

1 MINUTES

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3 BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS
4 AND MAPPERS

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6 APPLICATION REVIEW COMMITTEE

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8 HILTON ST. PETERSBURG BAYFRONT
9 333 1ST STREET SOUTHEAST
10 ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA 33701

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12 THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2026
13 *(Immediately following Probation Review Committee)*
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15 The meeting was called to order by Landon Cross, Committee Chair, at 10:15 a.m.

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17 **COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

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19 Landon Cross, Committee Chair, and Board Member
20 Michael Zoltek, Board Chair, and Committee Member
21 Keith Cramer, Board Member
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23 **BOARD AND STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT**

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25 Wendi McAleese, Board Vice Chair - ABSENT
26 Ia Hall, Board Member - ABSENT
27 Danny Williams, Board Member
28 Andrew Getz, Board Member
29 Jim Sullivan, Board Member
30 Jennifer Cannon, Board Member - ABSENT
31 Christopher Green, Executive Director
32 Regenia Lee, Government Analyst
33 Jacob Sternlicht, Board Counsel
34 Ana Gargollo-McDonald, Prosecuting Attorney
35 Amy Coody, Public Relations Specialist
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37 **OTHERS PRESENT**

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39 Kimberly Odom
40 Don Elder
41 Yordi Silva
42 Harry B. Rogers
43 David Doudney
44 Chris McLaughlin
45 Wilson Adme
46 Lawton Carter
47 Jose Correa
48 Antida Abela
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54 **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 3, 2026, APPLICATION REVIEW COMMITTEE**
55 **MINUTES**
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57 After discussion, the following motion was made:
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59 MOTION: Mr. Zoltek made a motion to approve the February 3, 2026, minutes.

60 SECOND: Mr. Cramer seconded.

61 ACTION: The motion passed unanimously.
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63 **CONSENT AGENDA – EXAMINATION APPLICATIONS**
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- 65 1. ABELA, ANTIDA – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING, NCEES
66 PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES, AND FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL
67 EXAMINATIONS
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- 69 2. BATTIG, BRANDEN V. – FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION
70 ONLY WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING AND
71 PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES EXAMINATIONS
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- 73 3. BAHR, SCOTT ALLEN - NCEES PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES
74 EXAMINATION AND THE FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION
75 ONLY WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
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- 77 4. BROWN, TAYLOR N. – NCEES PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES
78 EXAMINATION AND THE FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION
79 ONLY WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
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- 81 5. CALABRESE, MICHAEL R. – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING,
82 NCEES PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES, AND FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL
83 EXAMINATIONS
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- 85 6. CAMPBELL, ANDREW - NCEES PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES
86 EXAMINATION AND THE FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION
87 ONLY WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
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- 89 7. CARTER, LAWTON – NCEES PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES
90 EXAMINATION AND THE FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION
91 ONLY WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
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- 93 8. CLARCQ, BRENNAN - NCEES PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES
94 EXAMINATION AND THE FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION
95 ONLY WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
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- 97 9. GARCIA, ERNESTO – FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION ONLY
98 WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING AND
99 PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES EXAMINATIONS
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- 101 10. HOLDEN, ZOEY - NCEES PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES EXAMINATION
102 AND THE FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION ONLY WAIVING
103 THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
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- 106 11. NOBLES, JONATHAN - FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION
107 ONLY WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING AND
108 PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES EXAMINATIONS – PS EXAMINATION
109 WAS TAKEN IN GEORGIA.
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111 12. OELKE, ETHAN – FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION ONLY
112 WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING AND
113 PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES EXAMINATIONS
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115 13. RUBEN, JOSEPH PAUL JACOB - NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF
116 SURVEYING, NCEES PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES, AND FLORIDA
117 JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATIONS
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119 14. RUSHING, TERRY - NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING, NCEES
120 PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES, AND FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL
121 EXAMINATIONS
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123 15. VELEZ, RICHARD - NCEES PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES
124 EXAMINATION AND THE FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION
125 ONLY WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
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127 16. WALKER, REUBEN J. – NCEES PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES
128 EXAMINATION AND THE FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION
129 ONLY WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
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131 17. WHITTAKER, ANDREW - NCEES PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES
132 EXAMINATION AND THE FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION
133 ONLY WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
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135 After discussion, the following motion was made:
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137 MOTION: Mr. Zoltek made a motion to approve the consent agenda of 17 Examination
138 Applications.

139 SECOND: Mr. Cramer seconded.

140 ACTION: The motion passed unanimously.
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142 **CONSENT AGENDA – ENDORSEMENT APPLICATIONS**
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- 144 1. BELL, VERNON - FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION ONLY
145 WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING AND
146 PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES EXAMINATIONS – QUALIFIES AS
147 ENDORSEMENT UNDER OPTION 2
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149 2. BERGER, FELTON - FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION
150 ONLY WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING AND
151 PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES EXAMINATIONS – QUALIFIES AS
152 ENDORSEMENT UNDER OPTION 2
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154 3. GRAY, WILLIAM BRADLEY - FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL
155 EXAMINATION ONLY WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF
156 SURVEYING AND PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES EXAMINATIONS –
157 QUALIFIES AS ENDORSEMENT UNDER OPTION 2

