

WORLAND BOARD OF CONTRACTORS
Regular Meeting
April 16, 2015

The Worland Board of Contractors (WBC) met Thursday, April 16, 2015 at 5:00 PM at Worland City Hall Council Chambers. Members in attendance were, Chairman Matt Goncalves, Member Mark Decker, Member Joe Sterling, Member Jason Mocko, Member Jeremy Carver and Member Josh Craft. Also attending were, Building Official Ron Vanderpool and Clerk Sarah Firnekas. Vice Chairman Mike Montoya III was absent.

Chairman Goncalves brought the meeting to order and asked for approval of the March 19, 2015 minutes.

Motion: To approve the March 19, 2015 minutes.

By: Member Sterling.

Second by: Member Decker.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Goncalves stated that he had recently researched the licensing requirements for surrounding Wyoming communities comparable to Worland. Chairman Goncalves stated that most communities had similar licensing requirements to Worland and some had more strict guidelines. Chairman Goncalves felt that Worland should not loosen up the rules for licensing. The board discussed amendments to the current licensing requirements; they would like years of experience tracked for building, plumbing and mechanical contractors. The board agreed that a minimum of four (4) years apprentice, four (4) years journeyman and an ICC certificate would be required for building contractors. Plumbing and Mechanical contractors would be required to submit four (4) years apprentice, two (2) years journeyman and an ICC certificate. Subcontractors would need a minimum of two (2) years' experience. The board stated that consistent licensing equaling the amount of years as journeyman and apprentice in other communities would qualify as experience. Also discussed was the possibility of probationary periods and references identifying expertise in the associated fields/trades. The board noted that the plumbing/HVAC combo may pose issues if the company were to change ownership. Discussion followed. The board agreed to discuss the issue further at the next scheduled WBC meeting.

Building Official Vanderpool updated the board regarding the status of his position; the council had not yet made any decisions. If approved by City Council the contract with his firm would go into effect July 1, 2015. The existing contract with Five V Solutions, LLC will expire on June 30th, 2015.

Building Official Vanderpool stated that he looked into an ICC Transition course which would cover the changes in the 2015 Building Code, Fuel Gas Code, Mechanical Code and the Plumbing Code; the cost of the course is a total of \$4300.00 for a two day seminar, not including books. Building Official Vanderpool stated that the city would not cover the cost due to lack of attendance at previous seminars offered which reduced reimbursement to the city.

The board discussed the ad that will run in the local newspaper; Clerk Firnekas stated a draft will be emailed to the board.

The next WBC meeting was scheduled for Thursday, May 14, 2015 at 5:00 PM.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM.

Matt Goncalves, Chairman

Sarah Firnekas, Clerk