



Forester License Board Meeting – March 10th, 2021

Meeting Opened: 6:00 P.M.

Attendance

Board Members: E. Boss, P. Catanzaro, K. Massini, M. Mueller, K. Ross

Public: Pete Church, Margaret Minor Wood, Lincoln Fish

Public Inquiry

NONE

Minutes of previous meeting

The Secretary referred members to the minutes of the January 13, 2020 meeting and requested comments or corrections prior to their approval. *A motion was made (KR) and seconded (MM) to accept the January 13th, 2020 minutes as written. Motion carried with a unanimous vote of voting members present. EB and PC recusal.*

New Applications

To Review and recommend by the board to the director the new application package(s) submitted by: **NONE**

Renewal Applications

The following applications were reviewed and recommended to the director for license renewal.

<u>RENEWAL LICENSE</u>				<u>CFE Credits</u>		<u>CFE W/Extra</u>	
<u>LAST NAME</u>	<u>FIRST NAME</u>	<u>MLF#</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>	<u>Cat 1</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Cat. 1</u>	<u>Total</u>
Barker Plotkin	Audrey	385	04/10/2022	24.5	24.5	32.5	44.5
Fortin	Edward	454	03/12/2022	11.75	11.75	19.75	31.75
Gumbart	Ryan	453	03/12/2022	5	14	13	34
Kulig	Jacqueline	443	02/22/2022	0	0	8	20
Matteo	Michelle	360	02/08/2022	36.5	39.5	44.5	59.5
Reed	Daniel	280	03/28/2022	8	8	16	28
Tarasuk	Robert	295	02/22/2022	0	0	8	20
Valcourt, JR	Richard	405	02/23/2022	7	11	15	31
VanDoren	William	380	03/15/2022	81	85	89	105

A motion was made (KM) and seconded (KR) to recommend the New/Renewal license applications to the director. Motion carried with a unanimous vote of members present.

Note: MM was the second initial for all applicant due to lack of in person meeting.

Recusals: None



Expired/Non-Renewed Licenses

Letters will be sent to the below individuals stating their license has expired.

None

Complaints

Lincoln Fish – Chesterfield Project

At the March 10th, 2020 Forester License Board (FLB) Meeting the findings of the investigator were discussed by members Kristopher Massini, Mark Mueller and Keith Ross. Emily Boss and Paul Catanzaro abstained from the discussion and vote. Through Mark Muller's fact finding it was determined by the board that Mr. Fish had met the minimum standards regarding the complaint of serial trespass and violation of notice to abutters procedure filed by Bruce and Margaret Wood. This led to the opinion of the FLB that there was no fraud, negligence, deceit, incompetence, unprofessional conduct or gross misconduct in the practice of forestry. Also, in the FLB's opinion, both parties hold responsibility for not following through on communication to ensure it is received and the content is agreed to/understood by the intended parties. Below is the timeline as determined by the investigator.

- 2010 (est) - Permission had been given for use of Wood's property as landing for Osborne Harvest.
- 2015 - Lincoln Fish notified Bruce and Margaret Wood by Certified Mail for Follet Harvest. The letter was returned "unclaimed".
- 2015 – Although Lincoln Fish prepared the Forest Cutting Plan for the Follet harvest, he was not associated with the 2015 trespass. This was an act by the logger, Steve Glaszcz, outside of the approved cutting plan prepared by Lincoln Fish.
- 2019 – Bob Osborne received verbal permission from Bruce wood to utilize the same landing from the 2010 (est) harvest. Lincoln Fish followed with a letter outlining what would occur. Bruce Wood then sent Lincoln Fish an email with his concerns, this was not received due to an inaccurate email address.
- 2020 – Upon the arrival of Steve Glaszcz to begin logging Bruce Wood notified him that he was not permitted to use the property. Lincoln Fish amended the Forest Cutting Plan to relocate the landing off of the Wood's Property.

The FLB recommendation is not to reprimand, limit, restrict, suspend, or revoke the Forester License of Lincoln Fish based on the information given by the parties involved.

Other Business

Peter Church and the Board Thanked and Acknowledged Emily Boss for 6+ years of service to the FLB. Her time and efforts over the years have been greatly appreciated. Emily provided the Board with experience, calmness, and valued opinion through her tenor. The thoughtful remarks and perspective she provided will be missed.

Next Meeting will be held Virtually (login instruction will be posted on the agenda)

Scheduled for 4:00PM May 12th, 2021

Meeting Adjourned at 7:15 P.M. *(A motion was made (KM) and seconded (MM) unanimous approval)*

Cc: Peter Church