

# MINUTES

## MAINE WATER WELL COMMISSION

Wednesday, February 11, 2026 – 9 am

Meeting – IN-PERSON / ZOOM

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

### ATTENDEES:

Commission Members: \*(present - 4 / zoom - 1 / absent - 2)

#### Present:

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

Mike Otley  
Public Member

#### Zoom:

Mary Szatkowski  
Geologist, MGS

#### Absent:

Frank Hegarty  
Master Well Driller  
Jesse Goodwin  
Master Well Driller

#### Guests:

Affordable Well Drilling  
Jamie Bisson  
Dan Stinson  
Heather Pelkey

Bryson Houghton  
FX Lyons, NH

#### Zoom Guest:

April Bledsoe  
SSWW Staff  
Glenn Dyer – Burns WD

Dillian Burnham - Complaint

#### Minutes Prepared By:

Tina Lemieux, Commission Clerk, DWP

### PROCEEDINGS:

9:06 am

#### Review of Meeting Minutes:

##### Wednesday, January 14, 2026 – Monthly Meeting

Motion to approve meeting minutes.

❖ MOTION: Mike Otley                      2<sup>nd</sup>: Mary Szatkowski                      VOTE: Unanimous

#### Exam Applications:

1. BRYSON HOUGHTON – reciprocity – Approved for exams

Motion to approve sitting for WD-M exam.

❖ MOTION: Edward Bowie                      2<sup>nd</sup>: Alex Pugh                      VOTE: Unanimous

2. MIKEY THOMAS – reciprocity – Approved for exams

Motion to approve sitting for PI-M exam.

❖ MOTION: Alex Pugh                      2<sup>nd</sup>: Mary Szatkowski                      VOTE: Unanimous

3. KEVIN PRIOR – reciprocity – Approved for exams

Motion to approve sitting for PI-M exam

❖ MOTION: Alex Pugh                      2<sup>nd</sup>: Bradley Tirone                      VOTE: Unanimous

**Specialty Well Applications – In-House Approval:**

1. MCDONNELL-WESTER MW\_SWA

**Specialty Well Applications – Commission Review:**

1. NONE

SEQUINO-SUNCO SWA – commission review – TABLED (Pending)

- a. Motion tabled until next meeting 12-10-25; Hegarty/Bowie – Unanimous
- b. Motion to accept Specialty Well Application providing submission of **3 quarterly tests starting in May 2026**; *Goodwin/Tirone – Unanimous*

**Other Business:**

**1. Open Discussions:**

- a. **MAGFILL usage ~ Jesse Goodwin – Tabled until next meeting**
  - i. DHHS approved products, NSF approved products
  - ii. Discussion
  
- b. **INQUIRY: AUSTIN KOEHLING – licenses**
  - i. Sending a letter of inquiry to Austin Koehling for proof of licensure, individual and company
  - ii. Alex Pugh to compose letter of inquiry
  - iii. Will address inquiry at next meeting, 3-11-26.
  
- c. **GRIEVANCE/COMPLAINT: DILLION BURNHAM – well driller and company**
  - i. Contacted Commission about grievance and was instructed to submit a complaint form.
  - ii. Will address grievance/complaint at next meeting, 3-11-26.
  
- d. **Update for Exam Questions, ~ pending review**
  - i. dated materials, new editions of manual
  - ii. Discussion
  
- e. **EXAMS: Tuesday, March 10, 2026 @ 10am**
  - i. 286 Water Street, CDC Bldg., downtown Augusta
  - ii. Eligible candidates will be notified by email

**OPEN COMPLAINTS**

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**TERRY CHAPMAN – HALE WELL DRILLING LLC – complaint, rcvd 9-23-25 – OPEN (Pending)**

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- *1-14-26, \*Complaint closing pending completion certificate of Erosion Control class. \*Goodwin/Otley- Unanimous*

**ANON-H2O PUMP INC (23 BOGGY DUCK ROAD, NORTHPORT) - complaint, rcvd 10-7-25 - CLOSED**

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- 12-10-25, Perry Estabrook, present via Zoom for discussion
  - Estabrook says Dan Stinson (Affordable) running water pump and Affordable WD abandoned the well.
- 12-10-25, Motion to send ANON-H2O Complaint to Affordable Well Drilling (Dan Stinson) for a response; Otley/Szatkowski – Unanimous
- \*2-10-26, Dan Stinson, sent response letter, and appeared today for meeting.

Motion to recognize that Perry Estabrook violated \*704.1 of the rules and regulations, no penalties or fines will be assigned to violation.

- ❖ **MOTION**: Edward Bowie      **2<sup>nd</sup>**: Mary Szatkowski      **VOTE**: 4 yea / 1 recused
  - Alex Pugh – recused from vote

Motion to close complaint, no fines or penalties.

- ❖ **MOTION**: Mike Otley      **2<sup>nd</sup>**: Mary Szatkowski      **VOTE**: 4 yea / 1 recused
  - Alex Pugh – recused from vote

**NEXT MEETINGS:**

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**MONTHLY MEETING:**

**Wednesday, March 11, 2026 – 9am, (In-Person/Zoom)**

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

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**ADJOURNMENT:**

**10:20 am**

Motion to Adjourn.

- ❖ **MOTION**: Mike Otley      **2<sup>nd</sup>**: Bradley Tirone      **VOTE**: Unanimous