

**Georgia State Board of Examiners for Certification of Water & Wastewater Treatment
Plant Operators and Laboratory Analysts
Teleconference Board Meeting Minutes – April 22, 2026
Professional Licensing Boards Division, 3920 Arkwright Rd., Suite 195, Macon, GA 31210**

Members Present:

- Margaret Doss, Chair
- Debbie Wright
- Gil Shearouse
- Kartik Bhatt
- Asmita Patel

Others Present:

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

Members Absent:

- Kenny Green

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

Margaret Doss, Chair, noted a quorum was present, called the meeting to order at 10:06 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:

Kartik Bhatt moved, Gil Shearouse seconded, and the Board voted to approve the April 22, 2026, meeting agenda as amended.

Minutes:

Gil Shearouse moved, Debbie Wright seconded, and the Board voted to approve the February 17, 2026, Open Session and Executive Session minutes.

Ratification List:

Licenses Issued through 2/12/2026 – 4/15/2026 (Total – 276):

License #	Licensee//	License #	Licensee//
WD017491	Lexis Cunningham	WW1-015569	Carson Lee Rice
GW3-000007	John Thomas Parrish	WW3-018787	Spencer James Baker JR
WD017492	Ronald Blanton	WW1-015570	Brandon Michael Ales
W1-015097	Travis Larsen	WW3-018788	Brayden Paulk
W1-015098	Colby Bryar Jones	W1-015099	Marcus Pajer
WW1-015568	Jeffrey Edward Dybus	WW3-018789	Jett Menix
WWL015127	Matthew T Wingate	WW3-018790	Laura McGaha Hines
WW2-015792	Jonah Austin Grindle	W1-015100	Patrick Thomas Dent
WW3-018785	Jenna Saunders	W3-017593	James Eric Williams II
WW2-015793	Edwin Alcides Alvarado	WW1-015571	Justin Ryan Watson
WWL015128	Caroline Sheffield	WW3-018791	Bailey Dean Goswick
WWC034203	Marlayzha Lafaye Griffin	WWC034204	Jeffery Allen Lallo
WW2-015794	Mark Kendall Friar Jr.	WWC034205	Stewart Kilgore
WW2-015795	brandon l reynolds	WW3-018792	Jacob Thompson
WW3-018786	Riley Jay Mulkey	WW3-018793	Travis L Ross

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WW3-018794	John Price	WW1-015573	Joseph Mizell Jr
WW3-018800	James Adam Shelton	WL014954	Cody Russell Pilcher
WW3-018799	Sierra Cato	WW2-015798	Giacinto Francesco Mrosc
WW4-000230	Victoria Ellen Davis	WD017501	James Corey Myers
WW3-018797	Christin Wiggins	WW3-018804	Kaleb Robert Saxion
WW3-018795	Jacob Lane Duncan	WWID032362	Ralph Crowe
W2-015653	James Charles Dobbin	WW3-018803	Roy A Ferguson
WW3-018796	SANTIAGO ANDRES G	W3-017596	Abigail Faith Freeman
WWC034206	Samuel Abraham Shoema	WWL015130	John Winton Jernigan
WW3-018798	Malik Trevon Polk	WW2-015800	Liam Lorenz
W4-002959	Louis Hunsberger	WWC034210	Clifton Roel Simson
W3-017594	William Richards Kendric	WL014955	Ansley Ables
WW3-018801	Jonathon Pete Fountain	WW3-018805	Alisa Renae Dunn
WD017493	Marvin Eric Wells	WWC034209	Jamey Lee Fowler
WD017494	LeJohnny Jequez Mims	WD017500	Roy wayne wingo Jr
WD017495	Jacob N Cockrell	WW3-018806	Kamden Ian Mims
WD017496	Phillip Duane Summerday	W1-015105	Jakub Blayne Lloyd
WD017497	Christopher Daniel Kelton	WWC034211	Josh Daniel Fugett
WWCE000112	KUBOTA Water and Environment U.S.A	W4-002961	Christopher D Stephens
WWCE000113	Georgia American Water Works	WW2-015803	Justin Hodges
WWCE000114	Watura North America Inc	WW3-018807	Dcory Coleman
WWID032361	Jean Shepherd Brown	WWC034212	Justin Leviticus Ramsey
WD017498	Josh Bernard	WW3-018811	Jackson Doltry TuffLand
WWL015129	kathy rice	WW2-015807	Robert Arthur Tuttle
WD017499	Jerry Roper	WW2-015804	Stephen Robinson
WWC034207	Zathrayon Rice	W1-015106	James Andrew Jackson
W4-002960	Cornelius Crawford	WD017503	marcus gerod cato
W3-017595	Lauren Powell	WW2-015805	Phillip Deric Jones
WW1-015572	Kurtis Juwan Wade Klem	WW3-018808	Olalekan Aboyeji
W1-015104	Tabitha Ann Winchester	WD017504	Charles A Thurston
W1-015101	Erica Nicole Cato	WD017502	Jarisha Binion
W1-015102	Lee R Grizzle	WW3-018809	Joe Stephen Buckner
WL014953	Robert Gage Holiday	WW1-015574	Dallas Edward Rutland
W1-015103	Seth Coberly Miller	W3-017597	John Wiley Johns Jr
W2-015654	Tony Virgil Spurling	WW3-018810	Barbara Jean Woodward
WW3-018802	Bryant Christopher Snyder	WW1-015575	George Steven Rice
WWC034208	Bryce Bullock	WWC034213	Darrin Luke Casey

