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## Board of Certification of Operators of Drinking Water Supply Facilities

### MINUTES OF MEETING HELD August 12, 2024 (Approved: September 6, 2024)

All board members and staff appeared by videoconference.

MEMBERS	APPOINTMENT	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mr. Michael Celona	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		
Ryan Doherty	Executive Director	X	
Aashna Alim	Office Admin	X	
Lynn Read	Board Counsel	X	

**MEETING CALL TO ORDER:** at 10:32 A.M.

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:**

**DOL UPDATES:**

- Number of OIT applications processed and licensed since July meeting:

License type	
TA	2
TB	8
TC	4
TD	3
DA	10
DB	3
DC	4
DD	2
VT	0
Total	36



**DISCUSSION:**

- Appeal – Jamie Tuccolo – T1 Full  
Mr. Tuccolo appeared before the Board to discuss the denial of his application for Full licensure. The Board took the additional experience information provided by the applicant into consideration and concluded their original decision to approve the application for an OIT license was correct and therefore, the appeal was denied.
- Draft Regulations with Responses to EOED Comments  
Board Counsel led a discussion of the comments and changes made to the Draft Regulations. Sections 2 and 3 were reviewed and edited during this meeting. Section 4 and onwards will be discussed at the September meeting.
- Draft Contract Operator Policy  
Update for the draft policy will be provided at the next meeting.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None.

**TRAINING CONTACT HOUR APPLICATIONS:**

Organization	Course	Course ID#	TCHs	Status
New England Section of AWWA	Safeguarding the Environment: Watershed Management for Environmental and Economic Sustainability	DWT-2024-47	1.0	Approved
Tata and Howard	Emergency Response Training	DWT-2024-48	7.0	Approved
NEWWA	NEWWA Annual Conference 2024 – Session A: Water Treatment	DWT-2024-49	2.5	Approved
NEWWA	NEWWA Annual Conference 2024 – Session B: Management & Finance	DWT-2024-50	2.5	Approved
NEWWA	NEWWA Annual Conference 2024 – Session C: Groundwater/Water Resources	DWT-2024-51	2.5	Approved
NEWWA	NEWWA Annual Conference 2024 – Session D: Distribution	DWT-2024-52	2.5	Approved
NEWWA	NEWWA Annual Conference 2024 – Session E: Regulatory	DWT-2024-53	2.5	Approved
NEWWA	NEWWA Annual Conference 2024 – Session F: Asset Management & Data Integration	DWT-2024-54	2.5	Approved
NEWWA	NEWWA Annual Conference 2024 – Session G: Town Hall Discussion – Impending Regulations Now, Near Future, Far Future	DWT-2024-55	2.0	Approved



Apex Rescue Group	Workplace Fall Protection	DWT-2024-56	8.0	Approved
Apex Rescue Group	Mobile Elevated Work Platform Operators	DWT-2024-57	8.0	Approved

### **TEMPORARY EMERGENCY CERTIFICATE & PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATE**

#### **STATUS:**

<b>Name of PWS</b>	<b>TEC# or PC #</b>	<b>Status</b>
Tewksbury Water Dept.	#2024-60	Approved

#### **ITEMS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED BY BOARD:**

Mr. Celona brought forward a situation for discussion with the Board where a Water System has submitted a TEC request for an operator with D4-OIT license and extensive Wastewater experience.

Mr. Doherty brought forward two Ethics courses for pre-approval by the Board submitted by an individual previously discussed in a Closed Meeting.

A MOTION was made by Member Alfasso and seconded by Member Salomaa to pre-approve these courses. Roll Call Board Vote: – Unanimous – Alfasso, Celona, Coppes, Lukis, Reid, Salomaa in favor

