

Massachusetts Water Pollution Control Association
Board of Directors Meeting
December 5, 2007
Millbury MA

Minutes recorded by Valerie Flaherty

MWPCA President Charles Tyler called the meeting to order at approximately 12:45 PM. The following were in attendance:

Henry Albro, Michael Foisy, Ray Willis, Jane Brooks, Daniel Freitas, Valerie Flaherty, Tom Azevedo and Eugene Valliere.

1. It was noted that there was a quorum.
2. **Minutes:** Minutes from the Board of Directors Meeting on November 5 – After correcting two errors (Valerie Flaherty not listed as in attendance and time of meeting was incorrect) a motion was duly made and seconded and minutes were voted on and accepted.
3. **Progress on renaming of Training Center: Mike Foisy** – This will happen in the spring after the ground has thawed. More information to follow. We will hold the ceremony and then print an article about it in the news letter.
4. **Web site update:** no progress to report. Dan Freitas suggested that we have a question and answer section for individuals to answer each others questions? We have tried this before but we could try it again, perhaps with a different format. Web Committee to consider this. Tom Azevedo suggested that we put our quarterly meeting presentations, either in Power Point form or as a copy of handouts, on the web site.
5. **Major bulk of treasury funds have been placed** in an interest bearing savings account at 4.7 %. It is transferable back to our checking account as needed.
6. **Salary Survey Update:** Bob Pariseau not here. No update at this time.
7. **Life Time Membership Proposal:** Charles Tyler proposed retired member Rudy Urgiel from South Hadley for lifetime membership. Upon motion duly made and seconded, Mr. Urgiel's Life Membership was unanimously approved. Charles Tyler entered several proxy votes of absent Board members. His Life Membership card will be presented at the September Awards Luncheon.
8. **Newsletter Update:** Sharon Lawson of UBWPAD is helping us out with the next issue, and needs articles by mid January. Mike Foisy owes an operator exchange article, Charles Tyler an article on this meeting. We also could use articles asking for suggestions for web site and director candidates, Renaming training center article will wait until the Spring newsletter.
9. **NEWEA Conference:** Mike Burke will get our booth there. The Operator Day form has been sent out, including emphasis on required membership, and with new pre-registration requirement. Non-members and those not pre-registered by deadline will not be sponsored.
10. **March Meeting:** Tom A. is looking for speakers.
11. **Gillette Specialty Conference:** No update.
12. **Other Specialty Conference Options:** There was a suggestion that the MWPCA might offer CPR training at nominal rates. Dan, Jane and Gene will check availability and cost.
13. **Meeting was adjourned** at approximately 2:30 PM on a motion from the floor