



Board of Professional Geologists Public Meeting Minutes

Board of Professional Geologists

Wednesday, September 11, 2024 at 9:00 AM EDT to Wednesday, September 11, 2024
at 12:00 PM EDT

7 Eagle Square Concord NH

Attendance

Present: Erin Kirby, Chair (EK); Shane Csiki (CS), Jason Reiners (JR); Abby Thompson Fopiano (ATF) Remote; Jeffrey Marts (JM) Remote.

Absent: Nikki Delude Roy (NDR)

Staff: Cynthia Capodestria, Board Administrator; Cassandra Brown, Board Counsel

Agenda

I. Call To Order

Chair Erin Kirby opened the meeting a 9:09 am; ATF participated remotely due to childcare and health, and JM participated remotely due to health.

II. Review of Public Minutes from previous meeting, August 8, 2024

Motion: Upon a motion by EK seconded by JR, the Board voted to approve the August public minutes as written, by roll call vote 5-0-0.

III. Administrative Rules & Legislative Topics

HB1676 has been referred for Interim Study. OPLC continues to watch it and will report if necessary.

IV. Licensing Data (initial and renewal applications since last meeting)

Initial applications – 1 Strohl

Renewals – 10

V. OPLC and/or Board Administration Updates:

Welcome Dee Jurius, Executive Director

VI. ASBOG 2024 Meeting

Board reviewed the ASBOG Matrix. The Credit for Postgraduate credit column will be changed to Y, and Board Admin will talk with ASBOG to see how they want that listed, as Ethics is required for licensing but not for continuing education.

VII. Non-Public Session

Non-Public session conducted for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and other confidential Board business. Such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (c) & (e), RSA 91-A:5, IV, *Lodge v. Knowlton*, (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges.

Motion: Upon a motion by JR seconded by SC, the Board voted to move into a non-public session; motion passed by roll call vote 5-0-0.

VIII. Seal The Minutes of the Non-Public Session

Minutes of the non-public session are sealed to maintain the privacy of the items discussed in non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (c), on the grounds that public disclosure may adversely affect the reputation of a person other than a Board member or render the proposed action ineffective.

IX. Licensure and Exam Approvals

Motion: Upon a motion by JM seconded by CS, the Board voted to add to the public minutes that Brent Laurence Smith III was approved to take the ASBOG exam; motion passed by roll call vote 4-1-0, one abstain.

X. Adjournment

XI. Motion: Upon a motion by EK and a second by SC the board adjourned at 9:39am; motion passed by roll call vote 5-0-0.

The October 2 meeting with be cancelled and the next Board meeting will be held on January 15, 2025, at 9:00 AM.