

City of Reading

Plumbing Board Minutes

December 3, 2025

The meeting was held at the Wastewater Treatment Plant 899 Morgantown Road.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM by President William Gernert.

Board members present at the meeting:

William Gernert

Frank Forster

Donald Snyder

Chad Mauer

Barry Unger

Chad Spohn

Also Present: Chief Plumbing Inspector Jay Montgomery

Members of the Reading Plumbing Apprentice committee attending the meeting.

Wilson Gehret

Kyle Herbine

Paul Fisher

Mike Wentling

Other attendees

Larry Messina

Old Business:

September 3, 2025, minutes were read and Barry Unger made a motion to accept the minutes, and it was seconded by Donald Snyder.

There wasn't any other old business

New business:

Members of the Reading Plumbing Apprenticeship Committee attended the meeting they came to ask for guidance. They filed a right to know with the City of Reading asking for a list of every current master plumber, the request was

extended by the City for 30 days after 30 days it still was not delivered. A handwritten incomplete list of only 34 Master plumbers was later provided. This list is necessary for the committee to verify that the students that are enrolled in the apprenticeship program are working for a master plumber and at the end of their apprenticeship they are eligible per the City of Reading's requirements to take the Journeyman's exam. The Board and the Committee had lengthy discussions on ways to rectify the situation. There was also a conversation on procedures the BCTC should take to help them make sure the students that are in the program will be eligible per the City of Readings requirements to take the exam. Attached is a typed list that was provided to the apprenticeship committee.

A motion was made by Frank Forster to Adjourn, and it was seconded by Chad Mauer.

Submitted by,
Chad Spohn,
Recording Secretary.