

RI Department of Environmental Management

ISDS Designer Licensing Review Panel

DRAFT Minutes of Open Session of October 19, 2007

This meeting of the ISDS Designer Licensing Review Panel was conducted at 235 Promenade Street, in Conference Room 280C.

Members of the Panel Present:

Scott Moorehead, Chairman

Jim Tavares

David Burnham

Dan Cotta

Al DiOrio

Others present:

Russ Chateaufneuf, Chief, DEM Groundwater & Wetlands Protection

Brian Moore, DEM ISDS Program

Brian Sullivan, DEM ISDS Program

Lisa McGreavy, DEM Groundwater and Wetlands Protection

The meeting was called to order at 9:40 A.M.

Minutes of the May 4, 2007 Meeting Open Session

Dave Burnham made a motion to accept the Minutes of the Open Session portion of the May 4, 2007 meeting with no revisions. Scott Moorehead seconded the motion. Dave Burnham, Scott Moorehead,

Jim Tavares, and Dan Cotta voted in favor of the motion. Al DiOrio abstained. The motion passes.

Russ Chateaufneuf reviewed the minor changes that are being made in the ISDS rules following the public hearing including the panel's role in recommending levels of disciplinary measures and landowners' ability to retain another licensed designer. The changes are not expected to be substantive which would trigger a second public hearing. Rules are expected to become effective before the end of the year. The department is now working on a rule change for next year involving the implementation of the cesspool phase out act and are currently obligated to publicize the proposed rules in June 2008.

Dave Burnham inquired about whether there would be any time allowances for contractors of concrete tank manufactures to use up inventory which could no longer be used once the rules become effective. There is also a concern that changes in gravel specifications (from 6" to 3") be fully understood by manufacturers and there are questions on whether suppliers will be able to provide the smaller gravel size. Gravel under 3" is difficult to come by.

Scott Moorehead asked whether the department could follow through with inspecting gravel as it states that gravel is inspected by DEM.

Staff will also need to update the "pink sheets" to reflect changes in the rules.

Discussion on terminology: “dry sieve” and “dry weight”.

Ponaganset Middle School:

B. Moore updated the panel about an incident that occurred at the Ponaganset Middle School in Glocester. As discussed at the last meeting, the contractor working on the leaching field apparently used dredge spoils from the I-195 bridge project to construct the leachfield.

The department issued a stop construction order. B. Moore stated that the issue has been rectified.

At 10:05 A.M., in open call, Scott Moorehead announced that the meeting would proceed in Executive Session pursuant to R.I.G.L. 42-46-5 (a) 4 for discussion of conduct of specific designers. Al DiOrio made a motion to enter into Executive session. Dave Burnham seconded the motion. Al DiOrio, Dave Burnham, Scott Moorehead, Jim Tavares, and Dan Cotta voted in favor of conducting business in Executive Session. The motion passes.

Continuation of Open Session

The open meeting was reconvened at 11:25 A. M.

Dave Burnham made a motion to reaffirm votes taken in Executive Session and seal the minutes of the Executive Session. Dan Cotta seconded the motion. Dave Burnham, Dan Cotta, Jim Tavares, Al

DiOrio, and Scott Moorehead voted in favor of the motion. The motion passes.

Votes taken while in Executive Session:

Dave Burnham made a motion to accept the Minutes of the Executive Session portion of the May 7, 2007 meeting with two revisions: Page 1, 1st full paragraph, change “D. Hingorany” to “K. Hingorany”. Page 2, 5th paragraph, remove the second to last sentence which starts “After discussion...”. Jim Tavares seconded the motion. Dave Burnham, Jim Tavares, Scott Moorehead, and Dan Cotta voted in favor of the motion. Al DiOrio abstained. The motion passes.

Dave Burnham made a motion to seal the minutes of the Executive Session, adjourn the Executive Session, and reconvene the Open Session. Dan Cotta seconded the motion. Dave Burnham, Dan Cotta, Jim Tavares, Al DiOrio, and Scott Moorehead voted in favor of the motion. The motion passes.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the panel is tentatively scheduled for Friday, March 21, 2008 from 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM in Conference Room 280C in the DEM Office of Water Resources.

Dave Burnham made a motion to adjourn. Jim Tavares seconded the motion. Dave Burnham, Jim Tavares, Scott Moorehead, Al DiOrio, and Dan Cotta voted in favor of the motion. The motion passes.

The meeting adjourned at 11:38 A.M.