

**ROCKAWAY VALLEY REGIONAL SEWERAGE AUTHORITY  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR AND THE REORGANIZATION  
SCHEDULED  
BOARD MEETING  
FEBRUARY 9, 2023**

The regularly scheduled meeting and the Re-Organization meeting of the Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority was held on Thursday, February 9, 2023. The meeting started at 7:03 PM.

**NOTICE** is hereby given, pursuant to Section 13 of the Open Public Meetings Act and guidance issued by the Department of Community Affairs. The regular meeting and Re-Organization Meeting of the Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority will convene in person on Thursday, February 9, 2023, at 7 P.M. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic concerns for public health and safety however; the public can also participate in the meeting telephonically or through Zoom Video Meeting.

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- **The agenda is available on the website of the RVRSA at <https://rvrsa.org/agenda/>**
- **This meeting was posted on the RVRSA website and on the public notice board in the main RVRSA building.**
- **This meeting was advertised in the Daily Record and the Star Ledger newspapers.**

Assistant Board Secretary, Janice Fox, read a statement that timely notice of the meeting had been provided in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act to member municipalities, members of the Authority and designated newspapers.

The salute to the United States flag followed.

Roll Call Attendance was taken:

The following Board Members were present: Commissioners Andes of Town of Denville, Corbett of the Borough of Wharton, Farrell of Township of Boonton, Howarth of Borough of Rockaway,



Nays: (0) None  
Abstain: (0) None  
Absent: (1) Cegelka

**Motion** that **Glenn Corbett** be elected as **TREASURER** of the Authority.  
Moved by: Commissioner Schorno      Second by: Commissioner Howarth

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Yeas: (9) Andes, Corbett, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Lavery, Potter, Schorno and Zuppa.  
Nays: (0) None  
Abstain: (0) None  
Absent: (1) Cegelka

**Motion** that **Donald Farrell** be elected as **SECRETARY** of the Authority.  
Moved by: Commissioner Schorno      Second by: Commissioner Howarth

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Yeas: (9) Andes, Corbett, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Lavery, Potter, Schorno and Zuppa.  
Nays: (0) None  
Abstain: (0) None  
Absent: (1) Cegelka

**Motion** that **Sandy Thai** be elected as **ASSISTANT TREASURER** of the Authority.  
Moved by: Commissioner Schorno      Second by: Commissioner Andes

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Yeas: (9) Andes, Corbett, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Lavery, Potter, Schorno and Zuppa.  
Nays: (0) None  
Abstain: (0) None  
Absent: (1) Cegelka

**Motion** that **Janice Fox** be elected as **ASSISTANT SECRETARY** of the Authority.  
Moved by: Commissioner Schorno      Second by: Commissioner Howarth

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Yeas: (9) Andes, Corbett, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Lavery, Potter, Schorno and Zuppa.  
Nays: (0) None  
Abstain: (0) None  
Absent: (1) Cegelka

**7:10 PM - Public Portion on Consent Agenda Items – Re-Organization Meeting**

- **No Public Comment**



## RE-ORGANIZATION CONSENT AGENDA

- **Resolution 23-012** – Establishment of a Cash Management Plan for RVRSA Funds and Investments
- **Resolution 23-013** – Designation of Official Newspaper
- **Resolution 23-014** – To Establish Time and Place for Regular Meetings and Notice Thereof
- **Resolution 23-015** – Designation of Public Agency Compliance Officer
- **Resolution 23-016** – Designation of S.E.D. Project Compliance Officer
- **Resolution 23-017** – Designation of a Qualified Purchasing Agent
- **Resolution 23-018** – To Authorize the Signing of Checks
- **Resolution 23-019** – To Authorize the Defense and Indemnification of the Members and Employees of the RVRSA
- **Resolution 23-020** – Authorizing Certain Payments by the CFO or Executive Director
- **Resolution 23-021** – The Executive Director and/or The Chief Financial Officer of the RVRSA to be Empowered to Initiate Telephone/Electronic/Facsimile Funds Transfers
- **Resolution 23-022** – The Executive Director and the Chief Financial Officer are Authorized to Open and/or Close Certificates of Deposit Accounts on behalf of the RVRSA
- **Resolution 23-023** – Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer as the Authority Official to Act With the E-Government for Government
- **Resolution 23-024** – Authorizing Chief Financial Officer to be the Custodian of the RVRSA's Petty Cash Fund
- **Resolution 23-025** – Designation of Persons to Represent RVRSA's Interests
- **Resolution 23-026** – Designating a Custodian of Government Records Pursuant to the Open Public Records Act
- **Resolution 23-027** – Appointing Fund Commissioner
- **Resolution 23-028** – Re-Authorizing Incentives to Qualified Employees Who opt to Waive Health Benefits Under the State Health Benefit Plan (SHBP)

These Resolutions were adopted on a Consent Agenda at a re-organization meeting of the Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority on **February 9, 2023**, on the motion of Commissioner Schorno and second by Commissioner Howarth with the following roll call votes:

Yeas: (9) Andes, Corbett, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Lavery, Potter, Schorno and Zuppa.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (1) Cegelka

### **REGULAR MEETING started at 7:12PM**

#### Correspondence

- Borough of Wharton Reappointment of Glenn Corbett  
4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Capacity Assurance Report

**Public Portion** -Agenda Items Only

- No Public. No Comments.

