



## Kent County Board of Electrical Examiners

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### Meeting Minutes

July 6, 2023

The Kent County Board of Electrical Examiners met on Thursday, July 6, 2023, at 8:30 a.m., in the County Commissioners' Hearing Room, 400 High Street, Chestertown, Maryland. The following members were in attendance: Victor Shepard, Acting Chair, and William Baldwin, Member. Also, present were William A. Mackey, Director; Bryan Foreman, Chief Code Enforcement Officer; Mike O'Neil, Code Enforcement Officer; Craig Busick, Middle Department Inspection Agency; and Campbell Safian, Clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m.

#### APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

The Board approved the minutes of the meeting on April 6, 2023.

#### BOARD DISCUSSION:

Discussion ensued regarding the May 17 MUELEC meeting. Mr. Shepard noted his main takeaways from the MUELEC meeting were MUELEC's involvement in the National Electrical Code (NEC) exam testing with PSI. Another main takeaway was the fact that not all jurisdictions in Maryland are following the 2017 NEC, which the state is abiding by. Queen Anne's County is following the 2017 NEC, while Cecil County and St. Mary's County are following the 2023 NEC. Mr. Foreman reiterated that Kent County follows the State's regulations and utilizes the 2017 NEC. Kent County registers Master Electricians and does not recognize Restricted Limited Electricians licenses. Only Master Electricians are authorized to apply for permits. Mr. O'Neil noted that Queen Anne's County recognizes Restricted Limited licensed electricians.


Mr. Foreman noted that MUELEC has adopted the 2023 NEC. The Board raised the question whether the Master Electrician exam covers the 2023 NEC. It is unclear whether Journeyman Electricians preparing for the Master Electrician exam should focus on the 2017 NEC or the 2023 NEC.

The Board came to an agreement that the next meeting will be held on September 7, 2023.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

With there being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting; the motion passed with all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

  
Victor Shepard, Acting Chair

  
Campbell Safian, Clerk

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