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FEBRUARY 5, 2021 BOARD MINUTES

(Board Approved: 5/7/21)

Pursuant to Governor Charles D. Baker's Executive Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, s. 20, dated March 12, 2020, all board members and staff appeared by videoconference.

MEETING CALL TO ORDER: at 10:03 A.M.

MEMBERS	APPOINTMENT	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mr. Michael Maynard	Chairman	X	
Mr. William Salomaa	Vice Chairman	X	
Mr. Blake Lukis	Member	X	
Mr. Dave Coppes	Member	X	
Mr. Andrew Reid	Member	X	
Ms. Ruth Alfasso	Member	X	
Mass. Labor Representative	Vacant		
STAFF	POSITION		
Lynn Read	Board Counsel	X	
Karen R. Brann	Executive Director	X	
Mary McCarthy-Collins	Assoc. Executive Director	X	
Aashna Alim	Office Admin		
PUBLIC	AFFILIATION		
Jen Pedersen	Mass Water Works Association	X	
Michael Celona	MassDEP	X	

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

MOTION: To accept the October 2, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes as written by Member Lukis and seconded by Member Coppes. Roll Call Board Vote: – Unanimous –Alfasso, Coppes, Lukis, Maynard, Reid, Salomaa In Favor.

MOTION: To accept the November 6, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes (with amendments) by Member Lukis and seconded by Chair Maynard. Roll Call Board Vote: – Unanimous –Alfasso, Coppes, Lukis, Maynard, Reid, Salomaa In Favor.



MOTION: To accept the December 4, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes (with amendments) by Member Coppes and seconded by Member Reid. Roll Call Board Vote: – Unanimous –Alfasso, Coppes, Lukis, Maynard, Reid, Salomaa In Favor.

DPL UPDATES:

Ms. Brann reported that the staff is planning to issue wall certificates again.

Ms. Brann also reported that the Division will be hiring a new Program Coordinator for the staff unit that serves this Board.

DISCUSSION:

- ABC Exam – The Board discussed the need to update the formula sheet distributed by ABC to all of its testing centers. The Board’s proposed amendments to the sheet have been sent to ABC staff, and Board members and counsel have a meeting scheduled with a PSI representative to discuss exam updates and the process to contest questions.
- Regulations – The Board decided to table this until next month.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Ms. Pedersen of MWWA asked for the status of a prior applicant for the Labor seat on the Board. Ms. Brann will inquire and report back.

TRAINING CONTACT HOUR APPLICATIONS:

Name/Association	Course Name	Course ID#	TCH’s	Comment
Tiger Training	Hot Work Safety	DWT-2021-3-COVID19-3	3	Approved
Tiger Training	OSHA-10	DWT-2021-4-COVID19-4	3	Approved
Maltz Sales	Chemical Feed 201	DWT-2021-5-COVID19-5	4	Approved
Jade Learning	Electrical Safety	DWT-2021-6-COVID19-6	2	Approved
Jade Learning	Electrical Trouble Shooting	DWT-2021-7-COVID19-7	3	Approved
Jade Learning	Intro to Water Technology	DWT-2021-8-COVID19-8	5	Approved
Jade Learning	Electrical Safety & Practice	DWT-2021-9-COVID19-9	2	Approved
Jade Learning	Fluid Mechanics	DWT-2021-10-COVID19-10	1	Approved
Jade Learning	Pumps 1	DWT-2021-11-COVID19-11	5	Approved
Jade Learning	Pumps 2	DWT-2021-12-COVID19-12	5	Approved

TEMPORARY EMERGENCY CERTIFICATE APPLICATIONS (COVID-19):
DISCUSSION:

TECs issued during COVID-19 Emergency will be expiring per 236 CMR 4.05(3)_Temporary Emergency Certificate, which states that TECs “are valid for a period of six months and shall not

be renewed.” Any public water systems with expiring TEC’s may file an application with DPL for a six month Provisional Certificate per 236 CMR 4.05(4). Applications will be reviewed and evaluated by DPL. It should be noted that “Issuance of the provisional certificate does not relieve the water supplier from the responsibility of vigorously pursuing the goal of obtaining a fully certified operator of appropriate grade at the earliest possible opportunity.”

