

**ROCKAWAY VALLEY REGIONAL SEWERAGE AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING
APRIL 10, 2025**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority was held on Thursday, April 10, 2025. The meeting started at 6:33 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 of the Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority will convene in person and on ZOOM Meetings, on Thursday, April 10, 2025, at 6:30 P.M.

- 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.

Records Clerk III, Pamela Fernandez-Smith, 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: Andes of Town of Denville, Chegwiddden of the Borough of Wharton, Farrell of Township of Boonton, Howarth of Borough of Rockaway, Isselin of Town of Dover, Laverty of Town of Boonton, Schorno of Township of Rockaway, Sheehy of Township of Randolph, and Zuppa of City of Jersey City.

The following Board Member was absent: Cegelka of Borough of Victory Gardens.

There was a quorum.

Also, present was Joseph Maraziti, Esq. Maraziti Falcon.

Authority staff present was JoAnn Mondsini, Robert Bocchino, Janice Fox and Pamela Fernandez-Smith.

APPOINTMENT OF TREASURER

Motion that **DONALD FARRELL** be elected as **TREASURER** of the Authority.

Moved by: Commissioner Schorno

Second by: Commissioner Howarth

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Yeas: (9) Andes, Chegwiddden, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Laverty, Schorno, Sheehy, and Zuppa.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (1) Cegelka

Correspondence - None

Public Portion -Agenda Items Only

- No Public. No Comments.

Consent Agenda

The following items are considered routine and non-controversial and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussions of these items unless a board member so requests, in which case, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in a normal sequence on the agenda.

- **Approval of Minutes** of March 13, 2025, Regular Board Meeting

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

Yeas: (9) Andes, Chegwidan, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Laverty, Schorno, Sheehy and Zuppa.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (1) Cegelka

Consent Agenda adopted on 9 yeas.

Executive Committee – Hector Schorno, Chairman - No meeting held.

- **No Report**

Planning Committee – Donald Farrell, Chairman – No meeting held.

- **No Report**

Operations Committee – Hector Schorno, Chairman – No meeting held.

- **No Report**
- Operation and Maintenance and Trunkline Reports are in the packet.
- JoAnn Mondsini state that the Plant Manager, Eric Reichert had a motorcycle accident and will be out the next 3 months recuperating. Patrick O'Donnell is stepping up to fill in and doing a great job at keeping things going.

Infrastructure Committee – Thomas Andes, Chairman – Meeting held April 8, 2025.

- **Report** – Discussed **(1)** Contract 43 - Interceptor Sewer Rehabilitation and Replacement – Boonton Section, Contract Modification #4 in amount of \$216,572.95; **(2)** Meter Chamber Infrastructure Improvements Project award of Contract to low bidder in the amount of \$90,000.00.

Commissioner Andes offered **Resolution 25-046** – To Authorize The Execution Of Change Order 4 To Contract Number 43, Interceptor Sewer Replacement And Rehabilitation – Boonton Section and Second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (9) Andes, Chegwidden, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Lavery, Schorno, Sheehy and Zuppa.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (1) Cegelka

Resolution 25-046 adopted on 9 yeas.

Commissioner Andes offered **Resolution 25-047** - To Authorize The Execution Of Deed Of Gift Enabling Donation To The Morris County Historical Society and Second by Commissioner Lavery and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (9) Andes, Chegwidden, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Lavery, Schorno, Sheehy and Zuppa.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (1) Cegelka

Resolution 25-047 adopted on 9 yeas.

Commissioner Andes offered **Resolution 25-048** – Authorizing Award Of Contract To ALM Electric Co., Inc. For Meter Chamber Infrastructure Improvements and Second by Commissioner Sheehy and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (9) Andes, Chegwidden, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Lavery, Schorno, Sheehy and Zuppa.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (1) Cegelka

Resolution 25-048 adopted on 9 yeas.

Jersey City Committee –Vacant, Chairman – No meeting held.

- **No Report**

Sewer Use Committee – Donald Farrell, Chairman – Meeting held April 9, 2025.

- **Report** - Discussed (1) ESA Waiver, Thurmont Road, Denville; (2) TWA Time Extension for Performance Ford, On Site and Off Site Improvements.

Commissioner Farrell offered **Resolution 25-049** – Conditionally Authorizing Endorsement Of Request For Mapping Revision/Grant Condition Waiver - Thurmont Road, Denville, Morris County, NJ Block 30501, Lots 8,32,33,34,36,37; Block 30601, Lot 16; Block 30607, Lots 15,16,17; Block 30611, Lots 1,2,3,4,5 Township of Denville and Second by Commissioner Schorno and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (9) Andes, Chegwidden, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Lavery, Schorno, Sheehy and Zuppa.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (1) Cegelka

Resolution 25-049 adopted on 9 years.

Commissioner Farrell offered **Resolution 25-050** – Authorizing Time Extension Relevant To Endorsement Of Application For Treatment Works Approval (TWA-1) – 971-989 Route 10, 64 Canfield Avenue, Block 44, Lots 1,2 & 56 Township of Randolph (On-Site) and Second by Commissioner Sheehy and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (9) Andes, Chegwidden, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Lavery, Schorno, Sheehy and Zuppa.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (1) Cegelka

Resolution 25-050 adopted on 9 years.

Commissioner Farrell offered **Resolution 25-051** – Authorizing Time Extension Relevant To Endorsement Of Application For Treatment Works Approval (TWA-1) – 971-989 Route 10, 64 Canfield Avenue, Block 44, Lots 1,2, & 56 Township of Randolph (Off-Site) and Second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (9) Andes, Chegwidden, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Lavery, Schorno, Sheehy and Zuppa.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (1) Cegelka

Resolution 25-051 adopted on 9 years.

Finance Committee –Don Farrell, Chairman – No Meeting held.

- **No Report**
- CFO's Report is in the packet.

Commissioner Schorno offered **Resolution 25-052** – Resolution to Authorize Payment of Vouchers for **\$1,062,627.80** and Second by Commissioner Isselin and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (8) Chegwidden, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Lavery, Schorno, Sheehy, and Zuppa.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (1) Andes

Absent: (1) Cegelka

Resolution 25-052 adopted on 8 years.

Executive Director's Report-JoAnn Mondsini

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

Engineers Report- Robert Bocchino

- **Report-** The Elevator Project is bidding on May 15th, and the Effluent Flow Meter Project

is bidding on April 24th. Contract 43 Change Order is on this agenda. Contract 50- finishing up the punch list items, including the paving of Washington Street by the end of this month. Contract 41- Nearing the end of the project, some paperwork to be resolved and electrical issues are being done.

- 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

- No Report

Old Business

- No Report

New Business

- No Report

Public Portion-Opened at 6:47PM

- No Public, no comments, closed at 6:47PM

Closed Session - 6:48PM

Commissioner Schorno offered **Resolution 25-053** – Authorizing Closed Session Regarding City of Jersey City Litigation and Second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (8) Andes, Chegwidden, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Lavery, Schorno, and Sheehy.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (1) Zuppa

Absent: (1) Cegelka

Resolution 25-053 adopted on 8 yeas.

7:14PM -Commissioner Chegwidden motioned to return to Public Session and seconded by commissioner Lavery and approved by all present.

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

Meeting ended at 7:15PM.

The next scheduled meeting is May 8, 2025


Janice Fox
Assistant Board Secretary