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“Thank you” Bill Longfellow from the Maine DEP and Pete Hanrahan from EJ Prescott for teaching the Erosion Control Recert Class

Mark Your Calendars

MGWA Meetings are held at The Best Western Plus in Waterville, ME at 6:00 pm. Meeting dates and places are subject to change. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. There are no director's meetings in June, July & August.

Director's Meetings: March 11, April 8, May ?, September 9, October 14 & November 11

MGWA Spring Demo: May ?, 2019 TBA

Well Driller's Commission Meetings: March 13, April 10, May 8, June 12, July 10, August 14, September 11, October 9, November 13, December 11

The Commission generally meets at 9:00 A.M., the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 17 Elkins Lane in Augusta. For questions on Commission business call The Drinking Water Program at 207-287-2070 or David Braley at 207-441-5324 or visit the website at: <http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/meccd/environmental-health/dwp/professionals/wellDrillers.shtml>

NEWWA Spring Demo: March 8 & 9, 2019 at Best Western Royal Plaza, 181 Boston Post Road West, Marlborough, MA For more info go to: www.newwassociation.org

NGWA Groundwater Week: December 2-5, 2019 Las Vegas, NV For more info go to: www.ngwa.org If you would like to be a delegate, please contact a director.

Find us on the Web at: www.maine groundwater.org

MGWA Annual Meeting Minutes

Maine Ground Water Association

Annual Meeting

EJ Prescott, Inc.

Gardiner, ME

February 7, 2019

The Annual Meeting was called to order by President Frank Hegarty of Hegarty Plumbing and Heating at 8:45 am with the following present; Susan & Pat Smith of Hansen's Well Drilling, Inc., Scott Hodgdon of Hodgdon Well Service, Jesse Goodwin and Scott Abbotts of Goodwin Well & Water, Ted McLeod, Jr., Ted McLeod, III, Ryan Stevenson, and Jim Hair of Ted McLeod Inc., Jim Innis of Innis Well Drilling, Trevor Gould of H2O Well Drilling, Mark Taplin of Williams & Taplin, Mark & Michelle Weeks and Tim Williams of Weeks & Sons, Inc., Ross Deschaine of Sunco Pump & Well Drilling, Joe Gallant of Stan Hillock Well Co., Phil, Jason and James Bisson of Affordable Well Drilling, Scott Bradbury and Tim Cook of Blake Equipment and Rick Schrepper and Mitch Woodbury of Preferred Pump.

A motion made by Ted McLeod and seconded by Mark Weeks to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2018 Annual Meeting was unanimously approved.

A motion made by Jim Innis and seconded by Ted McLeod to approve the MGWA Annual 2018 Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved. Frank Hegarty and Mark Weeks reviewed the Annual Treasurer's book and found everything in order.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Legislative: Chad Grignon of Pine State Drilling and a Representative for District 118 is working on a bill to cap the excise tax on drilling equipment to \$2500.

A letter drafted by Jim Innis regarding licensing was discussed and will be forwarded to the Commission.

Nominations from the floor were opened. Ted McLeod nominated the following; for President, Frank Hegarty, Vice President, Scott Hodgdon, Treasurer, Susan Smith, Secretary, Michelle Weeks, 2 year directors, Trevor Gould, Mark Taplin and Jesse Goodwin. The nomination was seconded by Joe Gallant. Nominations were closed. The above slate was unanimously approved.

A motion to adjourn at 9:10 am made by Ted McLeod and seconded by Mark Weeks was unanimously approved.



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MGWA Director's Minutes

**Maine Ground Water Association
Director's Meeting
February 7, 2019
EJ Prescott, Inc.
Gardiner, ME**

The MGWA Director's Meeting was called to order by President Frank Hegarty at 12:50 pm with the following present: Ross Deschaine, Joe Gallant, Jesse Goodwin, Trevor Gould, Scott Hodgdon, Jim Innis, Susan Smith, Pat Smith, Mark Taplin, Mark Weeks and Michelle Weeks.

A motion by Jim Innis and seconded by Susan Smith to approve the November 12, 2018 Director's Meeting minutes as corrected was unanimously approved.

Treasurers Report: A motion by Jim Innis and seconded by Scott Hodgdon to approve the treasurer's report was unanimously approved.

