

**MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF WELL DRILLERS
OPEN MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, September 28, 2022, @ 9:00 A.M
Video/Teleconference via Google hangouts Meet
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Board Members Present

Hahns Hairston - Chairman/Public At Large
Larry Brenneman - Western MD
Dave Kelly - Central MD
Heather Quinn - DNR
Mike Hall - Eastern MD

MDE Staff Present

Gayatri Mostaghimi - Board Counsel
Duane Johnson - Executive Director
John Boris - MDE, Wastewater

Guest

Jennifer Bowman

Absent

Robert Peoples

Call to Order

Presiding Officer Hahns Hairston presided over the meeting.

Roll Call

Hahns Hairston asked Duane Johnson to conduct the roll call for anyone present at the virtual meeting.

Presiding Officer Comments

Hahns Hairston welcomed everybody to the meeting.

Approval of Meeting Agenda

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

Review and Adoption of August 24, 2022, Remote Open Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Larry Brenneman and seconded by Mike Hall to approve the August 24, 2022, open meeting minutes. The motion passed with one abstention by Hahns Hairston.

Executive Director Comments

REVENUE & EXPENDITURES FY23

JULY (Final)

Revenue \$1350.00

Expenditures \$8,745.13

AUGUST (Draft)

Revenue \$525.00

Expenditures Pending

MONTH	EXPENDITURE	REVENUE
JULY	\$8,745.13	\$1350.00
AUGUST		
SEPTEMBER		

Duane Johnson reported that July revenue and expenditures are now final and August revenue and expenditures are still in a draft form.

Examination Qualifications

DECEMBER EXAM QUALIFICATIONS FOR APPROVAL

Name	Exam Type	Qualification	Employer	Exp/Equipment	Recommendation
Raymond Truelove	Water Conditioner Installer	Meets 1-year experience requirement Provided 10 locations where he assisted in the installation of equipment Current license AWC085 Sponsor WCI139 is in good standing	Phelps Water Co. 2013	Helper/water softeners, chemical feeders	Approve
Wyatt Dermer	Apprentice Well Driller	Meets 1-year experience requirement	Sperry Drilling Inc.	Helper/Reich drill T-650, water wells,	Approve

		<p>Provided 10 locations where he assisted in the installation of equipment Received letter of recommendation</p> <p>Sponsor MWD150 is in good standing</p>	2019	casing and water liners	
Eugene Stichler	Master Well Driller	<p>Meets 7-year experience requirement</p> <p>Provided 10 locations where he assisted or installed wells or well system equipment</p> <p>Letter of good standing from NJ</p> <p>MWD license NJ</p>	Uni-Tech 1999	CME 75, 85, 45c, CX Failing 1500, Reverse Rotary Jed A, Mud Rotary	Approval pending confirmation the applicant has a 40-Hour HAZWOPER Certification

A motion was made by Mike Hall and seconded by Dave Kelly to approve Raymond Truelove and Wyatt Dermer to take their respective examinations and determine if Eugene Stichler has a 40 Hr. HAZWOPER Certification. If he does Duane Johnson will approve him. The motion passed with one abstention by Hahns Hairston.

Training for Approval

ORGANIZATION	COURSE NAME	LOCATION	DATES	LICENSE CATEGORY	REC. HRS.	CYCLE
Eastern Water Quality Association	2022 Convention/ Trade Show	Wilkes-Barre, PA.	9/21 thru 9/22/2022	Supply Driller, MWD, WCI	Up to 17	2023, check for certificate

A motion was made by Dave Kelly and seconded by Mike Hall to approve the above training and for Duane Johnson to verify that a certificate will be issued once training is completed. The motion passed with one abstention by Hahns Hairston.

Industry Correspondence/State of the Industry

No comments relating to the Industry

Board Vote to Move into Closed Session

A motion was made by Larry Brenneman and seconded by Heather Quinn to go 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 exception(s) (see below).

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mike Hall and seconded by Larry Brenneman to adjourn the open meeting. The motion passed 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 Larry Brenneman that was seconded by Heather Quinn, Board members approved moving into closed session on August 24, 2022, 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: Presiding Officer Hahns Hairston, Larry Brenneman, Heather Quinn, Dave Kelly, Mike Hall and Brad Hartman.

The following MDE staff were present during the closed meeting: Duane Johnson, Gayatri Mostaghimi and John Boris.

The Board Chair read the closed meeting disclaimer pursuant to legal provisions.

Topics Discussed During the Closed Meeting

Board members reviewed and approved the August 24, 2022, closed meeting minutes and discussed: Maryland Public Ethics Law, an issue concerning the Calvert County Health Department, an update on the Different States' Examination Qualification Draft Chart, a disciplinary action against a licensee; and changes to the Open Meetings Act effective October 1, 2022.