

**IDAHO ELECTRICAL BOARD  
SPECIAL TELECONFERENCE/  
VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING**

**Thursday – February 13, 2020 – 9:30 a.m. (MST)**

**Division of Building Safety  
1090 East Watertower Street, Suite 150, Meridian  
1250 Ironwood Drive, Suite 220, Coeur d'Alene  
155 North Maple Street, Blackfoot**

**MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 13, 2020 SPECIAL MEETING**

**NOTE:** The following report is not a verbatim transcript of the discussions at the meeting; however, is to record the significant features of those discussions.

Chairman Bob Scott called the special meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. (MST)

**Board Members Present:**

Bob Scott, Chairman  
Jeff Wheeler, Vice-Chairman  
Joe Harbacheck  
Jim Marchetti  
Casey Wilson  
Rick Stark  
Todd Feusier  
Jim Swier

**DBS Staff Members Present:**

Chris L. Jensen, Administrator  
Ron Whitney, Deputy Administrator  
Patrick J. Grace, Regional Manager, Region 2  
Adam Bowcutt, Regional Manager, Region 3  
Gary Sonnen, Regional Supervisor, Region 1  
Warren Wing, Electrical Program Manager  
Renee Bryant, Administrative Assistant 2

◆ **Authorize Notice of Adoption of Temporary Rule Regarding IDAPA 07.01.01**

At the adjournment of the 2019 Legislative Session, a concurrent resolution to extend the current administrative rules was not approved; therefore, all agencies with governing boards/commissions had to approve the re-adoption of their rules. In anticipation of the possibility of it happening again, the Board has been asked by the Governor's office to approve the rules on a temporary basis, as submitted to the 2020 legislature, for another year in the event they are not reauthorized upon sine die of the 2020 Legislature.

Chairman Scott read the following motion: "Upon sine die of the 2020 session of the Idaho Legislature, and conditioned upon the Board's rules not otherwise being approved by the Legislature or not extended pursuant to the Idaho Administrative Procedure Act, the Board adopt as temporary rules the Board's rules in IDAPA 07.01.01 related to Electrical Board as presented to the 2020 Idaho Legislature, and that the Board delegate to the Administrator the authority to make and approve all notices and filings under the rulemaking process."

**MOTION:** Joe Harbacheck moved to accept the motion. Jim Swier seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

◆ **Apprentice Ratio**

The Administrator has been asked by both the executive branch and legislative branch of the government to propose the Board change the apprentice ratio from two to three in a motion made at the January 29, 2020 special Electrical Board meeting. Therefore, one- and two-family dwellings would have a four to one ratio and everything else would have a three to one ratio. For the temporary rule to go into effect, it must be approved by the executive branch and the executive branch has asked the Board to change the ratio. If the change is not made, both branches have indicated there will be no apprentice ratio across the board at sine die.

**MOTION:** Todd Feusier made a motion to change the apprentice ratio from two to three in the temporary rule motion the Board approved at the January 29, 2020 special Electrical Board meeting. Joe Harbacheck seconded. Roll call: Casey Wilson-Aye, Rick Stark-Aye; Jim Marchetti-Nay; Joe Harbacheck-Aye; Jim Swier-Nay; Todd Feusier-Aye; Jeff Wheeler-Nay and Bob Scott-Nay. Four ayes and four nays; motion at an impasse and does move forward.

◆ **Adjournment**

**MOTION:** Jeff Wheeler made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Casey Wilson seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m. (MST)

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BOB SCOTT, CHAIRMAN  
IDAHO ELECTRICAL BOARD

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RON WHITNEY, ADMINISTRATOR  
DIVISION OF BUILDING SAFETY

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