

# MINUTES

## MAINE WATER WELL COMMISSION

Wednesday, November 8, 2023

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Meeting – HYBRID (In-Person/Zoom)  
18 Elkins Lane, Rm 109, Harlow Bldg., Augusta, ME

### ATTENDEES:

#### Commission Members:

Dwight Doughty, (Chair)  
Hydrogeologist, DOT  
Alex Pugh,  
Hydrogeologist, DWP

Ryan Gordon  
Hydrogeologist, MGS

Mike Otley  
Public Member  
Frank Hegarty  
Master Well Driller

#### (ZOOM) Guests:

Margaret Machaiek  
AAG

Jessica Meeks  
Hydrogeologist, MGS

#### Minutes Prepared By:

Tina Lemieux, Commission Clerk, DWP

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**PROCEEDINGS: 9:03 am**

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

Wednesday, October 11, 2023 – Monthly Meeting – (In-Person/ZOOM)

Motion to accept the minutes.

❖ **MOTION:** Mike Otley      **2<sup>nd</sup>:** Frank Hegarty      **VOTE:** Unanimous

### **Exam Applications:**

1. NONE

### **Specialty Well Applications – Commission Review:**

1. NONE

### **Specialty Well Applications – In-House Approval:**

1. JAKACKI-GOODWIN\_SWA
2. LANNI-GOODWIN\_SWA
3. MAZZEO-GOODWIN\_SWA
4. WELLS-GOODWIN\_SWA
5. TURCOTTE-WEEKS\_SWA \*(after the fact SWA)

**Other Business:**

1. **EXAMS: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 @ 10am** at Key Bank Building, downtown Augusta
  - a. Eligible candidates will be notified by email
  
2. **COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS: Re-submission of Appointment Packets**
  - a. If you turned one in more than a year ago please recreate a new packet.
    - i. Go To: [Process | Office of Governor Janet T. Mills \(maine.gov\)](#)
      1. “Personal Boards,” print and complete paperwork
      2. Submit completed packet via email to:

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**OPEN COMPLAINTS:**

**BENGAL – GOODWIN WELL & WATER INC – complaint, rcvd 8-22-23 – CLOSED (11-08-23)**

- 10-11-23, Commission Review
- 10-11-23, Motion to accept complaint,
  - o *Alex Pugh / Mike Otley – Unanimous*
- 10-13-23, sent, Notice of Acceptance, BENGAL-GOODWIN CMPLT - Carrie Bengal
- 10-13-23, sent, Notice of Complaint, BENGAL-GOODWIN CMPLT - Goodwin W&W Inc
- 11-07-23, response, BENGAL-GOODWIN CMPLT – Goodwin W&W Inc

Motion to close complaint, Goodwin Well & Water Inc, in compliance with rules and regulations of the Maine Water Well Commission, no violation.

❖ **MOTION:** Frank Hegarty    **2<sup>nd</sup>:** Alex Pugh        **VOTE:** Unanimous

**DWP (Tufts) - A-Z WATER SYSTEMS – complaint, rcvd 9-13-22 – OPEN (9-14-22)**

- 5-10-23, Motion to assess violations, points, and associated fines for A-Z Water Systems Inc.
  - o *Alex Pugh/Ryan Gordon – 6 yea/1 recused \*(Frank Hegarty)*
- 6-7-23, Notice of Violations, sent
- 6-14-23, Motion to table complaint until next meeting July 2023
  - o *Frank Hegarty/Mike Otley – Unanimous*
- 6-29-23, Response Email, A-Z Water Systems – appealing decision
- 7-12-23, Future headings for complaints use program/business title and contact representative in parentheses. \*(copies of response letters available at the next meeting)
- 8-9-23, A-Z Water System will be appealing the complaint.
  
- *10-11-23, Pending Fair Hearing; pre-hearing, and hearing*

**\*\*HANSCOM WD-CARMEL WD – complaint, rcvd 11-09-21 – OPEN\*\***

- 11-10-21, complaint accepted
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- 06-14-23, \*Follow-up; Dwight Doughty to contact Carmel Well Drilling.
- 06-14-23, Motion to table complaint until next meeting July 2023
  - o *Frank Hegarty/Mike Otley - Unanimous*
- 7-12-23, Motion to 1) get spring sample, 2) void or deny SWA, 3) send letter: in violation of agreement and violation points will be discussed at next meeting.
  - o *Frank Hegarty/Mike Otley - Unanimous*

**Lab Reports received to date:**

- 9-11-2022, Lab Report, rcvd 2/14/23, Fall 2022
- 6-20-2023, Lab Report, rcvd 7/14/23, Spring 2023
- 9-26-2023, Lab Report, rcvd 9/28/23, Fall 2023
  
- *10-11-23, Pending completion of water samples of well, one more sample to do Spring 2024.*

**\*\*NEXT MEETINGS\*\***

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**FAIR HEARINGS:**

**HINTON- AFFORDABLE – complaint, rcvd 11-03-21 – OPEN**

- 11-10-2021, Complaint accepted
- 11-22-2021, Response, HINTON-AFFORDABLE CMPLT
- 01-05-2022, Inspection, Philbrook, HINTON-AFFORDABLE CMPLT
- 01-10-2022, Hegarty Pics, Hinton Property
- 05-05-2022, Violation Ltr, Affordable
- 05-23-2022, Appeal Response Ltr, Affordable
  
- **10-16-2023, Pre-hearing conference, recorded**

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**MONTHLY MEETING:**

**Wednesday, December 13, 2023 – (In-Person/Zoom)**

Location: 18 Elkins Lane, Room 109, Harlow Building, Augusta, ME

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**ADJOURNMENT:**

TIME: **10:55 am**

Motion to Adjourn.

❖ **MOTION**: Alex Pugh      **2<sup>nd</sup>**: Ryan Gordon      **VOTE**: Unanimous