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**MWWCA Executive Board Meeting  
Friday, January 21, 2011  
CONFERENCE CALL  
9:00 A.M.**

**MINUTES**

**Attendance:** Paul Rodriguez, Jeff McBurnie, Al Jellison, Travis Peaslee, André Brousseau, Mary Waring, Mac Richardson, David Anderson, Chris Higgins, Chuck Applebee, June Mooney, Chris Higgins, Alex Buechner, Aubrey Strause, Ryan Wadsworth, Tom Wiley, Dan Welch, Brian Kavanah, Joan Kiszely

**Absent:** Dan Bisson, Steve Lane, Doug Howard, John Leslie.

**Guest:** Terry Campbell

**Call to Order:** President Paul Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

**Correspondence Folder:** President Paul Rodriguez

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion made by Mac Richardson, seconded by Jeff McBurnie, all approved the minutes of December 17, 2010 with minor revisions.

**Treasurer's Report:** Al Jellison reported on the November financial reports. He reported that On the November's MWWCA statement there was a mistake in one of the expense accounts. The 78-50535 should not have been charged the \$ 1950.00. The 78-52122 account, for Legislative services should have been charged. The change was made on the request, but was not picked up. He will email Sarah Ledoux to get this corrected. Motion made by Jeff McBurnie, seconded by Chris Higgins, all approved the November financial reports.

**DEP Representative:** Brian Kavanah submitted the following:

**DEP Commissioner Nominee**

Governor LePage has nominated Darryl Brown as DEP Commissioner. Confirmation hearings will be held as follows:

Tuesday January 25, 1:00 PM  
Room 216, Cross State Office Building  
Environment and Natural Resources (287-1692)

Information on Mr. Brown can be found at <http://www.main-landdevelopment.com/staff-brown.html>

I will request that Mr. Brown attend the MWWCA legislative breakfast on February 17.

**Bacteria/Shellfish Area Legislative Report**

As required by PL 2009, Chapter 213, a report identifying point and non point sources of fecal coliform that affect state shellfish areas is being prepared by the DEP. This report

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is required as part of the legislation that created the surcharge on certain municipal dischargers that have outfalls or CSOs that impact shellfish areas. A draft copy of this report will be provided to Paul Rodriguez, President of MWWCA for review and comment. The report will not be submitted to the legislature until the new commissioner is confirmed and the report has been reviewed and approved by DEP senior management.

### **Potential Upgrade of the Lower Androscoggin River**

The DEP will release a draft modeling report to interested parties on January 21, 2011. Initial finding is that the lower Androscoggin River does not currently meet class B criteria under critical conditions of low flow and licensed loadings. Due to scheduling requirements of the Board of Environmental Protection and the legislature there will be a short comment period of one week. A copy of the report will be provided to Paul Rodriguez, MWWCA

### **Phosphorus Rulemaking Update**

Rulemaking is currently on hold until issues regarding independent applicability of criteria can be resolved with EPA and new DEP management is in place.

### **Arsenic Legislation**

DEP is aware of the pending proposed legislation to change the bioconcentration factor for inorganic arsenic. DEP is in discussion with EPA to research this issue and formulate a position on the proposal.

### **Vacant Positions**

There are currently 2 vacant positions for DEP DWQM staff. These are on hold pending settlement of state budget.

- Assistant Engineer for SRF program
- Environmental Specialist IV – Enforcement Section Manager

### **Odor Rules**

DEP rulemaking for solid waste odor issues is currently on hold. Previously scheduled attendance by Paula Clark, DEP Solid waste Director at MWWCA meeting for briefing on this rule has been postponed until future status of rulemaking effort is resolved.

It was suggested that a letter go to the new Commissioner of DEP to invite him to the upcoming Legislative Breakfast on February 17<sup>th</sup>. This letter should come from Public Relations. Aubrey Strause noted she would Draft this letter.

**NEWEA** – Chuck Applebee reported on the following:

- Preparing for the NEWEA event and will email out a schedule of events today.
- ASA – President’s Meeting – Paul Rodriguez wanted to know what to bring for this meeting. There was a brief discussion on who will be attending this meeting and what everyone will be bringing to the meeting.

### **Old Business:**

- Meeting Schedule was emailed out – May & June are still open as to where they are going to be held. Talked about having one in the South & North. He is looking for someone in the North to host a meeting.

