



**Forester Licensing Board**  
Minutes December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
DCR –Online Teams Meeting

Forester License Board Meeting – December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
Meeting Opened: 4:00 P.M. Online Teams Meeting

Attendance:

**Board Members:** M. Mueller, C. Mettey, D. Orwig, S. Wells  
**Public:** None

Public Inquiry:

**None**

Minutes of previous meeting:

The Chair (MM) referred members to the minutes of the October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024 meeting and requested comments or corrections prior to their approval. *A motion was made (MM) and seconded (DO) to accept the October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024 minutes. Motion carried with a unanimous vote of the potential voting members present.*

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.

MFL#	First Name	Last Name	Expire Date	2024 Cat I	2024 Total	2024 Cat I 3-Year Average	2024 Total 3-Year Average
340	Nicholas	Anzuoni	12/19/25	20.5	21.5	21.33	27
326	Joel	Carlson	11/17/25	SAF	SAF	SAF	SAF

350	James	DiMaio	11/21/25	SAF	SAF	SAF	SAF
423	Michael	Gieryk	11/13/25	19.75	20.75	19.42	20.42
371	Rupert	Grantham*	11/17/25	15	19	16.25	20.25
403	Paul	Gregory	11/19/25	26	35	29.33	39.67
383	Helen	Johnson	12/13/25	18.5	34.5	18	34.3
286	Robert	Kobelia	11/19/25	SAF	SAF	SAF	SAF
406	Joseph	Kowalski	12/17/25	20.5	22	22.83	26.83
372	Sean	Libbey	12/19/25	14	22	17.75	27.08
341	Jeffrey	Martin	12/19/25	15	19	18	23.33
440	Kevin	Podkowka	12/02/25	18.5	28	34.17	40.5
390	Scott	Shove	12/11/25	18	22	18	21.67
421	Jeffrey	Snitkin	12/12/25	24	24	26	26
474	Ben	VanHeynigen	12/14/25	11.5	20.0	N/A	N/A
339	Alison	Wright-Hunter	11/21/25	13.5	19.5	14.2	20.5

\*License Renewal fee not yet submitted

Note: MM was the second initials for applicants

*A motion was made (MM) and seconded (CM) to recommend the Renewal license applications to the director. Motion carried with a unanimous vote of members present.*

Licenses Not approved for Renewal / Request more information:

**None**

Expired/Non-Renewed Licenses:

**None**

Foresters who have Retired/Non-Renew:

**None**

Complaints

**None**

Other Business

- Follow up discussion of online portal for application and renewal application submission using Formstack.
  - Secretary will meet with Peter Church, Tessa Dassatti, Jennifer Fish and Mary Cardwell to discuss creation & implementation of a secure web platform.
- Goodbye to Environmental Org. Rep. Sarah Wells 12/11/24 is her final FLB meeting.
  - Joshua Rapp of Mass Audubon will step in as replacement for Environmental Org, Land Trust, or Consumer Group seat.
- Board Chair and Private Forester Consultant Rep. Mark Mueller's second term ends 3/6/25. Need to compile list of foresters who would be good candidates for replacement of board seat. Industry experience is of high importance.
- Next meeting is planned for 4:00PM March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025 online only.

Next Meeting will be held online, login instruction will be posted on the agenda.

### **Wednesday March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025 4:00PM – Online Meetings**

Meeting Adjourned at 4:07PM (*A motion was made (MM) and seconded (CM) unanimous approval.*)

**Cc: Peter Church**

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