

# MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF WELL DRILLERS

# OPEN MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, November 20, 2024 @ 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/ydb-xoee-eiu Phone: +1 401-371-3625 PIN: 587 686 605# 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 Robert Peoples – MDE Steven Kwiatkowski – Southern MD Dave Kelly – Central MD

### **MDE Staff Present**

Amanda Redmiles – Executive Director Jennifer Bowman – OAG Alex Rubin – 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 including outside guests.

### **Approval of Meeting Agenda**

A motion was made by Heather Quinn and seconded by Hahns Hairston to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

## Review and Adoption of October 23rd, 2024, Open Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Mike Hall and seconded by Dave Kelly to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

### **8 Hour Hazwoper Refresher Clarification**

With renewals approaching the Executive Director was seeking clarification on the use of the 8 hour hazwoper course. The Board confirmed that only MWD and MGD can use the 8 hour hazwoper course twice during a renewal period.

### **Executive Director Comments**

• FY25 Revenue & Expenditures Update

BOARD OF WELL DR REVENUE & EXPEND				
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			\$4,250.00	\$525.00
NOVEMBER				
DECEMBER				
JANUARY				
FEBRUARY				
MARCH				
APRIL				
MAY				
JUNE				
		\$29,798.84		

<sup>\*</sup>Amanda Redmiles advised the Board she is still awaiting the MD Fiscal Department for the October Expenditures.

• Renewal Preparation- Amanda Redmiles emailed companies with licensed individuals with a spreadsheet of their employees' current CEUs and reminded them of the upcoming renewal. The spreadsheet will be updated monthly and posted on the Board website.

# **Old Business**

No old business to discuss.

## **New Business**

• Continuing Education Credits Approval

1	#	Organization	Course Name	Location	Date(s)	License Category	Rec. Hours	Cycle	Outcome
		Del-Tech Community College	PFAS Treatment for Drinking Water & Wastewater Operators	Georgetown, DE	12/11/24	AWC & WCI	7 Hours		Tabled - Awaiting Agenda or Outline w/ Specific Times
			NJ Basic Electrical Concepts for Water Operators	Online	Online	All Licenses	2 Hours	2023-	Tabled for Next Meeting - Need to Verify Website with WSSO Board
		At Your Pace Online	NJ Disinfection	Online	Online	All Licenses	2 Hours	2023- 2025	Tabled for Next Meeting - Need to

								Verify Website with WSSO Board
4	At Your Pace Online	NJ Pump Installation/Maintenance	Online	Online	All Licenses	3.5 Hours	2023- 2025	Tabled for Next Meeting - Need to Verify Website with WSSO Board
5	At Your Pace Online	NJ Pumps: Part 1	Online	Online	All Licenses	3 Hours	2023- 2025	Tabled for Next Meeting - Need to Verify Website with WSSO Board
6	At Your Pace Online	NJ Pumps: Part 2	Online	Online	All Licenses	3 Hours	2023- 2025	Tabled for Next Meeting - Need to Verify Website with WSSO Board
7	NJ Water Association	PFAS - Risks, Regulations and Redmediation	Brooklawn, NJ	08/16/2023	All Licenses	4 Hours	2023- 2025	Approved
8	EWQA	2024 EWQA Fall Trade Show & Conference	Bethlehem, PA	09/11/24 - 9/13/24	All Licenses	12 Hours	2023- 2025	Approved
9	Drill Tech Group LLC	Mud Rotary Class	Millstone Twp, NJ	10/16/2024	All Licenses	8.5 Hours	2023- 2025	Approved
10	NDA	Northeast Chapter 2024 Training Day	West Boylston, MA	04/06/2024	All Licenses	8 Hours	2023- 2025	Approved
11	National CPR Foundation	CPR/AED/First Aid	Online	Online	All Licenses	25 Minutes	2023- 2025	Denied
12	OSHA Training.com	Confined Space Entry for Construction	Online	Online	All Licenses	8 Hours	2023- 2025	Approved

A motion was made by Hahns Hairston to approve the above the indicated courses and seconded by Mike Hall. The motion was passed unanimously.

Hahns Hairston left the meeting.

## **Examination Qualifications**

#	Name Exam Type		Employer	Recommend	Outcome
1	Cruz, Jefferson	AWD	Allied Environmental Services	Recommend	Approved
2	Esquivel, Francisco	AWD	Allied Environmental Services	Recommend	Approved
3	Hernandez, Juan	AWD	Allied Environmental Services	Recommend	Approved
4	Romero, Marvin	JWD	Allied Environmental Services	Recommend	Approved
5	Stone, Richard	AWD	Allied Environmental Services	Recommend	Approved

A motion was made by Steven Kwiatkowski and seconded by Heather Quinn to approve the above applicants to take the examinations with the listed conditions. The motion was passed unanimously.

# **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 Dave Kelly to go into closed session. The motion was 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 exception(s) (see below).

# **Adjournment**

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

# 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 Dave Kelly Board members approved moving into closed session on November 20, 2024, 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 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 October 23, 2024, closed meeting minutes; discussed the update on Calvert County Plumbing Board matter; were updated on previous violations, discussed new violations and complaints; and worked on rewriting regulations.