

MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, June 12, 2019
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**Well Driller's Commission**  
**18 Elkins Lane, Harlow Bldg., Rm 109, Augusta, ME**

**ATTENDEES:**

Commission Members:

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| Dwight Doughty<br>Hydrogeologist, DOT, Chairperson | Glenn Dyer<br>Master Well Driller  |
| David Braley<br>Hydrogeologist, MeCDC              | Joe Gallant<br>Master Well Driller |
| Frank Hegarty<br>Master Well Driller               | Mike Otley<br>Public Member        |

Legal Counsel:

Guests:

Debbie Dyer  
Public  
David Philbrook  
Well Inspector  
Mary & David Woodsome  
Well Complaint

Minutes Prepared By:

Tina Lemieux  
DWP Licensing Clerk, Commission Clerk

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**PROCEEDINGS: 9:03 am**

**TOPIC: Review of Meeting Minutes:**

Motion to accept the minutes from May 8, 2019, meeting.

**MOTION:** Mike Otley      **2<sup>ND</sup>:** Frank Hegarty      **VOTE:** Unanimous

**TOPIC: Exam Applications –**

- BESSLER\_WD02114 – PI-M examination; APPROVED
  - o Approved by Commission; has more than 3 years to qualify to take exam and proper documents.

Motion to approve application for examination.

**MOTION:** David Braley      **2<sup>ND</sup>:** Joe Gallant      **VOTE:** Unanimous

- CARTMELL, Robert – reciprocity; DENIED
  - o Denied by Commission; voted and denied reciprocity.

Motion to approve the reciprocity application from NH for PI-M.

**MOTION:** David Braley    **2<sup>ND</sup>:** Dwight Doughty    **VOTE:** 3 nay / 2 yea, 1 abstained, 1 absent

- HARTLEY\_WD00395 – reciprocity; DENIED
  - o Denied by Commission; voted and denied reciprocity.

Motion to approve the reciprocity application from NH for WD-M / PI-M.

**MOTION:** Dwight Doughty    **2<sup>ND</sup>:** David Braley    **VOTE:** same

**\*Discussion for Reciprocity Issue:**

- o Commission needs time to deliberate issues, consult with AAG, and revote on the issue consistent with rules and regulations of the State of Maine Water Well Commission.
- o Issue will be revisited after deliberations.

**TOPIC: Specialty Well Application – Board Approvals**

- MILLS-COMAC – commission review; APPROVED

**TOPIC: Specialty Well Application – In-House Approvals**

- KIMBALL-JH SWETT
- KIRK-LORD
- NESTLING PINES-BISSON
- TONGE-SKILLINGS
- BARLEY-SUNCO

**TOPIC: Other Business**

None

**TOPIC: Complaints**

CROUSE-WOODSOME – complaint, received 3-15-19; CLOSED – 6-12-19

- o MWWC Inspector sent to validate findings and report.
- o 5-8-19, waiting for report and findings.
- o 6-12-19, results of inspection by David Philbrook
  - questions were about depth, yield and amount of casing; well cap and invoice read differently; video and memo, depth finder on video

Motion to reimburse homeowner ~\$350.00, for overcharge of casing.

**MOTION:** Glenn Dyer    **2<sup>ND</sup>:** Joe Gallant    **VOTE:** Unanimous

JOHNSON-ACE – complaint, received 5-7-19; OPEN

- July 10, 2018, a well was drilled on the property of Blanche Johnson by Peter Oakes of Ace Well Service Inc.
- Issue began January 30, 2019, of sediment and mud.
- 5-8-19, Commission unanimously decided to accept complaint.
- 6-12-19, results of inspection by David Philbrook
  - Solution: to vacuum well, clear well of excessive debris; able to clear well, appeared to be sediment free; could not get “good” read from sonar equipment; multiple fractures; does not appear to be an emergency; send invitation for next meeting

- Table until meeting next month, Wednesday, July 10.

Motion to send a request of attendance to assess potential violations.

**MOTION:** Glenn Dyer      **2<sup>ND</sup>:** David Braley      **VOTE:** Unanimous

CIVIL ARMS INC-PHILBRICK – complaint, received 1-7-19; OPEN

- 6-12-19, results of inspection by David Philbrook
  - Civil Arms Inc sent video of plumbing fixture function at David Philbrook request;
  - Commission Clerk reported a phone call from Mr. Philbrick sighting more time to assess well if the “fix” worked; he is sending Ted McLeod with camera sometime this week to video well; asks if David Philbrook would wait to inspect until after McLeod checks it for Mr. Philbrick;
  - Commission will give a week for confirmation.

- Table until meeting next month, Wednesday, July 10.

PUTNAM-GALLANT – complaint, received 5-4-18; OPEN

- complaint #1, closed; complaint #2, open; complaint #3, open; complaint #4, open;
- MWWC Inspector received call from Mr. Putnam with update that technical issues are resolved.
- 5-8-19, Dwight Doughty has offered to reach out to Mr. Putnam to find out if the issues have been resolved.
- 6-12-19, send invitations to Morton and Putnam that the case will be reviewed at next meeting.

- Table until meeting next month, Wednesday, July 10.

**ADJOURN:** **10:20 am,** Motion to adjourn.

**MOTION:** David Braley      **2<sup>nd</sup>:** Glenn Dyer      **VOTE:** Unanimous