MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, June 12, 2019

Well Driller’s Commission
18 Elkins Lane, Harlow Bldg., Rm 109, Augusta, ME

ATTENDEES:

Commission Members:
Dwight Doughty
   Hydrogeologist, DOT, Chairperson
David Braley
   Hydrogeologist, MeCDC
Frank Hegarty
   Master Well Driller
Glenn Dyer
   Master Well Driller
Joe Gallant
   Master Well Driller
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Mike Otley
   Public Member

Legal Counsel:

Guests:
Debbie Dyer
   Public
David Philbrook
   Well Inspector
Mary & David Woodsome
   Well Complaint

Minutes Prepared By:
Tina Lemieux
   DWP Licensing Clerk, Commission Clerk

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PROCEEDINGS:  9:03 am

TOPIC:  Review of Meeting Minutes:
  Motion to accept the minutes from May 8, 2019, meeting.
  MOTION: Mike Otley  2ND: Frank Hegarty  VOTE: Unanimous

TOPIC:  Exam Applications –

- BESSLER_WD02114 – PI-M examination; APPROVED
  o Approved by Commission; has more than 3 years to qualify to take exam and proper documents.

  Motion to approve application for examination.
  MOTION: David Braley  2ND: Joe Gallant  VOTE: Unanimous
- CARTMELL, Robert – reciprocity; DENIED
  o Denied by Commission; voted and denied reciprocity.
  
  Motion to approve the reciprocity application from NH for PI-M.
  **MOTION:** David Braley       **2ND:** Dwight Doughty    **VOTE:** 3 nay / 2 yea, 1 abstained, 1 absent

- HARTLEY_WD00395 – reciprocity; DENIED
  o Denied by Commission; voted and denied reciprocity.
  
  Motion to approve the reciprocity application from NH for WD-M / PI-M.
  **MOTION:** Dwight Doughty    **2ND:** David Braley     **VOTE:** same

*Discussion for Reciprocity Issue:*
  o Commission needs time to deliberate issues, consult with AAG, and revote on the issue consistent with rules and regulations of the State of Maine Water Well Commission.
  o Issue will be revisited after deliberations.

**TOPIC:** Specialty Well Application – Board Approvals
  
  - MILLS-COMAC – commission review; APPROVED

**TOPIC:** Specialty Well Application – In-House Approvals
  
  - KIMBALL-JH SWETT
  - KIRK-LORD
  - NESTLING PINES-BISSON
  - TONGE-SKILLINGS
  - BARLEY-SUNCO

**TOPIC:** Other Business
  None

**TOPIC:** Complaints
  CROUSE-WOODSOME – complaint, received 3-15-19; CLOSED – 6-12-19
  o MWWC Inspector sent to validate findings and report.
  o 5-8-19, waiting for report and findings.
  o 6-12-19, results of inspection by David Philbrook
    ▪ questions were about depth, yield and amount of casing; well cap and invoice read differently; video and memo, depth finder on video

  Motion to reimburse homeowner ~$350.00, for overcharge of casing.
  **MOTION:** Glenn Dyer       **2ND:** Joe Gallant        **VOTE:** Unanimous
JOHNSON-ACE – complaint, received 5-7-19; OPEN
- July 10, 2018, a well was drilled on the property of Blanche Johnson by Peter Oakes of Ace Well Service Inc.
- Issue began January 30, 2019, of sediment and mud.
- 5-8-19, Commission unanimously decided to accept complaint.
- 6-12-19, results of inspection by David Philbrook
  - Solution: to vacuum well, clear well of excessive debris; able to clear well, appeared to be sediment free; could not get “good” read from sonar equipment; multiple fractures; does not appear to be an emergency; send invitation for next meeting

- Table until meeting next month, Wednesday, July 10.

Motion to send a request of attendance to assess potential violations.
MOTION: Glenn Dyer 2ND: David Braley VOTE: Unanimous

CIVIL ARMS INC-PHILBRICK – complaint, received 1-7-19; OPEN
- 6-12-19, results of inspection by David Philbrook
  - Civil Arms Inc sent video of plumbing fixture function at David Philbrook request;
  - Commission Clerk reported a phone call from Mr. Philbrick sighting more time to assess well if the “fix” worked; he is sending Ted McLeod with camera sometime this week to video well; asks if David Philbrook would wait to inspect until after McLeod checks it for Mr. Philbrick;
  - Commission will give a week for confirmation.

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PUTNAM-GALLANT – complaint, received 5-4-18; OPEN
- complaint #1, closed; complaint #2, open; complaint #3, open; complaint #4, open;
- MWWC Inspector received call from Mr. Putnam with update that technical issues are resolved.
- 5-8-19, Dwight Doughty has offered to reach out to Mr. Putnam to find out if the issues have been resolved.
- 6-12-19, send invitations to Morton and Putnam that the case will be reviewed at next meeting.

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ADJOURN: 10:20 am, Motion to adjourn.
MOTION: David Braley 2ND: Glenn Dyer VOTE: Unanimous