

## MEETING

WEST VIRGINIA REAL ESTATE COMMISSION  
300 CAPITOL STREET, SUITE 400  
CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA 25301

August 17, 2022

The Commission met in regular session, on August 17, 2022. The following were in attendance:

Robert D. Kennen, Chairman  
James S. Walker, Vice Chairman  
Robert Wright II, Secretary  
Joseph Bevil, Commissioner  
Margaret Bartles, Commissioner  
Jerry A. Forren, Executive Director  
Robert W. Rucker, Investigator  
Rob Plume, Investigator  
Anthony Eates, Legal Counsel  
Keri Ferro, Education Director

The minutes from the July 20, 2022 meeting were approved by motion made by Commissioner Bartles and passed.

Commissioner Bevil moved to enter executive session to consider matters described in WV Code 6-9A-4(b)(2)(A), (4), (6) and/or (7); and passed.

Commissioner Bevil moved to return to regular session; and passed.

### Appearances

None

### BROKER APPLICANTS

Commissioner Bartles moved to approve the application, for broker license, of Sarah Elizabeth Combs, of Bunker Hill, WV; and passed.

Commissioner Walker moved to approve the application, for broker license, of Betty D. Lewis, of Summersville, WV; and passed.

Commissioner Walker moved to deny the application, for broker license, of Janice Ruth Faber, of Red House, WV; and passed.

### APPLICANTS WITH SPECIAL CONSIDERATION

Commissioner Wright moved to approve the application, for salesperson license, of Debra Lynn Arthur, of Ranson, WV; and passed.

Commissioner Bevil moved to approve the application, for salesperson license, of Josselyn Beth Nicole Cramer, of East Liverpool, OH; and passed

## OTHER LICENSURE- RELATED ISSUES

Commissioner Bartles moved to deny the request to allow the renewal of a cancelled license, for applicant, Melissa Morrow; and passed.

## COMPLAINTS & INVESTIGATIONS

Relating to the Complaint P-23-001, Commissioner Wright moved to find no probable cause; and passed.

Relating to the Complaint P-23-003, Commissioner Wright moved to find no probable cause; and passed

Commission Counsel updated the Commissioners on the request for an opinion from the law firm Steptoe & Johnson. The Commission's Opinion is that there is no license required for entities acting on behalf of others, conducting surface lease negotiations with landowners for the purposes of developing renewable energy facilities, ie., wind and solar electricity.

## REPORTS

### Executive Director Report

Executive Director Forren briefed the Commissioners on the following: Meetings coming up in the fall, an update on Commissioner appointments, the 2024 Appropriations Request is complete, fall interims and Executive Director Forren plans to retire on May 1, 2023. A search for the new Executive Director will begin in October. All questions and concerns were addressed.

### Broker Audit

The Broker Audits were presented. All questions and concerns were addressed.

### Budget/Financial

Executive Director Forren reviewed the year-to-date and monthly financials. All questions and concerns were addressed. Commissioner Wright moved to accept the report; and passed.

### Settlement / Compliance Report

None

### Education Report

Education Director Ferro updated the Commissioners on the status of CE Broker, PSI and Pearson and the upcoming Instructor Development Workshop. All reports were reviewed. All questions and concerns were addressed.

### Legislative Report

None

Personnel Matters

None

OLD & NEW BUSINESS

New Business

Old Business / Ongoing Projects

POLICIES, PRACTICES AND RULE CHANGES

Commissioner Bartles moved to approve all policies presented, with changes; and passed.

TRAVEL AND PER DIEM EXPENSES

Per Diem payments were reported by the Commissioners as follows:

Robert D. Kennen	3 days
James S. Walker	2 days
Bob Wright	2 days
Joe Bevil	3 days
Margaret Bartles	3 days

The next meeting of the Real Estate Commission is scheduled for Tuesday, October 4, 2022.

Commissioner Bartles made a motion to adjourn; and passed.

APPROVED: 10-4-2022

Robert Korman  
Chairman

R. Wynn  
Secretary