

**Georgia State Board of Examiners for Certification of Water & Wastewater Treatment
Plant Operators and Laboratory Analysts
Teleconference Board Meeting Minutes – June 17, 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
- Kenny Green

Others Present:

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

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 10:00 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 June 17, 2026, meeting agenda as amended.

Minutes:

Kartik Bhatt moved, Debbie Wright seconded, and the Board voted to approve the April 22, 2026, Open Session and Executive Session minutes.

Ratification List:

Licenses Issued through 4/16/2026 – 6/14/2026 (Total – 253):

License #	Licensee//	License #	Licensee//
WWC034233	Louis Hunsberger	WWC034249	James Dwayne Smith
WWC034234	gary arrington	WWC034250	Raymond Gerald Stowe Jr.
WWC034235	Riley Cameron Nichols	WWC034252	Timothy Louie
WWC034236	Matthew Willis	WWC034251	Desmond Taylor
WWC034237	James Dale Mauk Jr.	WWC034253	Brandon Kirk
WWC034238	William Earl Richardson	WWC034254	Scott Lahodny
WWC034239	Scott Slater	WWC034255	Tyler Logan
WWC034240	Karras West	WWC034256	BRADY MITCHELL SORROW
WWC034241	Christopher larry Reed jr	WWC034257	Joseph Walter Foss
WWC034242	Camden Drake Gazaway	WWC034258	Jason Malcolm Gayton
WWC034243	Zakari Garcia	WWC034259	Paul Couch
WWC034244	Gerald Thomas Wall	WWC034260	William Maxwell Ridgley
WWC034245	Joel Alejandro Estrada	WWC034262	Dustin S Evans
WWC034246	Hurbert Terrial Small	WWC034261	Christian Paul Young
WWC034247	Tyshawn Goodwin	WWC034264	blake aidyn hurst
WWC034248	Javontha Denson	WWC034263	Paul Wyatt

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WWID032363	Glenn Gregory Madison Jr	WW2-015840	Thomas George Pruett
WWID032364	Timothy Christopher Ward	WW2-015841	Nicholas Schroth
WWID032365	Thomas Jordan Mullins	WW2-015842	Stewart Ray Chappellear
WWL015134	Abigail Iacobucci	WW2-015843	James Dennis Rosenbaum
WWL015135	Katelyn Deal	WW2-015844	Kelsey Nicklaus Hughes
WWL015136	Jessica LeAnn Glover	WW2-015845	Jonathan James Love
WWL015137	Caitlan O'Keeffe	WW2-015846	Scotty Roland Young
WWL015138	Hannah Colbert	WW2-015847	Gavin Wayne Gordy
WWL015139	Joshua Robert Brock	WW2-015848	Cary Devin Dawson
WW1-015592	Kinsey Trey Savage	WW2-015849	Ratchadaporn Thongla Hill
WW1-015593	Shanti Trammell Williams	WW2-015850	Matthew Joseph Anderson S
WW1-015596	Colby Bryar Jones	WW2-015851	Taylor Troxell
WW1-015594	Matthew Bryan McDaniel	WW2-015852	William Russell Thurmond
WW1-015595	Christian Blake Fairchild	WW2-015853	Allison Yvette Gittens
WW1-015597	Austin Harry	WW2-015854	Mitchell Hughes
WW1-015598	Johnathan Richard Wright	WW2-015855	Brandon Scott Caycedo
WW1-015599	Stephen Robinson	WW2-015856	Charles Monroe Allison
WW1-015600	Stephen M Howard	WW2-015857	Corey Drew Anderson
WW1-015601	Pamela Denise Clay	WW2-015858	Kiefer Hunt
WW1-015602	Michael c Donohoe	WW2-015859	Stepan Leonidovich Kotelnik
WW1-015603	Cecelius J Sheffield Jr.	WW2-015860	John Parker Middlebrooks
WW1-015604	Jeremy Alan Dobson	WW2-015861	Samuel Todd Adams
WW1-015605	Zachary Martin Catolico	WW2-015862	Charlene C Kearns
WW1-015606	Edwin Alcides Alvarado	WW2-015863	Christopher Campbell
WW1-015607	Berry Edward Williams Jr	WW2-015864	Derrick Brannan
WW1-015608	Jason Dean McLeod	WW2-015865	Brian Keith Gaddy
WW1-015609	Henry G Gibson	WW3-018855	Shawn Parrish
WW1-015610	Phillip Deric Jones	WW3-018856	Timothy William Schaaf Jr.
WW1-015611	Ethan Jankowski	WW3-018857	Brayden Stephens
WW2-015832	Tommy Bryan	WW3-018858	Louis Hunsberger
WW2-015833	Synrick Emmanuel Dorsett Jr	WW3-018859	Ryan Hunt
WW2-015836	Matthew Lee Burdette	WW3-018860	Craig Smith
WW2-015834	Christopher Shawn Doubilet	WW3-018861	Joshua David Fiorini
WW2-015835	Zachary Neely	WW3-018862	Clint Wayne Bunkley
WW2-015837	Nathan Weldon Edwards	WW3-018863	Jacoby omar ladson
WW2-015838	Jean Bernard Jeanty Sr	WW3-018864	Miguel Augusto Melgar
WW2-015839	Dalton Laney	WW3-018865	Samuel Michael Burdo

