

Minutes from Board of Certification Meeting Conference Call

April 13, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bo LaGrange at 2:30 pm and a roll call was taken by Suzanne Bordelon. Listed below were the Board members on the call:

Connie Henry

Ricardo de Abreu

Bo LaGrange

Bubba Wynn

Jason Creel

Danny Hylton

David Green

Wes Wyche

Board member not on the call was Mia Townsel.

There were two applications for certification that were reviewed. Stephen Walker, Landfill, Level B, with Tangipahoa Parish SW Facility, who had tested and passed on 2/11/20 and Ann Wilson, Separation, Level A, Town of Ball, who tested and passed on 2/26/20. A motion was made by Jason Creel to approve these two applications and seconded by Bubba Wynn. Motion passed

Applications for Conditional certification were reviewed. Callan Jacob, Incinerator, Level A, Medical Waste Management. Mr. Mark Grillo with Medical Waste Management was on the call and gave the Board some background information on Mr. Jacob who had been a previously certified operator. A motion was made by Bubba Wynn and seconded by Connie Henry to issue a conditional certificate to Mr. Jacob. Motion passed.

Tyrone Murphy, Landfill, Level B, St. Landry Parish Landfill, who is replacing regular certified operator Henry Horton, whose terminated date was 9/20/19. A motion was made by David Green and seconded by Wes Wyche to issue a conditional certificate to Mr. Murphy. Motion passed

William Weber, Incinerator, Level B, Medical Waste Management. After questioning Mr. Mark Grillo about Mr. Weber having no prior experience, the Board made a decision to deny the conditional request for Mr. Weber. The motion was made by Bubba Wynn and seconded by Jason Creel. Motion passed

Next on the agenda were requests for extensions to conditional certificates. Erik Embroli, Incinerator, Level B, SharePort Medical, 1st extension request, Richard LeBouef, Landfill, Level A, St. Landry Parish Landfill, 2nd request, and Peggy Ross, Landfill, Level B, St. Landry Parish Landfill, 1st extension request. All had passed the test and attended a 10 hour training class.

Applications for recertification were reviewed. A motion was made by Connie Henry and seconded by Bubba Wynn to approve the recertifications that completed all 40 hours. List is attached.

Chad Hollins and Michael Weekly, both C & D, Level A, with Gentilly Landfill submitted applications for re-certification with plans to attend the Lafayette conference in March to obtain their last 10 hours. Due to the Covid-19, the Board approved the issuance of their re-certifications with the stipulation that they complete their last 10 hours within the next 6 months. A motion was made by Connie Henry and seconded by Bubba Wynn. Motion passed.

A request was sent by Timothy Schotsch, Riverside Recycling, also asking for an extension to his certification due to not having the conference in March. The Board also agreed to issue his certificate and allow him 6 months to obtain his last 10 hours of CEUs. A motion was made by Bubba Wynn and seconded by Ricardo de Abreu. The motion passed.

A request was submitted by Mr. Buddy Till to approve CEUs from Municipal Solid Waste training courses he attended. He did not submit the course outlines and the Board requested that he submit the outlines or agendas from those courses prior to approving the hours, but agreed not to penalize him. A motion was made by Danny Hylton and seconded by Wes Wyche. The motion passed.

No other business was discussed and a motion was made by Bubba Wynn to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ricardo de Abreu. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.