

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
Board of Certification of Operators of Wastewater Treatment Facilities**

Draft Meeting Minutes of May 3, 2006

MEMBERS in ATTENDANCE: Richard Dionne, Fred Kurdziel, John Schock, Tom White and Bill Patenaude

OTHERS in ATTENDANCE: Traci Pena and Greg Schultz, Esq., RIDEM

The first item discussed were the draft April 5, 2006 meeting minutes.

Mr. White motioned to accept the minutes as given. Mr. Patenaude seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor and the motion passed. Mr. Shock abstained, as he was not present at the April 5th meeting.

The next item on the agenda was the draft closed April 5, 2006 meeting minutes.

Mr. Patenaude motioned to approve the minutes as amended. Mr. Dionne seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor and the motion passed. Mr. Shock abstained, as he was not present at the April 5th meeting.

The next item on the agenda to be discussed were application for the Spring 2006 exams. More applications still need to be reviewed, and if there were any problems Mr. Patenaude would notify Board members.

Mr. Patenaude would also like the Board to consider sending out a letter requesting a staffing plan. Board members thought that was a good idea. Mr. Schock also wanted the positions to coincide with the Boards Rules and Regulations for Wastewater Treatment Facilities' definitions.

Mr. Patenaude made a motion to convene into executive session per §42-46-5(a)(4) in order to discuss a potential issue involving criminal or civil activity. Mr. Schock seconded the motion. The motion passed with the following roll call voting in the affirmative: Mr. Dionne, Mr. Kurdziel, Mr. White, Dr. Wright, Mr. Schock and Mr. Patenaude.

Mr. Schock, made a motion in Executive session was to seek clarification from the Town of Westerly regarding staffing at its wastewater facility, due to a review of the town's staffing plan in conjunction with questions about individual contract operator positions. Mr. Schock added that all positions sited should coincide with the Board s definitions in the Rules and Regulations. Mr. Kurdziel seconded the motion; all members present voted in favor with the exception of Mr. Patenaude who abstained. As such, the motion passed.

Mr. Patenaude made a motion to seal the Executive session of the May 3, 2006 meeting minutes. Mr. Dionne seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion passed.

Mr. Patenaude made a motion to resume the meeting into open session. Mr. White seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion passed.

In new business Mrs. Pena informed the Board that she received a call from CCRI stating that the theater may not be ready for the Spring 2006 exam due to a fire in the theater. She would be in contact with CCRI looking for a status.

With no further business, Mr. Patenaude motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Schock seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor and the motion passed.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 7, 2006 at 9:30 a.m. in room 280 of the DEM – Office of Water Resources, 235 Promenade St., Providence, RI.