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WW3-018866	Mae Pan	WD017532	Joseph Dewayne Beck
WW3-018867	adam lee pair	WD017530	Christopher Michael Valley
WW3-018870	Christopher Walden Lanier	WD017531	Marshall Aaron Goswick
WW3-018868	Brandon Buck	WD017533	John Charles Ford
WW3-018871	leah marie royster	WD017534	christopher parker-plummer
WW3-018869	Thomas Layton Caliendo	WD017535	Warren McKale Carnes
WW3-018872	Ivey Marlene Schultz	WD017536	Austin Hamilton
WW3-018873	Walter Beck Battista	WD017537	ORION AGUAYO
WW3-018874	Emma Butler	WD017538	John Robert Daniels
WW3-018875	Thomas Byron Styles	WD017539	Tyler Lamar Aikens
WW3-018876	Dyari Reed	WD017540	Shamon Litmont Johnson
WW3-018877	Blake Harris	WD017541	Austin Len Arwood Jr
WW3-018879	Jashon Carter	WD017542	william evan harrell
WW3-018878	LaTrece DeShawn McIntosh	WD017543	Timothy K Burke
WW3-018881	Ellissa Shan Proctor	WD017544	Ricky Carswell
WW3-018880	smaile saci	WD017545	Matthew Ryan Aguzzi
WW3-018882	Hunter Eli Griffeth	WD017546	Andrew Christopher Gallma
WW3-018884	Thomas Jason Winters	WD017547	Kole Davis
WW3-018883	Elmer Solares	WD017548	Brandon Kirk
WW3-018885	Calvin Graves	WD017549	Byron T Tillis
WW3-018886	Larry Parrish	WD017550	Louis Hunsberger
WW3-018887	Te'Ana Singletary	WD017551	Bailey Weldon Cawthon
WW3-018888	Randolph Harry Grovner IV	WD017552	Wyatt Andrew Haygood
WW3-018889	Matthew Kasey Allen	WD017553	Nathaniel Lawrence Seldon
WW3-018890	Justin M Mcghee	WD017554	JOHN W SHOEMAKE
WW3-018891	Steven Craig Ervin	WD017555	Kenneth Jason Sumner
WW3-018892	Mike Burns	WD017556	Stacey Kenneth Jones
WW3-018893	Ronald Crawford	WD017557	Jeffrey Wayne Duncan Jr
WW3-018894	Christopher Joseph Brunette	WD017558	Caleb Coker King
WW3-018896	Lhanden Somers	WD017559	Ethan Chase Day
WW3-018895	Emily Agnes Bailey	WD017560	Carey Durell Harper
WW3-018897	Shereka Maddox	WD017561	Joseph Mitchell Conard
WW3-018898	Spike Russell Kyle Upchurch	WL014961	Christian Osi
WW4-000232	Charles Harper	WL014962	Christopher R Hernandez
WD017527	Daniel Brent Stevenson	WL014963	Caroline Sheffield
WD017528	Jeffrey Scott Clayton Jr	WL014964	Julie Marie Cranford
WD017529	Karras West	WL014965	Parker Ivey