4. GUSTAFSON, JASON - FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION ONLY WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING AND PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES EXAMINATIONS - QUALIFIES AS ENDORSEMENT UNDER OPTION 2
5. HEITZER, ROBERT D. - FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION ONLY WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING AND PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES EXAMINATIONS - QUALIFIES AS ENDORSEMENT UNDER OPTION 2
6. NOFTSGER, THOMAS - FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION ONLY WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING AND PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES EXAMINATIONS - QUALIFIES AS ENDORSEMENT UNDER OPTION 2
7. RIDGELY, AUSTIN N. - FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION ONLY WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING AND PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES EXAMINATIONS - QUALIFIES AS ENDORSEMENT UNDER OPTION 2
8. TALLENT II, JEFFERY A. - FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION ONLY WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING AND PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES EXAMINATIONS - QUALIFIES AS ENDORSEMENT UNDER OPTION 2
9. THICK II, AUGUST A. - FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION ONLY WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING AND PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES EXAMINATIONS - QUALIFIES AS ENDORSEMENT UNDER OPTION 2
10. VALLEE, ROBERT - FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION ONLY WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING AND PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES EXAMINATIONS - QUALIFIES AS ENDORSEMENT UNDER OPTION 2
11. WILBER, CHRISTEN - FLORIDA JURISDICTIONAL EXAMINATION ONLY WAIVING THE NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING AND PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES EXAMINATIONS - QUALIFIES AS ENDORSEMENT UNDER OPTION 2

After discussion, the following motion was made:

MOTION: Mr. Zoltek made a motion to approve the 11 Endorsement applications on the consent agenda.
SECOND: Mr. Cramer seconded.
ACTION: The motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA - SURVEYOR IN TRAINING APPLICATIONS

1. ADME, WILSON – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
2. AKINADAMU, AYODELE – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
3. ANACHEBE, DUBEM D. – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
4. COBB, FREDERICK – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
5. COPELAND, JAMES D. – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
6. ECHEZABAL, YORDI SILVA – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
7. GILL, DANIEL DAVID – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
8. LOCKLIN, COLTON – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
9. MANDELL, TUCKER R. – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
10. MARCHANT, GERMAN – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
11. MAXWELL, JOSHUA D. - NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
12. MCGONE, LAURANCE J. – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
13. MCLOUGHLIN, MASON – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
14. NARINEJIT, ALYSSA G. – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
15. SALMON, GARRETT – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
16. STILLEY, COLTON – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
17. STROUD, SEAN M. – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
18. SARRIO, ERIC W. – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
19. SORIA, LOGAN – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
20. VILLALVA, GUSTAVO – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
21. WATSON, TIMOTHY – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
22. WHARTON, HUDSON PIERCE – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING
23. YLLANDER, JAKE A. – NCEES FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING

After discussion, the following motion was made:

- MOTION: Mr. Zoltek made a motion to approve the consent agenda of 23 Surveyor-in-
Training applicants.
SECOND: Mr. Cramer seconded.
ACTION: The motion passed unanimously.

APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY LICENSE – THOMAS NOFTSGER

After discussion, the following motion was made:

- MOTION: Mr. Zoltek made a motion to approve the Application for Temporary License for
Thomas Noftsger.
SECOND: Mr. Cramer seconded.
ACTION: The motion passed unanimously.

APPLICATION FOR RETIRED STATUS – LELAND EMPIE, LS 5766

After discussion, the following motion was made:

- MOTION: Mr. Zoltek made a motion to approve the Application for Retired Status for
Leland Empie, LS5766.
SECOND: Mr. Cramer seconded.
ACTION: The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Cross stated that he and Mr. Sullivan attended the Emerging Tech and Policy / Path of Professional Licensure workshop that was sponsored by the Florida Atlantic University. Mr. Cross stated that one of the discussions was regarding a NCEES grant to be used for different projects, including artificial intelligence (AI) for surveying and geographic information systems. Mr. Sullivan served as a panel member and stated that Florida Licensed Surveyors Rick Pryce and Bryan Merritt gave presentations. Mr. Cross said that AI, is another tool for surveyors but is still in development. He also said that there was a discussion on how to teach surveying students AI procedures and how they would apply to surveying. Mr. Sullivan stated that surveyors need to keep up with AI technology and the Board needs to stay ahead of this new technology as much as possible. Mr. Zoltek commented that best practices for AI was discussed at the most recent NCEES Southern Zone meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Don Elder, FSMS representative, said that Leland Empie was a great Florida Surveyor and has continuously contributed to Florida surveying.

ADJOURNMENT – Adjourned at 10:33 p.m.

GENERAL BUSINESS

FULL BOARD VOTE - APPLICATION REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT – LANDON CROSS

Mr. Cross reported that the Application Committee met and approved the minutes for February 3, 2026. He also reported that the Committee approved 17 Initial applicants, 11 Endorsement applicants, 23 Surveyor-in-Training applicants, 1 Retired Status approval and 1 temporary license approval. He also reported that there was a discussion regarding a workshop he and Mr. Sullivan attended at Florida Atlantic University.

MOTION: Mr. Sullivan made a motion to approve the Application Committee Meeting report.

SECOND: Mr. Cramer seconded.

ACTION: The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT – Adjourned at 10:34 a.m.