

**ON-SITE WATER & WASTEWATER TECHNICAL
REVIEW BOARD MEETING MINUTES**
Planning and Development Center
Microsoft Teams
4700 Elmore Road
Anchorage, Alaska

**May 11, 2022
11:30 a.m.**

Technical Review Board Members Present:

Name

Kurt Sauers
Mark Swenson
Kyle Brown
Ed Barrington
Steve Henslee

Also in attendance

Name

Representing

Deb Wockenfuss	MOA/Development Services Department (DSD)
Rebecca Carroll	MOA/DSD
Ross Noffsinger	MOA/DSD
Bill Rieth	Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC)
Tom Varney	Anchorage Tank & Welding Inc.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ ROLL CALL

CHAIR Swenson called the meeting to order at 11:40 a.m. A quorum was established. Mr. Garness was unavailable.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA / MINUTES

a. Agenda

CHAIR Swenson asked if there were any changes to the agenda. *Hearing none, the agenda was unanimously approved.*

b. Minutes

CHAIR Swenson called for a motion to approve the minutes. **Mr. Sauer motioned and Mr. Brown second. Approved unanimously**

3. NEW BUSINESS

CHAIR Swenson asked if there was anything new to report. Staff stated they were slammed with permits and are trying to keep up with them.

4. OTHER BUSINESS/INFORMATIONAL

a. Deep Bury tanks update

Staff commented Ms. Carroll was the staff member working with Greer Tanks and she is on leave. It was noted that testing results and revised approval request have not been submitted as further testing was being done.

b. Procedures for closing On-Site permits

The board wondered if staff had totals on open permits. There are no totals, but one engineer has over ninety open permits and another has fifty open permits. There was some discussion on possibly codifying it the next code cycle and to keep it on the agenda for further discussion.

c. ADEC Wastewater update

Discussion continued on the Wisconsin mounds and how they would work in Alaska. All agreed to wait and see what the state would put in code.

5. COMMENTS

a. Board comments

Mr. Sauer inquired if the board had to submit a report to the Assembly. Staff stated the assembly report was written out of the code.

b. Staff comments

Staff has no comments other than we're very busy.

c. Public comment

Mr. Varney mentioned a request he received from members of the Alaska Engineering Community regarding soils application rates that other states use in their codes. This was in response to the State Department of Environmental Conservation code re-write and their reluctance to grant drainfield reductions in systems utilizing advanced treatment, thereby eliminating a major advantage of advanced treatment systems. Orenco Systems has fifty on file, one for each state and a few western Canadian provinces. All information was forwarded to Mr. Garness.

6. UPCOMING MEETINGS & AGENDA ITEMS

The board discussed not meeting during the summer months. The board agreed to cancel June and July's meetings and to tentatively schedule for August 10.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 12:35 p.m.