BOARD OF CERTIFICATION OF OPERATING PERSONNEL IN WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANTS

MEETING MINUTES

Date: September 19, 2019
Time: 9:30 am – 4:30 pm
Location: Wastewater Branch
          EMD Conference Room
          2827 Waimano Home Road
          Pearl City, HI 96782

Board Members:  Robert Souza (RS), Chair, City and County of Honolulu
                Gary Hutchinson (GH) HWEA
                Ron Hay, P.E. (RH), Private Sector
                Virgil Viernes (VV), County of Maui
                Emily Dong (ED), Professional Engineer in Private Practice
                Jon Nakashima, County of Kauai

Guests:   Gregory Wilson, Aqua Engineers
          Chelsea Faisca, Aqua Engineers

AGENDA

A.  Call to Order: Time - By -

B. Review minutes of the previous Board of Certification (BOC) meeting held on

C.  Old Business

   a.  Au Kai Hale Makai to visit
       i.  BOC to contact and complete a site visit
   
   b.  Wailehua Apartments Wastewater Treatment system to visit
       i.  BOC to contact and complete a site visit

   c.  Makaua Shores Wastewater Facility to visit
       i.  BOC to contact and complete a site visit

   d.  Change in DRC for Pukalani WWRF
       i.  DRC notification form accepted for John Kadowaki as primary
           DRC and Martin Roush as secondary for Pukalani Wastewater
           Reclamation Facility.

D.  New Business

   1.  Review August Exam Results.

       a.  Grade 1: 2/4 = 50%

       b.  Grade 2: 0/2 = 0%
c. Grade 3: 0/7 = 0%
d. Grade 4: 0/6 = 0%

2. DRC Notification
   a. Koloa Big Save Supermarket WWTP
      i. DRC notification form accepted for Leila Kamakele (Grade 4) as primary DRC and Ryan Saiki (Grade 4) as secondary for Koloa Big Save Supermarket WWTP.
   b. Poipu Kai WWTP
      i. DRC notification form accepted for Channing Tada (Grade 3) as primary DRC and Herman H. Santos (Grade 4) as secondary for Poipu Kai Wastewater Treatment Plant.
   c. Alihi Lani
      i. DRC notification form accepted for Matthew Louis (Grade 4) as primary DRC and Herman H. Santos (Grade 4) as secondary for Alihi Lani.
   d. Kaupulehu WWTP
      i. DRC notification form accepted for Joseph Hogan (Grade 3) as primary DRC and Ryan Koyanagi (Grade 3) as secondary for Kaupulehu Wastewater Treatment Plant.
   e. Whalers Cove
      i. DRC notification form accepted for Matthew Louis (Grade 4) as primary DRC and Herman H. Santos (Grade 4) as secondary for Whalers Cove.

3. Requests for Reciprocity
   a. None

4. CEU Approval (Operators)
   a. Kaiulani Ososrio-Sawka, Wastewater Laboratory
      i. Provide additional information as requested. Letter to be sent with details.

5. Request for CEUs (Courses)
   a. Shelle Silva, HWEA 10th Biennial Collection Systems Conference
      i. Approved for CEUs.
   b. Matt Jones, WEFTEC 2019 Water Environment Federation’s 92nd Annual Technical Exhibition and Conference
i. Approved for CEUs.

c. Naomi Yencich, Jade Learning: Electrical Safety
   i. Electrical Safety Course, denied
   ii. OSHA Safety Course, provide additional information as requested. Letter to be sent with details
   iii. 2017 NEC Changes, denied

d. Taner Durusu, Risk Assessment & Emergency Response Plan Training
   i. Denied for CEUs for Wastewater Operators.

6. Request for Temporary Certification
   a. Nathan Ota, Grade 1
      i. Approved for Grade 1 Temporary Certification.
   b. Matthew Owens, Grade 1
      i. Approved for Grade 1 Temporary Certification.
   c. Jules Sualog, Grade 1
      i. Approved for Grade 1 Temporary Certification.
   d. Shylo McKeague-Salgado, Grade 1
      i. Approved for Grade 1 Temporary Certification.
   e. Shane Anduha, Grade 1
      i. Approved for Grade 1 Temporary Certification.
   f. Paul-Spencer Tojo, Grade 1
      i. Approved for Grade 1 Temporary Certification.
   g. Luis Gagarin, Grade 1
      i. Approved for Grade 1 Temporary Certification.
   h. Keith Key, Grade 1
      i. Approved for Grade 1 Temporary Certification.
   i. Robert Au, Grade 4
      i. Pending.

7. Plant Classifications
   a. 6,000 GPD WWTP- Sea Life Park Upper Restrooms
i. BOC to contact and complete a site visit
b. 2,400 GPD WWTP- Kaloko Palms Industrial Park
i. BOC to contact and complete a site visit
c. 9,900 GPD WWTP- Kilauea Lighthouse Village Market & Café
i. BOC to contact and complete a site visit

2. CBT Exams
a. Review exam results between June 25, 2019 – September 18, 2019
   i. Grade 1: 2/4 = 50%
   ii. Grade 2: 2/6 = 33%
   iii. Grade 3: 2/3 = 66%
   iv. Grade 4: 1/1 = 100%
b. Warren Molale, (Gr. 1) – Form 1
   i. Approved for Grade 1 Exam
c. John Leong, (Gr. 4) – Form 1
   i. Approved for Grade 4 Exam
d. Michael Parrilla, (Gr. 4) – Form 1
   i. Approved for Grade 4 Exam.
e. Steven Asselin, (Gr. 2) – Form 1
   i. Approved for Grade 2 Exam
f. Joseph Aolaolagi, (Gr. 1) – Form 1
   i. Approved for Grade 1 Exam
g. James Ano, (Gr. 4) – Form 1
   i. Approved for Grade 4 Exam.
h. Eric Yates (Gr. 1 & 4)- Form 1
   i. Approved for Grade 1 Exam
   i. Steven Bacalso, (Gr. 4) – Form 2
   i. Approved for Grade 4 Exam

3. Other
a. Question Comment Form (August Paper Exam) – Steven Bacalso
   Question No. 37, 53, 66, 71, and 88.
i. No improvement. Score stands.

b. ABC Annual Customized Exam Maintenance Fee. Possibly switching to the newest standardized exam forms to eliminate cost.

i. Approved switching to the newest standardized exam form.

B. Adjournment: Time - 1:20 PM By – Robert Souza

Next Scheduled BOC meeting: October 17-18, 2019, on Maui at Kihei WWTP
Next BOC Activity: WW Operator Examination – TBD