

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 MN OSHA;
 - Craig Hirschey; W.E. Mowrey Company;
 - Steve Newstrom, Home Repair Inc.;
 - o Jaci Polipnick, Trimpac, Inc., d/b/a Stallion Doors & Millwork;
 - Ben Lassell, Office of General Counsel; and
 - o Erik Zircher, Office of General Counsel.

Approval of agenda

 Motion to approve Agenda by Christopher Strand, seconded by David Lillback. The Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda.

Approval of minutes

- Motion to approve the December 6, 2024 minutes by Christopher Strand, seconded by David Lillback.
 The Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes.
- Motion to approve the February 10, 2025 minutes by Christopher Strand, seconded by David 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.

- o Ali Afsharjavan presented oral argument on behalf of MN OSHA.
- 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 MN OSHA.
- Commissioner, et al. v. Trimpac, Inc., d/b/a Stallion Doors & Millwork
 - o Jaci Polipnick presented oral argument on behalf of the petitioner.
 - o Ali Afsharjavan presented oral argument on behalf of MN OSHA.

Closed session

 Motion to close the meeting to obtain advice of counsel by Christopher Strand, seconded by David Lillback. The Board voted unanimously to close the meeting.

Open session

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

Approval of adjournment

• Motion to adjourn by Christopher Strand, seconded by David Lillback. The Board voted unanimously to adjourn.