

BOARD OF CERTIFICATION OF OPERATORS OF
WATER SUPPLY TREATMENT AND DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES

Board Meeting

24 June 2016

North Kingstown Town Hall
80 Boston Neck Rd.
North Kingstown, RI 02852

Attending: June Swallow, Susan Licardi, Robert Bozikowski, Katherine Mello-Tuomisto, Christopher Collins

Staff: Clay Commons

Call to Order: 10:10 AM

1. The Board approved or tabled items in the Consent Agenda as follows, by Secretary J. Swallow:
 - a. Approval of Minutes of 25 March 2016.
J. Swallow moved Approval, R. Bozikowski second, all in favor, none opposed, motion carries.
 - b. Approval of Minutes of 27 March 2015. S. Licardi indicated that she was not present at this meeting.
J. Swallow moved Approval, C. Collins second, all in favor, none opposed, motion carries.
 - c. Approval of Requests for approval of training. Trainings were discussed and considered individually.
 - i. EPA Emergency Coordination: *R. Bozikowski moved approval, S. Licardi second, all in favor, none opposed, motion carries.*
 - ii. New England Water Works Association Regional Conference: *R. Bozikowski moved approval, J. Swallow second, all in favor, none opposed, motion carries.*
 - iii. AWWA Training Schedule and JCI Chlorine Safety Training: *Request to clarify TCHs offered. Motion to table: R. Bozikowski, S. Licardi second, all in favor, none opposed, motion carries.*
2. The Board reviewed the application for Grade D4 examination from Marc Longpre.
J. Swallow moved approval, R. Bozikowski second, all in favor, none opposed, motion carries.
3. Review and approve or deny all other applications for July operator exams.
J. Swallow moved approval, S. Licardi second, all in favor, none opposed, motion carries.
3. The Board reviewed requests for reciprocity for Michael Arruda and Timothy Hicks.
 - a. *It was determined that Michael Arruda holds an OIT Grade 3 from Massachusetts, so is not eligible for reciprocity. J. Swallow moved to deny, R. Bozikowski second, all in favor, none opposed, motion carries.*
 - b. *J. Swallow moved to approve reciprocity for Timothy Hicks, K. Mello second, all in favor, none opposed, motion carries.*

- 4 The Board discussed exam question comment from Brad Yankee. *No action taken.*
- 5 Discuss when “experience” period begins for Operators in Training: upon hire, or upon receipt of OIT certificate. *This item was discussed under Item 7 below.*
- 6 The Board discussed de-watering at Maplehill Mobile Home Park and operator’s response. *The Board requested a history of Jams Majewski’s discipline history, along with histories for other operators that work for Millennium Water. The Board requested that a letter be sent to Mr. Majewski disapproving of his handling of the situation and requesting his presence at the next meeting of the Board. Motion: R. Bozikowski, second: S. Licardi, all in favor, none opposed, motion carries.*
- 7 The Board discussed Reenergizing Operator Certification and ABC Model Standards and review the *RULES AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO THE CERTIFICATION OF PUBLIC DRINKING WATER SUPPLY TREATMENT AND PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION OPERATORS [R23-65-DWQ]*. *The Board requested a review of other neighboring states’ actions regarding adoption of ABC’s model code, and a link to the latest version thereof. Motion: S. Licardi, Second: J. Swallow, all in favor, none opposed, motion carries.*
- 8 The Board adjourned at 11:10 AM.
Motion to adjourn: J. Swallow; second: S. Licardi; all in favor, none opposed, motion carries.

June Swallow, P. E., Secretary