

BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR LAND SURVEYORS

January 10, 2019

The Board of Examiners for Land Surveyors (Board) convened at 9:00 a.m. at 555 N. Cotner Blvd., Lower Level, Lincoln, NE with the following members present:

James W. Hawks, Chair
Jerry G. Hain, Vice Chair
Virlyn S. Bolte
Mary L. Pro
Dennis L. Whitfield
Casey Sherlock, Ex-Officio Secretary

Others present:
Gerri Monahan

Public notice of this meeting was given by publication in the *Lincoln Journal Star* on December 29, 2018.

All items voted on were done so in the form of a roll call vote.

The Chair stated that this meeting was being held in compliance with the updated Nebraska Open Meetings Act (Act) and that a current copy of the Act was available on the table.

Whitfield moved and Hain seconded that the November 15, 2018 Board meeting minutes be approved.

Voting Aye: Hain, Hawks, Pro, Whitfield, Bolte.

Motion carried.

Secretary Sherlock gave a status update on Complaint 17-2. Sherlock will notify LS of pending deadline for completion of filing surveys in State Records Repository.

Secretary Sherlock gave a status update on County Surveyor and Government Corners. The LS has amended and filed the surveys. Sherlock will notify the LS that the Board is satisfied with LS work and no further action will be taken by the Board.

Whitfield moved and Pro seconded that the application of Andres H. Estrada for registration by reciprocity from Colorado be approved and that he be required to appear before the Secretary of the Board for an interview and land surveyor examination.

Voting Aye: Hawks, Pro, Whitfield, Bolte, Hain.

Motion carried.

Whitfield moved and Bolte seconded that the application of Matthew Mark Anderson for registration by reciprocity from North Dakota be approved and that he be required to appear before the Secretary of the Board for an interview and land surveyor examination.

Voting Aye: Pro, Whitfield, Bolte, Hain, Hawks.

Motion carried.

Hain moved and Pro seconded that Sherlock send a letter to SIT 280 indicating that he may apply for Nebraska LS registration by reciprocity.

Voting Aye: Whitfield, Bolte, Hain, Hawks, Pro.

Motion carried.

Whitfield moved and Pro seconded that the inactive application of Scott C. Clifford, LS 647, and his PDH hours for active registration be approved and he be classified as active upon receipt of \$100 made payable to the Board. No fee or PDHs will be due until one full renewal biennium cycle has passed. Thirty PDHs and renewal fee will be due for the following biennial renewal period.

Voting Aye: Bolte, Hain, Hawks, Pro, Whitfield.

Motion carried.

Bolte moved and Pro seconded that inasmuch as Lee E. Lovell, LS 410; Allen L. Peters, LS 431; Alan M. Curd, LS 519; and James E. Lynch, LS 666; have met the requirements, they be granted inactive registration status effective January 10, 2019.

Voting Aye: Hain, Hawks, Pro, Whitfield, Bolte.

Motion carried.

Hain moved and Whitfield seconded that inasmuch as James H. Wathen, LS 686, has met the requirements, he be granted inactive registration status effective April 1, 2019.

Voting Aye: Hawks, Pro, Whitfield, Bolte, Hain.

Motion carried.

Whitfield moved and Bolte seconded that the Board go into executive session at 9:35 a.m. with Sherlock and Monahan present for the purpose of discussing LS Biennial Renewal Form and to prevent needless injury to the reputation of a person/s and as such person/s has not requested a public meeting.

Voting Aye: Pro, Whitfield, Bolte, Hain, Hawks.

Motion carried.

Chair stated that the discussion in executive session will be limited to LS Biennial Renewal Form.

Hain moved and Pro seconded that the Board return to regular session at 9:57 a.m.

Voting Aye: Whitfield, Bolte, Hain, Hawks, Pro.

Motion carried.

Chair stated that no subject matter other than LS Biennial Renewal Form was discussed in executive session.

Hain moved and Bolte seconded that LS be invited to appear before the Board at its March 21st meeting to discuss lack of notifying Board of disciplinary action in another state and notify LS that Nebraska renewal is pending.

Voting Aye: Bolte, Hain, Hawks, Pro, Whitfield.

Motion carried.

Biennial renewals and audit reviews were discussed.

Pro moved and Hain seconded to accept the PDH audit reports as presented.

Voting Aye: Hain, Hawks, Pro, Whitfield, Bolte.

Motion carried.

Inactive land surveyors not renewing include LeRoy G. Gerrard, LS 290, and Dennis C. Graham, LS 537.

Strategic planning for the Board was discussed. Items included 81-8,127, Land Surveying; Unlawful Practice or Use of Title, Penalty and Certificate of Authorization (COA). A COA is required for a Limited Liability Company (LLC).

Pro moved and Bolte seconded that the November and December expense vouchers be approved.

DAS Building Div., October parking	15.00
DAS Materiel, printing, Sept. mtg. notice	9.61
DAS Materiel, October postage (\$150.79 renewal notices)	168.41
Hain, Jerry, Nov. Board mtg. travel expenses	34.88
Hawks, James, Nov. Board mtg. travel expenses	246.34
Whitfield, Dennis, Nov. Board mtg. travel expenses	54.50
November Total	<u>\$528.74</u>
Comfort Suites, Hawks, Nov. Bd. Mtg.	81.00
DAS Building Div., November parking	15.00
DAS IMServices, November - December static web hosting	40.00
DAS Materiel Div., November postage	58.47
J.P. Cooke Co., LS seal & freight (Beaudette, Roddy, Weidensee)	87.05
Nebraska Interactive, card reader	110.00
Office Depot, October office supplies	21.13
December Total	<u>\$412.65</u>

Voting Aye: Hawks, Pro, Whitfield, Bolte, Hain.

Motion carried.

Board's website now offers a pay online feature for renewal fee, application fee, registration fee, and other fees.

Secretary Sherlock reported on presentations given at and upcoming meetings with SENSLA, PSAN, highway superintendents, county surveyors, county assessors, GIS, State Records Board / OCIO / Nebraska map Project, and NACO.

The geographic information system (GIS) database and Public Land Survey System (PLSS) Phase 2 project to locate corner ties in all Nebraska counties and grant funding was discussed.

Sherlock has notified individuals locating corners that they should be relying on registered land surveyors to do this type of work.

Board appropriation hearing is set for February 22.

Board member reappointments were discussed.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 21, 2019 in Lincoln.

Hain moved and Bolte seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 11:24 a.m.

All in favor. Motion carried.

Casey C. Sherlock, Secretary