

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, August 14, 2019

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**Maine Water Well Commission**  
**18 Elkins Lane, Harlow Bldg., Rm 109, Augusta, ME**

## ATTENDEES:

### Commission Members:

Dwight Doughty  
Hydrogeologist, DOT, Chairperson  
David Braley  
Hydrogeologist, MeCDC  
Daniel Locke  
Hydrogeologist, MGS  
Frank Hegarty  
Master Well Driller  
Glenn Dyer  
Master Well Driller  
Mike Otley  
Public Member  
Joe Gallant  
Master Well Driller

### Guests:

Peter Morton  
Complainant  
Timothy Putnam  
Complainant  
Delwin Philbrick  
Complainant  
Debbie Dyer  
Public  
Tera Pare  
Enforcement Coordinator  
David Philbrook  
MWWC Inspector

### Legal Counsel:

Margaret Machaiek  
Assistant Attorney General

### Minutes Prepared By:

Tina Lemieux  
DWP Licensing Clerk, Commission Clerk

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PROCEEDINGS: **9:00 AM**

### **Review of Meeting Minutes:**

Motion to accept the minutes from **July 10, 2019**, meeting.

❖ **MOTION:** Glenn Dyer                      **2<sup>ND</sup>:** Frank Hegarty

**VOTE:** Unanimous

### **Exam Applications:**

NONE

### **Specialty Well Applications:**

NONE

**SWA In-House Approvals:**

CARION-AFFORDABLE\_SWA  
DORION-BURNS\_SWA  
PROCTOR-LORD\_SWA

RIZZO-GOODWIN\_SWA  
WEBB-LORD\_SWA

**Other Business:**

**1. Discussion for Reciprocity Issue: Recap**

- Commission in discussions with New Hampshire to resolve issues
- Reciprocity candidates have decided to not receive reimbursement for paid fees but to wait for the Commission to resolve reciprocity issues

**2. Proposed Draft Rule Changes – David Braley**

- David Braley and Tera Pare, Enforcement Coordinator
  - o head discussions about rules and process for changes

**Complaints:**

**1. JOHNSON-ACE (OAKES) – complaint, received 5-7-19; OPEN**

- David Philbrook, MWWC Inspector; \*(video sent to DOT photo lab, link to download in email sent to members, 8-8-19)
  - o 32’ of fill still at bottom
  - o Sleeve has hole in the side, liner leaking
  - o Joe Gallant and Frank Hegarty offered to go out reassess the well and do what needs to be done, with understanding of not being reimbursed
- Commission has found no violation for Ace Well Drilling
  - o No fault, but well is still deficient for household purposes
- No Motion; Table until meeting next month, Wednesday, September 11, with report from Joe Gallant and Frank Hegarty

**2. CIVIL ARMS INC-PHILBRICK – complaint, received 1-7-19; OPEN**

- David Philbrook, MWWC Inspector, \*(video sent to DOT photo lab, link to download in email sent to members, 8-8-19)
  - o Sleeve is leaking, has been pushed down 10’ since last inspection
  - o Bore is irregular with vertical fractures
  - o Water quality has improved, but still leaking and borehole not smooth

Motion to have Delwin Philbrick fix remaining problems, reassess well problems

❖ **MOTION:** Frank Hegarty                      **2<sup>ND</sup>:** Glenn Dyer                      **VOTE:** Unanimous

- Table until meeting next month, Wednesday, September 11

3. **PUTNAM-GALLANT – complaint, initial complaint received 5-4-18; OPEN**

- complaint #1, closed; complaint #2, open; complaint #3, open; complaint #4, open;
- Issue identified as electrical, homeowner does not have “solar” power running
  - Homeowner responsibility to have electrical source running to power well
  - Driller willing to power up well pump when homeowner has source of electricity

Motion to table complaint until homeowner reports back to Commission with results of power up

❖ **MOTION**: Dwight Doughty      **2<sup>ND</sup>**: David Braley      **VOTE**: Unanimous

- Homeowner and Driller will resolve concern together
- When it has been powered up and running, report back to Commission with results

Motion to adjourn.

❖ **MOTION**: Mike Otley      **2<sup>ND</sup>**: Glenn Dyer      **VOTE**: Unanimous

ADJOURN: **11:20 AM**