

**Minutes of the
Arkansas Water Well Construction Commission Meeting
December 14, 2012**

The regular meeting of the Arkansas Water Well Construction Commission was held on December 14, 2012 at 9:00 AM in the Arkansas River Room at Arkansas Natural Resources Commission, 101 East Capitol, Suite 350, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Commissioners in attendance: Chairman Gilbert, Vice Chairman McDermott, Commissioners Pender, Washington, Hunt, Jones, and Randy Young, Executive Director.

Arkansas Natural Resources Commission staff in attendance included: Edward Swaim, Chief of Water Resources Management Division; Crystal Phelps, General Counsel; Deanna Ray, Associate General Counsel; Jessica Wallace, ANRC Administrative Services Manager; Jacob Harvey, Water Well Inspector; Perry Dotson, Water Well Inspector; and Jackie Broach, Ground-Water Administrative Analyst.

Chairman Gilbert called the regular meeting of the Arkansas Water Well Commission to order.

Approval of Minutes:

Chairman Gilbert presented the October 5, 2012 Minutes. Motion was made by Commissioner Washington to approve the Minutes as presented and was seconded by Vice-Chairman McDermott. Motion carried.

Executive Secretary's Report:

Executive Secretary, Randy Young, asked if there were any questions. There were none.

Financial Report:

Jessica Wallace, Administrative Services Manager, presented the monthly financial report ending November 30, 2012. She reported Total Revenue of \$178,765.47 and Total Expenses of \$64,945.92, leaving total balance in fund of \$359,081.35. She stated that the budget was on track.

There were no questions, and the Financial Report was approved.

Legal:

Legal had nothing to report at this time.

Consideration of Applicants:

Jackie Broach presented the following applicants for Commission approval:

STATUS OF THOSE ALREADY APPROVED

	<u>EMPLOYER NAME</u>	<u>CITY/STATE</u>
Sammy G. White (PI) Passed	Charlie White Well Drilling	Beebe, AR

NEW DRILLER APPLICANT

	<u>EMPLOYER NAME</u>	<u>CITY/STATE</u>
David Loudon	Paschals Heating & Air	Springdale, AR
Michael R. Kosydor	Geotechnology, Inc.	St. Louis, Mo.
Michael Wright	Geothermal Advantage	McKinney, TX

NEW PUMP INSTALLER APPLICANT

	<u>EMPLOYER NAME</u>	<u>CITY/STATE</u>
Anthony E. Smith	NEA Well Service	Paragould, AR

NEW DRILLER APPRENTICE APPLICANT

	<u>EMPLOYER NAME</u>	<u>CITY/STATE</u>
Paul Roberson	H&R Irrigation	Oil Trough, AR
Charles Roberson	H&R Irrigation	Oil Trough, AR

NEW PUMP INSTALLER APPRENTICE APPLICANT

	<u>EMPLOYER NAME</u>	<u>CITY/STATE</u>
Blake J. Cates	TCS Water Solution	Hot Springs, AR
Paul Roberson	H&R Irrigation	Oil Trough, AR
Charles Roberson	H&R Irrigation	Oil Trough, AR

All applicants were approved as presented, with the exception of Michael D Wright and Blake J. Cates. Commissioner Pender recommended that Michael Wright call him for a phone interview and then he would write a letter of recommendation for him, and it was determined that Blake Cates not be approved as Mr. Sammy White has not held a Pump Installer License for the recommended 5 years in order to be a Supervisor.

Inspector's Report:

- Entered 191 well reports
- Investigation of Illegal Drilling and Pump Installers (6)
- Contractor Visits(6)
- County Health Office Visits (3)
- Training/ WW Database
 - Elder well drilling (database training), Presenting testimony training (ASP)
- Testing (1)
- Answering Phone calls & emails.

Inspectors Report was approved.

Commissioner Pender asked Inspector Perry Dotson what the status was of the investigation on the well that was pumping sand. Inspector Dotson responded that he was unable to determine who the guilty party was. Mr. Edward Swaim, Chief of Water Resources Management Division, responded that staff was still reviewing the case. He also stated that the contractor drilled the well and no violations were found with the way the well was drilled or installed, but another pump installer installed the pump. Commissioner Pender responded that it was his opinion if there is excessive sediment, that the contractor was liable. Mr. Swaim responded that this matter was still under review by staff and that a recommendation would be made after the review was completed.

Online Construction Reporting for CEU Credit:

Commissioner McDermott stated that he had nothing to report at this time.

Other Business:

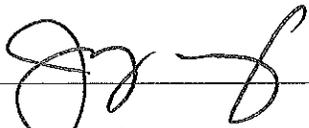
Commissioner Washington reported that the nominating committee nominated Commissioner David Gilbert to serve as Chairman of the AWWCC Commission and Commissioner Mike McDermott to serve as Vice Chairman for the 2013 year. Commissioner Young made a motion that nominations cease and to vote on these nominations by acclamation. Commissioner Washington seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Washington brought up for discussion to continue having the AWWCC Commission Meetings for January and August to be held in conjunction with the AWWCA meetings. Commissioner Tom Hunt also concurred with having these meetings in conjunction with AWWCA. After much discussion, it was decided to continue having all AWWCC Meetings held at ANRC. Commissioner Young made a motion to have an AWWCC Commissioner Reception at the AWWCA January Meeting. Commissioner McDermott seconded. Motion carried. Groundwater Administrative Analyst, Jackie Broach, was directed to get with Tasha Dixon from AWWCA and get the Reception set up and added to their Agenda.

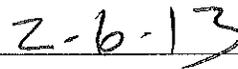
Inspector Perry Dotson asked if any CEU's will be given for attendance at the Reception. Commissioner Pender responded if it was just a social reception, none would be given, but if presentations were provided, then discussion would be held to approve credit.

Commissioner McDermott advised that the committee on advertising has not received input from AWWCA and if no input is made by the next meeting, he suggested the Commission go ahead with the plans already discussed.

Meeting adjourned.



J. Randy Young, P.E.
Executive Secretary



Date