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**Maine Water Environment Association  
Thursday, September 12, 2019  
Business Meeting and Awards Luncheon**

**Minutes**

1. **Call to Order:** President Stacy Thompson called the Business Meeting to order at 12:14 p.m.
2. **Welcome and Introduction:** Stacy Thompson asked all in attendance to observe a moment of silence for all MeWEA members who have passed. Stacy recognized the MEWEA Executive Committee, guests & new members.
3. Stacy pointed out highlights of the Convention.
4. Stacy recognized the Past Presidents in attendance.
5. Stacy named each of the JETCC Management Candidate School participants who would be graduating that afternoon and congratulated them.
6. Jeff McBurnie recognized the NEWEA Operator Exchange student from Vermont, Peter Krolczyk.
7. **Treasurer's report:** Jeff McBurnie reported on the MeWEA financials and indicated everything is in order.
8. Vote of By-Law changes  
Motion made by Phil Tucker, seconded by Rob Pontau, all approved.
9. **Slate of Officers for 2019:**  
**Nomination of 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President:** Motion made by Mark Holt, seconded by Tim Haskell to nominate Dave Beauchamp as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President. All approved the 2019 Slate of Officers as follows: President Michael Guethle, Vice President, Phil Tucker; 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Dave Beauchamp.
10. **Awards Introduction:** Stacey Thompson  
  
**Recognition of Past President:** Stacey Thompson presented Paula Drouin with the Past President Plaque.  
  
**Charles Perry Collection Systems Award:** Scott Firmin presented the Michael Penney from the Portland Water District with the Charles Perry Collection Systems Award.

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**Ragging Board Trophy:** Travis Jones and Kevin Eaton presented the Warren Sanitary District with the Ragging Board trophy.

**David Anderson Award for Laboratory Excellence:** Andy Wendell presented Jim Galasyn from Portland Water District with the David Anderson Award for Laboratory Excellence.

**Young Professionals Award:** Max Kenney presented Shelby Carver from the Kennebunk Sewer District with the Young Professionals Award.

**Higher Education Award:** Max Kenney presented Stephanie Ayotte from the University of Maine with the Higher Education Award.

**Stormwater Award:** Gretchen Anderson presented Fred Dillon with the Stormwater Award.

**Pretreatment Excellence Award:** Terry Tucker presented Allagash Brewing Company with the Pretreatment Excellence Award.

**Operator Award:** Alex Buechner presented Anthony Ellsworth from the City of Biddeford with the Operator Excellence Award.

**Communications Award:** Stacey Thompson presented Travis Jones with the Communications Award.

**Alfred Jellison Award for Lifetime Achievement:** Stacy Thompson presented Jeff McBurnie with the Alfred Jellison Award for Lifetime Achievement.

**Roger Gagne Award for Long Term Service to MEWEA:** Stacy Thompson presented the Gagne Award to Scott Firmin from the Portland Water District.

**Richard B. Goodenow Award:** Stacy Thompson presented the Richard B. Goodenow award to the York Sewer District.

**Outstanding Service Award:** Phil Tucker presented the Sanford Sewer District with the Outstanding Service Award.

**President's Service Award:** Stacy Thompson presented Tim Haskell from the York Sewer District with the President's Service Award.

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Ray Vermette, NEWEA President presented the following awards on behalf of NEWEA:

- Stockholm Junior Water Prize – Mei Tian, Bangor, ME
- Alfred E. Peloquin Award: Andre Brousseau, Sanford Sewerage District
- Committee Service Award: Joy Lord, Lisbon Falls, ME
- Founders Award: Douglas Miller, Cape Elizabeth, ME
- Wastewater Utility Award : York Sewer District
- WEF: Arthur Sidney Bedell Award: Howard Carter, City of Saco WRRD
- Operator Award – Stacy Thompson, City of Saco WRRD
- Young Professionals – Allison Fisher, Portland, ME

**JETCC Awards:** Leeann Hanson recognized the current and all past Management School Candidates and presented the following JETCC Awards:

- ✓ 2019 Lee Agger Award: Peter Sherwood from the Kennebec Sanitary Treatment District.
- ✓ 2019 JETCC Founder's Award: Edwin Woods from LAWPCA
- ✓ JETCC Service Award: Leonard Blanchette from the Brunswick Sewer District.

11. **Passing of the Gavel:** Stacy Thompson passed the President's gavel to Michael Guethle, President-elect of MEWEA.
12. **Adjournment:** Motion made by Travis Jones, seconded by Howard Carter, all approved to adjourn the meeting at 1:24 p.m.