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WL014966	Dillon Lawter	W3-017618	Fabian Martinez
WL014967	Alan Santoyo	W3-017620	Kristopher Forester
WL014968	Jamari Moore	W3-017619	Shaketha L Stanley
WL014969	Kierra Jenkins	W3-017621	Paul O'Neal Bishop III
WL014970	Alexis Rogers	W3-017622	Seth C Grizzle
WL014971	Abigail Kennedy	W3-017623	Michael c Donohoe
WL014972	Morgan Leigh Friedman	W3-017624	Ryan Ellis Sikes
W1-015120	Justin Daniel Wright	W3-017625	Joseph Stichter
W1-015121	Jeremy English Boatwright	W3-017626	Alyssa Amidon
W1-015122	Danny Michael Chandler	W3-017627	Maurice Brian Watson
W1-015123	Zachary Zane Rogers	W3-017628	Isaac Okwandu
W1-015124	Derrick Ray Frady	W3-017629	Tehran Davis
W1-015125	Eddie Cove	W3-017630	Thomas E Ealey
W1-015126	Benjamin Fletcher Edwards	W3-017631	Dylan Lee Redman
W1-015127	Errol Flynn Wilson	W3-017632	Jerry Theon Lynch
W1-015128	Laura Wilder	W3-017633	Richard Brannon Coon
W1-015129	Brittney Standridge	W3-017634	Hayden Connor Rosser
W1-015130	Steven Aubrey Huckleba	W3-017635	Clayton Jones
W1-015131	Ryan Monroig	W3-017636	Tracy Bernard Gaston Jr
W1-015132	David Christopher Henson	W3-017638	Joshua Heath Hooper
W1-015133	Clayton Tate Pierce	W3-017639	Clinton Homer Williams
W1-015134	Jacobi Ryan McKenzie	W3-017637	Roy A Ferguson
W1-015135	Brandon Stanley	W3-017640	Zachary Jacoby Evans
W2-015665	Tony Cole Sheriff	W3-017641	John Ean Lee
W2-015666	Twayn Randall Andringa	W3-017642	Johnathan Richard Wright
W2-015667	Reese Bales	W3-017643	Michael Battle
W2-015668	Travis Valentine	W3-017644	Jasmine Spade
W2-015669	James Eric Williams II	W3-017645	Katherine Marie Kelly
W2-015670	Jayda Roberts	W3-017646	Ansley Ables
W2-015671	Mackenzie Garland	W3-017647	Waylon Miller
W2-015672	Jacob Reilly McCann	W4-002963	Tracie Allison
W2-015673	Yoki Hanley	W4-002964	Steven Alexander DiStefano
W2-015674	James Shaun-Patrick Hilton	W4-002965	Michael David Dean
W2-015675	James Conner Williams	W4-002966	Stephen B Roberts
W3-017615	Nathan Nowlan	WWCE000115	The Leadership Exchange Group
W3-017616	clayton L Huff	WWCE000116	Industrial Furnace Company Inc.
W3-017617	Mason Ryan Eller		

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Kartik Bhatt moved, Gil Shearouse 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

Kartik Bhatt moved, Kenny Green seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session at 10:02 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 10:45 a.m. pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq.

OPEN SESSION

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

Applications:

4618748 – T.B. – Water Distribution Operator – Approve pending receipt of court documents.

4754620 – Jamar Rawls – Water Operator Class 2 – Approve education in lieu of experience.

4748157 – L.S. – Wastewater Operator Class 3 – Deny – Lack of experience.

4770127 – Joshua Harless – Wastewater Operator Class 1 – Approve education in lieu of experience.

