SEPTIC SYSTEM EVALUATORS BOARD PUBLIC MINUTES January 25, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

A meeting of the Septic System Evaluators was held on January 25, 2023. The meeting was called to order by C. Albert at 9:03 a.m. Also present in person were D. Buker and M. McConkey. Attending via Zoom C. Kent. Attending from OPLC was Shana Warriner and Christine Horne.

1. Call to Order

2. Approval of the October 12, 2022, Minutes - M. McConkey made a motion approve minutes as written. C. Albert seconded, motion passes with a roll call vote. D. Buker abstained.

3. OPLC and/or Board Administration Updates

a. Board Attorney – Legislation Update – Attorney Elizabeth Eaton met with the board to describe the role of the board attorney which will be Attorney Shane Goulet. She offered the assistance for any legislation they may need help with or clarification on. The Board is tracking HB247-FN which they are in support of. Board has asked staff to send a letter in support of this Bill.

4. Unfinished Business-. None.

5. New Business-

a. Failure Discussion – D. Buker spoke to the board about coming up with a rule change regarding allowing a licensed septic evaluator to deem a system is in failure. Right now only a designer can do it. D. Buker made a motion to allow rules working group and C. Albert to work with Tina Kelley from the OPLC to get rules changed. M. McConkey seconded, motion passes with a roll call vote.

6. Rules Review and Other Legislative Topics -

a. SEP-100 Initial Proposal Draft – D. Buker made a motion to approve. M. McConkey seconded, motion passes with a roll call vote.

b. SEP-200 Initial Proposal Draft – D. Buker made a motion approve. M. McConkey seconded, motion passes with a roll call vote.

c. Board would also like to add in that 25 evaluations are required with all new applications. Tina Kelley will draft this language for the Board to review at the next meeting.

8. Adjournment-

a. Date and Time of next meeting- TBD

D. Buker made a motion to adjourn at 9:45 a.m. C. Kent seconded, and motion passes with a roll call vote.