

**MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF WELL DRILLERS  
OPEN MEETING MINUTES**

**Wednesday, December 14, 2022, @ 9:00 A.M.**

**Video/Teleconference via Google Meet**

**Video Link: [meet.google.com/she-kcqg-cws](https://meet.google.com/she-kcqg-cws)**

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**Board Members Present**

Hahns Hairston - Chairman/Public At Large

Larry Brenneman - Western MD

Dave Kelly - Central MD

Heather Quinn - DNR

Mike Hall - Eastern MD

Robert Peoples - MDE

**MDE Staff Present**

Duane Johnson - Executive Director

Jennifer Bowman - Acting Board Counsel

**Absent**

Brad Hartman

**Call to Order**

Presiding Officer Hahns Hairston presided over the meeting.

**Roll Call**

Hahns Hairston asked Duane Johnson to conduct the roll call for anyone present at the virtual meeting.

**Presiding Officer Comments**

Hahns Hairston welcomed everybody to the meeting.

**Approval of Meeting Agenda**

A motion made by Dave Kelly was seconded by Larry Brenneman to approve the agenda. The motion passed with one abstention by Hahns Hairston.

**Review and Adoption of November 16, 2022, Remote Open Meeting Minutes**

A motion was made by Mike Hall and seconded by Robert Peoples to approve the November 16, 2022, open meeting minutes. The motion passed with one abstention by Hahns Hairston.

**Executive Director Comments**

• **Revenue and Expenditures**

FY23 APPN      \$210,714.00

BALANCE        \$169,782.76

**September (Final)**

Revenue \$1,450.00  
 Expenditures \$10,729.45

**October (Final)**

Revenue \$2,425.00  
 Expenditures \$10,708.01

**November (Draft)**

Revenue \$1000.00  
 Expenditures Pending

MONTH	EXPENDITURE	REVENUE
JULY	\$8,745.13	\$1,350.00
AUGUST	\$10,748.65	\$525.00
SEPTEMBER	\$10,729.45	\$1,450.00
OCTOBER	\$10,708.01	\$2,425.00
NOVEMBER	Pending	\$1,000.00
TOTAL	\$40,931.24	\$6,750.00

**New Business**

- Examination for Qualification

Name	Exam Type	Qualification	Employer	Exp/Equipment	Recommendation
Manoj Mathai	Apprentice Well Driller	Meets the 1-year work experience requirement  Provided 3 locations where he assisted in installation of wells or well systems  Sponsor MGD047 is in good standing  Letter of recommendation on hand.	Earth Matters, Inc. 2018	Driller Assistant  Geoprobe 7720DT, SIMCO 2800, CME-55, EP200  Injection and Monitoring Wells  DE. Water Well License #5737  OSHA HAZWOPER 40 hr. training and 8 hr. refresher courses	Approve

A motion was made by Dave Kelly and seconded by Robert Peoples to approve the above applicant to take the Apprentice Well Driller examination. The motion passed with one abstention by Hahns Hairston.

- **Training for Approval**

Organization	Course Name	Location	Dates	License Category	Rec. Hrs.	Cycle	Proof of Attendance
Driller Service (DSI)	Using VFD's in Constant Pressure Systems	Edgewater, MD.	10/18/2022	All Drillers	2 CEUs	2023	Sign In Sheet
Milby	Pump School	Elkridge, MD. Lewistown, MD.	11/1/2022	All Drillers	8 CEUs	2023	Sign In Sheet

A motion was made by Mike Hall and seconded by Dave Kelly to approve the above training. The motion passed with one abstention by Hahns Hairston.

- **International School of Well Drilling**

**Qry Courses**

Course ID	Sponsor	Course Name	Location	Begin Date	End Date	Credits	Select Course	License Type
2021-146	ISWD	Drilling Methods I	Online	2/25/2021	2/25/2022	1	No	All Drillers
2021-147	ISWD	Drilling Methods II	Online	2/25/2021	2/25/2022	1	No	All Drillers
2021-148	ISWD	Drilling Methods III	Online	2/25/2021	2/25/2022	1	No	All Drillers
2021-107	ISWD	Basic Geology	Online	4/1/2020	5/31/2021	1	No	All except WCI and AWC
2021-108	ISWD	Groundwater Basics	Online	4/1/2020	5/31/2021	1	No	All except WCI and AWC
2021-109	ISWD	Well Development	Online	4/1/2020	5/31/2021	1	No	All except WCI and AWC
2021-110	ISWD	Well Rehabilitation I	Online	4/1/2020	5/31/2021	1	No	All except WCI and AWC
2021-111	ISWD	Well Rehabilitation II	Online	4/1/2020	5/31/2021	1	No	All except WCI and AWC
2021-112	ISWD	Well Abandonment	Online	4/1/2020	5/31/2021	1	No	All except WCI and AWC
2021-113	ISWD	Geothermal Heating & Cooling I	Online	4/1/2020	5/31/2021	1	No	MWD, MGD, MSD, JWD, JSD, WRO, AWD

Course ID	Sponsor	Course Name	Location	Begin Date	End Date	Credits	Select Course	License Type
2021-114	ISWD	Geothermal Heating & Cooling II	Online	4/1/2020	5/31/2021	1	No	MWD, MGD, MSD, JWD, JSD, JGD, WRO, AWD
2021-115	ISWD	Aquifer Storage Recovery	Online	4/1/2020	5/31/2021	1	No	All except WCI and AWC
2021-116	ISWD	Drilling Safety	Online	4/1/2020	5/31/2021	1	No	All except WCI and AWC

The above International School of Well Drilling courses were discussed by the Board which decided a vote was not needed because the courses were previously approved. Duane Johnson indicated the content was the same as the previously approved courses.

**Industry Correspondence/State of the Industry**

No Comments

**Board Vote to Move into Closed Session**

A motion was made by Larry Brenneman and seconded by Heather Quinn to go into closed session. The motion passed with one abstention by Hahns Hairston.

The presiding officer read a written closing statement addressing the reason for the closed meeting, including the topics to be discussed and statutory exception(s) (see below).

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Dave Kelly and seconded by Mike Hall to adjourn the open meeting. The motion passed with one abstention by Hahns Hairston.

**Call to Order and Purpose of Closed Meeting**

Pursuant to General Provisions Article (“GP”), § 3-305(b), on a motion by Larry Brenneman that was seconded by Mike Hall, Board members approved moving into closed session on December 14, 2022, for the purpose of complying with the following provisions of the Open Meetings Act:

- GP § 3-305(b)(2) - To protect the privacy or reputation of license holders,
- GP § 3-305(b)(7) - To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice,
- GP § 3-305(b)(8) - To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation.

The following Board members were present during the closed meeting: Presiding Officer Hahns Hairston, Larry Brenneman, Heather Quinn, Dave Kelly, Mike Hall and Robert Peoples.

The following MDE staff were present during the closed meeting: Duane Johnson and Jennifer Bowman

The Board Chair read the closed meeting disclaimer pursuant to legal provisions.

**Topics Discussed During the Closed Meeting**

Board members reviewed and approved the November 16, 2022, closed meeting minutes, discussed the Calvert County Government water conditioner equipment Installation issue, old violation updates, and updates regarding regulation changes.