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- Updated Executive Committee Mailing Addresses & Phone Numbers – emailed this out
- Al Jellison requested that an email go out to the membership from Phyllis Rand. Paul Rodriguez noted this could go out.
- Mark Your Calendar – Spring & Fall Convention also went out.
- Mac Richardson moved to table voting for Robert Alling for Life Membership, seconded by Al Jellison, all approved.

### New Business – Committee Reports:

**Government Affairs Committee:** David Anderson submitted the following written report:

#### Legislation:

- **SRF Bond match** - An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$15,500,000 for the Wastewater and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) State Match Requirement to Secure \$77,500,000 in Federal Grants – Primary sponsor – Rep. Flood. This bill covers the expected matching funds for 2011-2013.
- **Flushable bill** - An Act to Establish “Flushable” Standards for Consumer Products Advertised as Flushable and to Reduce Financial Impacts to Maine Municipalities, Taxpayers and Wastewater Treatment Facility Ratepayers – Primary sponsor – Rep. Innes. The bill was written by Andrew Gilmore and is based on bills in New Jersey and California. The bill requires that if a product is labeled as “Flushable” it must meet the industry standard for flushability. There is no additional burden on industries, we are only asking them meet their own standard.

### Maine Development Foundation Tour for Legislators

Chuck Applebee and Dave Anderson joined the MDF tour for ~80 legislators on Thursday January 13<sup>th</sup> at Jasper Wyman’s in Cherryfield. We went on with them to a reception and dinner at UM Machias. We were joined there by Bob Bialota, Superintendent of the Machias WWTF. That facility is undergoing a major \$5 million upgrade partially funded through SRF. He shared his story as we conversed with legislators. On Friday morning Chuck and Dave greeted legislators at breakfast and distributed folders on the buses. (Thanks to Joan for putting them together at the last moment.)

### Tracking bills

Shirley Churchill is again providing the Committee weekly reports tracking bills of interest in the legislature. If you want to check on legislative action yourself just go to [www.maine.gov/legis/](http://www.maine.gov/legis/) on the web.

### Pharmaceuticals

Collection of unused and unwanted pharmaceuticals is part of a report titled **Implementing Product Stewardship in Maine**, which can be found online at <http://www.maine.gov/dep/rwm/productstewardship/> . It also covers household hazardous waste and medical sharps and updates current programs.

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**Laboratory:** June Mooney submitted a written report as follows:

- The Laboratory Committee did not meet this month. I received the information on Arsenic Legislation and forwarded it to the committee members.

**Membership:** Chris Higgins – no report!

**Pretreatment:** Tom Wiley submitted a written report as follows:

**MWWCA Pretreatment Committee Meeting Notes**  
**January 13, 2011**  
**9:30 a.m.**  
**MMA**

Attendees Jay Pimpare, Isaiah Lary, Vivian Matkivich, Jim Crowley, Karen Tangeman, Janet Abrahamson, Tom Wiley, David Bolstridge

### State and EPA Updates

LD 1-This bill is proposed by Kevin Raye and an outcome of this could be returning environmental oversight back to EPA and scrap delegation. The language is: *This bill proposes to amend the laws to improve the business climate in the State and encourage job creation and retention and expand opportunities for Maine people. This will be accomplished by ensuring regulatory fairness and reform among departments and agencies of State Government by reviewing aspects of the regulatory process and reforming those processes as necessary to eliminate duplicate or unnecessary regulations and to ensure transparency, fairness, effectiveness and efficiency in the development, adoption, implementation and enforcement of regulatory efforts.*

Training- Jay mentioned there is a series of NPDES webinars coming up. The one this week focused on Industrial User Inspections. This session mentioned Middle Tier SIU's prominently. This is a group of users classified by the new streamlining rules. It is not applicable in Maine.

NACWA Conference- This will be held in St. Louis this year. It will be May 16-18<sup>th</sup>. The pretreatment committee did have money in previous years to help someone be able to attend this training. The current MWWCA budget did not have the amount allocated based on inactivity in recent years. There are possible scholarship potentials from NEWEA and perhaps the MWWCA Operator scholarship could be used as well.

NEWEA Conference- Jay will be re-presenting three of the regional awards presented at the Tri State Pretreatment Conference. They will be to Mansfield MA, Merrimack NH, and West Warwick RI. He would like to see some Maine facilities recognized next year.

Tri-State Conference Feedback- All indications are that the conference was well received by the attendees. It will remain a 2 day conference with the same format as opposed to smaller breakout sessions which had been the previous format. The conference will be in October again.

