

**Georgia Board of Water & Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators  
Board Meeting Minutes  
October 26, 2016 – via Teleconference**

The Georgia Board of Water & Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators and Laboratory Analysts met on Wednesday, October 26, 2016, to conduct the business of the Board.

**Members Present:**

- Margaret Doss, Chair
- Kenny Green
- Tony Rojas
- Eric Osborne
- Kim Hembree

**Staff Members Present:**

- La Trenda Tyler-Jones, Executive Director
- Sandy Barboza, Board Support Specialist
- Amantha Lovett, Licensing Analyst
- Betsy Cohen, Asst. Attorney General

**Members Absent:**

- Stanley Tate, Vice-Chair

***Note: Visitors are excused during Executive Session unless scheduled for a personal appearance.***

**Call to Order:** Margaret Doss, Chair, noted a quorum was present, called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m., and declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§50-14-1 et seq.

**OPEN SESSION:**

**Agenda:**

Eric Osborne moved, Kim Hembree seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve the October 26, 2016 agenda.

**Minutes:**

Eric Osborne moved, Kim Hembree seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve August 24, 2016 Open Meeting minutes and the Executive Session minutes.

**Ratification List:**

Licenses Issued: 08-20-2016 thru 10-23-2016 (Total – 160):

License #	Licensee
W1-014760	Jarad L Zellner
W1-014761	Steven Thomas Hoppe
W1-014762	Albert William Bicknell
W1-014763	Carvin Jackson Moreland
W1-014764	Kyle Laymon Harrison
W1-014765	Barry Keith Parsons
W1-014766	Robert Ray Freeman, Jr
W2-015114	Jared Daniel Anderson
W2-015115	Glenn E Hughes
W2-015116	Timothy Chad Mathis
W2-015117	Darrell Paul Hallford
W2-015118	Wendy F Dixon
W2-015119	Mark Kevin Harris

License #	Licensee
W2-015120	David Bert Grantham
W2-015121	Benjamin David Ensley
W2-015122	Wesley Hoyt Watson
W2-015123	Edmond Zack Pasley
W3-016387	Grace Lampton, Grace
W3-016388	Kimberlee Renee McGahee
W3-016389	Stacie Schroeder Harris
W3-016390	Michael Todd Suits
W3-016391	Ned Forrest Nobles
W3-016392	Mark Walker
W3-016393	Cecil Glen Rowe
W3-016394	Qeteria Jeanne Stephens
W3-016395	Josilyn Shanice Brown

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W3-016396	Jonathan Westley Walling
W3-016397	Jean P. Grimes
W3-016398	Gary Layne Smith
W3-016399	Bradford Scott Loftin
W3-016400	Wesley Keith Fowler
W3-016401	Steven Zachary Mason
W3-016402	Mark Wayne Durden, Jr
W3-016403	Kenneth Jerome King
W3-016404	Jesse Tyler Brown
W4-002611	Jessica Powell Rees
W4-002612	Allen Delaigle
W4-002613	Andrew Platt Thatcher
W4-002614	Peter Randolph Casserleigh
W4-002615	Harry Robert Hafer
W4-002616	W. T. Torrence, Jr.
W4-002617	Jamie Wilbur
W4-002618	Joshua Michael Ausburn
W4-002619	John Vincent Kiessling
W4-002620	John Paul Nixon
W4-002621	William Patrick Smolar, Jr.
W4-002622	Rikki Alyssa Manley
W4-002623	John David Field
WD016227	Cameron Jakob Moore
WD016228	Corey Neal Cummings
WD016229	Christopher Lee Phillips
WD016230	Adam Christopher Kytle
WD016231	Michael Anthony Burchett
WD016232	Michael Braden Thornton
WD016233	William Watson Sorrow, Jr
WD016234	Stephen Nicholas Kincaid
WD016235	Craig James Fincher
WD016236	Willis Huggs
WD016237	Jason Leather Love
WD016238	Joseph Negash
WD016239	Alcenda Sylvester Allen
WD016240	Dylan Scott Bramlett
WD016241	Efrem Z Bloom, Sr
WD016242	Jeremy B Thompson
WD016243	Brian Eugene Ystenes

