

**Georgia State Board of Examiners for Certification of Water & Wastewater Treatment
Plant Operators and Laboratory Analysts
Teleconference Board Meeting Minutes – October 22, 2025
Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Dr., Macon, GA 31217**

Members Present:

- Margaret Doss, Chair
- Debbie Wright
- Gil Shearouse
- Kenny Green

Others Present:

- Brad Coman, Executive Director
- Melanie Foster, Licensing Supervisor
- Kristin Mitchell, Board Support Specialist
- Ashley Burley, Licensing Analyst
- Sam Smith, Assistant Attorney General

Members Absent:

- Kartik Bhatt
- Asmita Patel

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

Gil Shearouse, acting Chair, noted a quorum was not present and called the meeting to order as a committee of the Board at 10:05 a.m. No votes were taken during the committee meeting. Gil Shearouse, acting Chair, declared the committee meeting adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

At 4:13 p.m. Maragret Doss, Chair, noted that a quorum was present, called the meting to order, and declared the session to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§50-14-1 et seq.

OPEN SESSION:

Agenda:

Gil Shearouse moved, Kenny Green seconded, and the Board voted to approve the October 22, 2025, meeting agenda.

Minutes:

Debbie Wright moved, Gil Shearouse seconded, and the Board voted to approve the August 27, 2025, Open Session and Executive Session minutes.

Ratification List:

Licenses Issued through 8/25/2025 – 10/14/2025 (Total – 146):

License #	Licensee	License #	Licensee
WL014936	Daviane ` Jillise WhittonLaforme	WWC034152	Scott Palmer
WD017434	Matthew Willis	WWC034153	Timothy Devane
WL014937	Angelita Liseth Gregory	WW3-018716	Ahmad Fawad Rahmanzai
WWC034150	Justin Maxwell Hagan	W3-017504	Tyrus Christopher Aiken
WD017435	Justin Maxwell Hagan	WL014938	Mpho Molapo
WD017436	Clinton Jarvis	WW3-018717	Nicholas Schroth
WW1-015539	Endale Sheiferaw Kebede	WW2-015768	Robert M Moore
W4-002949	Casey Thomas Kidd	WWID032351	Kyle Emmanuelle Moya-Fonseca
W3-017503	Adam E Turner Jr	WWC034154	Jose Alberto Lopez
WWC034151	Chad Ashley Copeland	WW3-018718	Christopher Brett Davis
WWL015105	Alex Lewis	W3-017505	William Crabtree
WD017437	Devin Christopher Randle	WWL015106	Corbin Avery Snellings

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WWCE000106	International Ozone Association Pan	W3-017508	Miles Scott Jones
WWCE000107	Syracuse University Environmental	WW1-015544	Lavertis Lamon Childres
WW3-018719	Charlene C Kearns	W2-015620	Dalton Riley Loudermilk
WWID032352	Gavin Wayne Gordy	WWC034156	Mario Tom Ziogas
WWL015107	Brianna Elizabeth Summerall	WW3-018730	Chase Kenneth Triay
WWID032353	Jeffery Scott Moody	W3-017509	Aaron Gold Martin
WD017438	Aric Jackson	WWC034157	Zackery King
WWID032354	Alex Jerome Miller	W2-015621	Morgan Henry Ham
WW3-018720	Walter Jahu Pickrell	WWCE000108	Ascension Engineers & Consultants, Inc.
WW3-018722	Aubryn Maurice Thomas	WWC034158	Cedric Saunders
WW3-018723	Nhut M Dang	WD017440	Chance Hauntsman
WW1-015540	Axel Daniel Nava	WL014940	Vaughn C Bernard
WWL015108	Mary Hulgan	WD017441	Jennifer Anne Medina
WWL015109	Stephen Eric Boyd	WWC034159	William J Tomkiewicz
W2-015616	Joseph Lee Chastain	WWC034160	John Thomas Moran II
W2-015617	Maverick D Olaes	WW3-018731	Scott Allen Brown
W3-017506	Alton West	W3-017510	Lori Croft Cirami
WL014939	Rogelio Serrano-Lopez	WWC034161	Antavious Young
W2-015618	Zachary Caleb Pitts	WWC034162	Ronald Earl Scheetz
W1-015081	Jeffrey Scott Pehlke	WWC034163	James Alexander Nuako
WW3-018724	Suzannah Nicole Eubanks	WW3-018732	Katie Passeggiati
W3-017507	Justin William Chatwin	WW1-015545	Shequan Robinson
WW3-018725	Timothy Allen Sharp	WL014941	Amelia Rosanna Sludds
W2-015619	Kawanis Lakethia Howell	W1-015083	Buffie Anetra Johnson
WW3-018726	Alexander Ray Carley	W3-017511	Carmen Booth
WWC034155	Aric Jackson	WW1-015546	Christopher Bryan Ewing
WD017439	David McWhorter	WW3-018733	Robert Paul McLellan Jr.
W1-015082	David Wayne Keene	W2-015622	Bill Odell Owens III
WW1-015541	Xochitl Delgado Blanco	WWC034164	Joshua Noel Bartholomew
WW1-015542	Jeremy D Edgeworth	WD017442	Joshua Noel Bartholomew
W4-002950	Austin Ollie Thomas	WWID032355	Spencer Maxwell Payne
WW2-015769	Nicolas Rodriguez	WWL015111	Jay Bartley Wright
WW3-018727	Stephen Spencer Cleghorn	WD017443	Clifton W Hughes
WW3-018728	Noah Gregory Pfaff	WD017444	Garai Bomani Brown
WW3-018729	James Eric Williams II	WD017445	Noah Ferguson
WWL015110	Lilli Maaret Kangaslampi	WD017446	Ian A Hull
WW1-015543	Tyler Keith Watkins	WWC034165	Donnie Nipper Jr.

