

WORCESTER COUNTY ELECTRICAL BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
November 15, 2022

The Worcester County Electrical Board met on Tuesday November 15, 2022 in the meeting room of the Government Center Building, One West Market Street Room 1102, Snow Hill, MD 21863. Members present were Kenny Lambertson, Chairman, Jeffrey Novak, Carl Smith, Roy Case, Duane Duncan, Michael Patchett and Steve Kolarik Members. As well as Roscoe Leslie, County Attorney, Jennifer Keener, Director of Planning and Zoning and Deborah Mooney, License Permit Clerk III.

The meeting was called to order by Kenny Lambertson chairman, at 3:00 PM.

The minutes of the last meeting held on October 11, 2022 and the agenda for this meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Jeffrey Novak to accept, and Steve Kolarik seconded the motion. It was unanimously carried to approve the minutes and agenda, as presented.

The following is the Treasurer's Report to be included in the minutes:

October:

61 permits were issued in October \$1525.00 for electrical permits and \$500.00 for electrical registrations. Total for October is \$2025.00. Subject to confirmation by department.

The meeting then moved on to Old Business. First discussion moved on to the proposed changes for the qualifications of persons wishing to become electrical inspectors. The reason for the proposed changes is that currently there is becoming a shortage of qualified inspectors in Worcester County. As well as the original requirements it was proposed to allow individuals that hold the Maryland Fire Marshal's inspecting license, hold all three of the IAEL inspecting certifications, and have at least 7 years field experience in the past 15 years to be allowed to sit for the exam. The field experience discussed was to be either as an electrician or as an electrical inspector in other jurisdictions. What was found was that there were inspectors from other areas that would like to sit for the exam but did not hold a Master's electrical license. They have electrical experience but just did not fit Worcester County's requirements. After much discussion motion was made and seconded for a resolution to amend the requirements for persons wishing to test for the electrical inspector's exam. The resolution passed unanimously and immediately goes into effect.

The Board reviewed the final draft of changing the code to align it with the Maryland State Code to go to the County Commissioners for approval. While reviewing the proposed changes there was discussion on what work required permits. The Board Members agreed to revisit those questions in the upcoming year. All members agreed to move forward with the proposed changes. Jennifer Keener, Director of Development, Review and Permitting will introduce the proposal at the next county commissioners meeting.

There being no other business to discuss Steve Kolarik motioned to adjourn the meeting and Duane Duncan seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the meeting adjourned at 4:15PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Deborah Mooney, License Permit Clerk III, Electrical Board

