



Pennsylvania
Department of
Environmental Protection

**STATE BOARD FOR CERTIFICATION
OF SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS
MEETING MINUTES | WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2024**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Samuel D’Alessandro (telephone) Board Chair
John Wagman (telephone) Board Member
Luke Helsel (telephone)..... Board Member
Michael Ciocco (telephone) Board Member

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (DEP) STAFF PRESENT

John Cantwell (telephone) Board Legal Counsel, DEP
Chloe Wilson Board Secretary, DEP
Brian Chalfant (telephone)..... DEP, Policy Office
Adam Duh..... Counsel, DEP
Richard Wright..... DEP, BCW
Janice Vollero..... DEP, BCW
Charles Klinger..... DEP, BCW

CALL TO ORDER, INTRODUCTIONS, AND ATTENDANCE

The meeting was called to order by Samuel D’Alessandro, Chair, at 10:02 a.m. The meeting was held through Microsoft® Teams online, as well as in-person, in the 12th floor conference room of the Rachel Carson State Office Building, at 400 Market Street, Harrisburg, PA. A quorum was established.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES (ACTION)

Chair D’Alessandro requested consideration of the June 26, 2024, draft meeting minutes.

Motion: Mike Ciocco motioned to approve the minutes from April, with John Wagman seconding the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

SEO BOARD POSITIONS UPDATE

Chloe Wilson shared that Gordon Sheetz’s appointment request was in review. For the Sewage Advisory Committee (SAC) Representative position, Wagman is awaiting recommendation from SAC at their next meeting on September 18th. Wilson will provide a final update at the next Board meeting.

DEP SEO PRECERTIFICATION ACADEMY

Janice Vollero provided a status update on the Department’s SEO Precertification Academy. The Department is still working with Soil Hub and are nearing completion of the first draft review. Soil Hub will then make corrections. Chair D’Alessandro asked about the Pennsylvania Association of

Sewage Enforcement Officer's (PASEO) future plan with the Academy. Vollero expects PASEO to continue offering the Academy and advised that they were aware of the Department's intent to make the Academy available electronically. Luke Helsel asked if the SEO Field Manual is still accessible to candidates. Vollero confirmed that it's currently available online.

CERTIFICATION OF SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS (ACTION)

Chair D'Alessandro requested feedback from the Board regarding the results of the Friday, August 30, 2024, SEO Certification Examination. Wilson reported of the 21 candidates who sat for exam, 16 had passed and 5 had failed. Wilson noted that candidate 2's first name was misspelled on the report previously provided to the Board.

Motion: Helsel motioned to certify the 16 candidates who had passed the exam. Ciocco seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business was presented.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No members of the public were present in person or on telephone. No comments were made.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair D'Alessandro called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Wagman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, with Helsel seconding the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:16 a.m.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, November 6, 2024