New Business: None

Old Business: None

Education Committee: The Spring Demo was discussed. Some ideas were: CPR, Safety-works! training, DOT presentation, well abandonment, and zone fracking.

Legislative: None

Membership applications: Scott Abbotts - Goodwin Well & Water, Inc.

A motion by Susan Smith and seconded by Mark Taplin to approve affiliate to active membership was unanimously approved.

The next meetings will be: March 11, April 8, May ?(Spring Demo), September 9, October 14, and November 11(tentative).

A motion to adjourn at 1:25 pm made by Michelle Weeks and seconded by Mark Taplin was unanimously approved.



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Annual Treasurer's Report

Maine Ground Water Association Annual Treasurer's Report February 7, 2019

	2018	2017	Difference
Check Book Balance Beginning of Year	\$14,147.04	\$9,371.38	\$4,775.66
Income			
Dues	\$6,045.00	\$5,775.00	\$270.00
Newsletter Advertising	\$2,350.00	\$2,400.00	-\$50.00
Interest	\$8.99	\$5.73	\$3.26
Spring Demo	\$300.00	\$195.00	\$105.00
New England Water Well Association	\$2,500.00	\$3,000.00	-\$500.00
Voided Debit Charge	\$0.00	\$75.00	-\$75.00
Total Income	\$11,203.99	\$11,450.73	-\$246.74
Expenses			
Annual Meeting	\$185.00	\$180.35	\$4.65
Awards	\$370.30	\$0.00	\$370.30
Meeting Room	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
Newsletter	\$2,847.88	\$1,684.04	\$1,163.84
NGWA Delegate Fee	\$600.00	\$400.00	\$200.00
Legal Fees	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$0.00
Flowers	\$0.00	\$75.00	-\$75.00
Spring Demo	\$2,434.00	\$1,888.98	\$545.02
Printing & Postage	\$161.49	\$723.25	-\$561.76
Web Site	\$204.20	\$257.45	-\$53.25
Directors, Officers & GL Insurance	\$1,194.00	\$1,131.00	\$63.00
Total Expense	\$8,331.87	\$6,675.07	\$1,656.80
Check Book Balance End of Year	\$17,019.16	\$14,147.04	\$2,872.12
Respectfully Submitted: Susan Smith Treasurer			

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FYI...

- Anyone have an idea for our Annual and Spring Demo?
- The Annual membership dues notices were mailed. Thank you to those that have paid already!
- If you need Setback Reduction or Specialty Well Applications, they are available for download at The Well Drillers Commission's web site or by calling 207-287-2070.
- If you need Maine Geological Survey Well Forms, please call them at 207-287-2801
- Contact a Commission member, if you think that anything in our rules needs to be added or changed. With a new Governor in office, please keep let us know if your hear of any new legislation.
- If you're interested in being on the Commission, please contact Joe Gallant, a MGWA board member or the Commission. Joe Gallant's term is up at the Commission.
- MGWA's Website: If you would like your company to be added or need any changes on our website please contact us at: in-fo@mainegroundwater.org. You need to be a member to be on our website and to use the MGWA logo.



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Annual & Director's Meeting at EJP



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Mark Weeks
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Legislation Info

LD 873, HP 647, 129th Legislature An Act To Limit Registration Fees on Water Well Drilling Equipment To Encourage Purchasing of Modern Equipment for Rural Well Construction

PLEASE NOTE: Legislative Information cannot perform research, provide legal advice, or interpret Maine law. For legal assistance, please contact a qualified attorney.

An Act To Limit Registration Fees on Water Well Drilling Equipment To Encourage Purchasing of Modern Equipment for Rural Well Construction

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §611, as amended by PL 2017, c. 367, §3, is further amended by adding after the 3rd paragraph a new paragraph to read:

Notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter, the annual tax required under this subchapter for machinery and equipment used for water well drilling for a person licensed under Title 32, chapter 69-C is \$2,500.

Sec. 2. Application. This Act applies to tax years beginning January 1, 2020 and thereafter.

SUMMARY

This bill sets the annual personal property tax on equipment for water well drilling owned by a licensed well driller at \$2,500 for tax years beginning January 1, 2020 and thereafter.

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