

# MINUTES

## BOARD OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

July 15, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

Sawgrass Marriott Golf Resort & Spa  
1000 TPC Boulevard  
Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082

## Call to Order

Mr. Delate, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

## Members Present

Mr. Joseph Delate, Chair  
Mr. Richard Conant  
Mr. Phillip Smith  
Mr. Michael Kroll  
Mr. Paul Kissinger, Vice Chair

### Members Absent

Michael Kulich (excused)

## Others Present

Ruthanne Christie, Executive Director  
Dina Oliveto Government Analyst II  
Deborah Loucks, Board Counsel  
Melanie Griffin, Department Secretary

Secretary Griffin addressed the board and audience.

### Recognition of newly licensed Registered Landscape Architects (July 9, 2024 to June 19, 2025)

The following were recognized:

Nora Annabelle Abbott  
Alexandra Violet Bogenrief  
Jessica Joanne Braud  
Sarah Annette Bryant  
Johan Andres Bueno  
Brian Prosser Carson  
Yan Chen  
Jordan Karch Chiang

47 Abdias Dalisma  
48 Dylan Tyler Ford  
49 Nicholas Stephen Guida  
50 Michael Jared Hans  
51 Jacob Colebrook Hess  
52 Ngoc Bao Ho  
53 Yutong Hu  
54 Mark Ryan Hynko  
55 Nicholas Leschofs  
56 Richard J. Malone  
57 Tamarind Ilyse Matthews  
58 Doug McClure  
59 Rutusha Nagaraj Kapini  
60 Sophia Andrade Neves  
61 Santiago Olarte  
62 Hannah Plate  
63 Elizabeth Prugh  
64 Ashley Pumares  
65 Alexandra Whitney Reynolds  
66 Katja Rocha  
67 Alejandro Rodriguez  
68 Jessica Valerie Romer  
69 Jeffrey David Slater  
70 Mara Stegaru

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73 **Review of Applications**

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75 **Kirsten Farmer – 6 year Applicant**

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77 Ms. Farmer was present and sworn in.

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79 **Motion:** Mr. Kissinger made a motion to approve the application.

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81 **Second:** Mr. Kroll

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83 Motion passed unanimously.

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86 **Rules Report – None**

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89 **Annual Regulatory Plan**

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91 **Motion:** Mr. Conant made a motion to approve the Annual Regulatory Plan,

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93 **Second:** Mr. Kissinger

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95 Motion passed unanimously.

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98 **Ratification List of Applications**

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100 **Motion:** Mr. Kroll made a motion to approve the list.

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102 **Second:** Mr. Smith

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104 Motion passed unanimously.

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107 **Ratification List of Continuing Education Courses**

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109 **Motion:** Mr. Kissinger made a motion to approve the list.

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111 **Second:** Mr. Conant

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113 Motion passed unanimously.

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116 **Review of Meeting Minutes**

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118 **April 8, 2025 Meeting Minutes**

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120 **Motion:** Mr. Smith made a motion to approve meeting minutes, as is.

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122 **Second:** Mr. Kissinger

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124 Motion passed unanimously.

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127 **Next Meeting:** Conference call in August.

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130 **Old Business-** Mr. Kissinger discussed needing to change the process for  
131 accepting plans for 6 year applicants. He feels that the files are too large. Ms.  
132 Christie will draft language to change rule to discuss at next conference call.

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135 **New Business-** CLARB is amending by-laws and looking for support from the  
136 Board. Ms. Christie will apply for 2 Board members to go to their annual meeting  
137 in September.

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140 **Executive Director's Report** – Ms. Christie presented the following reports:  
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142 **Legislative Update** – No changes affected Landscape Architect.  
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144 **Financial Report** – 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter  
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146 **Enforcement Report** – Presented  
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148 **Exam Update** – 66% pass rate  
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150 **Motion:** Mr. Kroll made a motion to add 5 irrigation questions to exam.  
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152 **Second:** Mr. Kissinger  
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154 **Motion:** Mr. Conant made a motion to make the exam open book with 5  
155 additional questions.  
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157 **Second:** Mr. Kissinger  
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160 **Public Comment** – Discussion about CE submission  
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163 **Election of Officers:**  
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165 **Motion:** Mr. Kroll made a motion for Mr. Delate to continue serving as chairman.  
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167 **Second:** Mr. Kissinger.  
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169 Motion passed unanimously.  
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171 **Motion:** Mr. Delate made a motion for Mr. Kissinger to continue serving as vice  
172 chairman.  
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174 **Second:** Mr. Conant.  
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176 Motion passed unanimously.  
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178 **Adjourn      10:17 a.m.**