

# **Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy**

\*\*\*NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING\*\*\*

#### DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

#### LOCATIONS:

This meeting of the Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy will take place online via Zoom, available via telephone or by visiting 1755 E. Plumb Ln. Ste 254, Reno, NV 89502. Persons wishing to participate in the meeting may connect to the meeting through the link below or telephone numbers below. Persons wishing to provide public comment during the meeting may use the links below and at the appropriate time, the Board Chair will call on persons wishing to make public comment.

Virtual access is available by registering for this meeting online: <a href="https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89778020789?pwd=1N067BPNtsd55SjRrSXhztRFZBPphA.1">https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89778020789?pwd=1N067BPNtsd55SjRrSXhztRFZBPphA.1</a>
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### **DATES AND TIMES:**

October 1, 2025, commencing at 9:00 a.m. Zoom sign-in available at 8:30 a.m.

# **AGENDA**

Please Note: The Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy may: 1) take agenda items out of order; 2) combine two or more items for consideration; or 3) remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion related to an item at any time. Reasonable efforts will be made to assist and accommodate individuals with disabilities who wish to attend the meeting. Please contact Elisabeth Barnard at 775.687.9951 (ebarnard@lmt.nv.gov), in advance, so that arrangements may be made. Public comment will be taken at the beginning and the end of the meeting. The Board may convene in closed session to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence or physical or mental health of a person (NRS 241.030).

Public Comment Agenda Item: There is a time designated at the beginning of the meeting and the end of the meeting for Public Comment. Members of the general public may bring matters not appearing on this Agenda to the attention of the Board or make comment on specific agenda items. Public comment may also be taken at other such times as requested as long as the request for public comment will not interrupt ongoing Board business. The Board may discuss the matters not on the agenda but may not act on the matters at this meeting. If the Board desires, the matters may be placed on a future Agenda for action. In consideration of others who may also wish to provide public comment, please avoid repetition. The Board limits public comment to three (3) minutes.

Prior to the commencement and conclusion of a contested case or quasi-judicial proceeding that may affect the due process rights of an individual, the Board may refuse to consider public comment (see NRS 233B.126). Please be aware that after the quasi-judicial Board has rendered a decision in the contested case and, assuming this happens before adjournment, the Board may entertain public comment on the proceeding at that time.

1. Call to order and roll call of Board Members.

The Meeting was called to order 9:00 a.m. on October 1, 2025, by Chair Rebecca Dorangricchia. Board members in attendance included Vice Chair Paula Wilbur, Secretary-Treasurer Jenn Ty, Alan Kite-Swinden, Rosemarie Mueller, John Teng, and Bill Schoen. Additional attendees included Executive Director Elisabeth Barnard and Board Counsel Colleen Platt.

2. Mission Statement of the Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy – To protect the public health, safety, and welfare through effective massage therapy regulation. Insuring that qualified, competent, ethical practitioners are licensed.

Dorangricchia read the mission statement into the record.

3. Public comment – Members of the public who wish to participate in a public meeting may do so by providing public comment during the two designated public comment periods. Additionally, public comment options may include, without limitation, telephonic or email comment. Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under public comment until scheduled on an agenda for action at a later meeting. The Board will not restrict comments based on viewpoint. The opportunity for public comment will be available at the beginning and ending of the meeting. (Discussion Only)

No attendees at the meeting offered any public comment. No written public comment was received prior to the meeting.

- 4. Application Review. (The Board may convene in closed session to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence or physical or mental health of a person.) (For Possible Action)
  - a. Review Application of Brandy McGowan (For Discussion and Possible Action)

McGowan was present, her application was presented for review by the Board.

Dorangricchia motioned to approve the application. Paula Wilber seconded the motion. Motion carried.

5. Formal Hearing Byron A. Provost, Jr NVMT.12816 – Case Number NVMT-C-25045. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Provost was present along with legal counsel Jeffrey Ashbeck.

Deputy Attorney General Joseph Ostunio presented the Complaint and Notice of Hearing and stated his opening arguments.

Ashbeck made his opening statement on behalf of the respondent.

Ostunio called Cameron Farney to testify. Platt swore in Farney. Farney provided testimony regarding the events that occurred during the massage Provost performed on him.

Farney was questioned by Ostunio, Ashbeck, and the Board.

