

Well Driller's Meeting

Date: Wednesday, January 11, 2017

Location: MGS 17 Elkins Lane, Augusta, ME

Attendees: Commission Members:
Dwight Doughty, Hydrogeologist, DOT, Chairman
Daniel Locke, Hydrogeologist, Maine Geological Survey
David Braley, Hydrogeologist, MeCDC
Mike Otley, Public Member
Joe Gallant, Master Well Driller
Julia Kimball, Commission Clerk
Legal Counsel, Deanna White, AAG

Absent-
Ike Goodwin, Master Well Driller

Guests-
Carl Levesque A-Z Water Systems

Minutes prepared by: Julia Kimball

PROCEEDINGS:

Dwight Doughty - Meeting called to order at 9:02 a.m.

TOPIC: December 2016 Meeting

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

Vote: Unanimous to approve minutes (Frank abstained)

TOPIC: Specialty Well Applications

A Specialty Well application was brought before the Commission by Frank Hegarty of Hegarty Plumbing. 81 feet from onsite leach field, 51 feet from onsite tank. No closer than 85 feet from the 1st neighbor's leach field and no closer than 41 feet from 1st neighbor's onsite tank. No closer than 100 feet from 2nd neighbor's tank and no closer than 72 feet from the 2nd neighbor's leach field. 37 feet from 2nd neighbor's well.

Motion: David motioned to accept the application with 65 feet of casing. Mike 2nd.

Discussion: None

Vote: Unanimous to approve.

TOPIC: Complaints:

David Kimball vs Dan Woodsome of Woodsome Well Drilling

A letter will be sent to Mr. Kimball informing him of the license revocation action the Commission has taken against Mr. Woodsome.

Dan Woodsome of Woodsome Well Drilling

Mr. Woodsome had until December 29, 2016 to reply to the Commission in regards to license revocation. The Commission received no response. Mr. Woodsome's personal and companies licenses as of December 29, 2016 are revoked and is no longer a licensed well driller or pump installer in the state of Maine.

Charles Fowler vs A-Z Water Systems

The Commission has attempted to contact Mr. Levesque by mail for the past few months. The letters have been returned due to the Commission not having an updated address. Julia contacted Mr. Levesque via email on January 5, 2017 with a copy of the letter being sent to him requesting him to come to the January meeting. Mr. Levesque provided the Commission with a new address. Mr. Levesque came to the January meeting where he informed the Commission that the hydrofracking was sub contracted out to Western Maine Water Inc. The work that was performed by Mr. Levesque amounted to less than \$3000 and didn't require a contract to be in place. Chlorination of the well was not done right away because the tenants would only be at the home for another night and want to be able to shower. Chlorinating was done after the fact.

Motion: David motions to have Julia contact Mr. Fowler to make sure all issues are resolved. All further action is pending confirmation. Joe 2nd.

Vote: Unanimous to approve

TOPIC: Other Business

Open Loop Geothermal:

Deanna drafted a memorandum to be sent to Well Drillers concerning the construction of open loop dual purpose wells. The Plumbers Examining Board was encouraged to comment. Minor changes will be made to draft.

Motion: David motions to send open loop geothermal memorandum to drillers and post online. Frank 2nd. Motion carries.

10:05: Mike motioned to adjourn, 2nd by Joe, approved unanimously

Next Meeting: February 8, 2017 MGS 17 Elkins Lane, Augusta, Maine 9:00 A.M.