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W2-015655	Matthew Scott	WW1-015578	Manjeet Sahmota
WW3-018813	Jacob Collis Joiner	WWC034219	Noah Ferguson
W2-015656	Caleb Philip Tew	W1-015109	Hunter James Kvistad
WW2-015806	Joseph Brent Howell	WW2-015811	Berry Edward Williams Jr
WW3-018812	Garrett Kines Sorrow	WW3-018822	Jeremy Sawyer Ryan
W3-017599	John Price	W4-002962	Shauna Emrie
WWL015131	Alexis Rogers	WD017511	Tyler Logan
WD017505	Brianna Janae Bird	WWC034220	Tallon Pierce Crunkelton
WW3-018814	Christopher Cunningham	WD017512	Michael Brandon Singleto
W3-017598	Robert Chase Smith	WW1-015579	Phil Guntle
WW1-015576	Steven Whitworth	WW1-015581	Louie Lee
WD017506	Lucas Roberts	WW2-015812	Sameerah Ayana Rice
WW2-015808	Cecelius J Sheffield Jr.	WW2-015813	Pamela Denise Clay
W3-017600	Jordan Ray Calhoun	WW3-018824	Trevor Martin Moon
WW3-018817	kory allen Cason	WW1-015580	Jessica Michelle Cox
WW3-018815	James Nathan Brewer	WWC034221	Dean Arthur Smith
W1-015107	Jason Dean McLeod	WWC034222	Cydric Raymon Jackson
WD017507	John William Stevens	WW2-015814	Zachary Ryan Coggins
WW3-018816	Corey Daniel Butler	WW3-018825	Jonathan Dunn
WWC034214	Colby Ryan Wheat	WW1-015582	Cortney Ariell Keller
WD017508	Andrew Campbell	W3-017601	Matthew Merrell
WWC034215	Jerry Roper	WW3-018826	David Thomas
WW3-018818	Roger Thomas	WW3-018827	Tucker Bracewell
WW2-015810	Zachary Daulton Caldwell	WWL015132	Yvette Kathryn Robinson
W2-015657	Michael Lenard Moses	WL014957	Terry Eugene Overby
WW3-018819	Vincent Dauro	WW3-018828	Christopher Cobb
WD017509	Austin Lee Jacobs	W3-017603	Rachel Williams
W2-015658	Taylor Britt Thompson	WW3-018831	Lance arlen Lattanzie
WWC034217	Kiel Burnham	W1-015110	Mitchell A Daniel
WL014956	Joseph Kyle Burgess	WW3-018834	Emily Jane Murphy
W2-015659	Matthew James Buffingto	WW1-015583	Shelby Nicole Martin
WW3-018820	De'Wayne Mitchell Jr.	WW3-018829	Benjamin Michael Faulk
WW3-018821	Reggie Shamond Banks	WW3-018830	Randall Miller
W1-015108	Oscar Gonzalez	WD017514	William Tyler O'Brien
WD017513	Marc StGermain	W2-015660	Jason Lee Brown
WW3-018823	Jarrett Bowers Keneagy	WW3-018832	Taylor Blake Robertson
WD017510	Dustin L Little	W3-017602	Eli Andrew Hosmer

