Meeting Minutes: Board of Electricity

Date: July 14, 2026
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Location: DLI, 443 Lafayette Road No., St. Paul, MN 55155 | WebEx | Phone

Members present

1. Sarah Gudmunson (Vice Chair)
2. Steve Haiby
3. Jeff Heimerl
4. Dean Hunter (CO's Designee)
5. Oneka Jenkins
6. Jeff Peper
7. Allan Stadheim
8. Travis Thul – WebEx
9. Trevor Turek (Chair)
10. Desiree Weigel (Secretary)

Members absent

Keith Colvard

DLI staff & visitors

Jeff Lebowski (Board Counsel)
Lyndy Logan (DLI)
Sean Callanan (DLI)
Daniel Becker (DLI) – WebEx
Scott Higgins (DLI)
Ken McGurran (DLI) – WebEx
Sean O'Neil (DLI)
Clara Albert (Electrical Association) – WebEx
Eric Anderson – WebEx
Michelle Dreier (Electrical Association) – WebEx
Jade Learning (Certus) – WebEx
Greg Newson (Entegris) – WebEx
Wayne Pouliot (Three Rivers Park) - WebEx

1. Call to Order

A. **Roll Call:** Vice Chair Turek called the meeting to order at 9:13 a.m. Secretary Weigel took the roll call, and a quorum of 10 of 11 voting members was declared. A quorum was maintained throughout the meeting.
B. **Announcements/Introductions – Chair Turek**
   - Everyone present in person and remotely can hear all discussions.
   - All votes will be taken by roll call if any member is attending remotely.
   - All handouts discussed were distributed to members and interested parties via email, will be displayed on screen during the meeting, and at least one room copy is available. The agenda and minutes can be found on the Board's website.
C. WebEx instructions/procedures were explained.

2. Approval of Meeting Agenda

Heimerl made a motion, seconded by Weigel, to approve the agenda as presented. The roll call vote was unanimous, with 10 votes in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Gudmunson made a motion, seconded by Haiby, to approve the April 14, 2026, regular meeting minutes as presented. The roll call vote was unanimous, with 10 votes in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

4. Regular Business

A. **Expense Approval** – Expense reports will be forwarded to Financial Services for payment.

B. **Enforcement & licensing update** – **Sean O'Neil**

- Electrical Enforcement Actions can be found on the department's website at: http://www.dli.mn.gov/business/electrical-contractors/electrical-enforcement-actions.
- **Licensing Unit/License & Registrations**
  - Electrical contractors 2,610
  - Registered employers 443
  - Technology systems contractors 846
  - Master electricians 6,641
  - Journeyworker electricians 12,516
  - Registered Unlicensed Electricians 15,789
  - Power-limited technicians 3,997
  - Registered unlicensed PLT 5,419
  - Sign contractor bond 109
  - Master **(288),** journey worker **(658)**, power limited technician (PLT) (**151**)
- **Enforcement Unit**
  - Active electrical investigations 165
  - Orders issued YTD in 2025 71
    - Suspension orders for child support deficiencies are not published
  - Investigations closed 86
- See CCLD's Newsletter to view contractors who have been penalized for working without proper licensing or bonding and failing to finish projects after getting paid.
- **Exam pass rates for 2026 for total exams**
  - Master – 49.3%
  - Journeyworker - $44.6%
  - PLT – 55.9%
- **Exam pass rates by test taker**
  - Master – 36%/57% (288 testers)
  - Journeyworker – 33%/55% (658 testers)
  - PLT – 44%/64% (151 testers)

C. Inspection update – Dean Hunter – contact lyndy.logan@state.mn.us for attachments.

5. Special Business

A. Officer nominations – turn meeting over to Dean Hunter, Commissioner's Designee

a. **Chair:** Heimerl nominated Trevor Turek. There were no other nominations. The majority roll call vote ruled with 8 votes in favor and two abstentions (Hunter and Turek). Turek will continue serving as the Chair.

b. **Vice-Chair**: Turek nominated Sarah Gudmunson. There were no other nominations. The majority vote ruled with 8 in favor and two abstentions (Gudmunson and Hunter); Gudmunson will continue serving as the Vice Chair.

c. **Secretary**: Heimerl nominated Desiree Weigel. There were no other nominations. The majority roll call ruled with 8 votes in favor and two abstentions (Weigel and Hunter). Weigel will continue serving as the Secretary.

The meeting was turned over to the re-elected Chair Turek

B. Construction Codes Advisory Council representative and alternate – Chair Turek
   a. Desiree Weigel remains the representative with Chair Turek serving as her alternate.
C. 2026 NEC adoption update – Jeff Lebowski
   a. The judge approved the rulemaking on June 30 after some procedural issues were resolved. We do not anticipate a veto from the Governor's Office. The rule was published on July 27, 2026. Following a five-day period before it becomes effective, the effective date will be ~~August 3, 2026~~ **August 17, 2026 – amended post meeting.** Additional updates will be provided regarding testing and inspections. Hunter noted that all Minnesota electrical licensing examinations will transition to the 2026 NEC beginning September 8, 2026.

6. Committee Reports

The Construction Codes Advisory Council has not met since Nov. 14, 2025. The next meeting is scheduled for July 30, 2026. Desiree Weigel will serve as the board's representative, Trevor Turek as her alternate.

7. Complaints and Correspondence

None

8. Open Forum

None

9. Board Discussion

A. Heimerl thanked the officers for continuing to take on these additional duties, noting that he recognizes they all have full-time jobs.
B. Hunter stated that regarding the NEC rollout, a GovD will be sent to all license holders, and the website will be updated accordingly. The public should receive this information within the next few days. View additional resources including the Minnesota electrical laws and rules.

10. Announcements

Regularly scheduled meetings occur on the second Tuesday of each quarter at 9:00 a.m., in person at DLI, with WebEx/Phone options

- Oct. 13, 2026

11. Adjournment

Heimerl made a motion, seconded by Jenkins, to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 a.m. The roll call vote was unanimous, with 10 votes in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Desiree Weigel
Desiree Weigel, Secretary