



## Director's Water Well Advisory Committee

Great Lakes Conference Room-Constitution Hall

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

January 29, 2016

### MINUTES

Members present: Chad Brewer  
Steve Buer  
Laura Dowd  
Tom Fountain  
Dan Milan  
John Schmitt  
Buddy Sebastian  
Bob Webb  
Jim Welser

Members absent: Erik Kleiman

Others present: George Carr  
Dana DeBruyn  
Dave DeYoung  
Mary Ann Dolehanty  
Anita Ladouceur  
Jim McEwan  
Jim Sygo

- A. Call to Order at 1:00 p.m. – attendance taken
- B. Approval of Agenda – approved as written
- C. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting – approved as written
- D. Introductory Comments from the DEQ/Director
  - a. Mary Ann Dolehanty, Interim Chief, Office of Drinking Water and Municipal Assistance, introduced herself.
  - b. Jim Sygo, Chief Deputy Director, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), gave an update on the status of Flint Water.
  - c. The DEQ is providing guidance to schools on community water who want to sample their water.
- E. Unfinished Business
  - a. Status of Michigan Ground Water Association (MGWA) Discussions
    - 1. Signatory Clause resolution
      - Attorney General's office gave go-ahead to change the language.

- The DEQ will move forward pursuing the changes to Wellogic and changes to the paper record.
  - The DEQ will need to be notified if contractors are having unjust enforcement actions against them.
2. Part 127 Statute Revision
    - The plan is still to pursue a Statute revision before a Rules revision.
    - There was a brief discussion on Statute vs. Rules revision.
  3. Reinstatement of Well Driller's Advisory Board
    - MGWA to submit a written request to the DEQ asking for support in requesting the Governor to reinstate the Well Driller's Advisory Board.
    - There was a lengthy discussion regarding the history of both the Well Driller's Advisory Board and subsequent Ground Water Advisory Committee.
  4. Training
    - DEQ staff to speak at MGWA's Ground Water & Wells Fundamental's Course.
    - Michigan Environmental Health Association Annual Education Committee reached out to MGWA for speakers.
    - Discussion regarding reinstating the Water Well Inspector's Course.

F. New Business

- a. Election of WWAC Chairperson
  1. Buddy Sebastian was elected WWAC Chairperson.
- b. Steel casing and NSF certification
  1. A draft handout was provided.
  2. This will be discussed further at the May meeting.

G. Next Meeting Date: Monday, May 2, 2016

H. Meeting Adjourned at 3:10 p.m.