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WL014942	Richard Papastefanou	WW3-018738	Richard Seth Pellom
WWC034166	Dustin Michael Loggins	W2-015624	Steven W Franklin
W1-015084	Kirstie Cherie Butler	WWC034169	Thomas Layton Caliendo
WW2-015770	Todd Stephen Sandiford	W3-017515	Dillon Lawter
WW1-015547	Andrew Cody Matthews	W2-015625	Justin Alexander Proctor
WWL015112	Stephanie Matta	W3-017516	Jake Glasscock
WW3-018734	Ryan Lawrence Litschauer	W2-015626	Evan Jeremiah Farrow
WL014943	Rachel Williams	W2-015627	Daniel Edward Scott II
WWC034167	Adam B Kersey	WW3-018739	Samuel Todd Adams
WW3-018735	Joshua Garrett Collins	W3-017517	Lamont Gigger
W1-015085	Jackson Corrigan	WW1-015548	Dennis Lynn Reed Jr
WL014944	Sarah Kim Rabinowitz	W3-017518	Cody Russell Pilcher
WL014945	Emily Hollander	WW2-015772	Ethan Alexander Turner
W2-015623	Christopher Wade Harris	W3-017519	Jerry Reese Phillips
WD017447	Chris M Page	W3-017520	Ashton M Johnson
W3-017512	Parker Ivey	W2-015628	Alexander Abel
WW3-018736	Lannie Chad Saine	W3-017521	Sam Hathaway
WD017448	Edward Chase Worley	WWC034170	Robert Thomas Marshall
WWC034168	Cody Allen Martin	WD017449	Justin A Bedingfield
WW2-015771	Brandon Gokey	W1-015086	Xxavious Derrelle Robinson
WWID032356	John William Wood	WW1-015549	Laquez Freemon
WW3-018737	Bobby Lee Maine	W3-017522	Colby Victor Hawkins
W3-017513	Jason Ray Duvall	WD017450	Joseph Micah Crowe
W3-017514	Samuel Z Brown	WWC034171	Christopher Parker-Plummer

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Kenny Green moved, Debbie Wright seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session at 4:15 p.m. in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19(h) and 43-51, for the purpose of reviewing applications and complaints, and hearing the Attorney General’s report.

At the conclusion of Executive Session, Margaret Doss, Chair, declared the meeting to be “open” at 4:22 p.m. pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq.

OPEN SESSION

Gil Shearouse moved, Debbie Wright seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to ratify the following recommendations made during Executive Session:

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Appointment:

4352158 – Approve with a public Consent Order to include a \$500 fine for unlicensed practice.

Applications:

4293448 – William R. Smith – Wastewater Operator Class III – Approved.

4304441 – Corey Butler – Water Operator Class III – Approved.

4312204 – Michael Scott – Wastewater Collect System Operator – Approved.

4332732 – S.R. – Wastewater Operator Class III – Approve with a public Consent Agreement to include probation to run concurrent with criminal probation.

4312379 – G.M. – Water Operator Class III – Approve with a public Consent Agreement to include probation to run concurrent with criminal probation.

4318204 – T.T. – Wastewater Operator Class III – Approve with a public Consent Agreement to include probation to run concurrent with criminal probation.

Complaints:

WW260002 – Close and refer to EPD.

Attorney General’s Report:

The Board reviewed and accepted the Attorney General’s report, which included information on any cases referred for action or requests for advice.

4307210 – Rescind previous decision and approve application for renewal.

