

Complaint regarding CJ Yurk Construction

\$62,950 draw was sent to CJ on August 25th, 2020. He started the project approximately a month later. He communicated to us that the first draw was a retainer for 20% of all the subcontractors' bids. He worked for 4 days. He returned to meet with engineer for about 2 hours. We didn't see him again until January 6th. Project continued to progress slowly with many gaps of not showing up on the job. At the start of the project we were told we could remain in our building to conduct business, they would work around us and we would relocate to a different part of the building so they could complete the front end. It was brought to our attention Mid July that a section of our building would need to be torn down. We were told we would need to relocate our business for 2-3 months because the power would be disconnected. When we found a temporary location we asked again how long we needed to be displaced and we were told 2 months. We moved out September 10th and still haven't been able to return. 3 more draws were taken and paid in a timely manner. Early October a 56,947.00 draw was requested that we didn't catch for about two weeks, at which time we became very concerned that we were running out of money. The draw was paid, but we requested a meeting with CJ to go over the numbers as they pertain to what contractors and how much has been paid, as well as what balances remain. We also gave him a list of things we knew that hadn't been completed. Some of the things we could fill in the amounts but several we couldn't. We asked him to complete the list and get back to us so we could go to the bank for more money. He never communicated anything back to us. We proceeded to try to figure what we needed to complete project. In December CJ requested \$86,114 draw which we did not pay because we wanted a better break down of how the money would be distributed. Shortly after that he emailed us and said he would not

return to our job until we paid him and that after he was paid he would discuss how he wanted to proceed. He also communicated to us that he called the contractors off of our job until they heard from him. We decided to call the contractors to ask them to finish our job. We discovered that very few if any of the contractors received any payment for the work they had done on our job. One contractor in particular (Sheboygan Glass) communicated to us they had not been paid since July. We questioned CJ regarding the invoice and he responded with a check number and an amount but didn't provide any copy of a canceled check to us when asked. The contractor also contacted CJ for proof of payment with no response. There was a lot of work done by CJ that was never fully completed and yet we continued to pay him.

Unfortunately we had to come up with more money to pay the drywall, electrical, insulation, heating and plumbing contractors. There is still a question as to whether or not Sheboygan Glass was paid.

Two major problems were lack of communication and accountability. We feel he should have some of our money that wasn't used to pay the contractors and possibly credits that should have been given to us that weren't.