



Maryland

Department of
the Environment

Maryland State Board of On-Site Wastewater Professionals Open Meeting Minutes

Date:
Wednesday, May 20, 2026

Time: 10:43am

Location: Virtual via Google Meet & 1st Floor
MDE Conference Room

Note: Meeting delayed to achieve
quorum

Attendance				Meeting As Scheduled ☒	Meeting Rescheduled ☐
Board Members	Present	Absent	MDE Staff	Present	Absent
Robert Kutchman MDE	☒	☐	G.K. Sanchez Board Attorney	☒	☐
Amber Durand Consumer Member	☐	☒	Melody Harvey Administrator	☒	☐
Ray Harrison Industry Professional	☐	☒	Nicole Kimbrough Administrator	☒	☐
Bonnie Browne Industry Professional	☐	☒	Seth Eisenstein Administrator	☒	☐
Francis (Eddie) Harrison MOWPA	☒	☐	Guests in attendance:		
Julie Mackert Consumer Member	☒	☐			
Kurt Cassell Industry Professional	☒	☐			
Langford Johnson Industry Professional	☐	☒			
Robert Mitchell MD Conference of Local Environmental Health Directors	☒	☐			

Call to Order

Board Chair J. Mackert presided over the meeting and called the meeting to order at 10:43 am.

Roll Call

N. Kimbrough conducted a roll call. K. Cassell, E. Harrison, R. Kutchman attended in person J. Mackert and R. Mitchell attended virtually; A. Durand, R. Harrison, B. Browne and L. Johnson were absent.

Adoption of Meeting Agenda

The posted agenda was reviewed and approved. The motion to approve the Agenda was made by K. Cassell and was seconded by E. Harrison. The motion passed unanimously.

Review and Adoption of Open Session Meeting Minutes from 4/15/26

The minutes from the 4/15/26 meeting open session were reviewed and approved without edits. The motion to approve was made by E. Harrison and was seconded by R. Kutchman. The motion passed unanimously.

Director's Report

S. Eisenstein addressed the board about changes to the agenda; N. Howell was not able to join the closed session. The issue she planned to present on will be addressed at a later date.

Vote for Closed Session

A motion was made by K. Cassell to go into a closed session to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice on review and discussion of the regulation recommendation document. The motion was seconded by R. Kutchman, and approved unanimously. Chairperson J. Mackert read the closing statement.

Adjournment

The open session adjourned at 10:48 am.