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

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Meeting Summary
February 5, 2025
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
Appointed by Governor, Irrigation Driller, Nom of LGWA – Herschel Bourque
Appointed by the Secretary of LDENR – Patrick Courreges
Appointed by the Secretary of DHH – Johan Forsman
LGWA, Domestic Driller – Terry Suire
Appointed by Commissioner of Conservation, Driller At-Large – Gary Hill
President of the Louisiana Engineering Society, designee – David Kozan
LGWA, Municipal & Industrial Driller – John Shuman

Call to Order
Meeting was called to order at **11:00 a.m**. by **Terry Suire**. The roll was called and a quorum was established.

A request for the board to advise LDENR in accepting the hardship letter & reference form submitted by a P.E. in lieu of a licensed driller for **George D. Risley**. Defer till next meeting, Mr. Risley was sick & unable to attend.

Review of New Applicants for Louisiana Driller's License

1. The committee reviewed the water well driller application for **Terry McLean**. **Gary Hill** made the motion to accept the application and allow the applicant to take the test; seconded by **Johan Forsman.** The motion passed unanimously.
2. The committee reviewed the water well driller application for **Doug Tweed**. **Gary Hill** made the motion to accept the application and allow the applicant to take the test; seconded by **John Shuman**. The motion passed unanimously.
3. The committee did not reviewed the water well driller application for **Jonathan Truesdale**, he did not show.

Adoption of the November 6, 2024 Meeting Summary
Scott Bergeron made a motion to accept the meeting summary. **Herschel Bourque** seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Water Well Driller Compliance Review
Nicholas Kien provided an update and explanation on frequent issues the Department is having with registrations and compliance to policies. Overall the numbers are continuing to improve. Current most frequent issues are with coordinates and not including maps.

New Business

Request to move future meetings to the first Tuesday of every quarter was brought the Committee by Nicholas Kien. Motion was made **John Shuman** to accept the request and move the meetings from Wednesday to Tuesdays. Second by **Gary Hill**. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments

No public comments made.

Date for the Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Advisory Committee is scheduled for **Tuesday, May 6, 2025**, at11:00 a.m. in the Griffon Room on the 1st floor of the LaSalle Building in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made by **Scott Bergeron**, seconded by **Gary Hill**. The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:42 p.m.