

# Minutes of the Operator Certification Advisory Council

## April 21, 2016

The Advisory Council met on Thursday, April 21, 2016. Members attending were: Richard Reed, member and chairman; Tracey Phelps, member; Terry Meister, member; Tom Jedlinsky, member; Verna Arnette, Member, Scott Foster, member; Susan Parkins, Certification Unit; Nush Courlas, Certification Unit; Jessica Dingman, Certification Unit; Andy Barienbrock, OR&C.

The Council meeting was called to order at approximately 9:12 a.m. in EPA Conference Room B.

Review of the Council minutes for the January 14, February 18, and March 17, 2016 meetings. At approximately 9:56 a.m. a call was made to Beth Darnell.

Beth Darnell made a motion to approve the January 14, 2016 minutes. Terry Meister seconded the motion. Motion carried. Verna Arnette and Scott Foster abstained.

Beth Darnell made a motion to approve the February 18, 2016 minutes. Tracey Phelps seconded the motion. Motion carried. Tom Jedlinsky and Terry Meister abstained.

Terry Meister made a motion to amend the March 17, 2016 minutes to indicate Council recommended passing Jason Gibbony and table decision on reciprocity application for Mark Madoo. Scott Foster seconded the motion. Motion carried. Verna Arnette and Tracey Phelps abstained.

Terry Meister made a motion to approve the amended March minutes. Scott Foster seconded the motion. Motion carried. Verna Arnette and Tracey Phelps abstained.

### 1) Class IV Examinations (In review)

#### Water

NAME, LOCATION	BD	VA	TJ	MG	TP	RR	TM
Aaron D. McCoy, Campbell's Soup 2 <sup>nd</sup> submittal recd. 4/8/16, 4 copies	**m	**	**s		**		

#### Wastewater

NAME, LOCATION	BD	VA	TJ	SF	TP	RR	TM
Ryan M. Hill, City of Oberlin 3 <sup>rd</sup> (final) submittal recd. 3/21/16, 4 copies				**	**	**s	**
Jeremy A. Hamel, Butler County 2 <sup>nd</sup> submittal recd. 4/7/16, 4 copies				**s	**	**	**
Brian A. Blum, North Olmsted 1 <sup>st</sup> submittal recd. 4/1/16, 4 copies				**m	**	**	**s

**\*\* Denotes who currently has package. "s" Denotes who is preparing summary.**

**"m" Denotes mailed.**

## 2) Class IV Actions

### WATER

NAME	EMPLOYER	ACTION
No Class IVs distributed 3/17/16		

### WASTEWATER

NAME	EMPLOYER	ACTION
Andy Catanzarite	City of Niles	Recommend passing
Deborah L. Klosz	NEORS	Return for additional information

Tracey Phelps made a motion recommending passing the examination of Andy Catanzarite and returning the examination of Deborah Klosz for additional information. Scott Foster seconded the motion. Motion carried. Terry Meister abstained.

## 3) Extensions

Jerry Ondo, Lake County, is requesting an extension to finalize his Class IV Wastewater Treatment examination. His Class IV was originally due April 18, 2015. In April, 2015, Mr. Ondo was given a one year extension until April 18, 2016. On April 4, 2016, Mr. Ondo requested a second extension. Scott Foster made a motion to deny Mr. Ondo's request for a second extension. Terry Meister seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## 4) Reciprocity

Mark Madoo has requested reciprocity with the State of Ohio. He has held a Wastewater Collection Grade 2 with New England Water Environment Association (NEWEA) Voluntary Certification Program since March 6, 2012. The lowest is Grade 1, the highest is Grade 4. NEWEA uses their own exams and provided a copy of a representative examination for Council's review.

Tom Jedlinsky made a motion recommending reciprocity request for Mark Madoo be denied on the grounds the NEWEA program lacks continuing education, does not require renewal of their license, and the hands-on experience requirements are not comparable with the State of Ohio's requirements. Tracey Phelps seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## 5) Certifications Issued

Reciprocity, Third Party Exam and Operator-in-Training (OIT) applications approved between the March 17, 2016 and April 21, 2016 Council meetings were: Darren R. Biggs (WD1); Jerry Allen Bowser (WW2); Jeremy D. Carter (WS2); Daniel Fonseca, Jr. (WW1); Ian A. Golbinec (WS1); Barb L. Hardin (WC1 & WD1); Todd E. Kidd (WS1); Richard Kundracik (WS2); Timothy J. Martini (WW2); Jerold A. McFellin (WWA); Ryan Lakes (WW1); Todd Melnyk (WC1); Jason A. Michel (WS1); Jeremy Phillis (WS1); Ronald L. Price (WSA); John E. Rutter (WC1 & WD1); Joshua A. Sadzewicz (WW1); Kyle V. Schrader (WS2); Curtis L. Ward (WS1); Jeffrey L. Weis (WW2); Bronson L. Wetzel (WS1); Trent Wilhelm (WS1); James R. Winebrenner (WWA).

## 6) Other Business

Between the March 17, 2016 and April 21, 2016 Council meetings, Class IV applications were approved for Glenn F. Basting (WS); Andrew Scott Belcher (WS); Benjamin R. Roth, Jr. (WW); David P. Wilbert (WS).

At 10:10 a.m. Tom Jedlinsky made a motion to move into executive session. Verna Arnette seconded the motion. Motion carried.

At 10:51 a.m. Tom Jedlinsky made a motion to move out of executive session. Terry Meister seconded the motion. Motion carried.

James W. Pindell met with the Advisory Council from 10:59 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. to discuss duties and responsibilities of a Class 1 Wastewater Operator of Record, in accordance with the Findings and Orders issued to him. Terry Meister made a motion to reinstate Mr. Pindell's Wastewater Class 1 certificate upon receiving his reinstatement request letter but not before July 18, 2016. Tracey Phelps seconded the motion. Motion carried.

At 11:41 a.m. Scott Foster made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Verna Arnette seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Wastewater examinations will be held Tuesday, May 3, 2016. Water examinations will be held Wednesday, May 4, 2016.

The next Council meeting will be held Thursday, May 12, 2016 in Ohio EPA Conference Room B at 9:00 a.m.

**Council Approved: May 12, 2016**