



MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF WELL DRILLERS

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, Oct 29, 2025 @9:00 A.M.

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In Person: 1800 Washington Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21230, Aeris Conference Room

Board Members Present

Hahns Hairston – Chairman/Public at Large
Larry Brenneman – Western MD
Michael Hall – Eastern MD
Heather Quinn – DNR
Dave Kelly – Central MD
Steven Kwiatkowski – Southern MD
Robert Peoples – MDE

MDE Staff Present

Amanda Redmiles – Executive Director
John Boris – MDE
Jennifer Bowman – OAG
Alex Rubin – MDE

Call to Order

Chairman, Hahns Hairston, presided over the meeting.

Roll Call

Amanda Redmiles conducted the roll call.

Presiding Officer Comments

Hahns Hairston welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Larry Brenneman for taking over and conducting the previous meeting on short notice.

Approval of Open Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Dave Kelly and seconded by Steven Kwiatkowski to approve Open Meeting Agenda with the addition of "State Email Addresses" under Old Business. The motion passed with one abstention by Hahns Hairston.

Review and Adoption of September 24, 2025, Open Session Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Mike Hall and seconded by Heather Quinn to approve the meeting

minutes with spelling corrections. The motion passed with two abstentions by Hahns Hairston and Robert Peoples.

Executive Director Comments

- 2026 Exam & Meeting Dates
 - Amanda Redmiles presented the proposed meeting and exam dates for the year of 2026. It was noted that due to room booking restraints, there are Tuesday and Thursday Exam dates listed. A motion was made by Heather Quinn and seconded by Mike Hall to approve the exam dates as suggested. The motion passed with one abstention by Hahns Hairston.

2026 Meeting Dates

Wednesday, January 21, 2026, - Stat Conference Room
Wednesday, February 25, 2026, Aeris Conference Room
Wednesday, March 25, 2026, Aeris Conference Room
Wednesday, April 29, 2026, Aeris Conference Room
Wednesday, May 27, 2026, Aeris Conference Room
Wednesday, June 17, 2026, Stat Conference Room
Wednesday, July 29, 2026, Aeris Conference Room
Wednesday, August 26, 2026, Aeris Conference Room
Wednesday, September 30, 2026, Aeris Conference Room
Wednesday, October 28, 2026, Aeris Conference Room
Wednesday, November 18, 2026, Aqua Conference Room
Wednesday, December 16, 2026, Stat Conference Room

2026 Exam Dates

Tuesday, February 17, 2026
Thursday, April 9, 2026
Tuesday, June 2, 2026
Wednesday, August 12, 2026
Thursday, October 8, 2026
Tuesday, December 1, 2026

- FY26 Revenue & Expenditures Update

BOARD OF WELL DRILLERS REVENUE & EXPENDITURES FY26				
FY25 APPN \$128,425				
Month	Running Expenditures	Monthly Expenditures	Running Revenue	Monthly Revenue
JULY	\$10,892.99	\$10,892.99	\$925.00	\$925.00
AUGUST			\$2,700.00	\$1,775.00
SEPTEMBER			\$4,925.00	\$2,225.00
OCTOBER				
NOVEMBER				
DECEMBER				
JANUARY				
FEBRUARY				
MARCH				
APRIL				
MAY				
JUNE				
		\$10,892.99		

Old Business

- State Email Addresses
Jennifer Bowman discussed with the Board the importance of using the State email addresses assigned to the Board Members. Reset links will be sent as necessary.

New Business

- Continuing Education Credits Approval

#	Organization	Course Name	Location	Date(s)	License Category	Rec. Hours	Cycle	Outcome
1	College of Southern Maryland	Hypochlorite Disinfection	Online	3/9/2026	All License s	8 Hours	2025-2027	More Info Requested
2	College of Southern Maryland	Well System Operation and Maintenance	Online	12/15/25	All License s	6 Hours	2025-2027	More Info Requested
3	College of Southern Maryland	Disinfection Through Chlorination	Online	11/20/25	All License s	6 Hours	2025-2027	More Info Requested
4	Grundfos Pump Corporation	Engineering Pump and Systems School	Allentown, PA	10/8/25 - 10/9/25	All License s	6 Hours	2025-2027	Approved

