

MINUTES OF THE GEORGIA STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING

March 8, 2022

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 10:00 AM on March 8, 2022, online via Zoom. All Commission members were present: Chris Gorecki; Chairman, Derrick Lastinger; Vice-Chair, Dr. Brian Forschler, Greg Holley, Bodine Sinyard, Kim Bragg, and Christy Kuriatnyk.
- 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 Mrs. Bragg to approve the minutes of the February meeting. Mr. Holley 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. He encouraged attendance to Dr. Suiter's webinars. Registration for the upcoming termite workshops is full. Dr. Forschler announced a vacant position for pesticide safety education coordinator and that applications are now being accepted. A member of the GDA staff will serve on the selection committee. Progress on the Honeybee Control and Removal Manual is on track. He spoke about an Economic Impact Survey conducted in Florida with an interest of conducting a similar survey in Georgia.
- F. Mr. Lastinger provided the department updates. He spoke about GDA's budget challenges and the national HPAI outbreak. GDA's SART team is preparing in case of an outbreak in Georgia. Several SPD staff are volunteers on the SART team.
- G. Mr. Tim Taylor provided the compliance and enforcement update. Ms. LeAnna Merritt has been promoted to field supervisor. Two new inspectors will start with GDA on March 16. Mr. Taylor, Mr. Carl Schnabel, and Ms. LeAnna Merritt will present at Dr. Suiter's Termite Workshop March 10-11. Mr. Taylor reported that Pesticide Use Record (PUR) violations have increased. He recommends that the industry take advantage of Compliance Assistance Modules (CAM) offered through the Structural Pest Division. Top three violations include specific area treated, concentration of pesticide applied, and post application precautionary statements.
- H. Ms. Ali Ikner provided the certification and training update. The Authorized Submitter training was held last month. She recognized SPD admin staff for completing the data entry of training earned at the GPCA Winter Conference. She encouraged contact with the SPD office regarding any missing CEUs.
- I. Ms. LeAnna Merritt provided the outreach report. Both Termite Workshop registrations are full. SPD staff will be there to assist with the training. Mr. Lastinger and Ms. Ali Ikner will give presentations at the GPCA Wildlife Workshop on Friday, March 11.
- J. Mr. Lastinger gave an update on the guidance document approved last month, Notice 22-01 FBPA Compliance. The document is posted online and was sent to industry associations. SPD field staff will provide outreach on the new guidance.

- K. Mr. Gorecki discussed the Business Naming Policy. No comments or recommendations were submitted for discussion. The Commission will continue to use discretion when reviewing company names.
- L. Mr. Gorecki had no updates regarding spray foam insulation activities. He will sit in on the State Advisory Committee meeting scheduled for tomorrow. Mr. Lastinger said this topic will be discussed at the next ASPCRO meeting.
- M. The Commission discussed having a Spring meeting in person. It will be held at the Visitors Center of the Georgia Veterans State Park on Thursday, April 14.
- N. Ms. Shalamar Parham and Mr. Nigel Walton provided the legislative update. They gave the status of several proposed bills including call center protocols, safe workplace, aircraft ad-valorem tax, and out of state licensing.
- O. Rick Bell provided the NPMA update. The legislative pest control day at the U.S. Capitol is this week. He spoke about a proposed pre-emption bill in Colorado. U.S. EPA proposed decision on rodenticides is expected to be released in June.
- P. Meeting adjourned at 10:52am.

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 – Ali Ikner
- b. UGA Urban Entomology Update - Dr. Brian Forschler
- c. Georgia Department of Agriculture Updates
 - Compliance/Enforcement – Tim Taylor
 - Certification & Training -Ali Ikner
 - Outreach – LeAnna Merritt
- d. Rule 620-9 Update
- e. Contract Rules & FBPA - SPCC Notice 22-01 FBPA Compliance
- f. Notice 17-01 Business Naming Policy
- g. Spray Foam Insulation
- h. Spring Meeting in Tifton
- i. Legislative update – Trip Martin
- j. NPMA update – Rick Bell
- k. Certification Examination Application Review

Adjournment

ATTACHMENT 2

Company License Applications

The Commission approved the following applications:

- Jamison Services Pest Control – Jefferson
- Insight Pest Solutions SAV, LLC – Savannah
- Willpower Services – Marietta
- Eco-Services Group – Peachtree City
- Southland Exterminating – Abbeville

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

- Southern Living Pest Control – Barrow County (insurance)
- Oasis Pest Control – Oglethorpe County (insurance)
- Windward Pest Services – Forsyth County (insurance, \$70 research fee)
- CRC Services – Glynn County (insurance)
- All Seasons Pest LLC – Gwinnett County (insurance)