**Consent Agenda**

- **Approval of Minutes** of January 13, 2023 Board Meeting
- **Resolution 23-029** - Award of Bisulfite Contract
- **Resolution 23-030** – Award of HVAC Contract
- **Resolution 23-031** – Award of Uniform Supplier Contract
- **Resolution 23-032** – Award of Data Communications Technology Contract-Mission Communications
- **Resolution 23-033** – Award of Contract- Gabel Associates – Energy Aggregate

Commissioner Howarth offered **the Minutes** and second by Commissioner Isselin and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (6) Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Lavery, Schorno and Zuppa.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (3) Andes, Corbett and Potter.

Absent: (1) Cegelka

Minutes passed on 6 yeas.

Commissioner Howarth offered **the Consent Agenda** and second by Commissioner Isselin and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (9) Andes, Corbett, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Lavery, Potter, Schorno and Zuppa.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (1) Cegelka

Consent Agenda passed on 9 yeas.

**Executive Committee** – No meeting held.

- No Report

**Planning Committee** - No meeting held.

- No Report

**Operations Committee** –No meeting held.

- No Report
- Operation and Maintenance and Trunkline Reports are in the packet.

**Infrastructure Committee** – Meetings held January 24, 2023 and February 9, 2023.

- Report – Discussed Filtration and Phosphorus Facility CM-008 for Coppola Services and 3<sup>rd</sup> Contract Amendment for Mott MacDonald for CSRI Services for Contract 41.

Commissioner Andes offered **Resolution 23-034** – Environmental Engineering Services Contract- LAN Associates and Second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (9) Andes, Corbett, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Lavery, Potter, Schorno and Zuppa.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (1) Cegelka

Resolution 23-034 passed on 9 yeas.

Commissioner Corbett left the ZOOM meeting.

Commissioner Farrell offered **Resolution 23-035** – Award of Contract Amendment – CSRI Services for Contract 41-Mott MacDonald and Second by Commissioner Lavery and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (8) Andes, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Lavery, Potter, Schorno and Zuppa.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (2) Cegelka and Corbett

Resolution 23-035 passed on 8 yeas.

**Jersey City Committee** – No meeting held.

- No Report

Commissioner Corbett joined the ZOOM meeting.

**Sewer User Committee** – Meeting held February 9, 2023.

- Report- Discussed PFAS testing and reporting, TWAs for Knoll Edge and TerrAscend.
- JoAnn Mondsini gave an update on the Administrative Order signed by the NJDEP Commissioner that will hold treatment plants harmless with regard to NJPDES Permitting related violations for those treatment plants that will participate in NJDEP's program and perform testing and reporting to the State of the results associated with a group of compounds known as perfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS).

Commissioner Farrell offered **23-036** – Knoll Edge- Town of Boonton TWA and Second by Commissioner Isselin and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (8) Andes, Corbett, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Potter, Schorno and Zuppa.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (1) Lavery

Absent: (1) Cegelka

Resolution 23-036 passed on 8 yeas.

Commissioner Farrell offered **Resolution 23-037** – TerrAscend TWA – Township of Boonton and Second by Commissioner Isselin and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (9) Andes, Corbett, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Lavery, Potter, Schorno and Zuppa.  
Nays: (0) None  
Abstain: (0) None  
Absent: (1) Cegelka  
Resolution 23-037 passed on 9 yeas.

**Finance Committee** – Meeting held February 1, 2023.

- Report – Discussed December 31, 2021 and 2020 Audit Report.
  - CFO's Report is in the packet.

Commissioner Corbett offered **Resolution 23-038**- Certification of Audit Report and Second by Commissioner Schorno and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (9) Andes, Corbett, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Lavery, Potter, Schorno and Zuppa.  
Nays: (0) None  
Abstain: (0) None  
Absent: (1) Cegelka  
Resolution 23-038 passed on 9 yeas.

Commissioner Corbett offered **Resolution 22-039** – Resolution to Authorize Payment of Vouchers for \$1,095,723.00 and Second by Commissioner Lavery and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (8) Corbett, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Lavery, Potter, Schorno and Zuppa.  
Nays: (0) None  
Abstain: (1) Andes  
Absent: (1) Cegelka  
Resolution 23-039 passed on 8 yeas.

JoAnn Mondsini asked the Board Members for a consensus on going back to in-person board meetings. All agreed to resuming in-person meeting starting April 2023.

**Executive Director's Report**

- HR/Safety Coordinators Report is in the packet.
- Executive Directors Report is in the packet.

**Engineers Report**

- No Report
- Engineering Report is in the packet.
- Industrial Pre-Treatment Report is in the packet.
- Electrical Engineer's Report is in the packet.
- IPP Report is in the packet.

**Lawyers Report**

Report- Judge Minkowitz heard oral argument last week with regard to Jersey City's motion to



dismiss the complaint filed by RVRSA against Jersey City for non-payment. We are awaiting the judge's order.

**Old Business**

- No Report

**New Business**

- No Report

**Public Portion**

- The public portion was open at 7:32 PM. There was no public present. The public portion ended at 7:32 PM.

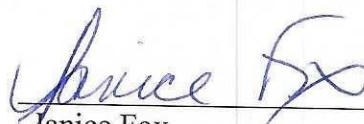
**Closed Session**

- None

Commissioner Schorno made a motion to adjourn the meeting.  
Second by Commissioner Howarth and approved by all present.

Meeting ended at 7:32 PM.

The next scheduled meeting is March 9, 2023



Janice Fox

Assistant Board Secretary