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## **Maine Public Drinking Water Commission**

### **MEETING #131**

**Tuesday December 1, 2015**

**9:00 AM to 11:00 AM**

Yarmouth Water District

181 Sligo Road, Yarmouth, ME - (207) 846-5821

### **Agenda**

1. Welcome Kathy Moriarty
2. Approval of Minutes, Meeting #130, September 1, 2015
3. SFY 2016 AFM Fee and Collection Status
4. AFM Financial Status
5. Legislative Update –
6. Update on Drinking Water Rules –proposed
7. Compliance and Enforcement Updates
8. DWP Staffing Update
9. DWC Membership Update – reappointment status
10. Establish 2016 Meeting Schedule
11. Suggested Items for next meeting



## Maine Drinking Water Commission

### Minutes of Meeting #131

December 1, 2015

The Maine Public Drinking Water Commission (DWC) held its 131<sup>st</sup> meeting on December 1, 2015, at the Yarmouth Water District Yarmouth, Maine.

#### Present Were:

**Members:** Tom Brennan, Jeff LaCasse, Harvey Chesley, Rebecca Laliberte, Kathy Moriarty, Bob MacKinnon and Roger Crouse  
Jim Willis, Board Clerk.

**Time:** Jeff called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM

#### A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the last meeting were approved as written.

#### B. RECURRING BUSINESS:

##### 1. WELCOME KATHY MORIARTY

The Maine Drinking Water Commission welcomed Kathy Moriarty to the Commission.

##### 2. SFY 2016 AFM FEE AND COLLECTION STATUS

Roger stated that we had a 97 percent collection rate for the 2016 AFM billing. Roger stated that collection rates are on par from last year. Roger stated that the third billing notice was sent out in early November to the systems that still have not paid.

##### 3. AFM FINANCIAL STATUS

Roger indicated that expenditures are close to budget expectations. Based upon the anticipated carry-over fund levels in the five year budget projection, it appears that a fee increase will be needed for SFY2017.

##### 4. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Roger stated that not much is currently going on for us with the legislature.

## **5. UPDATE ON DRINKING WATER RULES – CURRENT/PROPOSED**

Roger discussed the new Revised Total Coliform Rule (RTCR) and how it will impact water systems. Roger also discussed other rule changes in the works at this time.

A public hearing for the proposed Drinking Water Rule changes including the RTCR will occur in early January 2016.

## **6. COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT UPDATES**

Roger discussed new pre-enforcement site visit plan -to help systems which qualify for formal enforcement understand what they need to do to return to and stay in compliance.

The DWP will be sending out post cards reminding systems of the upcoming RTCR. Roger stated that 100 percent of the required sanitary surveys will be completed by the end of December 2015.

## **7. DWP STAFFING UPDATE**

Julia Kimball has been hired to fill the Office Associate II position which provides support for the Water Operator Board and Well Driller Commission. Holly Hockertlotz has been hired to fill the vacant Compliance officer position. Dawn Abbott who worked in the enforcement section is leaving the DWP to take a position with the DEP in Bangor.

## **8. DWC MEMBERSHIP UPDATE-REAPPOINTMENT STATUS**

Rebecca Laliberte and Bob Mackinnon were reappointed to another term. Kathy Moriarty was appointed to the DWC. Harvey Chesley's seat expires August 2016. There is currently one vacant seat on the Commission.

## **9. SUGGESTED ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**

Vote on new Chairperson/vice Chairperson.

Invite Commissioner Mayhew and/or Ken Albert to attend the February meeting.

## **10. 2016 MEETING SCHEDULE**

Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>-Keybank Building, Augusta

May 4<sup>th</sup>-The Meadows, Greene

Sept 7<sup>th</sup>-Bangor Water District, Bangor

December 7<sup>th</sup>-Kennebec Water District, Waterville

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 am

Respectfully Submitted  
Jim Willis