

**Minutes of the
Arkansas Water Well Construction Commission Meeting
June 3, 2016**

The regular meeting of the Arkansas Water Well Construction Commission was held Friday, June 3, 2016 at 9:00 AM in the Arkansas River Room at the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission , 101 East Capitol, Suite 350, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201.

Commissioners in attendance: Chairman David Washington; Vice Chairman Lance Jones; Commissioners Ernest Pender, Tom Hunt and Randy Young.

Absent: Commissioner Mike McDermott.

Arkansas Natural Resources Commission staff in attendance included: Deanna Ray, Associate General Counsel; Cynthia Bearden, Agency Controller; Edward Swaim, Chief, Water Resources Management Division; Todd Fugitt, Geology Supervisor, Jacob Harvey, Water Well Inspector; Tim Dreyer, Water Well Inspector, and Laura Brown, Admin. Spec.

Chairman Washington called the regular meeting of the Arkansas Water Well Commission to order. There were no guests to introduce.

Approval of Minutes :

Chairman Washington presented the April 1, 2016 Commission Minutes, Commissioner Young made a motion to accept the Minutes as presented, second by Commissioner Gilbert. Motion carried.

Executive Secretary's Report :

Executive Secretary, Randy Young, reported that Jackie Broach was ill and Laura Brown would fill in for her. He advised that Perry Dotson had retired and although there is a freeze in state hiring, this is a cash fund position and there should not be a problem in filling it.

Chairman Washington thanked Ms. Brown.

Financial Report:

Cynthia Bearden, Agency Controller presented the monthly financial report in Jessica Wallace's absence. She advised that Total Revenue of \$182,237.93 and YTD Expenses of \$161,346.37; with a YTD Net Revenue of \$20,891.56, leaving a Cash Balance \$282,865.74; and a Total Fund Balance of \$318,431.20. The revenue was greater than expenses and \$10,000 more in projected in the coming year; she commented that a hire lag was a cost savings. There being no questions the report was completed.

Legal:

Deanna Ray, Associate General Counsel reported that there were no legal issues to her knowledge. There being no questions the report was completed.

Consideration of Applicants:

In the absence of Jackie Broach, Administrative Analyst, Todd Fugitt, Geology Supervisor presented the following applicants for Commission approval. He advised that Jackie does a thorough job and he would present all of them for approval at one time.

NEW DRILLER APPLICANT

Jeffrey C. Talley
Sidney D. McIlveen

EMPLOYER NAME

Keithville Well Drilling & Service
W. E. Pender & Sons

CITY/STATE

Keithville, LA
Texarkana, TX

NEW PUMP INSTALLER APPLICANT

Jeffrey C. Talley
Tyler B. Washington
Jacob W. Minton IV

Keithville Well Drilling & Service
Washington Pump Drilling
JM Sales and Pump Service

Keithville, LA
Brockwell, AR
Midway, AR

NEW DRILLER APPRENTICE APPLICANT

Curtis L. Kellum

Sunbelt Environmental

Springfield, MO

Vice chairman Jones made a motion to approve all the applicants as presented, second by Commissioner Gilbert. Motion carried.

Inspector's Report

Tim Dreher, Water Well Inspector, reported that there was no illegal drilling or pump installation found. A sink hole was discovered in Pulaski County; probably made by a tree that was dislodged. He provided easement information in Conway County. An anonymous complaint was made on commissioner terms and the caller was referred to the web for information. He plans to visit with new licensed installers as they work.

Other Business:

Executive Secretary Young advised that two college interns are entering water well records from the data base; Todd added they were at 1990 presently.

Commissioner Pender asked if the issue of contractors not having turned in water well logs was pursued. He stated that the access to logs on the internet is a pain.

Executive Secretary Young advised this will be made an agenda item for the next meeting.

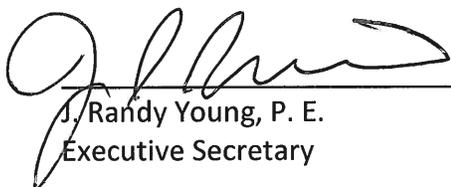
Discussion followed: It was determined that abandonment of a well requires a license.

Commissioner Pender advised a well is defined as made to excavate water and that wells needed to be closed as they pose a danger to small children.

Tim Dreyer referenced a well to be investigated at Military and Charles Broyer Roads in Pulaski County; it has concrete pipe.

Adjourn:

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:20 AM.



J. Randy Young, P. E.
Executive Secretary

7/29/16

Date