#### DRAFT Minutes of the North Carolina Home Inspector Licensure Board

### May 13, 2022

An emergency meeting of the North Carolina Home Inspector Licensure Board ("Board") was held at 12:00 pm noon on Friday, May 13, 2022, as a hybrid meeting in person at the Board office 325 N. Salisbury St., Raleigh, NC and by video teleconference via Cisco WebEx.

The following members of the Board were present in person or remotely:

William Morris Connie Corey Rob Roegner

Chad Collins Joseph Ramsey

The following members of the Board were absent:

David Dye Derrick Johnson Arthur Hall

N.C. Department of Insurance, Engineering Division staff members Mike Hejduk, Rodney Daughtry, Beth Williams, Sam Whittington, Christopher Mc Lamb, and Rich Hall were in attendance. Board Attorney Heather Freeman, N.C. Department of Justice ("NCDOJ"), Pam Melton (N.C. Realtors), Ken Brittain, Eric Coates, and legal counsel Katie Green (Forrest Firm, P.C.) attended. Other visitors attended virtually.

#### Agenda

Chairwoman Connie M. Corey called meeting to order, opening remarks and welcomed guests

Vice-Chairman Chad Collins read the Ethics Awareness and Conflict of Interest reminder.

# 1. Consider Attorney General advisory letter regarding HIC "Walk and Talk Program"

Chairwoman Corey advised members that the only agenda item for consideration in this emergency meeting is the Attorney General advisory letter of April 8, 2022 and summarized events leading to this letter.

Executive Director Mike Hejduk presented the letter and noted that the letter will be posted on the web page for licensees. Hejduk stated that he was contacted by Preston Sandlin, HIC who could not attend the meeting.

Board attorney Heather Freeman stated that the Attorney General's office does not provide legal advice to licensees. The advisory letter from Daniel Johnson is a public record. If licensees have questions, they must be handled on a case by case basis.

Chairwoman Corey asked if any Board members had questions. Bill Morris commented that home inspections must be performed by licensed home inspectors.

Hejduk stated that two existing options are to submit a complaint against a licensee or to advise unlicensed individuals to secure a license. Courts may be petitioned to issue injunctions. Freeman stated that referral for criminal investigation is a third option.

Collins stated that current housing market conditions have precipitated this practice. Collins stated that his appointment by the Governor to the Board represents 30,000 home builders. Collins stated that

Chairwoman Corey suggested this item be referred to the Standards of Practice Committee meeting prior to the next meeting.

## Adjournment

William Morris made a motion to adjourn seconded by Chad Collins and the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Rob Roegner

Secretary, N.C. Home Inspector Licensure Board