

MINUTES OF THE GEORGIA STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING

April 11, 2018

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 9:34 AM in Room 201 of the Agriculture Building on April 11, 2018. All Commission members were present except Dr. Forschler, who was available via teleconference.
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, GPCA and CPCO representatives, registrants, and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Motion was made by Mr. Sinyard to approve the minutes of the March meeting. Ms. Bragg seconded the motion and motion passed.
- D. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- E. Dr. Forschler provided the UGA Urban Entomology Update. An endowment for Urban Entomology research has been made in honor of Dr. Lund. There will be a National Urban Entomology Conference starting on May 20th in Raleigh, NC and he encouraged attendance. UGA finals are currently in process, Dr. Forschler has one student graduating.
- F. Mr. Lastinger provided the Department and Program updates. The GDA avian influenza emergency response team is still on high preparedness for potential outbreaks. Ms. Angie Simmons was introduced as a new inspector for the Structural Pest Control Section working in the Northeast Georgia district. Mr. Dan Duncan was recently promoted to operations to assist Chief of Operations, Dr. James Sutton. The program has received several questions regarding Termidor HP2 and the treatment standards. These questions will be reviewed and guidance will be developed to assist the industry.
- G. Mr. Lastinger discussed the new pre-examination training form for registered employees that has been published and was announced. Ms. Glenda Lehmberg with CPCO asked if pre-recorded videos will meet the pre-examination training requirement. The Commission also discussed the employee registration requirement and potential exemptions for employees that are hired to prepare structures for termite treatments such as drilling the foundation. The Commission determined that a licensed technician or operator must be present on the site to supervise this type of work. These questions and discussions were tabled for further review.
- H. Mr. Skin Edge provided the legislative update. The 2018 session has ended and they are now working with Rural Economic Development study groups.
- I. The Commission continued the discussion on spray foam insulation and related concerns and outreach. Mr. Lastinger will request legal services to review the outreach documents and the appropriateness to post on the website. More questions and concerns continue to arise from the industry such as how these products hide conditions conducive to WDO infestations and how these products interact and affect the aeration of fumigants. Mr. Gorecki mentioned continuing the discussion for a few more months while more

information is being compiled. Ms. Faye Golden is working on the discussion and topic for the ASPCRO meeting next week and will give a report at the May commission meeting.

- J. Dr. Forschler asked if anyone was aware of a definition for an active wood decay fungus infestation. There is no known definition which led to a discussion to look at the current guidance on the existing factsheet and to consider making clarifications or to further define an active infestation.
- K. Mr. Lastinger announced that the May Commission meeting will begin at 9:30 AM on May 15th at the Berry College Krannert Center in Rome, Georgia. Public Notice 18-03 announcing the meeting location was posted. Cook's Pest Control was recognized for assisting with the meeting location arrangements.
- L. Ms. Faye Golden provided the NPMA Update. She discussed the report of rodenticides being found in California wildlife. More research is being done but California may further restrict the use. The commission held a brief discussion on the issue. Additional topics discussed included surface water impacts of fipronil also in California and adulterated organic pesticides products discovered in Oregon.
- M. Mr. Lastinger provided a national pesticide regulatory update for recent and upcoming meetings. He mentioned that ASPCRO is reviewing a draft fumigation management plan for U.S. EPA that is being considered for interim guidance in response to the U.S. EPA OIG Report.
- N. Meeting adjourned at 10:42 AM.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1	Agenda
Attachment 2	New Company Licenses

Chris Gorecki, Chairman

Commissioner Gary W. Black, Secretary

ATTACHMENT 1



Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission

Chris Gorecki, Chairman
Derrick Lastinger, Vice-chairman
Christy Kuriatnyk, Georgia Department of Public Health
Dr. Brian Forschler, University of Georgia
Bodine Sinyard, Adams Exterminators
Greg Holley, Zone Pest Solutions
Kim Bragg, Consumer Affairs & Protection Representative

Agenda

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Open – Chairman Gorecki

Minutes

Old Business

New Business

- a. New Company Applications – Tim Taylor
- b. UGA Urban Entomology Update - Dr. Brian Forschler
- c. Georgia Department of Agriculture Updates
 - Department – Tommy Gray
 - Program- Derrick Lastinger
- d. Spray Foam Insulation
- e. Public Notice 18-03: May Meeting
- f. Legislative update – Lauren Fralick
- g. NPMA update – Rick Bell
- h. Certification Examination Application Review

Adjournment

ATTACHMENT 2

The Commission approved the following applications:

- Uncle Bugs Pest Control – Cleveland
- Alpha Pest & Wildlife Solutions – Marietta
- Small Town Pest Control – Crawford

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

- Collins Pest Solutions – Bartow County (insurance).
- Dixie Pest Elimination, LLC – Wakulla (Name clarification)
- Hawx Services, LLC – Cobb (Name change)

Name Change

- Brilliant Exterminating (100129) to Precise Management, LLC