

MINUTES

MAINE WATER WELL COMMISSION

Wednesday, July 10, 2024

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Meeting – IN-PERSON / ZOOM  
18 Elkins Lane, Room 109, Harlow Building, Augusta, ME

### ATTENDEES:

#### Commission Members:

Dwight Doughty (Chair)  
Hydrogeologist, DOT  
Alex Pugh  
Hydrogeologist, DWP

Edward Bowie  
Master Well Driller  
Mike Otley  
Public Member

#### Zoom:

Jessica Meeks  
Hydrogeologist, MGS

#### Guests:

Rob Jennings  
DWP, Private Wells

#### Zoom:

Melissa Flanagan  
Complainant

#### Minutes Prepared By:

Tina Lemieux, Commission Clerk, DWP

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PROCEEDINGS: 9:02 am

Review of Meeting Minutes:

1. Wednesday, June 12, 2024 – Monthly Meeting – (In-Person/Zoom)

Motion to accept the minutes.

❖ **MOTION:** Alex Pugh **2nd:** Mike Otley **VOTE:** Unanimous

Exam Applications:

1. None

Specialty Well Applications – Commission Review:

1. None

Specialty Well Applications – In-House Approval:

1. GOODRIDGE-HANSENS_SWA
2. HOLLAND-HANSENS_SWA

Other Business:**1. EXAMS: Tuesday, August 13, 2024 @ 10am**

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

1. Dewatering Contractor ~Alex Pugh

- a. Jeremy White, Staff Acct. of Mersino, (a dewatering company), submitted an inquiry into whether the company and individuals need to become licensed or not for the work his company is planning in Maine.
- b. Commission is to decide whether the company is exempt or requires a license to operate in Maine.

7-10-24:

Motion for option to sit for the test, Master WD.

❖ **MOTION:** Alex Pugh **2nd:** Dwight Doughty **VOTE:** Unanimous

Motion to cancel previous motion.

❖ **MOTION:** Mike Otley **2nd:** Edward Bowie **VOTE:** Unanimous

Motion to allow Jeremy White/Mersino to apply for Master Well Driller license (reciprocity) and company registration, then review at next meeting.

❖ **MOTION:** Mike Otley **2nd:** Edward Bowie **VOTE:** Unanimous

*Explain: licenses / any potable water

OPEN COMPLAINTS:**FLANAGAN – GALLANT ARTESIAN WELLS INC – complaint, rcvd 3-18-24 – OPEN**

- 4-17-24, complaint, accepted, NOC/NOA letters sent, FLANAGAN and GALLANT
- 5-8-24, MOTION(s)
 - o Motion to request information from Rockport Homes (i.e. who installed the pump?)
 - o Motion to send “inspectors” to camera well and take samples (Frank Hegarty/Matt Jankovich)
- 6-12-24, Gallant AWI, agrees to re-camera well, before and after, and fix leaking problem.
 - o Homeowners agree to allow Gallant AWI to enter property and reassess and fix problem.
 - o Waiting for the Well Inspection write-up. (date/time/place/findings) – Hegarty/Jankovich
- 7-10-24, Melissa Flanagan, at meeting today, voiced concern about Gallants AWI completing the repairs on the well due to age and no confidence.
 - o Request for information, has been sent to Rockport Homes but there has been no response
 - o Inspectors, (Frank Hegarty and Matt Jankovich) have not reported findings at this time
 - o Gallant AWI has not responded to homeowners but has responded to MWWC about their well drilling equipment needs repair before completing the well repairs to 23 BOGGY DUCK ROAD, NORTHPORT, ME 04849.
- Table until next meeting, 8-14-24.

****HANSCOM WD-CARMEL WD – complaint, rcvd 11-09-21 – CLOSED**

- 11-10-21, complaint accepted

Lab Reports received to date:

- 09-11-2022, Lab Report, rcvd 2/14/23, Fall 2022 – (Total Coliform - unsatisfactory)
- 06-20-2023, Lab Report, rcvd 7/14/23, Spring 2023 – (All Pass)
- 09-26-2023, Lab Report, rcvd 9/28/23, Fall 2023 – (All Pass)
- 06-03-2024, Lab Report, rcvd 6/5/24, Spring 2024 – (Total Coliform – unsatisfactory)
- 07-08-2024, Lab Report, rcvd 7/10/24, Spring 2024 – (All Pass)

Motion that Carmel Well Drilling LLC has satisfied MWWC requirements to ensure the potability of the well at 29 SQUARE HAVEN LANE, NEWPORT, ME 04953 and close the complaint.

❖ **MOTION**: Dwight Doughty **2nd**: Edward Bowie **VOTE**: unanimous

MONTHLY MEETING:

Wednesday, August 14, 2024 – (In-Person/Zoom)

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

ADJOURNMENT:

TIME: **10:07 am**

Motion to Adjourn.

❖ **MOTION**: Mike Otley

2nd: Edward Bowie

VOTE: Unanimous