

City of Reading

Plumbing Board Minutes

June 3rd, 2026

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

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM by President William Gernert. 1st by Barry Unger and 2nd motion by Chip Fegely.

Board members present at the meeting:

William Gernert

Frank Forster

Chad Mauer

Barry Unger

Chip Fegely

Also Present: Chief Plumbing Inspector Jay Montgomery

Kyle Herbine & Mike Wentling: Liaison to the Reading Plumbing Apprentice committee

Larry Messina-from Public

Old Business:

April 8th, 2026, minutes were read and Frant Forster made a motion to accept the minutes, and it was seconded by Chad Mauer.

Cameron Hunter: Needs to provide proof that the company that he worked for has a master plumber that he worked under for the four years he was an apprentice. Jay, to confirm if Easton reciprocated with the Delaware county licenses to get his Masters in Easton?

Gage Andreas: This candidate is under review. He worked under a master plumber that has a master's license in the city of Easton. It has been brought to

the board's attention that the City of Easton's qualifications are less stringent than the City of Reading and therefore does not qualify for the city code requirements to take the exam. Brief discussion but following City of Reading Ordinances.

New Business

Michael Bernabe (31 years in trade) with Berks Plumbing Specialist came in to get a city of Reading Masters license. He took and passed the G24-Master Plumber ICC test on 5-4-2026. Unfortunately, he has never held a city of Reading Journeyman's license which is required to be held for two years before you can get your master's license. We are following the City of Reading Ordinances. Must get Journeyman's license first then he can get a master's after waiting 2 years.

A motion was made by Barry Unger to adjourn, and it was seconded by Chad Mauer. The meeting ended at 4:45 p.m.

Submitted by,
Barry Unger,
Filling in for Recording Secretary Chad Spohn.