

**MINUTES**  
**South Carolina Board of Environmental Certification**  
**Board Meeting**  
**10:00 a.m., September 9, 2014**  
**Synergy Business Park**  
**Kingstree Building**  
**110 Centerview Drive, Room 105**  
**Columbia, South Carolina**

Mr. Rutland delivered the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**1. Meeting Called to Order**

William Armes called the regular meeting of the SC Environmental Certification Board to order at 10:00 a.m. Other members participating in the meeting included: David Baize, of Irmo; Mitch Dew, of Latta; Dwight Johnson, of Jefferson; Jimmy Rodgers, of Greenwood; Hank Rutland, of Orangeburg; and Elizabeth Williams, of Sumter.

Staff members participating during the meeting included: Theresa Garner, Program Assistant; Alex Imgrund, Advice Counsel, Georgia 'Gigi' Lewis, Advice Counsel; and Sandra Dickert, Administrative Assistant, OBS; Erin Baldwin, ODC, and Todd Bond, OIE.

William Armes announced that public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the SC Board of Environmental Certification Office, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building and provided to all requesting persons, organizations, and news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

**Section 40-23-40**

William Armes announced the purpose of this board is to protect the general public through the regulation of persons engaged in occupations appointed by the legislature for regulation by the board. These occupations are referred to in Chapter 23 collectively as Environmental Systems Operators.

**Approval of Excused Absences**

**MOTION**

Dwight Johnson moved the Board excuse Ken Rentiers' absence from this meeting. Mitch Dew seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**Approval of the May 13, 2014 Minutes**

**MOTION**

Dwight Johnson made a motion the Board approve the minutes of the May 13, 2014 meeting as presented. David Baize seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**Chairman’s Remarks-William Armes**

William Armes stated the board has had a very good year. He thanked all of the associations working with the board to get the regulations approved.

**Administrator’s Remarks-Theresa Garner on behalf of Molly Price**

Theresa Garner stated Molly Price is attending mandatory training today and hopes to be at the next board meeting.

There are currently 8,730 licensees.

Bottled Water	32
Well Drillers	561
Biological Waste Water	2,553
P/C	1,785
Water Distribution	1,973
Water Treatment	1,826

The current budget balance for 2015 is \$394,846.67.

Corrections were made to the well driller examinations and returned to AMP to be forwarded to ABC for implementation. The board will be notified when the new exams are being administered.

Theresa Garner has contacted ABC regarding “licensed” board members who will be participating in the online comparison review of the current and new standardized ABC exams. ABC is working on setting up a secured website for Environmental so they will be able to access the material. They will assign Userid’s and Passwords for William Armes (P/C Wastewater), Mitch Dew for (Biological Wastewater), and Hank Rutland (Water treatment and Water Distribution). Theresa Garner will notify these members when she has received the information from ABC.

The 2015 meeting dates for the SC Board of Environmental Certification are as follows. All meetings will be held in conference room 108.

January 13, 2015	May 12, 2015
September 1, 2015	November 10, 2015

a. Advisory Opinions, If Needed, Office of Advice Counsel

No advisory opinions were given during this meeting.

b. Legislative Update, If Needed, Legislative Liaison Office

No legislative update was given during this meeting.

c. OIE Report-Office of Investigations and Enforcements-Todd Bond

Todd Bond stated OIE has one active case, which is under investigation and one case pending an IRC meeting. OIE has closed one case from 2013.

d. Report-Office of Disciplinary Counsel-Erin Baldwin

Erin Baldwin reported there are no cases in the Office of Disciplinary Counsel at this time.

## **Application Hearings**

### a. Tony R. Hansen-Well Driller Application

This application hearing was recorded by a certified court reporter in the event a verbatim transcript is necessary.

## **Executive Session (If Needed)**

### **MOTION**

Mitch Dew made a motion the board enter into executive session to seek legal advice on this matter. Dwight Johnson seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

## **Return to Public Session**

### **MOTION**

Dwight Johnson made a motion the board come out of executive session. Hank Rutland seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

### **MOTION**

Jimmy Rodgers made a motion the board approve Mr. Hanson's well driller application pending the outcome of the exams. Dwight Johnson seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

### b. Caldwell A. Murray-Biological Wastewater Application

Mr. Murray was not present during this meeting. Mr. Armes stated the board would not hear this matter and would afford Mr. Murray the opportunity to appear before the board at a later date.

## **Election of Officers**

### Nominations for Chairman

Dwight Johnson nominated William Armes as chairman. David Baize nominated Elizabeth Williams as chairman.

### **MOTION**

Mitch Dew made a motion the nominations for chairman is closed. Hank Rutland seconded the motion, which carried unanimously

William Armes called for a vote for chairman. Five members voted for William Armes. Mr. Armes was elected chairman by majority vote.

### Nominations for Vice Chairman

David Baize nominated Elizabeth Williams

### **MOTION**

Hank Rutland made a motion the nominations for vice chairman be closed. Dwight Johnson seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

William Armes called for a vote for vice chairman. Elizabeth Williams was elected vice chairman by unanimous vote.

## **Discussion Topics**

There were no discussion topics for this meeting.

**Committee Reports**

William Armes stated the Association of Boards of Certification (ABC) is currently reviewing reciprocity between the states.

**Public Comments**

No public comments were given during this meeting.

**Adjournment****MOTION**

There being no further business to be discussed at this time Mitch Dew made a motion the meeting be adjourned. Jimmy Rodgers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

The September 9, 2014 meeting of the SC Board of Environmental Certification adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

The next meeting of the S. C. Board of Environmental Certification is scheduled for November 4, 2014, in room 105.