

Well Driller's Meeting

Date: Wednesday, April 13, 2016

Location: 286 Water Street, 1st Floor

Attendees: Commission Members:
Dwight Doughty, Commission Chair
Daniel Locke, Hydrogeologist, Maine Geological Survey
David Braley, Hydrogeologist, MeCDC
Mike Otley, Public Member
Joe Gallant, Master Well Driller
Ike Goodwin, Master Well Driller
Frank Hegarty, Master Pump Installer
Legal Counsel, Deanna White, AAG
Julia Kimball, Commission Clerk

Guests- Michelle Weeks
 Ross Deschaine

Minutes prepared by: Julia Kimball

PROCEEDINGS:

Dwight Doughty - Meeting called to order at 9:07 a.m.

TOPIC: February 2016 Meeting

Motion: Dan motioned to approve the February minutes. Mike 2nd.

Discussion – None

Vote: Unanimous to approve.

TOPIC: Licensure Application

Thomas Cahill submitted an application to sit for Master Pump Installer Exam. Application was incomplete and clerk will contact Mr. Cahill for complete information.

Travis Morton submitted an application to sit for Master Well Driller Exam.

Motion: Joe motioned to accept on conditions that Mr. Morton had been a Journeyman driller for at least 3 years. David 2nd.

Discussion: None

Vote: Unanimous to approve.

Michael Austin submitted an application to sit for Journeyman Pump Installer Exam.

Motion: Frank motioned to accept. David 2nd.

Discussion: None

Vote: Unanimous to approve.

TOPIC: Specialty Well Applications

A Specialty Well application was brought before the Commission by Tasker Well Drilling for a property located at 109 West Shore Drive, Lebanon, ME. The leach field setback is 16 feet and the tank setback is 40 feet. The well is approved with a minimum of 120 feet of casing with a 10 inch borehole grouted bottom to top.

Motion: David motioned to accept the application with the amendment that a Commission designee be there to inspect the well. Dan 2nd.

Discussion: None

Vote: Unanimous to approve.

A Specialty Well application was approved for work done prior to the application being filled out by Hanscom Well Drilling for 277 Kelsor Way, Ellsworth, ME 04605. The leach field setback is 95 feet.

Motion: Frank motions to accept the application. Dan 2nd.

Discussion: None

Vote: Unanimous to approve (David abstained)

TOPIC: Other Business

The Commission discussed concerns in regards to the installation of open loop geothermal wells.

The Commission discussed well cards that are to be sent into Maine Geological Survey. Commission staff will be drafting a reminder letter to companies to turn in well cards.

TOPIC: Complaints: None pending

11:15: Mike motioned to adjourn, 2nd by Frank, approved unanimously

Next Meeting: May 13, 2016 286 Water Street, Augusta, Maine 9:00 A.M.

A reminder: Starting at the June 2016 the Well Drillers Commission will be meeting at MGS (Maine Geological Survey) at 17 Elkins Ln, Augusta, ME 04330. Meetings will still normally take place on the second Wednesday of the month.