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OSS and Oil and Grease testing- Dean Smith has been in contact with Jay. This is the firm which utilizes the solvent-less Oil and Grease methodology. OSS would like to know how many people have Oil and Grease limits and what type of industries they regulate. We discussed that the City of Bangor has information in the victualler license applications. In many communities, enforcement if any comes from other departments than pretreatment. Tom will with Dean Smith on a questionnaire which will be sent to the MWWCA pretreatment and collections committee.

Regional Office Audits- Jay reported that Headquarters audited the region recently. There is a 350 page report if anyone is having insomnia issues. For the pretreatment section they looked at NPEDES permits and language. EPA is required to audit 20% of programs every year. Issues arose with the coding system between NPDES and MeDEP because the software programs are different

Dental Amalgam- Jay reported in September the EPA proposed to develop a work group. This has not been formed yet. All dentist would become CIU's is the intent of the proposal. Maine is ahead of the curve by requiring amalgam separators. We are the only New England state to push the installation. There are 600 dentists in Region 1. The rule will probably require dentists to install amalgam separator units and will probably not require any sampling. The compliance review would be proper installation, and an inspection or perhaps some type of certification statement. There are 370 dentists in Maine. Jim Crowley will share the spreadsheet he has. [Jim forwarded his information on January 14th to the committee.](#)

Upcoming PCI's and Audits- Jim Crowley noted the following POTW's will be audited this year:

LAWPCA	February
PWD/Westbrook	June
Sanford	June

All others should be prepared for a PCI sometime during the rest of the year.

Lab Rule Updates and Status- As of the meeting, we had not heard any feedback. Vivian provided the following email later in the day.

[Dear Pretreatment Committee Members,](#)  
[I heard from EPA Headquarters on the 40 CFR 136 update right after I got back from the meeting. The comment period is now closed. EPA will review comments, adjust the proposal as necessary and send it to a Work group. After receiving additional comments from the Work Group, EPA will prepare the response to comments and print that along with the final version of changes to 40 CFR 136 to be published in the Federal Register. This process will take about eight months.](#)  
[Vivian G. Matkivich](#)

Developing a Statewide SIU list – Tom presented this to the committee as a resource which we used to have. It would be used as a reference tool to contact a fellow POTW who may have the same type industry as you and to determine how they deal with a particular limit or issue. Everyone was requested to send him the piece of their Annual Report which they submit

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to the DEP which lists the industries and classifications. From these copies, a master list will be generated. There are 109 SIU's in the state.

As a side note – Jay mentioned that he has a spreadsheet for Local Limits for Maine and New England. He will send this to approved programs upon request but does not want industries “fishing around” for the best limit. Additionally, once someone major moved, the local limits would need to be reallocated anyway.

Arsenic Latest info – John Delahanty has proposed a 4 fold increase in toxic rules and to utilize an annual rolling average will be in some of the upcoming MePDES permits. Most arsenic in Maine comes from ground water or specific industrial processes. Groundwater discharge is mainly arsenate. Landfill and most industrial discharge are inorganic. Seafood arsenic levels are organic. The limits are based on total. Any potential changes to raise the water quality or human health criteria will still require POTW's to determine limits based on the 10 mg/kg level. MWWCA Executive Committee has asked for a meeting with William Taylor, Esq. concerning this issue. As an interesting side note – Direct discharge seafood processors do not have to meet arsenic limits. Expect more information to be forthcoming.

National Bird and Fish Kill – Many theories abound on this. EPA has not made a statement on this. They feel it is still a total mystery to all.

Developing a schedule for the year- The group agreed to develop a schedule for the year. The following are the proposed dates and locations. All meeting should start at 9:30 a.m.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Host</b>
3/24	LAWPCA	Vivian
5/12	South Portland	Tom
7/24	Shaw's Pemaquid Point	Karen
9/15	Sugarloaf (Fall Conference)	MWWCA IPT Committee
11/17	GAUD	Karen

Quality Control Training- Janet reported that she will be teaching sessions on the 12 steps in the New Proposed Lab rule in February. Classes will be held in Bangor, Presque Isle, Madawaska, Bethel and at KSTD. Check the website for more details.

Topics for next meeting:

Approve Meeting Schedule

O&G Survey with OSS

Statewide SIU list

Dentist List Review

Lab Rule Update

Dentist as CIU's

Arsenic

Prepared January 19, 2011- tlw

As a discussion to the pretreatment committee report as attached: The EC expressed concerns about the impact that this proposal may have on smaller POTW's and or the state resources to implement this. The work group has not even been formed yet. Representatives from MWWCA will express this concern to NEWEA next week at the Government Affairs meeting and to the group at the Affiliated State Association meeting.

