

Well Driller's Meeting
Date: Wednesday, October 11, 2017
Location: MGS 17 Elkins Lane, Augusta, ME

Attendees: Commission Members:
Dwight Doughty, Hydrogeologist, DOT, Chairman
David Braley, Hydrogeologist, MeCDC
Mike Otley, Public Member
Frank Hegarty, Master Well Driller
Dan Locke, Hydrogeologist, Maine Geological Survey
Glenn Dyer, Master Well Driller

Legal Counsel, Deanna White, AAG

Minutes prepared by: David Braley

PROCEEDINGS:

Dwight Doughty - Meeting called to order at 9:09 A.M.

TOPIC: September 13, 2017 Meeting

Motion: Glenn motioned to approve the September minutes. Frank 2nd
Vote: Unanimous to approve September 13, 2017 minutes.

TOPIC: Specialty Well Applications

None

TOPIC: Exam Applications

Donald Chickering – Journeyman Pump Installer, Sunco Pump & Well Drilling. Frank motioned to approve, Glenn 2nd. Unanimous to approve application to sit for the Journeyman Well Drillers exam.

TOPIC: Complaints:

Benjamin Goslin – Merl “Sam” Dunham Well Drilling: Mr. Goslin’s well, installed by Merl “Sam” Dunham Well Drilling in September of 2015, has a serious sediment problem. Filters must be replaced every 9 days. Investigation continues as the Commission’s independent inspector must return to the site with a larger pump to draw down the well.

Shirley Lavigne – Marquis Well & Pump: Sediment, lack of contract, lack of information provided, well not properly disinfected after completion. This is a well drilled for York County Community Action and the Maine State Housing Authority. The work was performed for the local and state agencies not the home owner. **Frank motioned the Commission requires more information prior to accepting the complaint, Glenn 2nd, passed unanimously.** David will make phone calls as required to gather additional information for the next Commission meeting.

TOPIC: Other Business

Unlicensed activity: An open loop, dual well geothermal system was installed in Buxton by Viera Artesian Wells and Smith Pump. Neither company is licensed in Maine for this work. **Mike motioned that the Commission continue to investigate this complaint by talking to appropriate staff at DEP and the Town of Buxton and by send letters requesting information regarding this project to both companies named. Glenn 2nd. Motion passed unanimously with Frank recusing himself.**

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

Adjourned at 10:32 A.M. Glenn motioned, Mike 2nd. Unanimous.