## CONTRACTORS SELECTING SOURCES

Having worked with the State of Nevada Contractor's Board, I do understand their frustration regarding their ability to disclose to you anyone who has not been convicted of a violation of State law, etc. A contractor may have been before the Contractor's Board 50 times, but if they are just in the system and have not been reprimanded yet, the State CAN NOT disclose that information to you. They tried to get this changed in the last legislation, but the hearing for their bill was set for Memorial Day. It did not pass, unfortunately.

The Contractor's Board has a website where you can check to see if the contract you wish to use is properly licensed and has insurance. Here are the numbers and locations in the North and in the South to contact the Board to see if contractors are properly license and for what.

2310 Corporate Circle, Ste 200, Henderson, NV 89074 (702) 486-1100 Fax (702) 486-1190 9670 Gateway Drive, Ste 100, Reno, NV 89521 (775) 688-1141 Fax (775) 688-1271

http://www.nvcontractorsboard.com/

It is also wise to check their Worker's Compensation insurance as well. Here is a link:

## www.dirweb.state.nv.us

(When you get to their home page, follow links to the left, 3<sup>rd</sup> one down is Workers Compensation Section, the next page is 3<sup>rd</sup> one down "Coverage Verification Service. In the middle of the page in larger letters "EMPLOYERS' WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE VERIFICATION" click on the link – all you need is the name of business or FEIN and the date you want to confirm coverage was in place.)

The State Contractor's Board will come out and talk to groups if you wish. Think of this as a wonderful opportunity to help your homeowners when they are working towards to making alterations to their homes. Contact Rayna Botros at <a href="mailto:rbotros@nscb.state.nv.us">rbotros@nscb.state.nv.us</a> to schedule the seminar. I have attended their presentations several times and learn something new each time as there are updates on scams going on and with this economy there are tons of new creative ones.

If you are looking to get additional contractors in areas that you may not have addressed previously as well, there is a website where you can search for contractors and it is free. Go to the following website, register and

http://get3bids.com/mainmenu\_process.asp?B1=Welcome

Just remember that you need to research licenses and insurance on all new contractors and not just rely on a good sales pitch.