

MEETING MINUTES
Well Driller's Commission
Wednesday, December 13, 2017
MGS 17 Elkins Lane, Augusta, ME

ATTENDEES:

<u>Commission Members:</u>	
Dwight Doughty Hydrogeologist, DOT, Chairperson	<u>Legal Counsel:</u> Deanna White
David Braley Hydrogeologist, MeCDC	AAG
Mike Otley Public Member	<u>Guests:</u> Dave Philbrook
Daniel Locke Hydrogeologist, ME Geological Survey	Commissioned Independent Inspector
Glenn Dyer Master Well Driller	<u>Minutes Prepared By:</u> Tina Lemieux
Joe Gallant Master Well Driller	DWP, clerk

PROCEEDINGS: 9:16 am Motion to discuss.
MOTION: Mike Otley **2ND:** Glenn Dyer **VOTE:** Unanimous

TOPIC: October 11, 2017 and November 8, 2017 Meeting Minutes: Motion to accept the minutes.
October Minutes
MOTION: Mike Otley **2ND:** Glenn Dyer **VOTE:** Unanimous

November Minutes
- fix typo of Patricia Meisner article "easing" should be "casing"
MOTION: Daniel Locke **2ND:** Joe Gallant **VOTE:** Unanimous

TOPIC: Exam Applications
NONE

TOPIC: Specialty Well Applications
NONE

TOPIC: SWA In-House Approvals
Rowena Monez

≤ 57 feet from leach field, ≤ 58 feet from onsite tank, ≤ 100 feet from neighbor's leach field, and ≤ 60 feet from neighbor's tank. Required minimum 100 feet or 6-inch steel casing sealed into bedrock, or alternative minimum 20 feet of 6-inch steel casing sealed into bedrock with solid 4-inch liner with top/bottom Jaswell type seals with bottom seal minimum of 100 feet below grade and top seal up inside 6-inch well-casing. Bottom and top seals to be water tight.

TOPIC: Other Business

Unlicensed Activity: Smith Pump/Viera Artesian Wells

Need process to implement fines for violations; Goal: Fine or Licensed; is to get them licensed or there will be further action; Make official finding of violation; Official letter indicating what will occur if fine not paid or not licensed; Rules say to issue fine of not more than \$1000.00; Proposing - Unlicensed activity being a violation with a hefty fine; 120.00 + 10.00 + (x 4) ~ \$500.00, not substantial; Proposing – fines to be increased; These activities will be turned over to the AG’s office

MOTION: Mike Otley – to find a violation in Regulations 204.5 and 204.6

2ND: Glenn Dyer **VOTE:** Unanimous

MOTION: Mike Otley – to fine each company \$1000.00; will waive \$500.00 if become fully licensed within 3 months (90 days), company and individuals.

2nd: Glenn Dyer **VOTE:** Unanimous

**Follow-up – draft a letter, David Braley, give to legal counsel

TOPIC: Complaints

Anonymous/Temple Well Drilling

Setbacks and Construction Issues

2013-14 well built, converted to condo units; Built by Scott Temple; Nothing wrong, but no Specialty Well application; Get Specialty Well application in, approved, and recorded; Tabled to next meeting.

MOTION: Glenn Dyer – Table to next meeting

2ND: Daniel Locke **VOTE:** Unanimous

Barnes/Bowie Bros.

Sediment Problems.

Drilled well and it has iron problems and needs water treatment; Client trying to say driller needs to fix water problem; In contract, driller not responsible for quantity or quality of water; No indication anything wrong with well; Found nothing wrong with casing footage.

MOTION: Joe Gallant – No violation beyond water quality issue.

2ND: Glenn Dyer **VOTE:** Unanimous

Benjamin Goslin/Merle “Sam” Dunham

Sediment Problems.

After review of video footage taken by Mr. Philbrook, motion for no violation.

MOTION: Glenn Dyer – No violation

2ND: Joe Gallant **VOTE:** Unanimous

AJOURN: 10:42 am

MOTION: Glenn Dyer – Motion to Adjourn

2ND: Daniel Locke **VOTE:** Unanimous