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**Legislative Breakfast:** Joan Kiszely noted that nothing has been started for the Legislative Breakfast. They have emailed Andrew Gilmore to remind him about the timeline. David Anderson and Chuck Applebee noted they will assist with this. The invitation needs to go out by end of next week. It was noted that Sue Sullivan from NEWEA will speak.

**Personnel Advancement Committee Report:** Aubrey Strause submitted a written report as follows:

*(Submitted by Aubrey Strause)*

### MWWCA Spring 2011 Conference

The PAC has started putting together a list of technical sessions for the Spring Conference, to be held at the Howard Johnson Hotel & Conference Center in Portland on April 29, 2011. Session topics may include the following:

- Value Engineering: How, When, and Why
- Integrated Fixed-film Activated Sludge (IFAS) Technology
- Impaired Water Restoration: Fall Brook Case Study
- Applications of CFD in Wastewater Operations
- Pump Seals: Maintenance and Replacement
- Gulf of Maine Restoration Plan: Needs Assessment
- Safety: Topic TBD
- DEP Update
- Composting
- Maine DOT's "Locally Administered Project" Program
- Workforce Health and Wellness (??)
- Operations: "Exploded" Pump (with full-size demos)
- Project Permitting
- Construction: Alternative Delivery Methods
- Get to Know the MWWCA Executive Committee

Ideas for Technical Sessions and/or speakers can be submitted to me or Travis Peaslee at [tpeaslee@lawpca.org](mailto:tpeaslee@lawpca.org)

The PAC will have a conference call the week of January 31 to make final session topic selections, and assign members to confirm and schedule speakers.

### Operator Scholarships

The Committee did not receive any applications this quarter.

**Convention:** André Brousseau submitted a written report:

The convention committee made a site visit to Sugarloaf Resort on January 7-9, 2011. After many hours of negotiations, a contract was signed for our fall convention.

Travis Peaslee submitted a written Convention report:

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I had a meeting with MWUA on Wednesday to finalize all the details on the Joint show that will be taking place February 8<sup>th</sup> in Portland at the Holiday Inn by the Bay. Pre-registration deadline is the 21<sup>st</sup> so I encourage everybody that plans to attend to register today or tomorrow. The brochure/registration can be found on the MWWCA website.

We have mailed out ski day brochures and have also posted the information on the MWWCA Website. Skiday is being held March 9<sup>th</sup> at Sugarloaf. I will be working with Sugarloaf as the date gets closer to finalize logistics. Vendor letters have been sent to solicit sponsorship for this event.

The spring conference will be held April 29<sup>th</sup> at the Howard Johnson in Portland. I have started working with MMA on the agenda and plan to work with the Personnel Advancement committee to choose sessions for this show. Any session ideas can be forwarded to Aubrey or me.

Sugarloaf has been selected as the location for the 2011 and 2012 fall convention. The facilities are perfect for our show and have a lot of potential. Sugarloaf was extremely flexible with our request and offered us a contract that we couldn't refuse from a financial stand point. A summer meeting has been scheduled for July 29<sup>th</sup> so that the Executive committee can view the facilities and proposed convention layout.

I plan to start moving my responsibilities over to André as he is the 2011 convention committee chair. I plan to work alongside him throughout the next year to make for a smooth transition.

### **Public Relations Committee Report**

*(Submitted by Aubrey Strause & Ryan Wadsworth)*

#### Flushables Legislation

MWWCA's Legislative Advocate Andrew (Drew) Gilmore worked with a number of MWWCA members to develop and submit legislation related to flushables. The legislation, entitled "*An Act to Establish 'Flushable' Standards for Consumer Products Advertised as Flushable and to Reduce Financial Impacts to Maine Municipalities, Taxpayers, and Wastewater Treatment Facility Ratepayers*", was submitted to Maine Rep. Melissa Innes (D-Yarmouth) on January 6, 2011.

The bill is focused not on seeking a financial penalty from manufacturers, but to prevent the marketing of products as "flushable" that do not satisfy established criteria for this term.

In preparation for a Committee Hearing in late spring or early summer 2011, the MWWCA Public Relations Committee will work with Drew to gather costs from communities impacted by flushables, with a focus on rural communities. This information will be gathered via a survey that will be e-mailed to all MWWCA Members during the week of January 24, 2011. A reminder about the importance of the survey will be published in the MWWCA February 2011 Newsletter. The survey and newsletter reminder are being developed by a working group composed of Drew, Michelle Clements (Public Relations Manager for the Portland Water District), and Aubrey Strause (Public Relations Committee; Tata & Howard), with guidance and feedback from other members familiar with this issue.