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Ashbeck called respondent Provost to testify. Platt swore in Provost. Provost provided testimony regarding the events the occurred during the massage Provost performed.

Defense Exhibit B was admitted by Wilber.

Provost was questioned by Weiss, Ashbeck, and the Board.

Dorangriccia left the meeting at 12:11 p.m. Wilber stepped in as presiding officer.

Ostunio provided closing statements. Ashbeck provided closing statements.

The Board discussed the case. Teng stated he believed the complainant more than the respondent.

Kite-Swinden motioned to accept the allegations as true. Seconded by Teng. Motion carried, none opposed.

Kite-Swinden motioned to find the violations of law 1 through 6, as stated in the complaint, did occur. Seconded by Teng. Motion carried, none opposed.

Kite-Swinden motioned to revoke Provost's license, NVMT.12816, for a period of 10 years; and to assess board costs and fees not to exceed \$10,000. Fees to be paid within five (5) years. Schoen seconded. Motion carried, none opposed.

6. Formal Hearing Alfred Smith NVMT.12368 – Case Number NVMT-C-25022. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Dorangriccia recused herself from the proceedings. Wilber stepped in as presiding officer.

Smith was not present. Senior Deputy Attorney General Todd Weiss noted he had received an email from Chandon Alexander that his representation of Smith was withdrawn the night prior to this matter being heard.

Weiss called Brunner to testify regarding the certificate of service. Platt swore in Brunner. Brunner stated she had mailed the complaint and notice of hearing to the address on file for Smith as well as his Attorney at the time of mailing.

Ty motioned that Smith was properly notified. Seconded by Kite-Swinden. Motion carried, with none opposed.

Weiss called Lindsey Ell to testify. Platt swore in Ell. Ell gave her testimony regarding the events that occurred during the massage Smith performed on her.

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The Board thanked Ell for her testimony.

Pursuant to NRS 622A.350 Kite-Swinden motioned to accept the allegations as true. Seconded by Ty. Motion carried, none opposed.

Pursuant to NRS 622A.350 Ty motioned to accept the violations of law did occur. Seconded by Mueller. Motion carried, none opposed.

Weiss requested Smith's license be revoked for 10 years, as well as reimbursement to the Board for costs and fees of up to \$10,000.

Schoen motioned to revoke Smith's license, NVMT. 12368, for a period of 10 years; to assess administrative fines of \$5,000 each for each count; and to assess board costs and fees not to exceed \$15,000. Fines and fees to be paid within five (5) years. A public letter of reprimand to be issued. Mueller seconded. Motion carried, none opposed.

### 7. Public comment.

No attendees at the meeting offered any public comment. No written public comment was received prior to the meeting.

## 8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

## **Notices:**

Items may be combined for consideration by the board. Items may be pulled or removed from the agenda at any time. Public comment will be taken at the beginning and at the end of the meeting. Regarding public comment, no vote may be taken upon a matter raised under this agenda item until the matter itself has been specifically included on a future agenda as an item upon which action may be taken. (NRS 241.020). The Chair may allow comment on individual agenda items at her discretion. Public comments are limited to three (3) minutes.

The Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy may address agenda items out of sequence to accommodate persons appearing before the Board or to aid the efficiency or effectiveness of the meeting. Interested persons may present oral and/or written comments at the time and place of the meeting, or written comments may be sent no later than Monday, September 29, 2025, to the following address: Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy, 1755 E. Plumb Lane, Suite 252, Reno, NV 89502. Supporting materials are available on the Board's website <a href="https://massagetherapy.nv.gov/About/Board\_Meetings/2025/2025\_Board\_Meetings/">https://massagetherapy.nv.gov/About/Board\_Meetings/2025/2025\_Board\_Meetings/</a> or by contacting Elisabeth Barnard at 775.687.9951 or <a href="mailto:ebarnard@lmt.nv.gov">ebarnard@lmt.nv.gov</a> or 1755 E Plumb Lane, Suite 252, Reno, NV 89502. Documents provided to Board members during the meeting will be posted on the website after the meeting.

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In accordance with NRS 241.020, this public notice and agenda was posted on or before September 26, 2025, at the following locations:

https://massagetherapy.nv.gov/About/Board\_Meetings/2025/2025\_Board\_Meetings/http://massagetherapy.nv.gov/About/Board\_Meetings/Meetings/https://notice.nv.gov

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