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WW3-018833	Jason Darrell Greene	WW1-015587	Jason Ray Duvall
WW2-015815	Morgan Robert Lively	WW3-018842	Chancellor Drake O'Kelley
W3-017604	Dominic Andrew Gilley	WD017518	Sheri Welsh
WW2-015816	Luke Meador	WL014958	Kristin Cash
W1-015111	Ian Alexander Sloat	WW2-015824	Hunter James Martin
WD017515	Christopher Mark Whitne	WW2-015825	Demeikio Traveze Lipsey
WW1-015584	Austin Galbreath	WW1-015588	Blake Dewitt Day
WWC034223	Deonte Bonner	W1-015115	Matthew Scott Ehling
WD017516	Charles Thomas Miles	WW3-018843	Zyterriion Sparks
WW2-015817	Jake Glasscock	WW1-015589	Danielle Chapple
WW3-018835	Randall Cody Brook	WD017519	Brian Mitchell Stoltz
WW3-018836	Adam Fulghom	WW1-015590	Anthony Legendre
WD017517	jacob coulter shaw	WW1-015591	Dennis Brandon Fallin
WW2-015819	Colby Bryar Jones	WWC034224	Robert K Brooks
W2-015661	Cecil Derrick Simmons	WWC034225	Cody Collum
W3-017605	Nicholas Omar James	WL014959	Talmadge Ernest Armiste
W1-015112	Talisha Janee' Carnell	WW3-018844	clayton James Reece
WW1-015585	Christopher James Boone	WWC034226	Davion L Mallory
WW2-015818	Joshua David Harless	WW2-015826	Benjamin Keith Henderso
W1-015113	Joseph Daniel Hollingswo	WD017520	James Coleman Wilson
GW3-000008	Keyunna Reid	WD017521	Christopher Wiley Woolw
WW3-018837	Corey Lance Raines	WWC034229	Christopher Daniel Kelton
WW2-015820	gavin mesurac	WWL015133	Yechenu Aladi Ojile
WW2-015821	Jason Timothy Stanford	WW3-018845	Mainor Alonso-Francisco
WW2-015822	Darryll Todd Martin	WW3-018846	Thomas Morsovillo
WW3-018838	Charles Branham Breedin	W1-015116	Alexander Abel
WW3-018839	Preston Wood	WW2-015827	Brandon Teigue
W2-015662	Cypres Rane Ferran	W2-015664	Avery John Lundy
WW3-018840	Tracy Jackson	W3-017609	Jennifer Rose Panter
W2-015663	Brandon Robert Franklin	W3-017610	Jodie N Starnes
W1-015114	James Porter McCarthy	WWC034227	Brandon LaShawn Dixon
WW1-015586	Kayla Nicole Hansen	WW3-018847	khloe jazmin macias
WW2-015823	Easton Lee	WW2-015828	Ayline Yisel Tovar Razo
W3-017606	Bryson Dean Holton	W3-017611	Joshua Ira Christopher
W3-017607	DANIEL S FULGHUM	WW4-000231	William Crabtree
W3-017608	MARC A ZAVALA	W1-015117	James Dennis Rosenbaum
WW3-018841	Krista Alyse McGugan	WD017522	jacob donald rosser

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WWC034228	Wesly Davidson	W1-015118	Alex Lee
W3-017612	Justin Rashad Pitts	WW2-015831	Tionne Banks
WW2-015829	Jeremy Alan Dobson	WW3-018850	Candy Kelly
W3-017613	Alexander Lucas Taylor	WW3-018851	Jordan Darsey
WW2-015830	Adam Michael Hillis	WW3-018852	Joshua Ryan Estes
WWC034230	Randall Keith Garner	WW3-018853	Darius antayevius McClen
WW3-018848	Brian Keith Gaddy	W3-017614	Nicholas Koziol
WL014960	James Nathan Brewer	W1-015119	Leonard Chisholm Jr
WW3-018849	William Carlisle	WD017524	william tyrone perry
WD017523	Devontae Jamaal Ratliff	WD017525	Christie Houseman
WWC034231	Christopher Wood	WW3-018854	Justin Adams
WWC034232	Chase Derrell Robinson	WD017526	Brett William Carty

