

# OWAC Meeting Minutes

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Onsite Wastewater Advisory Committee (OWAC) Meeting

December 12, 2014 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Room 3100B

Conference Call Number 1-877-820-7829 & Pass Code 872 620 8986

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10:09 am **Chair Opening Remarks**

Jake Garrett

**Attendance: In Person-Chadwick, D Bartholomew, Hawke, Ehrlich, Garrett, Swanson,**

**Phone-Farrell-Poe, Wirth, Long (10:17am)**

**ADEQ-Smit (Out 1:01 PM), Greenslade (out 12:39Pm), Burchard**

**Elections to be held in January for 2015 Officers**

1. Approval of October 17, 2014 minutes

*Motion Hawke, 2<sup>nd</sup> Farrell-Poe to Approve Minutes of October 17, 2014. Passed with 1 No vote.*



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2. 2015 Meeting Days (*Come prepared with days of the month that you can meet*)  
*Motion to move meeting to 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the Month by Swanson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Hawke. Motion Amended by Swanson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hawke to change the meeting dates to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month. Amended motion passed unanimously.*
3. Items to be referred to sub-committees:
  - a. ACDEHSA Sept-#2 Rule package  
*This package was submitted to the rules sub-committee in November.*
4. OWAC Membership discussion.  
*There may be two vacancies in 2015 to consider replacements.*

10:17 am **ADEQ Update**

Jerry Smit

1. Status of PPL Advisory Committee project.  
*New PPL process has been posted and made public. One application has been received and is being reviewed. ADEQ wants to have a couple of tests to see how the system works.*  
*New PPL Listing for the Norweco Hydro-Kinetic product*
2. Update on OWAC request for ADEQ to provide a written clarification of AAC R18-9-A309E(1) “The Department shall maintain a list of proprietary and other reviewed products that **may** be used for on-site wastewater treatment facilities to comply with the requirements of this Article”.  
*ADEQ is going to review the Notices of Final Rulemaking to find out about how the rule was intended to work.*
3. Kaizen group formation to develop
  - a. Guidance for 1.09 systems in the A316 section of rule,
  - b. Direction to inspectors re: how leaking tanks, site built tanks and cesspools are to be reported and handled, and
  - c. ROI instructions for NOT Inspectors re Functional etc.

*Motion: The Rule Committee is directed to consider the definitions of Cesspools (presented by Chairman on 12/12/2014), definition of terms (presented by Chairman on 12/12/2014), a form for alternative systems, and the Draft Report of Inspection currently before the subcommittee to provide a rapid recommendation of the by Hawke, 2<sup>nd</sup> D Bartholomew. Unanimous approval.*

4. Indications from new Governor's transition committee re: Onsite Program and rule opening. *The new governor intends to continue the rule moratorium. Drinking Water Section Manager Daniel Czecholinski. David Burchard has Engineering Review-water distribution, wastewater. New hires for inspections and surface water monitoring.*

12:12 PM Break

12:38 PM Resume

12:46 PM **OWAC Discussion**

**1. OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. NSF Onsite Regulatory Committee Report Joelle Wirth  
*Written comments to be presented for the January meeting.*

**2. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- a. PPL Suzanne Ehrlich  
i. ADEQ PPL SOP

*No report*

- b. A316 Ed Swanson  
i. Results to date

*Last meeting middle of November, 2014. Working on new language. Next meeting January 7, 2015.*

- c. O & M David Bartholomew  
*Upon Chiordi's resignation, D Bartholomew will be new Chairman. Long is the committee member. 4.01: In order to provide cost benefit of having an operator on line a request has been made from owners, etc to determine costs. Hawke is now on the subcommittee.*

- d. Public Outreach Richard Sinclair

*No report*

- e. Education & Credentials Kitt Farrell-Poe

*No report*

- f. Indicator Organisms & Reuse Joelle Wirth

*No report*

- g. Rule Development Justin Ramsey  
i. ROI Form and possible approval and forwarding

*No report*

- h. Enforcement Larry Hawke

*No report*

**3. GENERAL MULTI SUB-COMMITTEE DISCUSSION:**

- a. Cesspools & 1.09 systems and their environmental impact Jake Garrett  
*Presented Leak to Environment Spreadsheet: this is the beginning of developing a complete onsite wastewater program that has enforcement, education, testing, etc.*

- b. Money saving ideas from rule changes. Please give suggestions of costs being incurred as a result of existing rules.

- c. Focus of *Cost Justification* for Rule Opening Jake Garrett

**4. NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. Outline for evaluating the “New” rule package. Jake Garrett
- 5. **REVIEW:** Subcommittee Parking Lot Items - Jake Garrett
- 6. **BUSINESS FROM THIS MEETING FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION:**
- 7. **Administrative Issues**
- 8. **Open Forum for Stakeholder Comments Call to Public**

**No public in room or on the phone**

2:15 pm **Close the Meeting**

**Motion to adjourn Swanson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Hawke. Unanimous approval.**

APPROVED