4756345 – Christina Jones – Water Operator Class 1 – Approve education in lieu of experience.

4712309 – J.H. – Water Distribution Operator – Approved with a public Consent Agreement to include probation to run concurrent with criminal probation.

4759505 – Myron Petro – Wastewater Operator Class 2 – Approve education in lieu of experience.

4763610 – T.T. – Wastewater Operator Class 1 – Approved education in lieu of experience with a public Consent Agreement to include probation to run concurrent with criminal probation.

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. The Board reviewed the AG's memorandum of authority for proposed amendments to Rule 750-3-.04, recommending that the proposed amendments be posted and a rule hearing scheduled for the October 21, 2026 Board meeting.

Continuing Education:

Kenny Green 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
Vector Solutions	Water Well Design for Sustainable and Smart Infrastructure - Online	1 W
Columbia County Water Utilities	Hot Weather Preparedness and Snake Safety - Lecture; Workshop; Video	1 MS. Margaret Doss recused.
Clayton County Water Authority	Competent Person Excavation and Trench Safety - Lecture; Workshop; Instructive Tour; Video	6 W / WW
The Leadership Exchange Group	Beneath the Surface Real World Wastewater Fundamentals - Workshop; Live in-person training	40 BAS WW, 12 CE WW

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Program Provider/Sponsor	Course Title / Notes	Results / Points
The Leadership Exchange Group	Beneath the Surface Industrial Wastewater Fundamentals Pretreatment, Process, and Protection - Live Webinar	27 Industrial WW, 12 WW
The Leadership Exchange Group	Beneath the Surface Advanced Wastewater Operations Class II Certification Prep - Live Webinar	24 ADV WW, 12 CE WW
MM Williamson, LLC	Building Funding Readiness Within Your Utility - Workshop	3 MS - Approve pending receipt of update syllabus.
North Georgia Water Resources Partnership	2026 North Georgia Water Resources Partnership Annual Educational Seminar - Lecture	4 MS
The Leadership Exchange Group	Beneath the Surface- Pretreatment in the Real-World EPA Compliance, Industrial Wastewater, and POTW Protection - Live Webinar	24 ADV WW, 12 WW
Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority	Confined Space - Lecture	4 W/ MS
Veolia Water Contract Operations USA, Inc.	Wastewater Treatment Fundamentals I Liquid Treatment - Online	6 WW
CEU Plan	Math for Water Plant and Distribution Operators - Online	1 W
CEU Plan	Wastewater Sludge Treatment - streaming - Online	1 WW
R2T, Inc.	Lift Station Construction and Inspection Training - Lecture	8 MS
Environmental Leverage Inc.	Biological Wastewater Training - Hands-on Workbook; Live in-person training	12 WW
Horsley Witten Group, Inc.	Region 4 Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) Technical Assistance Workshop - Workshop; Online	5 MS
Carollo Engineers, Inc	Biological Process - Area, Procedures, and Expectations - Live in-person training	2 WW
Vector Solutions	Smart Trenching - Installation, Renewal, Risk - Online	1 W / WW
Environmental Business Specialists	EBS Industrial Wastewater Workshop - Workshop	12 WW

OTHER BUSINESS:

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

Type	Licensee	License/Application #	Docket #	City
Consent Agreement	Timothy Burke	4625069	2026-0502	Snellville
Consent Agreement	Maurice Watson	4551096	2026-0503	Atlanta
Consent Agreement	Taylor Troxell	4564271	2026-0566	Warner Robins

WPI Exam Update:

The Board reviewed updates from Water Professionals International (WPI) regarding some of their standardized exams that are now available in Spanish.

There being no further business, Margaret Doss, Chair, declared the meeting adjourned at 11:15 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, August 19, 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: August 19, 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 June 17, 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.

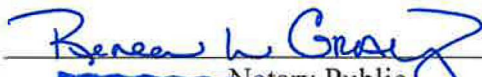
Further the Affiant Sayeth not.



PRESIDING OFFICER

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME

This 17th day of June, 2026



Notary Public
