

# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## Board of Examiners of Environmental Professionals

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Michelle Gamache
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Elsie Patton
Alisa Phillips-Griggs
Carol Violette, PhD, CHMM

#### **MINUTES**

#### **State Board of Examiners of Environmental Professionals**

# Regular Meeting – April 12, 2018

#### A. Call to Order and Sign-In

A regular meeting of the State Board of Examiners of Environmental Professionals ("the Board") was called to order on Thursday, April 12, 2018 at 9:35 AM in the Holcombe Room on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, by Chair Ruzicka. Board members J. Adams, , E. Patton, R. Good, M. Gamache, A. Phillips-Griggs, S. Holtman and C. Violette (via phone) and Board Administrator K. Maiorano were present.

# B. Reading and Approval of the Minutes

The draft minutes of the Regular Board meeting of March 15, 2018 were read and approved with minor corrections; motion by A. Phillips-Griggs, seconded by E.Patton, passed unanimously, with J. Adams abstaining.

#### C. Public Participation

No members of the public were present.

#### D. <u>Unfinished Business and General Orders</u>

#### Discussion Regarding Need for Specificity on Reason for Rejection of Applicants

Ms. Maiorano had received inquiries from applicants who were rejected for acceptance to the LEP Exam. Chair Ruzicka suggested that when we do reject an applicant that we are specific to the reason(s) for rejection. A. Phillips-Griggs questioned whether the application may need to be revised that may require additional work on the part of the applicant, but would provide a more quantitative review of applications. J. Adams suggested that the Board should specify to applicants if the Board determined that they were more than a year short of complying with the engaged or responsible charge experience. C. Violette suggested that we specify the applicant provide three project descriptions that are for assessment projects and three project descriptions for remediation projects. K. Maiorano will put this issue on a future Board Agenda for further discussion.

#### **Update on complaint #17-101**

K. Maiorano reported that a meeting had taken place and a letter of non-compliance was sent to the LEP. She hoped that a Consent Order may be available for the Board to review and approve at the next Board Meeting.

## **Update on complaint #17-102**

E. Patton reported that a compliance meeting was trying to be scheduled in the third or fourth week of May.

#### **Web Update**

K Maiorano reported that the web page update had been completed.

#### **Update on 90-day Bill**

Chair Ruzicka reported that a revised bill had been submitted that added statutory references and all licenses be removed. A section had been added to the bill mandating that a pilot study be develop by the Commissioner that would use two LEPs to review and approve permits. The permits that LEPs would review are not specified. Chair Ruzicka suggested that the Department would benefit from having a stable of task oriented contracts that would permit quick responses to immediate needs.

#### **Item development workshop October 17th**

There was a nudge by the Chair for Board members to sign up for the workshops. J. Adams reminded the Board that we need experts in remediation to freshen the bank of questions.

#### Test assembly workshop November 14th

E Patton and J. Adams volunteered for Test Assembly

#### May 9th examination update

Just a reminder that the exam is scheduled for May 9<sup>th</sup>. The numbers of applicants seem to be declining and the Chair wondered if other professions suffered from the same decline. M. Gamache reported that there had been a significant decline in those entering the Appraisal profession.

#### E. New Business

## **Course Approvals**

Course approval request from GeoSolutions Inc. for course titled "*Specialty Construction Methods for Environmental Remediation Applications*" for 4.0 CECs. On a motion by S. Holtman, seconded by A. Phillips-Griggs, the course was approved unanimously for 4.0 credits.

Course re-approval request from GeoPractical for course CTLEP-429 titled "Introduction to Groundwater Modeling" from 4.0 to 6.0 CECs. On a motion by S. Holtman, seconded by S. Holtman, seconded by M. Gamache, the course was unanimously approved for 6.0 CECs.

Course approval request from LSPA for course titled "*Environmental Law for LSPs*" for 4.0 CECs. On a motion by S. Holtman, seconded by E. Patton, the course was unanimously denied credit.

Next meeting is May 10, 2018 at 9:30AM.

#### F. Adjournment

Chair Ruzicka declared the meeting adjourned at 10:15 AM.

Minutes were approved on June 14, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

John E. Adams Board Secretary