

# MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF WELL DRILLERS

#### **OPEN MEETING MINUTES**

### Wednesday, September 24, 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.

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#### **Board Members Present**

Larry Brenneman – Western MD Michael Hall – Eastern MD Heather Quinn – DNR Dave Kelly – Central MD Steven Kwiatkowski – Southern MD

### **MDE Staff Present**

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

#### **Excused Absent**

Hahns Hairston – Chairman/Public At Large Robert Peoples - MDE

### Call to Order

Presiding Officer, Larry Brenneman presided over the meeting.

#### **Roll Call**

Amanda Redmiles conducted the roll call.

#### **Presiding Offer Comments**

Larry Brenneman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## **Approval of Meeting Agenda**

A motion was made by Mike Hall and seconded by Steven Kwiatkowski to approve the agenda with a change from FY25 to FY26 under Executive Director Comments. The motion unanimously passed.

## Review and Adoption of August 20, 2025, Open Meeting Minutes

The motion was made by Mike Hall and seconded by Heather Quinn to approve the minutes with the removal of the bullet point next to "scheduled" on page two and with the addition of the number of Journeyman Well Drillers (Water Supply) on page three. The motion unanimously passed unanimously.

## **Executive Director Comments**

• FY26 Revenue & Expenditures Update

BOARD OF WELL DRI REVENUE & EXPEND				
FY26 APPN \$128,425				
Month	Running Expenditures	Monthly Expenditures	Running Revenue	Monthly Revenue
JULY	\$10,892.99	\$10,892.99	\$875.00	\$875.00
AUGUST			\$3,500.00	\$2,625.00
SEPTEMBER				
OCTOBER				
NOVEMBER				
DECEMBER				
JANUARY				
FEBRUARY				
MARCH				
APRIL				
MAY				
JUNE				
		\$10,892.99		

### • Exam Initiative

 Amanda Redmiles would like to review the Board exams, starting with the Apprentice Pump Installer and Apprentice Water Conditioner for accuracy and new technology. The Board will review exams during future closed sessions on days they do not review regulations.

## **Old Business**

No old business to discuss.

## **New Business**

• Continuing Education Credits Approval

					License		
#	Organization	Course Name	Location	Date(s)	Category	Rec. Hours	Cycle
1	National Groundwater Association	Groundwater Week 2025	New Orleans, LA	12/9/25 - 12/11/25	All Licenses	12 Hours	2025-2027
2	South AtaIntic Jubilee	2025 South Atlantic Jubilee	Myrtle Beach, SC	7/26/25 - 7/28/25	All Licenses	10.5 Hours	2025-2027
3	Eastern Water Quality Association	2025 EWQA Fall Conference & Trade Show	Bethleham, PA	9/10/25 - 9/12/25	All Licenses	9 Hours	2025-2027
4	National Drilling Association	NDA Drill Expo	Cleveland, OH	10/1/25 - 10/2/25	All Licenses	7 Hours	2025-2027
Ę	Milby Company	Water Treatment School	Elkridge, MD	10/7/25 -10/8/25	All Licenses	7 Hours	2025-2027

A motion was made by Heather Quinn to approve the above-mentioned courses and seconded by Dave Kelly. The motion unanimously passed.

• Examination Qualifications

#	Name	Exam Type	Employer	Recommend
1	Barlow, Daniel	MSD	Michael Barlow Well Drilling	Recommend
2	Berteti, Nelson Adonis Osorio	AWD	Allied Well Drilling	Recommend
3	Boyd, Alexander	AWD	Parratt-Wolff	Recommend
4	Creasey, Benjamin Elliott	JWD	Connelly & Associates	Recommend
5	Hall, Matthew M.	MSD	Somerset	Recommend
6	Howard Jr, Clarence Wayne	AWD	Somerset	Recommend
7	Johnson, Daniel	AWD	Parratt-Wolff	Recommend
8	Maillat, Robert	AWD	Dandelion Energy	Recommend
9	Mason, Curtis	AWD	Carroll Water, LLC	Recommend
10	Mullins, Travis	AWD	Eichelbergers	Check Employment History
11	Noll, Zachary	MSD	Somerset	Recommend
12	Pendino, Sage	AWD	Dandelion Energy	Recommend
13	Riggin, Evan M.	AWD	Somerset	Recommend
14	Ruiz, Ruben	AWD	Dandelion Energy	Recommend
15	Sanabria, Edgar Alvarenga	AWD	Allied Well Drilling	Recommend
16	Stanley, Nicholas	AWD	Gurvis Jones Well Drilling	Recommend
17	Swift, Ethan	AWD	Somerset	Recommend
18	Tull, Peyton	AWD	Shannahan Artesian Well Co.	Recommend

A motion was made by Steven Kwiatkowski and seconded by Dave Kelly to approve the above applicants. Applicant #10 is approved pending his employment history checks out. The motion unanimously passed.

### **Industry Correspondence/State of the Industry**

Dave Kelly was contacted by the Maryland Delaware Water Well Association to speak to the Board regarding Prince Georges County charging higher rates for well permits than the regulated amount. The County has already been contacted on several occasions by John Boris regarding the matter with no resolution. Amanda Redmiles will submit a referral to the Office of the Attorney General. The topic will be added to the next meeting agenda.

#### **Board Vote to Move into Closed Session**

A motion was made by Dave Kelly and seconded by Mike Hall to go into closed session. The motion passed unanimously.

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 Heather Quinn to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

## Call to Order and Purpose of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to General Provisions Article ("GP"), § 3-305(b), on a motion by Dave Kelly and seconded by Mike Hall Board members approved moving into closed session on September 24, 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: Larry Brenneman, Mike Hall, Dave Kelly, Heather Quinn and Steven Kwiatkowski. The MDE staff present were Amanda Redmiles, Jennifer Bowman, John Boris and Alex Rubin.

Pursuant to legal provisions, Larry Brenneman read the closed meeting disclaimer.

## **Topics Discussed During the Closed Meeting**

Board members reviewed and approved the August 20, 2025; closed meeting minutes, were updated on previous violations, and discussed new violations and complaints.