Gil Shearouse moved, Kartik Bhatt 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

Debbie Wright moved, Gil Shearouse seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session at 10:07 a.m. in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19(h) and 43-51, for the purpose of reviewing applications and hearing the Attorney General’s report.

At the conclusion of Executive Session, Margaret Doss, Chair, declared the meeting to be “open” at 10:57 a.m. pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq.

OPEN SESSION

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

Applications:

4551096 – M.W. – Water Operator Class 3 – Approved with a public Consent Agreement to include probation to run concurrent with criminal probation.

4529034 – A.G. – Water Distribution Operator – Approved with a public Consent Agreement to include probation to run concurrent with criminal probation.

4556814 – DeLund Walker – Water Operator Class 3 – Approved.

4607567 – Christopher Walton – Water Operator Class 3 – Approved.

4605039 – Tyler Walton – Water Laboratory Analyst – Approved.

4635893 – Jeffrey Clayton Jr – Water Distribution Operator – Approved.

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4557611 – Karras West – Water Distribution Operator – Approved.

4641704 – Antonio Mincey – Wastewater Operator Class 3 – Approved.

4625069 – T.B. – Water Distribution Operator – Approved with a public Consent Agreement to include probation to run concurrent with criminal probation.

4650721 – Shamon Johnson – Water Distribution Operator – Approved.

4475891 – Joshua Fiorini – Wastewater Operator Class 3 – Approved.

4712454 – Cypres Ferran – Water Operator Class 1 – Approved education in lieu of experience.

4672563 – O.A. – Wastewater Operator Class 2 – Table for proof of 24 months experience or education to qualify for reduced experience.

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.

Continuing Education:

Debbie Wright moved, Gil Shearouse 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
Clayton County Water Authority	Forklift Operations and Safety Training - Lecture; Workshop	6 MS
Vector Solutions	Water Main Installation - Online	1 W
Vector Solutions	Hydraulic Principles for Municipal Systems Understanding Flow, Pressure, and Design - Online	1 W / WW
Henry County Water Authority	2026 HCWA Spring Symposium - Lecture	6 W / WW
The Leadership Exchange Group	Beneath the Surface- Real World Wastewater Fundamentals - Online/ Live Webinar	40 BAS WW, 12 CE WW

OTHER BUSINESS:

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

Type	Licensee	License/Application #	Docket #	City
Consent Agreement	Robert Rankins	4474104	2026-0245	Mableton
Consent Agreement	Russell Orr, Jr	4466142	2026-0246	Acworth
Consent Agreement	Tommy Lee Vaughns	4385142	2026-0274	Stockbridge

Rules Review:

The Board discussed potential changes to Board Rule 750-3-.04. Gil Shearouse moved, Debbie Wright seconded, and the Board unanimously voted to refer the proposed changes to the Attorney General’s Office for a memorandum of authority.

Application Process Changes:

The Board reviewed and discussed initial application processes that went into effect with the change to requirements for applicants to be made eligible to test. Kartik Bhatt moved, Debbie Wright seconded, and the Board unanimously voted to allow staff to assign applications for review to a Board cognizant after the applicant has taken and passed the exam, allowing staff to approve the application or refer the application for full Board review based on cognizant recommendation in an effort to expedite processing.

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There being no further business, Margaret Doss, Chair, declared the meeting adjourned at 11:12 a.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, June 17, 2026, at 10:00 am.

Minutes recorded by: Kristin Mitchell, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed and edited by: Brad Coman, Executive Director

Minutes approved on: June 17, 2026.


Margaret Doss, Chair


Brad Coman, 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 April 22, 2026, 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 E. Doss

PRESIDING OFFICER

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME

This 22nd day of April, 2026

Renea L. Gray

Notary Public

