MINUTES

MAINE WATER WELL COMMISSION

Wednesday, March 12, 2025

Meeting – IN-PERSON / ZOOM 18 Elkins Lane, Room 109, Harlow Building, Augusta, ME

ATTENDEES:

Commission Members: *(present - 4 / zoom - 3 / absent - 0)

Present: Zoom: Absent:

Edward Bowie (Chair) Frank Hegarty

Master Well Driller
Alex Pugh
Hydrogeologist, DWP
Master Well Driller
Dwight Doughty
Hydrogeologist, DOT

Mike Otley Jessica Meeks

Public Member Hydrogeologist, MGS

Jesse Goodwin Master Well Driller

Guests:

Randy Marquis Zoom:

Lauren LaRochelle

AAG Messer, M&J Complainants

Minutes Prepared By:

Tina Lemieux, Commission Clerk, DWP

PROCEEDINGS: 9:05 am

Review of Meeting Minutes:

Wednesday, January 08, 2025 - Monthly Meeting

Motion to approve.

❖ MOTION: Frank Hegarty 2nd: Mike Otley <u>VOTE</u>: Unanimous

Wednesday, February 12, 2025 - Cancelled

Exam Applications:

1. LOGAN LANPHIER_WD02402, WD-J, PI-J - *(Effective Date: 12-27-2023) – APPROVED Motion to approve.

❖ <u>MOTION</u>: Frank Hegarty <u>2nd</u>: Jesse Goodwin <u>VOTE</u>: Unanimous

2. COOPER JOHNSON_WD2350, PI-J - *(Effective Date: 5-17-2022) – APPROVED

Motion to approve.

❖ MOTION: Dwight Doughty 2nd: Alex Pugh VOTE: 6 yea, 1 recused

o Frank Hegarty - recused

3. MAXWELL EDMONDSON_WD02405, PI-J - *(Effective Date: 3-15-2024) – APPROVED Motion to approve.

❖ <u>MOTION</u>: Frank Hegarty <u>2nd</u>: Alex Pugh <u>VOTE</u>: Unanimous

- 4. WILLIAM WEEKS_WD02182, WD-*(Effective Date: 9-2-2015) APPROVED Motion to approve.
- ❖ <u>MOTION</u>: Frank Hegarty <u>2nd</u>: Edward Bowie <u>VOTE</u>: Unanimous
- 5. PEYTON MARTIN_WD02407, PI-J *(Effective Date: 3-15-2024) APPROVED Motion to approve.
- ❖ <u>MOTION</u>: Frank Hegarty <u>2nd</u>: Alex Pugh <u>VOTE</u>: Unanimous

Specialty Well Applications – Commission Review:

1. NONE

Specialty Well Applications – In-House Approval:

1. NONE

Other Business:

- 1. EXAMS: Tuesday, April 08, 2025 @ 10am
 - a. 286 Water Street, CDC Bldg., downtown Augusta
 - b. Eligible candidates will be notified by email

2. Open Discussions:

- a. Meaghan Knowlton, Western Maine Water, Inc
 - i. Has licensing questions for the Commission,
 - 1. IGSHPA / NGWA credentials
 - ii. No Show

b. Draft of Rules and Regulations -

- i. Update and discussion
- ii. Commission will discuss at next meeting, (4-9-25)
- c. Update for Exam Questions
 - i. dated materials, new editions of manuals
 - ii. Commission will discuss at next meeting, (5-14-25)

FLANAGAN – GALLANT ARTESIAN WELLS INC – complaint, rcvd 3-18-24 – OPEN

- 11-13-24, <u>Motion to revoke license</u>, with stipulation to reinstate license if issues are corrected;
 allowance of licensure is approved to repair well; Hegarty/Goodwin unanimous
- 11-15-24, letter of revocation crafted and sent
- 11-27-24, Company and Individual Licenses revoked
- 3-12-25, follow-up: complaint resolution and closure
- 3-12-25, waiting on follow-up with counsel

Motion to create a "revoked" license list and post to website.

❖ MOTION: Jesse Goodwin 2nd: Dwight Doughty VOTE: Unanimous

MESSER – MARQUIS WELL & PUMP LLC – complaint, revd 10-4-24 – CLOSED

- 10-9-24, complaint accepted
- 11-8-24, NOC letter sent, via email and regular mail
- 11-13-24, received response information, and request to post-pone discussion until January 2025
- 1-8-25, At next meeting (2-12-25), Commission will investigate further possible violations and confirmation of check received by the Messers'
- 1-8-25, Motion for parties to resolve complaint, Randy Marquis to pay Messers' restoration fee of \$6,170.00.
 *Motion: Dwight Doughty 2nd: Frank Hegarty VOTE: Unanimous
- *1-13-25, Marysia Messer, sent an email stating that they had received the check from Marquis.
- 3-12-25, follow-up: complaint resolution and closure

Motion that the issue is resolved to the satisfaction of the Commission, Complaint Closed.

❖ MOTION: Dwight Doughty 2nd: Frank Hegarty VOTE: Unanimous

NEXT MEETINGS:

MONTHLY MEETING:

Wednesday, April 09, 2025 – (In-Person/Zoom)

Location: 18 Elkins Lane, Room 109, Harlow Building, Augusta, ME

ADJOURNMENT: <u>10:10 am</u>

Motion to Adjourn.

❖ **MOTION**: Mike Otley **2nd**: Jesse Goodwin **VOTE**: Unanimous