

April 1, 2020

BOARD OF NATURAL SCIENTISTS MINUTES

There was a meeting of the Board of Natural Scientists held on April 1, 2020. The following Board Members were physically present: Burt and Albert. Also physically present were OPLC Staff Member Dawn and Division Director Joseph Shoemaker. Due to the current State of Emergency around the COVID-19 Health Advisory, this meeting was also held telephonically/electronically. Board Members Martin, Long and Lobdell attended the meeting by phone call. Board Chair Burt called the meeting to order at 9:18 a.m.

1. Interview/meeting – None.

2. Reading of minutes of February 5, 2020 meeting – Board Member Albert made a motion which was appropriately seconded by Board Chair Burt to approve the public minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Reading of Communications –

- a. Email from Cassandra Boucher regarding vernal pools – Ms. Boucher has expressed her concern regarding wetlands, vernal pools and endangered species located on a property in Sandown, NH. The Board held a discussion. Board Member Albert made a motion which was appropriately seconded by Board Chair Burt that the Board does value Ms. Boucher concerns; however, this does not fall under the Board’s jurisdiction. The motion passed unanimously. OPLC staff will respond.

4. Reading and Consideration of Applications –

- a. Soil Scientist Apprentice – Board Member Lobdell made a motion which was appropriately seconded by Board Member Albert to deny the application due to the lack of soil science credits pursuant to RSA 310-A:84 I (a) of the Board’s statute. The motion passed unanimously.

Appl. # 20-02 Jessica J. Bailey

- b. Wetland Scientist Apprentice – Board Member Albert made a motion which was appropriately seconded by Board Chair Burt to approve the following applicants with corresponding apprentice number. The motion passed unanimously.

Appl. # 20-10 Susan P. Romano #WSA-052

- c. Certified Wetland Scientist – Next written exam is scheduled for July 10, 2020.

Appl. # 20-05 Mary Ann Tilton – Board Member Albert made a motion which was appropriately seconded by Board Chair Burt to approve applicant for the written exam. The motion passed unanimously.

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4. Reading and Consideration of Applications, Continued –

- c. Certified Wetland Scientist – Next written exam is scheduled for July 10, 2020.

Appl. # 20-07 Joseph H. Orzel – Board Member Long made a motion which was appropriately seconded by Board Member Albert to approve applicant for the written exam. The motion passed unanimously.

Appl. #20-09 Maureen E. Herald – Board Chair Burt made a motion which was appropriately seconded by Board Member Lobdell to approve applicant for the written exam. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Unfinished Business – None.

6. New Business –

- a. Discussion on new wetland rules from DES – Tabled.
- b. Results from the March 2020 written exams – The results will be provided to OPLC Staff within a few weeks.
- c. Date and Time of next meeting – *Wednesday, July 1, 2020 at 9 a.m.*

7. Adjournment – Board Member Albert made a motion which was appropriately seconded by Board Member Lobdell to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:44 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Supervisor II