#### Pharmaceutical Disposal Policy

With increased focus on proper disposal of unused pharmaceuticals, Aubrey Strause (Public Relations Committee) has recently made efforts to determine the Maine Department of Health

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and Human Services (DHHS) policy on this issue for facilities under its regulation. The inquiry is in response to the prevalent belief that the agency's guidance is to flush unused pharmaceuticals down the toilet to prevent unauthorized use.

Facilities under the DHHS include but are not limited to hospitals, nursing homes, critical care facilities, assisted living facilities, rehabilitation centers, psychiatric care facilities, and group residential facilities. DHHS completes at least one annual inspection at these facilities to ensure compliance with its policies.

Clarification of the DHHS policy has not yet been determined, although the following facts have been documented:

- Maine Revised Statute Title 22, Chapter 604 (Disposal of Unused Pharmaceuticals), Section 2700 creates a program to “ensure the safe, effective, and proper disposal” of unused pharmaceuticals, to be administered by the Maine Drug Enforcement Agency. This program applies to “the public”. The program defined in the Rule Chapter is implemented as the “Safe Medicine Disposal for ME” Program ([www.safemeddisposal.com](http://www.safemeddisposal.com)), funded by the USEPA Aging Initiative and the Fund for a Healthy Maine.
- A call to the Safe Medicine Disposal for ME Program confirmed that the program is intended for residential and small-scale collection of unused pharmaceuticals. Hospitals, institutions, and state agencies are not permitted to utilize the program. The respondent, David Wihry, indicated many unused non-controlled substances from institutions are typically sent back through distributors for disposal. Controlled substances require specific destruction methods, although Mr. Wihry was not sure how this was implemented in Maine, as this is beyond the scope of the Safe Medicine Disposal for ME Program.
- Mr. Wihry provided a link to a Draft USEPA Document entitled “Best Management Practices for Unused Pharmaceuticals at Health Care Facilities”, dated September 2010. Public comments on this Draft document were due to USEPA by November 8, 2010. A final version of this document has not yet been issued.  
[http://water.epa.gov/scitech/wastetech/guide/unusedpharms\\_index.cfm](http://water.epa.gov/scitech/wastetech/guide/unusedpharms_index.cfm)
- The DHHS Communications Director did not know the agency's role in establishing policy for facilities under its regulation, and referred the caller to the Maine Centers for Disease Control (CDC).
- The Maine CDC was not immediately certain of its role in policy development, but made a commitment to investigate the matter and respond with more detail.

Research will continue to determine the DHHS policy on this issue. Additional calls will be made to other divisions of DHHS, as well as to the Maine State Board of Nursing, which may have some additional inspection authority of the facilities in question.

Depending on the conclusion of this research- and determination of whether DHHS intends to follow the Best Management Practices in the USEPA document referenced above- the Public Relations Committee may recommend that MWWCA initiate contact with DHHS to discuss this issue.

Maine Water Conference

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Ruth Hallsworth of the Mitchell Institute has reached out to see if MWWCA would like to sponsor the conference this spring. The sponsorship cost is \$250. MWWCA has sponsored this conference in the past and we utilize this event to judge the Junior Stockholm Water Prize. The sponsorship can be funded through Public Relations Committee budget. It was the consensus the MWWCA sponsor them and will have a booth at the Maine Water Conference.

### Clean Water Week Poster Contest

The Clean Water Week Poster Contest invitation letter has been sent to our contact at each school in Maine. The new letter also provided information about the contest.

**Safety:** Al Jellison – No report.

**Communications:** Aubrey Strause submitted the following Communications report: Mac Richardson thanked Aubrey Strause for submitting a report.