Name of PWS	TEC #	Status	Provisional Certificate 236 CMR-4.05(4)	Provisional Certificate Status
Weston Water Department	TEC-528-COVID19	Expired	Provisional Certificate	Approved
Weston Water Department	TEC-529-COVID19	Expired	Provisional Certificate	Approved
Scituate Water Department	TEC-530-COVID19	Expired	Provisional Certificate	Approved
Scituate Water Department	TEC-531-COVID19	Expired	Provisional Certificate	Approved
High Lawn Farms	TEC-532-COVID19	Expired	Provisional Certificate	
Attleboro Water Department	TEC-533-COVID19	Expired	Provisional Certificate	
Weymouth Water Systems	TEC-534-COVID19	Expired	Provisional Certificate	Approved
Natick Water Department	TEC-525-COVID19	Expired	Provisional Certificate	
Natick Water Department	TEC-526-COVID19	Expired	Provisional Certificate	
Turners Falls Water Department	TEC-527-COVID19	Expired	Provisional Certificate	

ITEMS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED BY BOARD:

None

APPLICATION REVIEW:

Last Name	First Name	Applying for	Status
Page	Daniel	T1-Full upgrade	Approved
DiGiorgio	Stephen	T1-Full upgrade	Approved
Melanson	Todd	D3-Full	Approved
Melanson	Todd	T3-Full	Approved
Smith	Matthew	T2-Full	Approved for OIT
Das	Joshua	T2-Full	Approved for OIT
Bertrand	Adam	T3-Full	Approved for OIT
Stoddard	Dana	D2-Full	Approved
DeLong	Michael	T1-Full upgrade	Approved

Fitzgerald	Brett	D4-Full upgrade	Additional Information Requested
Rosenfield	Andrew	D2-Full upgrade	Approved
Rosenfield	Andrew	T2-Full Upgrade	Approved
Smith	Matthew	D2-Full	Approved
Michaels	Kevin	T4-Full upgrade	Denied
Reuell	Benjamin	T3-Full	Approved for OIT
Enamorado	Carlos	VSS-Full	Approved
Pearson	Jared	T1-Full upgrade	Denied
Varrieur	Marc	T1-(issue T1-OIT)	Approved
Parkhurst	John	D1-(issue T1-OIT)	Approved
Costa	Kenneth	T3-Full	Pending
Prophett	Robert	D4-Full	Pending
Morin	Ryan	T4-Full upgrade	Pending
Miller		D1	Pending
Provencal	Matthew	D1-Full upgrade	Pending
Provencal	Matthew	T1-Full upgrade	Pending
Sirignano	Alex	D1-Full	Pending
Connors	Ryan	D1-Full	Pending
Bolton	Thomas	D1-Full	Pending
Couris	Nicholas	D3-Full	Pending

*Member Coppes recused himself from any MWRA license applications.

*Member Lukis recused himself from any Framingham license applications

After brief discussion, a MOTION was made: To approve licenses indicated in the above chart, made by Member Coppes and seconded by Member Salomaa. Roll Call Board Vote: – Unanimous – Alfasso, Coppes, Lukis, Maynard, Reid, Salomaa.

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting @ 10:48 a.m., made by Member Coppes and seconded by Member Salomaa. Roll Call Board Vote: UNANIMOUS –Alfasso, Coppes, Lukis, Maynard, Reid, Salomaa In Favor.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Michael J. Maynard

Michael J. Maynard, Chairman
Board of Drinking Water & Supply Facility Operators

Documents Used in the Open Meeting:
Agenda for November 18, 2020
Draft Minutes of Meeting held September 3, 2020
Redlined Regulations 236 CMR 2.00-5.00