License #	Licensee
WD016244	Moneqi Wydean Dobbs
WD016245	Bryan Lee Burns
WD016246	Charles Leroy Tyner
WD016247	Jacob Ryan Holland
WD016248	Shawna Denette Prescott
WD016249	James Daniel Ryan
WL014542	Gary David Puckett
WL014543	John Russell Williams
WL014544	Cynthia M Dang
WW1-015150	Kirk Alan Young
WW1-015151	Isaac Raphael Hagan, Sr.
WW1-015152	Jane Nmn Probadora
WW1-015153	Timothy Carl Walker
WW1-015154	Jeffery Ryan Hill
WW1-015155	Claude Kirk Stone
WW2-015274	Jeffrey Brooks Fulton
WW2-015275	Andrew Paul LaSure
WW2-015276	Tracy Darlene Marlow
WW2-015277	Charles Edward Anderson, III
WW2-015278	Tracy Edward Hyman
WW2-015279	Michael Corey Hagemann
WW2-015280	Cory Alan Hortman
WW2-015281	Joseph Lewis Dobbs
WW2-015282	Chadrick Marcel Murkey
WW2-015283	Brandon DeMarcus Washington
WW2-015284	Brian Thomas Fedorick
WW2-015285	Theadore Roosevelt Henry
WW2-015286	Chase Austin Sweat
WW2-015287	Johnathan Lee Boozer
WW2-015288	Corey Alvin Curtis
WW2-015289	Kris Lee Eickelman
WW2-015290	Mark Kevin Connelly
WW2-015291	John Kenneth Cooper
WW3-017497	Charles Richard Nettles, Jr.
WW3-017498	Antonio Damond Simmons
WW3-017499	Richard Seth Holley
WW3-017500	Jonathan Cody Green
WW3-017501	Christopher Lee Headrick
WW3-017502	Richard Brian Jones

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WW3-017503	Andre Sharod Price
WW3-017504	Matthew Dewayne Deen
WW3-017505	Derrick Ray Frady
WW3-017506	Christopher Michael Blakely
WW3-017507	Trystan Kyle Fossett
WW3-017508	Zachary Tyler Ward
WW3-017509	Paul Schofield Hardie
WW3-017510	Aaron Daniel Morrison
WW3-017511	Brenda Marie Gladney
WW3-017512	Caleb Thornton
WW3-017513	Gayathri Ram Mohan
WW3-017515	Jeremy Kenneth Raven
WW3-017516	Robert Joseph Evans
WW3-017517	Donald Lee Silvers
WW3-017518	Richet Mesidor
WW3-017519	CherylAnne Vanscoy
WW3-017520	Bradley Scott Gilmore
WW3-017521	Gary Ault
WW3-017522	Delmas Swinfield Crisp, III
WW3-017523	John Marshall Roberts
WW4-000185	Jacob Clay Mitchell
WW4-000186	Joshua David Gordy
WW4-000187	Michael Aaron Haldeman
WW4-000188	Derrick Cooks
WWC033064	Leslie Gregg McClure
WWC033065	Alan Altman
WWC033066	Adam Christopher Kytle
WWC033067	John Donald Wehunt
WWC033068	Craig Brian Mitchell
WWC033069	Rodrigo Martin Vega
WWC033070	Grady Alston
WWC033071	Jonathan David Mitchell
WWC033072	Waymon Anthony Still, II
WWC033073	Paul Cain
WWC033074	Jamie Drew Marilla
WWC033075	Jeremy B Thompson
WWC033076	Randy L Morrow
WWC033077	Cao Dang Le
WWC033078	David Lineberry

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WWC033079	Arthur Lee Hall, Jr.
WWC033080	James Gary Lamb
WWC033081	Harcourt Garfield Poitier, III
WWC033082	William Craig Mathis, Jr.
WWC033083	Guy Thomas Kirkwood
WWC033084	Joshua Ryan Funte
WWC033085	Thomas Churchill Blake
WWC033086	Dwayne Tryone White
WWC033087	William Thomas Gunter
WWC033088	Shawn Williamson
WWC033089	Michael Shawn Ferguson
WWC033090	Thomas Edward Warden
WWID032161	William Cole Wildes
WWID032162	Benjamin Edward Cowart
WWID032163	James Troy Hawthorne
WWL014712	Daniel Efrain Miranda
WWL014713	Eric Tyler Johnson

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Kenny Green moved, Tony Rojas seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to ratify the licenses issued between meetings by application and reinstatement that were issued in accordance with Board Rules and Policies.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Eric Osborne moved, Kim Hembree seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to enter Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19(h) and 43-51, for the purpose of discussing and reviewing applications and to hear the Attorney General's report.

