

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE REGULATION
AND CONTROL OF WATER WELL CONTRACTORS
(DRILLERS) IN LOUISIANA**

**Meeting Summary
May 3, 2023
11:00 A.M.**

Prepared by:

The Department of Natural Resources

Office of Conservation

Environmental Division Staff

Advisory Committee members in attendance:

Commissioner of Conservation, Driller at Large – Scott Bergeron

Ex-O; Commissioner of Conservation – Barlow Holley

Appointed by Governor, Irrigation Driller, Nom of LGWA – Herschel Bourque

LGWA, Domestic Driller – Terry Suire

LGWA, Industrial Driller – John Shuman

Appointed by Commissioner of Conservation, Driller At-Large – Gary Hill

President of the Louisiana Engineering Society, designee – Roy Waggenpack

Representative of the USGS – Vincent White

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 11:02 a.m by Terry Suire. The roll was called and a quorum was established.

Review of New Applicants for Louisiana Driller’s License

1. The committee reviewed the application for **William Fields** of Braun Intertec. Scott Bergeron made the motion to accept the application and allow the applicant to take the test; seconded by Roy Waggenpack. The motion passed unanimously.
2. The committee reviewed the application for **Shawn Mathers** of Mathers Environmental Drilling, Inc. Gary Hill made the motion to accept the application and allow the applicant to take the test; seconded by Scott Bergeron. The motion passed unanimously.

Adoption of the February Meeting Summary

Scott Bergeron made the motion to accept the meeting summary, seconded Barlow Holley. The motion passed unanimously.

Review of 1st Quarter 2023 Water Well Driller Compliance Issues

Nicholas Kien provided explanation and clarification on frequent issues the Department is having with registrations and compliance to policies.

Compliance Order No. 203-GW001, Red River Well Service, WWC: 772

A compliance order was brought to the attention of the Committee & drillers were allowed the opportunity to present their explanation. Nicholas Kien, LDNR Groundwater, explained the agencies issue behind the compliance order.

New Business

No additional new business was brought up at this time.

Date for the Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Advisory Committee was scheduled for Wednesday, August 2, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. in the Griffon Room on the 1st floor of the LaSalle Building in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

The meeting moved to Tuesday, August 1st because of conflicts with the Louisiana Water Conference starting on August 2nd.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made by Scott Bergeron, seconded by Roy Waggenspack. The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:30 p.m.