



MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF WELL DRILLERS

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, June 25, 2025 @ 9:00 A.M.

* Please note, this is a hybrid meeting. Members of the public are invited to attend either by accessing the virtual link, calling into the below phone number, or attending in person at the address information listed below.

Video/Teleconference via Google hangouts Meet

Video Link: <https://meet.google.com/oym-hzvv-vqm> Phone: +1 662-565-5272 PIN: 885 916 373#

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
Nicole Rush – OAG
Alex Rubin – MDE
Taj Goodlow – MDE
Melodie Mackall – MDE

Outside Guest

Shawn Riemold – Martin Water Conditioning

Call to Order

Presiding Officer, Hahns Hairston, presided over the meeting.

Roll Call

Amanda Redmiles conducted the roll call.

Presiding Offer Comments

Hahns Hairston welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Approval of Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Larry Brenneman and seconded by Mike Hall to approve the agenda. The motion passed with one abstention by Hahns Hairston.

Review and Adoption of May 28th, 2025, Open Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Mike Hall and seconded by Robert Peoples to approve the minutes with the addition of when Hahns Hairston joined the meeting. The motion passed with one abstention by Hahns Hairston.

Executive Director Comments

- Bradley Zimmerman– Exam Qualifications
 - Shawn Riemold is requesting that Bradley Zimmerman be permitted to take the Water Conditioner Installer Exam and forgo the Apprentice Water Conditioner Exam and the two-year apprenticeship.
 - The Board requested a referral to the Office of the Attorney General for legal guidance. The referral was emailed by Amanda Redmiles during the meeting.
 - The Board advised Shawn Riemold to have Bradley Zimmerman take the Apprentice Water Conditioner exam on August 5th and wait for further guidance based on the results of the exam.
- FY25 Revenue & Expenditures Update

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REVENUE & EXPENDITURES FY25

FY25 APPN \$97,366.00

Month	Running Expenditures	Monthly Expenditures	Running Revenue	Monthly Revenue
JULY	\$10,828.54	\$10,828.54	\$2,175.00	\$2,175.00
AUGUST	\$23,452.26	\$12,623.72	\$3,075.00	\$900.00
SEPTEMBER	\$29,798.84	\$6,346.58	\$3,725.00	\$650.00
OCTOBER	\$53,306.67	\$23,507.83	\$4,250.00	\$525.00
NOVEMBER	\$65,732.45	\$12,425.78	\$5,025.00	\$775.00
DECEMBER	\$78,633.45	\$12,901.00	\$5,875.00	\$850.00
JANUARY	\$91,715.73	\$13,082.28	\$9,350.00	\$3,475.00
FEBRUARY	\$104,566.91	\$12,851.18	\$19,975.00	\$10,625.00
MARCH			\$32,225.00	\$12,250.00
APRIL			\$51,500.00	\$19,275.00
MAY			\$86,000.00	\$34,500.00
JUNE				
		\$104,566.91		

- Renewal Status
 - It is currently estimated that 89% of the licenses have been renewed. Amanda Redmiles is still waiting for 35 that have not yet been received and 14 that she is awaiting supporting documents for.
- August Board Meeting
 - The Board agreed to move the August 27th meeting to August 20th.

Old Business

No old business to discuss.

New Business

- Continuing Education Credits Approval

#	Organization	Course Name	Location	Date(s)	License Category	Rec. Hours	Cycle	Outcome
1	EnviroWorkshops	PFAS & VOC's - Remediation Workshop	Atlantic, GA	06/05/2025	All Licenses	6 Hours	2025-2027	BOARD APPROVED
2	PGWA	2025 PGWA Summer Conference	Watson, PA	06/06/2025	All Licenses	5 Hours	2025-2027	BOARD APPROVED
3	NGWA	Constructing & Designing a Well that is a Good Value to the Owner	Online	Ongoing	All Licenses	1 Hour	2025-2027	BOARD APPROVED

A motion was made by Heather Quinn to approve the above-mentioned courses and seconded by Larry Brenneman. The motion passed with one abstention by Hahns Hairston.

- Examination Qualifications

#	Name	Exam Type	Employer	Recommend	Outcome
1	Dodd, Michael	PIO	Tri County Pumps, Inc.	Recommend	BOARD APPROVED
2	Ditman, Daniel	JGD	Hillis-Carnes	Recommend	BOARD APPROVED
3	Kurtz, Christopher	AWD	Odyssey Environmental Services, Inc.	Recommend	BOARD APPROVED
4	Kurtz, Tyler	AWD	Odyssey Environmental Services, Inc.	Recommend	BOARD APPROVED
5	Posten, David	AWD	Odyssey Environmental Services, Inc.	Recommend	BOARD APPROVED
6	Schugart, Xavier	AWD	Odyssey Environmental Services, Inc.	Recommend	BOARD APPROVED
7	Scott, Cody	AWD	Odyssey Environmental Services, Inc.	Recommend	BOARD APPROVED
8	Suter, Corey	AWD	Odyssey Environmental Services, Inc.	Recommend	BOARD APPROVED
9	Wilkerson, Jonathan	MGD	Independent Drilling, Inc.	Awaiting Letter of Good Standing from Virginia & Regulations from Florida	ON HOLD
10	Winebrenner, John	AWD	Kim Engineering, Inc.	Recommend	BOARD APPROVED

A motion was made by Heather Quinn and seconded by Mike Hall to approve the above applicants to take the examinations with exception of #9. The motion passed with one abstention by Hahns Hairston.

- June 11th Exam Results

SCHEDULED	19
SHOWED	16
RESCHEDULED	3
PASSED	11

FAILED	6
AVERAGE GRADE	70%

*Two individuals took two exams.

*One exam could not be graded due to multiple answers

per question.

Types of Exams to Pass

Apprentice Pump Installer – 1

Apprentice Water Conditioner – 2

Apprentice Well Driller – 5

Journeyman Well Driller (Geotechnical) – 1

Pump Installer – 1

Water Conditioner Installer – 1

Types of Exams to Fail

Apprentice Pump Installer – 3

Apprentice Well Driller – 3

Applicants That Passed the Examination

Matthew Ballew – Journeyman Well Driller – Geotechnical

Brett Edward Benedict – Apprentice Pump Installer

Stephen Duklewski – Pump Installer

Stephen Duklewski – Water Conditioner Installer

Daric Evans – Apprentice Well Driller

Aydin Fairbank – Apprentice Well Driller

Samuel Lape – Apprentice Water Conditioner

Anthony Robert Marshall – Apprentice Water Conditioner

Jamel Peoples – Apprentice Well Driller

Michael Stephen Rey – Apprentice Well Driller

Juan Zetina – Apprentice Well Driller

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

Industry Correspondence/State of the Industry

Nothing to report.

Board Vote to Move into Closed Session

A motion was made by Heather Quinn and seconded by Larry Brenneman to go into closed session. The motion unanimously passed.

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 Mike Hall and seconded by Dave Kelly to adjourn the meeting. The motion

unanimously passed.

Call to Order and Purpose of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to General Provisions Article ("GP"), § 3-305(b), on a motion by Heather Quinn and seconded by Larry Brenneman Board members approved moving into closed session on June 25, 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. The MDE staff present were Amanda Redmiles, Nicole Rush, Taj Goodlow, Alex Rubin and Matt Cumers.

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

Topics Discussed During the Closed Meeting

Board members reviewed and approved the May 28, 2025, closed meeting minutes; were updated on previous violations; discussed new violations and complaints; and worked with Board counsel on rewriting regulations.