Continuing Education:

Gil Shearouse moved, Debbie Wright seconded, and the motion was carried by the Board to accept the Continuing Education Committee’s recommendations as follows:

Program Provider/Sponsor	Course Title / Notes	Results / Points
IB Environmental	Georgia Funders' Forum Webinar Tapping into Resources for Water Utility Financing Needs - Live Webinar	Approve for 1 MS pending receipt of clarification on how student participation is monitored and verified.
CEU Plan	Operator Math Made Easy - Overview - Online	1 W/WW
CEU Plan	Plastic Piping System - Overview - Online	1 W/WW
CEU Plan	Data and Risk Assessment suggestions for 202 - Online	1 W/WW
CEU Plan	Pipeline Maintenance overview for 2024 - Online	1 W/WW
CEU Plan	Lab Practices overview for 2024 - Online	1 W/WW
CEU Plan	Operations overview for 2024 - Online	1 W/WW
CEU Plan	Design Build and Other Project Delivery Methods for Water and Wastewater Projects - Online	2 W/WW
CEU Plan	Blueprints How to Read Blueprints - Online	1 W/WW
CEU Plan	Drinking Water Treatment Processes - Online	3 W/WW
CEU Plan	Reservoir Storage and Direct Filtration Plant Tour - Online	1 W/WW
CEU Plan	Water Reuse Pros and Cons of the first Dual Water System in the USA - Online	1 W/WW
CEU Plan	Lift Stations Overview and Helpful Tips - Online	1 W/WW
CEU Plan	Collection Systems Record Keeping for Root Control and Manholes - Online	1 W/WW
CEU Plan	Activated Sludge I - Online	1 W/WW
CEU Plan	Activated Sludge II - Online	1 W/ WW
CEU Plan	Activated Sludge III - Online	1 W/ WW
CEU Plan	Activated Sludge IV - Online	1 W/ WW

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CEU Plan	Activated Sludge V - Online	1 W/ WW
Syracuse University Environmental Finance Center	Wastewater Math - Live in-person training	6 WW
Columbia County Water Utilities	Basic Water Treatment - Lecture	40 BAS W
Vector Solutions	Fundamentals of Groundwater Hydrology - Online	1 W/WW
Monitoring and Management Services, LLC	FOG Program Courses 1 - 8 - Online	Deny - Pursuant to Board Rule 750-6-.04(7)(a), points shall be awarded in whole numbers and no partial points shall be awarded for courses that total less than whole hours.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Docketed Orders – Gil Shearouse moved, Debbie Wright seconded, and the Board voted to accept the docketed orders as presented:

Type	Licensee	License/Application #	Docket #	City
Consent Agreement	Taylor Troxell	4318204	2025-1025	Warner Robins
Consent Order	Kimberly Gaines	4249258	2025-0988	Macon
Consent Order	Kimberly Gaines	4243084	2025-0989	Macon

Request to Lift Probation:

The Board reviewed a request to lift probation for Keith Lyons (WWC033576, WD017330). Licensee has complied with all Board requirements. Gil Shearouse moved, Debbie Wright seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve the request.

2026 Proposed Meeting Dates:

Gil Shearouse moved, Debbie Wright seconded, and the Board voted to approve the following meeting dates for 2026:

- February 17, 2026 (teleconference)
- April 22, 2026 (teleconference)
- June 17, 2026 (teleconference)
- August 26, 2026 (teleconference)
- October 21, 2026 (teleconference)
- December 16, 2026 (teleconference)

Water and Wastewater Endorsement Matrix:

The Board reviewed a proposed matrix of requirements for certification by state to be posted to the Board’s website to allow applicants to better understand the equivalency in this state for a certification that they hold in another state in an effort to ensure that applicants are submitting correct Endorsement/Reciprocity applications. The Board noted that this matrix is a guideline and does not guarantee issuance of a certification as the board reviews applications on a case-by-case basis. Gil Shearouse moved, Debbie Wright seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to accept the proposed matrix to be posted on the Board’s website.

There being no further business, Margaret Doss, Chair, declared the meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

The next meeting of the Georgia Board of Examiners for Certification of Water & Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators & Laboratory Analysts will be held on Wednesday, December 17, 2025, at 10:00 am.

Minutes recorded by: Kristin Mitchell, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed and edited by: Brad Coman, Executive Director

Minutes approved on: December 17, 2025


Margaret Doss, Chair


Brad Coman, Executive Director

Attachment

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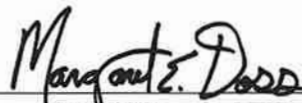
AFFIDAVIT SUPPORTING CLOSING OF PUBLIC MEETING

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 October 22, 2025, 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.

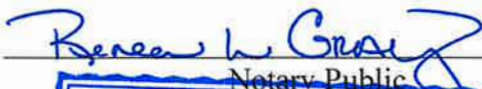
Further the Affiant Sayeth not.



PRESIDING OFFICER

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME

This 22nd day of October, 2025



Notary Public