**RECIPROCITY:** None received.

#### **APPLICATION REVIEW:**

<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Applying for</b>	<b>Outcome</b>
Williams	Michael	D2-Full	Approved
Zingg	Chet	D1-Full	Approved for OIT
Barrepski	Silas	D1-Full upgrade	Approved
Barrepski	Silas	T1-Full upgrade	Approved for OIT
Silverman	Matthew	T2-Full upgrade	Approved
Silverman	Matthew	D2-Full upgrade	Approved
Gilbert	Joel	D1-Full upgrade	Approved
Palomo	David	D1-Full upgrade	Approved
Scheer	Sammy	D2-Full	Approved
Dickerson	Joshua	D1-Full	Approved
Keefe	Kevin	T2-Full	Approved
Hamm	Jason	T4-Full upgrade	Denied
Lynch	Michael	T3-Full upgrade	Approved
Atherton	Taylor	T2-Full upgrade	Approved
O'Hearn	Shaun	D3-Full	Approved
O'Hearn	Shaun	T1-Full upgrade	Approved
Putis	Jacob	T2-Full upgrade	Approved
Kallenberg	William	D2-Full	Approved
Gieparda	Kenneth	D3-Full	Approved



Ramaska	Zachary	T1-Full upgrade	Approved
Asselin	Luke	D2-Full	Approved
Kalyan	Milo	D1-Full	Approved for OIT
Fernandes	Higor	D1-Full	Approved
Pierre-Louis	Abraham	D2-Full	Approved
Mccullough	Keith	T1-Full upgrade	Request Additional Information
Mccullough	Keith	D1-Full upgrade	Approved
Mccullough	Keith	D2-Full	Approved
Suzor	Jason	T2-Full	Approved
Grady	Warren	T1-Full	Approved for OIT
Lyttle	Cameron	T1-Full	Approved for OIT
Collado	Hector	D2-Full	Approved
Cloutier	Joseph	D1-Full	Approved
Barber	Duane	D1-Full	Approved
Trzcinski	John	T3-Full	Approved
Gordon	Peter	T3-Full upgrade	Approved
Gordon	Peter	D4-Full upgrade	Approved
Dunn	Chris	T1-Full upgrade	Approved
Tusler	John	D1-Full	Approved
Morton	Brandon	T1-Full	Approved for OIT
Morton	Brandon	D1-Full upgrade	Denied
Hayden	Anna	T4-Full	Approved

\*Member Coppes recuses himself from any MWRA license applications.

\*\*Member Lukis recuses himself from any Dedham-Westwood Water District license applications.

\*\*\*Member Celona recuses himself from any Lynn Water & Sewer Commission applications.

\*\*\*\*Member Reid recuses himself from any Weston & Sampson applications.

A MOTION was made by Member Coppes and seconded by Member Salomaa to approve licenses and decisions indicated in the above chart. Roll Call Board Vote: – Unanimous – Alfasso, Celona, Coppes, Lukis, Reid, Salomaa in favor.

### **INVESTIGATIVE CONFERENCE CLOSED UNDER G. L. C. 112, § 65C**

At 12:04 P.M., a MOTION was made by Member Alfasso and seconded by Member Coppes to leave the Open Meeting to begin a closed Investigative Conference to discuss matters of settlement and disciplinary complaints to show cause and to not return to the Open Meeting afterwards. Roll Call Board Vote: – Unanimous – Alfasso, Celona, Coppes, Lukis, Reid, Salomaa in favor.

#### **Cases:**

- 2024-000333-IT-ENF                      Referred for prosecution
- 2024-000334-IT-ENF                      Referred for prosecution
- 2024-000335-IT-ENF                      Referred for prosecution
- 2024-000336-IT-ENF                      Referred for prosecution



- 2024-201122-FI-ENF                      Tabled
- 2024-201169-FI-ENF                      Tabled
- 2024-201310-FI-ENF                      Tabled
- 2024-201312-FI-ENF                      Tabled

The Board did not have any need to hold the Executive Session or Quasi-Judicial Session that were reserved on the Agenda.

### **Adjournment**

A MOTION was made by Member Coppes and seconded by Member Alfasso to adjourn the meeting. Roll Call Board Vote: – Unanimous – Alfasso, Celona, Coppes, Lukis, Reid, Salomaa in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at or around 1:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted By:

*Michael Celona*

Michael Celona, Chair  
Board of Certification of Operators of Drinking Water Supply Facilities

### **Documents Used in Meeting:**

Agenda for August 12, 2024  
J. Tuccolo - Appeal  
Draft 236 CMR – Responses to EOED Comments  
Applications for licensure pending decisions  
Case files for Investigative Conference

