

MINUTES

MAINE WATER WELL COMMISSION

Wednesday, October 8, 2025 – 9 am

Meeting – IN-PERSON / ZOOM
CDC BUILDING, 3rd Floor, Augusta, ME

ATTENDEES:

Commission Members: *(present - 6 / zoom - 1 / absent - 0)

Present:

Edward Bowie (Chair)
Master Well Driller
Alex Pugh
Hydrogeologist, DWP
Bradley Tirone
Hydrogeologist, DOT

Mike Otley
Public Member
Jesse Goodwin
Master Well Driller
Mary Szatkowski
Geologist, MGS

Zoom:

Frank Hegarty
Master Well Driller

Absent:

Guests:

Lauren LaRochelle
AAG
April Bledsoe
Private Wells, DWP

Zoom Guest:

Roderick Small
Complainant
Glenn Dyer
Mst Well Driller/Burns WD

Minutes Prepared By:

Tina Lemieux, Commission Clerk, DWP

PROCEEDINGS:

9:00 am

Review of Meeting Minutes:

Tuesday, September 16, 2025 – Monthly Meeting

Motion to approve.

❖ MOTION: Jesse Goodwin 2nd: Bradley Tirone VOTE: Unanimous

Exam Applications:

1. KYLE SWEENEY - Reciprocity Inquiry, *(see docs, letter and credentials)
 - a. Closed-Loop Geothermal Company & Individual License

Motion to waive the experience and take the exam.

❖ MOTION: Frank Hegarty 2nd: Jesse Goodwin VOTE: Unanimous

Specialty Well Applications – Commission Review:

1. NONE

Specialty Well Applications – In-House Approval:

1. DURANTE-STREETER_SWA
2. KING-GOODWIN_SWA

Other Business:**1. Open Discussions:****a. Statutory Legislation discussion, ~ Lauren LaRochelle, AAG****1. FOAA Training – MRS Title 32, Chap. 69-C**

- a. Commission members to go to website, take training, and submit training certificate to Commission Clerk.
- b. Commission Clerk will save FOAA training certificates.

****Motion to stop recording of monthly meetings for information purposes.**

❖ MOTION: Edward Bowie 2nd: Alex Pugh VOTE: Unanimous

b. Draft of Rules and Regulations, ~ Alex Pugh, DWP (cont.)

- i. Update and discussion
- ii. The Commission will discuss Rules & Regs at the next scheduled meeting.
 - 1. Continued...

c. Update for Exam Questions, ~ pending review

- i. dated materials, new editions of manuals
- ii. The Commission will discuss Exams and Questions for Exams
 - 1. To be discussed

2. EXAMS: Tuesday, November 11, 2025 @ 10am

- a. 286 Water Street, CDC Bldg., downtown Augusta
- b. Eligible candidates will be notified by email

NEW COMPLAINTS

RODERICK SMALL – BURNS WELL DRILLING INC – complaint, rcvd 9-15-25 - APPROVED

- 10-8-25, approved; no contract, agreement only, *207.1

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 Motion to accept complaint.
 ❖ **MOTION**: Frank Hegarty **2nd**: Jesse Goodwin **VOTE**: Unanimous

TERRY CHAPMAN – HALE WELL DRILLING LLC – complaint, rcvd 9-23-25 - APPROVED

- 10-8-25, approved; possible DEP violation, not certified to drill in close proximity to water body, *300.3, *300.1

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 Motion to accept complaint.
 ❖ **MOTION**: Frank Hegarty **2nd**: Jesse Goodwin **VOTE**: 4 yea / 3 nay

Motion for Alex Pugh to send referral to DEP.

❖ **MOTION**: Edward Bowie **2nd**: Frank Hegarty **VOTE**: Unanimous

ANONYMOUS – 23 BOGGY DUCK ROAD, NORTHPORT – complaint, rcvd 10-7-25 - APPROVED

- 10-8-25, approved; *704.1, letters to Flanagan and Estabrook, alleged improper well abandonment.

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 Motion to accept complaint.
 ❖ **MOTION**: Frank Hegarty **2nd**: Bradley Tirone **VOTE**: 6 yea / 1 abstained
 o Alex Pugh - abstained

ANONYMOUS – HALE WELL DRILLING LLC – complaint, rcvd 10-7-25 - APPROVED

- 10-8-25, approved; to determine owner and responsible master of company, need to provide payroll records, subcontract fees, and/or stake in company.

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 Motion to accept complaint.
 ❖ **MOTION**: Jesse Goodwin **2nd**: Mary Szatkowski **VOTE**: Unanimous

OPEN COMPLAINTS:

- NONE

NEXT MEETINGS:

MONTHLY MEETING:

Wednesday, November 12, 2025 – 9am, (In-Person/Zoom)

Location: 18 Elkins Lane, Room 109, Harlow Building, Augusta, ME

ADJOURNMENT:

10:19 am

Motion to Adjourn.

❖ **MOTION**: Mike Otley

2nd: Jesse Goodwin

VOTE: Unanimous