

# MINUTES OF THE GEORGIA STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING

October 9, 2018

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- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 9:34 AM in Room 201 of the Agriculture Building on October 9, 2018. The following Commission members were present: Derrick Lastinger, Vice-Chair; Greg Holley; Bodine Sinyard; and Kim Bragg. Christy Kuriatnyk was present 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 September meeting. Ms. Bragg seconded the motion and motion passed.
- D. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- E. Mr. Lastinger provided the UGA Urban Entomology Update. UGA held a School IPM workshop on August 23<sup>rd</sup> to assist PMPs that manage pest control in schools. The workshop was recently highlighted in an article published by the UGA Media Newswire. Ms. Nan Collier was recognized for her assistance and quoted in the article. BASF recently sponsored Adopt-A-PSEP (Pesticide Safety Education Program) to benefit pesticide applicator education provided by UGA.
- F. Mr. Lastinger provided the department and program updates. Ms. Kuriatnyk gave an update on the Healthy Homes event held at the Perry National Fair Market Place. She appreciated Ms. Nan Collier and Mr. Travis Whitley for working the designated Pest Day. Mr. Lastinger announced that Governor Nathan Deal had just issued a state of emergency in most South and Central Georgia counties in preparation of hurricane Michael. Mr. Lastinger also announced a Pesticide Clean Day that will be held on November 14<sup>th</sup> at the Sunbelt Expo in Moultrie. He discussed a new outreach effort that will include a regulatory column that the trade associations can publish in their magazines. The first article will be titled "Why Not Ask?". Mr. Tim Taylor and Mr. Travis Whitley were recognized for their presentations at the recent CPCO Conference held in Hampton. A Public Notice is being drafted for the proposed SPCC 2019 meeting dates, the first meeting will be January 8<sup>th</sup> in Athens at the Lucy Cobb Chapel of UGA Carl Vinson Institute of Government.
- G. Mr. Tim Taylor provided several reminders regarding 2019 license renewals including: employee registration training must be completed by February 28<sup>th</sup>. Registered Employees that tested on or after October 1<sup>st</sup> will be exempt from meeting the training requirement. He also reminded everyone that employee transfers and certification and registration replacement cards can now be requested and paid for online. GDA continues to receive positive feedback from the industry regarding these online services.
- H. Mr. Lastinger provided the spray foam Insulation update. Douglas Products issued a notice of recommendation for their fumigation products Vikane and Master Fume. The recommendation is to not use these products in structures that have spray foam insulation in attics that are not ventilated. Ensystem issued a similar recommendation for the use of

their product, Zythor. Ms. Faye Golden announced that representatives from Douglas Products will be at the PSEP Conference in Opelika, Alabama on October 29- 30. The Market Bulletin recently published an article on spray foam insulation and termites in the September issue. Mr. Lastinger also shared a Georgia Department of Community Affairs update regarding new energy codes that will go into effect in 2020.

- I. Mr. Lastinger discussed the revisions to the Compliance Fact Sheet for the *Termite Warranty Retreatment Rule*. Motion was made by Mr. Sinyard to approve the draft revision to the Compliance Fact Sheet for the Termite Warranty Retreatment Rule. Ms. Bragg and Mr. Holley seconded the motion and motion passed.
- J. The Commission reviewed and discussed the draft rule amendment to the Alternate Application Technique rule. Motion was made by Mr. Sinyard to move forward with the rule amendment. Mr. Holley seconded the motion and motion passed.
- K. Ms. Lauren Fralick provided the legislative update, reminding everyone to vote on November 6<sup>th</sup>. Study committees will resume after the election.
- L. Mr. Rick Bell provided the NPMA Update. The Senate and House Farm Bills expired on October 1<sup>st</sup>. North Carolina Agriculture Commissioner, Steve Troxler, issued a consumer alert regarding potential issues with termite baits following flooding from hurricane Florence. Massachusetts joins California in a proposed bill banning the use of rodenticides. PestWorld will be held October 23-26 in Orlando, Florida.
- M. Meeting adjourned at 10:12 AM.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

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Attachment 1	Agenda
Attachment 2	New Company Licenses

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Chris Gorecki, Chairman

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Commissioner Gary W. Black, Secretary

## ATTACHMENT 1

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### 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** - Vice-chairman Lastinger

**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 Updates
- e. Draft Revision Compliance Fact Sheet: Termite Warranty Retreatment Rule
- f. AAT Rule
- g. Legislative update - Lauren Fralick
- h. NPMA update - Rick Bell
- i. Certification Examination Application Review

**Adjournment**

## ATTACHMENT 2

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The Commission approved the following applications:

- Savannah Termite & Pest Control – Statesboro (Sub Office)
- People’s Pest Control, LLC – Phoenix City, AL
- Safeway Pest Control, LLC – Hephzibah
- Vortex Pest Control – Dallas

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

- Tfalls Pest Control – Cherokee County (insurance)