

Approved Minutes
Operator Certification Board Meeting
June 30, 1999
Pierre Matthew Center

Members Present: Del DeBoer, John Scheltens, Cheryl Johnson, Tom Lesselyoung, Rollin Sieveke, Greg Merrigan

Others Present: Tom Marvin-Municipal League and Darron Busch-DENR.

Call to Order by Chairperson Sieveke at 11:06 am

Approval of Agenda: Scheltens moved to approve to revised agenda. Lesselyoung seconded. Motion passed

Approval of Minutes: The minutes from the April meeting had been previously sent via e-mail to the Board. Merrigan moved for approval of the minutes. Scheltens seconded. Motion passed.

Review of Operations Contracts: A number of contract were not approved at the last meeting and were to be revised and resubmitted. Carthage-Merrigan moved for approval. Johnson seconded. Motion passed.

Riv-R-Land-Merrigan moved for approval. Scheltens seconded. Motion passed.

Sunrise Homeowners-Johnson moved for approval. Merrigan seconded. Motion passed.

Country Club Estates-Merrigan moved for approval. Lesselyoung seconded. Motion passed.

Chamberlain-Merrigan moved for approval. Scheltens seconded. Motion passed.

Estelline-Johnson moved for approval. Merrigan seconded. Motion passed.

Merrigan moved to suspend the rules and allow for visitors to be heard. Johnson seconded. Motion passed.

Operator Certification Change due to SDWA Amendment-Discussion ensued concerning grandfathering, classifying these new systems, training requirements, etc. Tom Marvin added some thoughts from the Municipal League point of view. What kind of training is needed? Nighttime training? Busch spoke about other water requirements that would put additional burden on systems. Kittay mentioned that we have not considered any wastewater requirements that may be coming in the near future.

DeBoer enters meeting at 11:32 am.

Scheltens moved to endorse the DENR proposed legislation with a modification to the grandfather clause to close an apparent loophole for existing certified systems. Merrigan seconded. Motion passed.

Scheltens moved that a new "need-to-know" and exam be developed for non-treating water systems that will be affected by the new legislation. Specifically this would cover all phases of supply and distribution for these systems. Johnson seconded. Motion passed.

A draft “need to know” will be developed by the East River Committee by the September meeting. Busch suggested that Andrea Griese be added to that committee. Kittay suggested that some input be gathered from the systems affected.

DeBoer moved that the West River Committee look at exams and how to proceed with the exam validation process. DeBoer withdrew motion.

Sample Contract Review-A system description is needed. The Board suggested revamping the sample contract into seven sections as a guide for a system to develop a contract; however, a sample contract would not be distributed.

Other Business: There was no other business.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be at 2:00 pm on September 14 at the Sioux Falls Ramkota. A meeting will then also take place in either November or /December.

Adjourn DeBoer moved for adjournment. Scheltens seconded. Meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Rob Kittay

Date