### Newsletters

The Committee aims to publish the next Newsletter mid-February 2011. We have identified a number of *tentative* features to be included in the newsletter, including the following:

#### Author/Coordinator

#### Topic

Ryan Wadsworth	“What Clean Water Means to ME”
Chuck Applebee	State Rep: NEWEA Update
Editors	MWWCA/MWUA Conference Highlights
Editors	NEWEA 2011 Conference Highlights
Michelle Clements (PWD) and Aubrey Strause	Flushables Legislation and MWWCA Member Survey
Steve Lane	Margaret Muller Operator Profile
Terry Desmarais (AECOM)	Scarborough Sanitary District Pump Station Project
Friends of Casco Bay	Mission and Introduction
Leeann Hanson	JETCC Update
Mac Richardson	On My Soapbox: Civil Discourse and Tolerance
Woodard & Curran	Pharmaceuticals in Wastewater
Mac Richardson	Obituary: Russ Mathers
Aubrey Strause	What the Heck is FaceLink? Social Media 101
Aubrey Strause	State/Federal Legislative Update
MWWCA Spring Conference 2011	Announcement / Technical Sessions/ Website

Anyone wishing to submit a feature should have it to Mac ([mrichardson@lawpca.org](mailto:mrichardson@lawpca.org)) or Aubrey ([astrause@tataandhoward.com](mailto:astrause@tataandhoward.com)) by February 4, 2011.

### Twitter

The Social Media Ad-Hoc Subcommittee is prepared to give the Executive Committee a demonstration of MWWCA’s proposed Twitter “feed”. The group will discuss.

- Benefits to MWWCA of social media networking;

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- Proposed guidelines for managing/accessing the Twitter feed;
- The types of information MWWCA will Tweet;
- Who the organization will follow; and
- Who the organization will accept as followers.

Due to the conference-call format of today's meeting, we will demo this at the February Executive Committee meeting instead.

**Collection Systems:** Doug Howard – No report!

**Residuals:** John Leslie absent.

**Operations Challenge:** Alex Buechner – no report.

**Industrial Representative:** Dan Welch – No report.

**Awards:** Mary Waring – No report.

**JETCC REP:** Leeann Hanson submitted the following report:

- **Spring 2011 Training Calendar**  
The Spring Training calendar is arriving in mailboxes this week! All classes are now posted on line. [www.jetcc.org](http://www.jetcc.org) . *There was a last minute change in one location after flyer was mailed. Correct info is at web site and attachment.* We've got some great new classes including another 6-week Basic WW class in Gorham and another Energy Conservation workshop with EPA.
- **North Country Convention** is set for April 13 & 14. Leeann is scheduling a conference call in early February to discuss pricing and some logistics. Contact Leeann if interested in participating! Leeann Travis & Paul have discussed a MWWCA Round Table session to help recruit Northern Maine members! Excellent idea! Perhaps MWWCA participants in the round table could also offer other presentations?
- **Legislative breakfast**  
On behalf of JETCC, NEIWPC will be contributing toward the Legislative Breakfast in February, Leeann will be in attendance. Is anyone communicating with Tom Groves at NEIWPC on this?
- **NEIWPC Science Conference (April 27 – 29) & MWWCA Spring conference** –  
NEI is still accepting abstracts for this event. Leeann requested NEI to schedule WW Operator oriented sessions on the 27<sup>th</sup> & 28 to avoid conflict with MWWCA.
- **Management Candidate School (MCS)**  
Fourth class was Tuesday, in Bangor with 22 participants. Andrew Gilmore, and EPA presenters Jack Healey & Gina Snyder gave a great series of talks on “Working with Municipal Officials and Improving Communication”. Jack and Gina will do a similar presentation for JETCC on March 15.

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**??Has any progress been made on processing the sponsor Invoice that JETCC sent MWWCA in late October??**

- **JETCC funding and fundraising campaign** The JETCC Board voted to launch a fundraising campaign by sending a letter to a number of larger companies that might have an environmental consciousness. Letter was not targeted specifically to those WW industry. We'll see what kind of response we get. Currently JETCC receives \$7,757 from general fund and concerns continue about longevity of that. Leeann will be at statehouse next week for budget hearings.
- **Next Wastewater Exam**  
Thirty six people passed the November 17 exams! Next exam is Scheduled for May 11. Applications are due by Friday, April 1.

**Next JETCC Board meeting** is Friday, February 18 in Waterville.

**WEB Developer:** Steve Lane absent.

**MMA Rep:** Joan Kiszely – no report.

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Report:** Jeff McBurnie – no report.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Report:** Travis Peaslee – no report.

**Immediate Past President Report:** André Brousseau reported on the following:

- I followed up with more info on the lifetime membership request for Robert Alling. He was employed since 1981, chief operator from '85-'91 and then again as an operator until his retirement in 2004. He continued to work part-time until 2008. At our last meeting, he failed to get a unanimous vote, but I was asked to dig deeper.

**Other New Business:** None

**Adjournment:** Motion made by Mac Richardson, seconded by Al Jellison, all approved to adjourn the meeting at 10:19 a.m.