At the conclusion of Executive Session, the Chair declared the meeting to be "open" pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken during Executive Session.

**OPEN SESSION:**

**Applications:**

Eric Osborne moved, Tony Rojas seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to ratify the following recommendations made during Executive Session:

2632898 – William Eric Tyson – licensed by consent order.

2627335 – Robert Andrew Rankins – licensed by consent order.

2626242 – A.O.M. – Denied – does not have required experience.

2640696 – A.O.M. – Denied – does not have required experience.

2635945 – Eric M. Stulpin – license approved.

2640041 – Marrio Sanchez Walker – license approved.

2641738 – Kenneth Roy Ussery – license approved.

2642894 – Johnny Farrish Pinette – licensed by consent order.

2642177 – Jonathan Bernard Fowler – licensed approved.

**Attorney General's Report – B. Cohen:**

Kenny Green moved, Eric Osborne seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Attorney General's report as presented in Executive Session.

**Continuing Education:**

Tony Rojas moved, Eric Osborne seconded, and the motion was carried by the Board to accept the Continuing Education Committee recommendations for initial applications of 10 courses submitted for approval and 37 renewal applications. Of the courses reviewed, 46 were approved and 1 was denied; not relevant to operations.

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**Continuing Education Applications and Results:**

<b>Program Provider/Sponsor</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Approved Points</b>
American Water Works Association (AWWA)	2016 Water Infrastructure Conference	12
American Water Works Association (AWWA)	AWWA Webinar GIS in Asset Management	2
City of Albany - Risk Management Services	National Safety Council Defensive Driving Class 6/8	6
Columbia County Water Utility	Best Practices for Interviewing and Hiring	1
Columbia County Water Utility	DOT Parts 1&2 for Safety Sensitive Supervisors & Employees	2
Columbia County Water Utility	Drug-Free Workplace for Employees	2
Columbia County Water Utility	Drug-Free Workplace Parts 1&2 for Supervisors	2
Columbia County Water Utility	Harassment and Discrimination for Employees	1
Columbia County Water Utility	Harassment and Discrimination for Supervisors	1
Columbia County Water Utility	Progressive Discipline and Termination	1
Columbia County Water Utility	Violence Prevention for Employees	1
Columbia County Water Utility	Violence Prevention for Supervisors	1
DdM Professionals	Water & Wastewater Plant Administration & Supervision	6
DeKalb County Watershed Management	Water Wastewater Expo	6
DeKalb County Watershed Management	Confined Space Entry and Confined Space Rescue Training	2
DeKalb County Watershed Management	Evacuation Safety	6
DeKalb County Watershed Management	National Safety Council Defensive Driving	6
DeKalb County Watershed Management	NSC-First Aid, CPR & AED	6
Georgia Rural Water Association (GRWA)	Basic Surface Water Development and Treatment	12
Georgia Rural Water Association (GRWA)	Membrane Filtration for Drinking Water: Principles, Operation & Optimization	12
Georgia Water & Wastewater Institute (GWWI)	Backflow Prevention Assembly Repair	6
Georgia Water & Wastewater Institute (GWWI)	Basic Water Hydraulics for Treatment Operators	6
Georgia Water & Wastewater Institute (GWWI)	Drinking Water Treatment Process Control	6
Georgia Water & Wastewater Institute (GWWI)	Handling Water Quality Complaints	6
Georgia Water & Wastewater Institute (GWWI)	Laboratory Analysis of Nitrogen	6
Georgia Water & Wastewater Institute (GWWI)	Laboratory Quality Assurance	6
Georgia Water & Wastewater Institute (GWWI)	Wastewater Math Part 1	6
Georgia Water & Wastewater Institute (GWWI)	Water Utility Inspection Part 1	12 adv/ce6