5	Milby Company	Pump & Drive School	Elkridge, MD	11/4/25 & 11/25/25	All License s	8 Hours	2025-2027	Approved
6	Drill Tech Group, LLC	Monitoring Well Construction	Millstone, NJ	10/29/25	All License s	8 Hours	2025-2027	Approved
7	Nelson Corporation	Nelson Water Academy	Edgewater, MD	12/10/25	All License s	5.5 Hours	2025-2027	Approved

A motion was made by Robert Peoples and seconded by Dave Kelly to approve continuing education credits numbers 4-7, above. Further information is needed for numbers 1-3, above, which will be collected by Amanda Redmiles before the next Board meeting. The motion passed with one abstention by Hahns Hairston.

- Examination Qualifications

#	Name	Exam Type	Employer	Recommend	Outcome
1	Smith, Wesely	AWD	Kim Engineering, Inc.	Recommend	Approved

A motion was made by Robert Peoples and seconded by Heather Quinn to approve Wesley Smith to sit for his prospective exam. The motion passed with one abstention by Hahns Hairston.

- October 8th Exam Results

SCHEDULED	27
SHOWED	27
PASSED	17
FAILED	10
AVERAGE GRADE	67%

Types of Exams to Pass

Apprentice Pump Installer – 2
Apprentice Well Driller – 11
Master Well Driller (Water Supply) – 2
Master Well Driller (General) – 1
Pump Installer – 1

Types of Exams to Fail

Apprentice Well Driller – 10

Applicants That Passed the Examination

Erick Fuentes – Apprentice Well Driller
Francisco Godoy – Apprentice Well Driller
Ivan Gutierrez – Apprentice Well Driller
Christopher Kurtz – Apprentice Well Driller
Tyler Kurtz – Apprentice Well Driller
Robert Maillat – Apprentice Well Driller
Eris Tobar – Apprentice Well Driller
John Winebrenner – Apprentice Well Driller
Brayan Madrid – Apprentice Pump Installer
Peyton Tull – Apprentice Well Driller
Christopher Madrid – Apprentice Pump Installer
David Posten – Apprentice Well Driller
Michael Dodd – Pump Installer
Corey Suter – Apprentice Well Driller
Joel Yingling – Master Well Driller (General)
Noll, Zachary – Master Well Driller (Water Supply)
Matthew M. Hall – Master Well Driller (Water Supply)

A motion was made by Robert Peoples and seconded by Dave Kelly to approve all the above applicants who passed their respective examinations. Motion passed with one abstention by Hahns Hairston.

Industry Correspondence/State of the Industry

Amanda Redmiles will be attending the National Ground Water Association Conference in December.

Board Vote to Move into Closed Session

A motion was made by Mike Hall and seconded by Heather Quinn to move into closed Session. The motion passed with one abstention by Hahns Hairston. The presiding officer read a written closing statement addressing the reason for the closed meeting, including the topics to be discussed and statutory exceptions(s) (see below).

Adjournment

A motion was made by Steven Kwiatkowski and seconded by Robert Peoples to adjourn. The motion was approved with one abstention by Hahns Hairston.

Call to Order and Purpose of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to General Provisions Article ("GP"), § 3-305(b), on a motion by Mike Hall and seconded by Heather Quinn Board members approved moving into closed session on October 29, 2025, for the purpose of complying with the following provisions of the Open Meetings Act:

GP § 3-305(b)(2) - To protect the privacy or reputation of license holders,
GP § 3-305(b)(7) - To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice,
GP § 3-305(b)(8) - To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation.

The following Board members were present during the closed meeting: Hahns Hairston, Larry Brenneman, Mike Hall, Dave Kelly, Heather Quinn, Robert Peoples, and Steven Kwiatkowski. MDE staff were Amanda Redmiles, Jennifer Bowman, John Boris, Christopher Freeman and Alex Rubin.

Pursuant to legal provisions, Hahns Hairston read the closed meeting disclaimer.

Topics Discussed During the Closed Meeting

Board members reviewed and approved the October 29, 2025, meeting agenda, closed meeting minutes; were updated on previous violations, discussed new violations and complaints; and worked on rewriting regulations.