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MINUTES OF THE MEETING July 5, 2023

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

Richard Scotti, Esq.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Dave Behar, Deputy Director of Investigations Terry Wike, Compliance Supervisor Jason Johnston, Compliance Investigator

LEGAL COUNSEL PRESENT Louis Ling, Esq.

Executive Director Margi Grein stated that the agenda was posted in compliance with the open meeting law at both offices of the Board, on the Board's Internet Website, the Nevada Public Notice Website, and e-mailed electronically to persons who have expressed interest in being kept informed of the Board's meetings.

1. <u>DISCIPLINARY HEARING</u> – Status Check (Continued from May 17, 2023) PPAS LV, LLC dba Premier Pools and Spas, License No. 79647

Case Nos.: 30059586; 60059638; 30059064; 30059604; 30059093; 300601104; 30060485;

30060681; 30060769

Penny Marie Ramos-Bennett, Managing Member Ronald Raymond Bennett, Jr., Manager, CMS and Trade

David Michael Williamson, Other

Exhibit A through E - Board Hearing File

Appearances by Respondent, Ronald Bennett, Jr. who appeared via Zoom; Respondent's counsel, Butch Williams, Esq., and Scot Shirley, Esq.; Complainants Joe and Nicole Scrofani; Calvin Bailey; and Susan Gibson; Prosecutor Louis Ling, Compliance Supervisor Terry Wike and Compliance Investigator, Jason Johnson. Discussion ensued regarding the status of the incomplete project(s). The Administrative Law Judge finds and ORDERS that the W-2's that were requested by the Board must be submitted to the Board by the next status hearing. The matter was continued to August 16, 2023 for additional status check.

2. <u>DISCIPLINARY HEARING – Status Check (Continued from May 3, 2023)</u> Prime Landscapes LLC, License No. 87994

Case No.

30059764;30059804;30059865;30060006;30060077;30060124;30060294;30060449;30060452;3 0060630;30060632;30060865;30060984;30061046.

Noe Reves-Casillas, Manager, CMS and Trade

Exhibit 1 - Board Hearing File

Appearances by Respondent, Noe Reyes. Louis Ling, Prosecutor, Terry Wike, Compliance Supervisor and Jason Johnson, Compliance Investigator. After hearing testimony from Prosecutor Louis Ling and Compliance Supervisor, Terry Wike, the Administrative Law Judge finds that there is a preponderance of evidence and sufficient cause to remove the Respondent from probation and to reinstate the summary suspend on Respondent's license. Further, the Administrative Law Judge finds that Respondent is in violation of the following: (1) holding funds on projects; (2) not commencing projects; (3) co-mingling funds; (4) insufficient communication with Nevada State Contractors Board; and (5) future harm to Homeowners. It is further ORDERED that the Board is to communicate with the Complainant Homeowners to verify whether or not their project has been completed or issued a refund; that a formal complaint is to be filed by Nevada State Contractors Board and placed on the September 6, 2023 docket; Respondent is prohibited from taking any new projects; Respondent is to provide the Board a list of all pending projects; provide a list of monies received on pending projects; provide a list of projects that were paid deposit but project was abandoned; Respondent is to refund \$45,000 on projects where work was not commenced or not ever completed by 7/11/23 and provide a percentage of completion on all other projects; provide the Board with an update list of paid vs. owed;. Per NRS 624, provide the Board with payment records, checks and invoices; provide compliant financials by the next hearing set for September 6, 2023. The Administrative Law Judge further Ordered that Respondent may complete work at the Margala residence in ten (10) business days, should the homeowner request that Respondent do so.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by the Administrative Law Judge at 11:24 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Leslie Beller, Recording Secretary

APPROVED

Margi A. Grein, Executive Officer