EXAMINING BOARD FOR CRANE OPERATORS

MEETING MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

Tuesday, April 15, 2025 – 1:30pm
Plaza South Meeting Room B
450 Columbus Blvd., Hartford, CT

1) The meeting was called to order by D. Gates at 1:30pm.

2) Attending:
Duane Gates, Board Member
Shane Kelly, Board Member
Ed Shapiro, Board Member
Peter Zvingilas, Board Member
Matthew Dorso, Crane Operations Inspector
John Naples, Crane Operations Inspector
Anne Bonito, License & Applications Analyst
Rebecca Tamborra, DAS Staff Attorney (via teleconference)
Members of the Public:
Gregg Strede
Dave Alarcon

3) Crane Statutes & Regulations: Enforcement & Investigation Powers (CGS 29-224a; 29-224b; 29-225) were discussed.
   a. Stop work orders/cease work orders
   b. Civil penalty increase

4) The meeting adjourned at 2:00pm.

REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, April 15, 2025 – 2:00pm
Plaza South Meeting Room B
450 Columbus Blvd., Hartford, CT

Administrative

1. Meeting was called to order by D. Gates at 2:00pm

2. Attending:
Duane Gates, Board Member
Shane Kelly, Board Member
Peter Zvingilas, Board Member
Ed Shapiro, Board Member
Matthew Dorso, Crane Operations Inspector
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3. Approval of Minutes of the March 18, 2025, meeting – Motion made by E. Shapiro, seconded by S. Kelly. Minutes unanimously approved.
4. Communications – none discussed

Old Business
None discussed

New Business
None discussed

Licensing
The Board discussed Crane Operator license applications submitted by the following:

Application number	Name	APPROVED	Murphy (absent)	Gates	Kelly	Shapiro	Zvingilas
2503-01	Mangels, Jackson Walter (reconsideration)	YES	-	YES	YES	YES	YES
2504-01	Reboca, Nicolas	YES	-	YES	YES	YES	YES
2504-02	Freeman, Joshua	YES	-	YES	YES	YES	YES
2504-05	Howell, Andrew James	YES	-	YES	YES	YES	YES
2504-06	Bulin, Robert Francis	YES	-	YES	YES	YES	YES
2504-03	Chunir, Vinicio	NO	-	NO	NO	YES	NO
2504-04	Rodrigues, Tiago Miguel	NO	-	NO	NO	NO	NO
2504-07	Ostynski, Tomasz	NO	-	NO	NO	NO	NO
2504-08	Knowlton, Brewster	NO	-	NO	NO	NO	NO

Approved applicants will be notified and given the opportunity to schedule written and practical exams. Applicants not approved will be notified and given the opportunity to amend their applications for future consideration by the Board.

Crane Inspectors' Report
Updates were given on written and practical testing, and on field visits for enforcement and education.

Enforcement Actions

Case Number	Respondent
2024-1	Pinder Construction Company (CRNR.362559) Awaiting civil penalty payment
2024-2	Richard E. Pinder (CRNO.03551) Awaiting civil penalty payment
2024-3	KBE Building Letter from Board to respondent pending.
2025-1	The Board rescinded the civil penalty issued to Rotha Construction. The Board voted to hold a compliance conference with Bay Crane to discuss the incident.
2025-3	JLo Tree Service, LLC See case 2025-21
2025-4	Saindon Crane and Sons Awaiting civil penalty payment
2025-6	The Board rescinded the civil penalty issued to The Whiting Turner Contracting Co.
2025-10	Bud's Truck & Diesel Service, Inc. A motion was made by P. Zvingilas (seconded by S. Kelly) to assess a civil penalty of $3,000.00.
2025-13	Unlimited Carpentry A motion was made by S. Kelly (seconded by P. Zvingilas) to assess a civil penalty of $2,000.00.
2025-14	Ultimate Framing A motion was made by P. Zvingilas (seconded by S. Kelly) to take no action at this time.
2025-18	Alvarez Industries A motion was made by D. Gates (seconded by P. Zvingilas) to take no action at this time.
2025-19	Superb Steel A motion was made by P. Zvingilas (seconded by E. Shapiro) to take no action at this time.
2025-20	Enstructure A motion was made by D. Gates (seconded by S. Kelly) to take no action at this time.
2025-21	JLo Tree Service A motion was made by P. Zvingilas (seconded by D. Gates) to assess civil penalties of $6,000.00.
2025-23	Unlimited Carpentry See case 2025-13

Public Comments

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:00pm.

Next meeting:

Special meeting: 1:30pm, Tuesday, May 20, 2025

Regular meeting: 2:00pm, Tuesday, May 20, 2025
Plaza South Meeting Room B
450 Columbus Blvd., Hartford

Respectfully submitted 4/17/25 by Anne Bonito
Minutes approved by Examining Board for Crane Operators at regular meeting 5/20/25