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Gwinnett County Department of Water Resources (GCDWR)	Introduction to Water Treatment	4
Hazen & Sawyer	NCWRF - Capstone Project	4
Hazen & Sawyer	NCWRF - Disinfection and Residuals Management	4
Hazen & Sawyer	NCWRF - Emergency Scenarios	4
Hazen & Sawyer	NCWRF - Filtration	4
Hazen & Sawyer	NCWRF - Overview	4
Hazen & Sawyer	NCWRF - Pretreatment	4
Hazen & Sawyer	NCWRF - Process Optimization	4
Hazen & Sawyer	NCWRF - Source Water Challenges	4
Kazmier & Associates Inc.	Water & Wastewater Flow Measuring Techniques and Equipment	2
Scenario Learning, LLC	Chemical & Material Safety	denied
Scenario Learning, LLC	Electrical and Fire Safety	1
Scenario Learning, LLC	Proximity Hazard, Machine Hazard, & Fall Hazard Safety	1
Scenario Learning, LLC	Workplace General Physical Safety	1
Sowega Chlorinator Co. Inc.	Chlorination Equipment and Maintenance/Corrosion Control	4
Staking University	Locator Certification Seminar	12
Tyson Foods Inc	Wastewater Treatment Operators Training Course	12
University of Florida	Water Treatment Plant Operations Class C & B Online	12
US Environmental Protection Agency	Free Preparedness Tools & Resources for Drinking Water & Wastewater Utilities	1

**Other Business:**

**Proposed Board Meeting Dates – 2017: Approved**

<b>2017 Board Meeting Dates</b>	
<b>Board Office</b>	<b>Teleconference</b>
February 22, 2017	April 26, 2016
June 28, 2017	August 23, 2016
November 1, 2016	December 6, 2017

**Petition for Rule Waiver Request(s)**

**1.) Davis, Terry – 50-13-9**

Eric Osborne moved, Kim Hembree seconded and the Board voted unanimously to deny the petition for waiver of Board Rule 50-13-9.

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**2.) Barham, Joshua E. - 50-13-9**

Eric Osborne moved, Kim Hembree seconded and the Board voted unanimously to deny the petition for waiver of Board Rule 50-13-9.

**Continuing Education Provider Process**

The Board discussed possible revisions to the continuing education provider submission process and course numbering system. Eric Osborne and Margaret Doss will lead a work group to make recommendations to update the requirements, date to be determined.

The next meeting of the Georgia Board of Water & Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators will be held Wednesday, December 7, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. via teleconference.

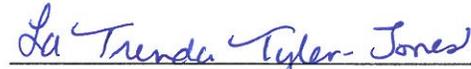
There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 11:31 a.m.

Minutes recorded by: Sandy Barboza, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed and edited by: La Trenda Tyler-Jones, Executive Director

Minutes approved on: 12/7/2016

  
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Margaret Doss, Chair

  
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La Trenda Tyler-Jones, Executive Director

**with express permission by  
LaTrenda Tyler-Jones, Executive Director**

Attachment

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COUNTY OF BIBB

AFFIDAVIT SUPPORTING CLOSING OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Georgia Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq., requires that all meetings of an entity covered by the statute must be open to the public unless there is some specific statutory exception which permits the closing of the meeting. If such a meeting is to be closed, the law requires that the presiding person execute a sworn affidavit stating that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the statutory exceptions and identifying those specific exceptions relied upon. **O.C.G.A. § 50-14-4(b). A copy of this affidavit must be filed with the minutes of the meeting in question.**

Comes now Margaret Doss, the presiding officer identified below and, before an official duly authorized to administer oaths, makes this affidavit in satisfaction of the statutory requirements outlined above.

1. I am the presiding officer of the Georgia State Board of Examiners for Certification of Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators and Laboratory Analysts.
2. I am over the age of 18 and in all over aspects competent to make this sworn statement. I acknowledge that I am giving this statement under oath and penalty of perjury and that I have read the contents of this affidavit prior to signing it.
3. On **December 7, 2016** this entity, which is subject to the Open Meetings Act, met. A majority of the quorum of the members present voted to close the meeting or a portion thereof for the following indicated reason(s). I hereby certify that during the closed portion of the meeting, only those subjects indicated below were discussed. I also certify that I have reviewed the exceptions provided under the Open Meetings Act that may permit the closing of a meeting and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reasons I have described in detail below meet the requirements for closing this public meeting.
4. The legal authority for the closure of this meeting was O.C.G.A. 43-1-2 (k); 43-1-19(h)
5. The subjects discussed and the underlying facts supporting the closing of this meeting are: Receipt of and deliberations regarding applications and application information and deliberations regarding investigations and enforcement matters; receipt of the results of investigations.

Further the Affiant Sayeth not.

Margaret Doss  
PRESIDING OFFICER

With express permission by  
LaTrenda Tyler-Jones, Executive Director

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME

This 7th day of December, 2016

Deborah A. Horton

Notary Public

