**Meeting Minutes for**

**Building Committee Meeting**

**MEETING DETAILS**.

Date: 8/1/2024 Time: 10:01AM

Location: Zoom : <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85026072514>

ATTENDEES.

Trey Giglio, Jake Causey, Mike Joiner, Johnny Marcade, Kaci Day, Diana Cutrer, Ashley Tullier

**NEW BUSINESS**.

**Item #1**: Adopt the Building Committee Agenda for 8/1/2024

MOTION: MICHAEL JOINER

SECOND: JAKE CAUSEY

MOTION: CARRIED

**Item #2**: Baton Rouge Facility

1. Discussion of two facilities (new Administration building/current testing facility).

The Committee discussed that the Board has a budget of roughly 900K for a facility. The Board has the option of keeping the current location and purchasing a secondary location for staff and Board Meetings in Baton Rouge. The Committee further discussed that the available locations are outside of the Boards Budget.

1. Discussion of alternative board meeting locations (keep only existing location).

The Committee would like to determine if they can find state agencies such as city councils to host the Boards quarterly and annual meetings. The Committee discussed finding locations in Baton Rouge, Shreveport, Lake Charles, Alexandria, Monroe and New Orleans to hold their meetings. The Committee will reach out and report back to the Board.

1. Discussion of alternative Baton Rouge testing location (keep only existing location)

The Committee discussed the possibilities of expanding the building that we currently have, The Board owes 220K on the building and since moving to digital documentation, the Board has freed up additional space that could be used to expand the testing area. With additional space the Committee also wanted to mention that we could start making moves towards computer-based exams at the Baton Rouge Location.

**Item #3**: Shreveport Facility

1. capabilities/function

The Committee discussed that properties may be cheaper in Shreveport and as the testing is growing in Shreveport this may be an opportunity to open a testing facility in Shreveport with future functionality of a full office. This would allow a facility for those located in North Louisiana the capability of gaining access to the Board more often. The Board also discussed the cost that is associated with persons having to test in Baton Rouge and a cost savings to the applicant being able to test in North Louisiana. The Committee further stated that while they will report on the items from this Committee at the next Board Meeting, they want to further explore all options prior to making a recommendation to the Board.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: To adjourn the Building Committee Meeting of the State Plumbing Board of Louisiana at 11:35pm.

MOTION: JAKE CAUSEY

SECOND: MICHAEL JOINER

MOTION: CARRIED