

**Approved Minutes
Operator Certification Board Meeting
September 11, 2007
Matthew Center-Pierre**

Members Present: Del DeBoer, Clint Jost, Tom Lesselyoung, Pete Hesla, Bill Sarringar,

Members Absent : Tim McGannon

Others Present: Rob Kittay, Secretary to the Board; Jim Zeck, SDARWS; Don Reese, DOL; and Joe Trautner, Town of Hazel.

Call to Order by Chairperson DeBoer at 2:03 pm.

The Board introduced themselves to those present. Member of the audience also introduced themselves.

Approval of Agenda: DeBoer wanted to move the Hazel hearing to after the approval of the minutes as there was a representative of Hazel present. Hesla moved to approve the amended minutes. Lesselyoung seconded. Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes: Jost moved to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Sarringar seconded. Motion passed.

Informal Hearing: Hazel-Joe Trautner was present for Hazel. He has taken the test twice with scores of 58% and 67%. There are 100 people in Hazel and is on Clark RWS. He is going to WD/WWC class in Spearfish and will be taking test in October in Pierre. Sarringar moved to continue this hearing. Jost seconded. Motion passed.

US Dept of Labor Apprenticeship Program: Don Reese from DOL appeared to speak about an apprenticeship program. He explained how apprenticeship programs started in US and SD. Kittay asked a few questions about the difference between a city having an apprenticeship program and not and what is the value of the apprenticeship certificate. Lesselyoung asked if DOL paid any of the salary. The answer was "no".

Formal Hearings: Hoven-The city submitted a letter indicating their pop is less than 500. Hilding inquired about Cass Clay cheese plant and confirmed with DENR that the plant still exists. This would give Hoven a PE over 500 people. DeBoer moved to have DENR pursue enforcement. Hesla seconded. Motion passed.

Trout Haven-The system has been sold again and is now closed for the season. It will be opened again in May 2008. Hesla moved to continue this hearing. Jost seconded. Motion passed.

Pukwana-Their operator was a "no show" at a July exam session and no exams have been taken. No correspondence was received prior to the hearing. Sarringar moved to have DENR pursue enforcement. Lesselyoung seconded. Motion passed.

Worthing-Kittay had numerous conversations w/ Worthing. The current UM is being let go. Two prospects for UM have been noted. Hesla moved that DENR pursue enforcement. Lesselyoung seconded. Motion passed.

Informal Hearings (cont'd): Centerville—A letter was submitted by Chuck Bertrand, Centerville UM. He has passed two exams. Hesla moved to continue this hearing. Jost seconded. Motion passed.

Sawtooth Saloon-Piedmont and Fish 'n Fry-Deadwood-A contract had been submitted for each by Ed Striebel. Sarringar moved to approve both of these contracts. Jost seconded. Motion passed.

Status of Certification: The Board reviewed the latest status information on systems without certified operators DeBoer moved to schedule informal hearings at the next Board meeting for the following systems-

Alpena	WD I
Crooked Creek Camp-Old/New	SWT I
Dallas	WD I
Lantern Estates	WD I
Maverick Junction	SWT I
Morristown	SWT I
Nemo Guest Ranch-Store	SWT I
Onaka	WD I
Seneca	WD I
Spokane Creek Resort	SWT I
Westport Sanitary District	WD I

Hesla seconded. Motion passed.

Contact Hours: DeBoer moved to go to a three year contact hour cycle with Class I/II certificates needing 10 hrs and Class III/IV needing 20 hrs. Operators with multiple certificates would need 15/30 hours. Operators with multiple cert and holding any Class III/IV would need 30 hours. This would start with the February 1, 2010 renewal. Hesla seconded. Discussion ensued on a number of different versions. Kittay suggested a cleanup to the Small Water System requirements also. Motion passed.

Other Business: Zeck inquired about checking on contract operators and the actual work performed. Kittay mentioned that as long as the system stays in compliance, the work is being done satisfactorily. DeBoer said that it would be singly out contract operators for a requirement.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be stand alone meeting in Pierre. Kittay will check for a meeting time and place and notify the Board.

Hesla moved for adjournment. Jost seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 4:03 pm.

Rob Kittay

September 18, 2007

Rob Kittay

Date