

# Meeting minutes: Occupational Safety and Health Review Board

**Date:** March 7, 2025, at 10 a.m.

**Prepared by:** Peggy Charpentier, executive secretary

**Location:** Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry, 443 Lafayette Road N., St. Paul, MN; Washington Room

## Call to order

- Board members present: Chair Robert Sogla; board members Christopher Strand and David Lillback; a quorum was met.
- Also present:
  - Nicholas Moen, assistant attorney general, attorney for the board;
  - Peggy Charpentier, executive secretary for the board;
  - Ali Afsharjavan, attorney for Minnesota OSHA (MNOSHA);
  - Craig Hirschey, W.E. Mowrey Company;
  - Steve Newstrom, Home Repair Inc.;
  - Jaci Polipnick, Trimpac, Inc., d/b/a Stallion Doors & Millwork;
  - Ben Lassell, Office of General Counsel; and
  - Erik Zircher, Office of General Counsel.

## Approval of agenda

- There was a motion to approve the agenda by Christopher Strand, seconded by David Lillback. The board voted unanimously to approve the agenda.

## Approval of minutes

- There was a motion to approve the Dec. 6, 2024, minutes by Strand, seconded by Lillback. The board voted unanimously to approve the minutes.
- There was a motion to approve the Feb. 10, 2025, minutes by Strand, seconded by Lillback. The board voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

## New business

- Commissioner, et al. v. W.E Mowrey Company
  - Craig Hirschey presented oral argument on behalf of the petitioner.
  - Ali Afsharjavan presented oral argument on behalf of MNOSHA.

- Commissioner, et al. v. Home Repair, Inc.
  - Steve Newstrom presented oral argument on behalf of the petitioner.
  - Ali Afsharjavan presented oral argument on behalf of MNOSHA.
- Commissioner, et al. v. Trimpac, Inc., d/b/a Stallion Doors & Millwork
  - Jaci Polipnick presented oral argument on behalf of the petitioner.
  - Ali Afsharjavan presented oral argument on behalf of MNOSHA.

## Closed session

- There was a motion to close the meeting to obtain advice of counsel by Strand, seconded by Lillback. The board voted unanimously to close the meeting.

## Open session

- Commissioner, et al. v. W.E Mowrey Company, federal inspection: 318207503
  - There was a motion to deny the petition to vacate by Lillback, seconded by Strand. The board voted. The motion passed unanimously.
- Commissioner, et al. v. Home Repair, Inc., federal inspection: 318111471
  - There was a motion to grant the petition to vacate by Strand, seconded by Lillback. The board voted. The motion passed unanimously.
- Commissioner, et al. v. Trimpac, Inc., d/b/a Stallion Doors & Millwork, federal inspection: 318207560
  - There was a motion to deny the petition to vacate by Lillback, seconded by Strand. The board voted. The motion passed unanimously.

## Approval of adjournment

- There was a motion to adjourn by Strand, seconded by Lillback. The board voted unanimously to adjourn.