# NEW JERSEY SITE REMEDIATION PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARD

## **FINAL**

# **NOVEMBER 4, 2024 Meeting Minutes**

4:00 PM

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## **Board Members:**

#### Present

Phil Brilliant
Michele Christina
Lawra Dodge
Steven Domber (joined at 4:30)
Joann Held
Michael Renzulli
Charles Stebbins
Kathi Stetser (departed at 5:25)
Peter Strom
Ira Whitman

#### Absent

Paul Stofa

## Others Present

Executive Director Dana Haymes Program Specialist Victoria Glean Regulatory Officer Meredith Marcus DAG Buffy Wilson

# Members of the Public that were present:

Candace Baker, Richard Katz, Randy Shuler, Tina Layre, David Haymes, Chris Dailey, Alexander Saltzman, Kathleen Whooley, Rose DeLorenzo, Rebecca Hollender, Ken Haduch, Sonya Ward

# **Proceedings**

- Meeting called to Order at 4:01 PM by Vice-Chairperson Joann Held.
- Joann Held read the Statement of Adequate Public Notice of the meeting required by the Open Public Meetings Act.
- Roll Call:

Phil Brilliant - Present Michele Christina - Present Lawra Dodge - Present

Steven Domber - Present (joined at 4:30)

Joann Held - Present Michael Renzulli - Present Charles Stebbins - Present

Kathi Stetser - Present (departed at 5:25)

Paul Stofa - Absent Peter Strom - Present Ira Whitman - Present

A quorum of the Board was in attendance.

# • Approval of the Board Meeting Minutes

o Motion by Joann Held to approve the October 7, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes.

Motion seconded by Michael Renzulli.

#### Roll Call Vote:

- Yes Phil Brilliant Michele Christina - Abstain - Yes Lawra Dodge Steven Domber - Absent Joann Held - Yes Michael Renzulli - Yes Charles Stebbins - Yes Kathi Stetser - Yes Peter Strom - Yes - Yes Ira Whitman Paul Stofa - Absent

The motion was approved.

 Motion by Joann Held to approve the October 7, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes of the Closed Session.

Motion seconded by Phil Brilliant

## Roll Call Vote:

Phil Brilliant - Yes Michele Christina - Abstain Lawra Dodge - Yes Steven Domber - Absent Joann Held - Yes Michael Renzulli - Yes Charles Stebbins - Yes Kathi Stetser - Yes - Yes Peter Strom Ira Whitman - Yes Paul Stofa - Absent

The motion was approved.

# • Chairperson's Report

Joann Held noted that she is chairing the meeting today because Paul Stofa has announced he will no longer be serving as Board Chairperson as he will be leaving his position at the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and moving to another position with the State.

# • Executive Director's Report

Dana Haymes announced that all Board Member have completed their ethics training for 2024.

The NJDEP is proposing new rules, repeals and amendments related to the Site Remediation Reform Act Amendments. The Proposal was published in the New Jersey Register on October 21, 2024. The public hearing is scheduled for November 21, 2024 at 1:00, and comments will be accepted until December 20, 2024.

The DEP is moving its telephone services to TEAMs. Please be aware that all Board staff have new phone numbers.

Dana Haymes 609-940-7016

Meredith Marcus 609-940-7262

Victoria Glean 609-940-7067

For now, the main SRPL Board phone number will remain as 609-984-3424

Dana Haymes noted that Paul Stofa intended to provide a statement to the Board but is absent today. He has been honored to serve as Chairperson of the Board and wishes the Board well going forward. The next holder of the Chairperson position has not yet been appointed.

# Committee Reports

# • Ad Hoc Committee on Board Membership – Michele Christina

Michele Christina reported that she has been informed that at least one of the three nominees to the SRPL Board was advanced to the Judiciary Committee. Further information on the status of the nominations has not been provided.

# • Ad Hoc Committee on Independent Professional Judgment and Remedial Process Improvement Initiative – Phil Brilliant

No Report.

#### • Licensure Committee – Kathi Stetser

Kathi Stetser reported that the next licensing exam will be held on April 9, 2025, and the application period will be January 6-31, 2025. Anyone who intends to apply for the license should enroll in Case Study Training (2019-098) which will be held January 14-15, 2025. Registration is available on the Rutgers continuing education website at cpe.rutgers.edu. Prospective applicants may want to begin working on their applications now that the updated application form has been posted.

The Board previously reported that there were issues with printing and saving the License Renewal Application. The Board staff collaborated with the DEP IT team to resolve these issues. There should be no further problems. If anyone has any questions or concerns please contact the Board.

