as well guidance from Diedre Quain with NYSDOL Counsel's Office on the procedures for working in a Subcommittee. Motion stands, a roll call vote was called. The motion passed unanimously. Vincent Rapacciuolo to contact Subcommittee members and distribute information needed for meetings, to start in Summer 2024.

#### **Agenda Item 6 Public Comments:**

Opened to Public at three locations, no attendees at this time.

# Agenda Item 7 Future Meetings:

Board members discussed future meeting dates and Agenda Items. Board proposed four future Agenda Items for discussion at next meeting on (1) licensing requirements on temporary construction





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hoists, block hoist that are typically built, performed, and used outside of the industry, (2) on the general overview of the complaint process, (3) repercussions on a company using unlicensed mechanics, and (4) dialogue on adding temporary mechanic authority.

# **Agenda Item 8 Other Business:**

Board discussed no reciprocity of licensing between New Jersey and New York. No Other Business discussed. Jim Hagerty made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jerald Pittman seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.