## • Audit Committee – Ira Whitman

Ira Whitman reported that the following audits were completed:

# September 2024:

Michael Murphy – 577036 Christopher Milone – 582579 Chris Langewisch – 594675 Cathleen Bryant – 574152

The Audit Committee has selected an additional 6 LSRPs for audit for the month of November 2024.

# • Continuing Education – Lawra Dodge

Lawra Dodge reported that the following continuing education programs were approved for continuing education credit.

TITLE	PROVIDER	DATE	CECs	COURSE NUMBER
Addressing PFAS Within NJ's Regulatory Framework	LSRPA	TBD	2 Technical	2024-072
Coastal Plain Glauconites and Offshore Wind Farms	AEG	November 14, 2024	1 Technical	2024-073
An Introduction to Brownfields: Revitalizing Our Communities	BCONE	TBD	1 Regulatory	2024-074
Getting REAL: How Will the NJPACT Rules Impact My Project?	Riker Danzig	October 1, 2024	1.5 Regulatory	2024-075
Impacts of PFAS Litigation	LSRPA	TBD	2 Regulatory	2024-076
Plumes in Bedrock Aquifers	CPES	December 10 and 12, 2024	1 Regulatory and 5 Technical	2024-077
Solving the PFAS Puzzle: Techniques for Differentiating and Determining Sources of Contamination	LSRPA	September 26, 2024	2 Technical	2024-078
Sustained Chemical Oxidation Remedial Options to Efficiently Address VOCs and SVOCs	LSRPA	TBD	2 Technical	2024-079
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# • Finance Committee – Michael Renzulli

Michael Renzulli reported that the 2025 Fee Report was published in the New Jersey Register on November 4, 2024 – Volume 53 Issue 21.

#### • Outreach Committee – Charles Stebbins

Charles Stebbins reported that the Committee is preparing the 2025 first quarterly newsletter for circulation in January. All newsletters are available on the Board website.

#### Professional Conduct Committee – Phil Brilliant

Motion by Phil Brilliant to enter closed session to discuss Complaint 011-2023.

Motion seconded by Michael Renzulli.

All present voted yes.

The motion was approved.

Open session resumed at 4:58.

o Motion by Phil Brilliant, in the matter of Complaint 011-2023, to find the subject in violation of N.J.A.C. 7:26I-6.3 and assess a fine of \$3,000.00 for this violation, to find the subject in violation of N.J.A.C. 7:26I-6.5 and assess a fine of \$500.00 for this violation, to find the subject in violation of N.J.A.C. 7:26I-6.10 and assess a fine of \$7,000.00 for this violation, and to find the subject in violation of N.J.A.C. 7:26I-6.24 and assess a fine of \$7,000.00 for this violation. In addition, the subject's LSRP license shall be suspended for a period of 12 months. The Board shall notify the subject through correspondence under signature of the Board chairperson of the Board's intent to assess a penalty of \$17,500.00 and suspend the subject's LSRP license for 12 months. The Board authorizes the Professional Conduct Committee settlement review team to negotiate a settlement within the parameters discussed in closed session.

Motion seconded by Ira Whitman.

#### Roll Call Vote:

Phil Brilliant -Yes Michele Christina -Yes Lawra Dodge -Yes Steven Domber -Yes Joann Held -Yes Michael Renzulli -Yes **Charles Stebbins** -Yes Kathi Stetser -Yes Peter Strom -Yes Ira Whitman -Yes Paul Stofa--Absent The Motion was approved.

# • Ongoing Business

Lawra Dodge reported that she expanded and refined her document concerning the potential use of artificial intelligence by LSRPs. She presented it to the Board to review and consider forming an ad hoc committee to address the topic of LSRPs and artificial intelligence.

Kathi Stetser noted that this is a very important topic but it may not be appropriate for the Board to address.

Joann Held would like the Board to consider the information provided by Lawra in her report and how the Board may best address this topic.

#### New Business

Joann Held noted that the Rules Committee will be reconvened to consider the NJDEP's proposed new rules, repeals and amendments related to the Site Remediation Reform Act Amendments.

## • Next Board Meeting

o Motion by Joann Held to cancel the Board meeting scheduled for November 18, 2024.

Motion seconded by Phil Brilliant.

All present voted yes.

The motion was approved.

The next Board Meeting will be December 2, 2024.

# • Public Comments

Kathleen Whooley asked the name of the LSRP that is the subject of Complaint 011-2023. Joann Held said the Board would not disclose the name until the process of suspending the LSRP's license is completed.

The Meeting adjourned at 5:31 PM.