ROCKAWAY VALLEY REGIONAL SEWERAGE AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING
MAY 14, 2026

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority was held on Thursday, May 14, 2026. The meeting started at 6:30 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, May 14, 2026, 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.**

The 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: Andes of Town of Denville, Farrell of Township of Boonton, Hobbs of the Borough of Wharton, Howarth of Borough of Rockaway, Isselin of Town of Dover, Janone of the Borough of Victory Gardens, Laverty of Town of Boonton, Schorno of Township of Rockaway, and Zuppa of City of Jersey City.

The following Board member was absent: Sheehy of Township of Randolph.

There was a quorum.

Also, present was Joseph Maraziti, Esq. Maraziti Falcon

Authority staff present were JoAnn Mondsini, Robert Bocchino, and Janice Fox.

Correspondence – 1st Quarter Capacity Assurance Report.

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 matters unless a board member 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 April 9, 2026 Regular Board Meeting
- **Resolution 26-047** – Authorizing The Issuance Of A Public Notice Prior To Issuance Of An Initial Industrial Sewer Connection Permit For Lodi CML Cooperative, LLC 25 Green Pond Road, Township Of Rockaway, New Jersey

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

Yeas: (9) Andes, Farrell, Hobbs, Howarth, Isselin, Janone, Laverty, Schorno, and Zuppa.
Nays: (0) None
Abstain: (0) None
Absent: (1) Sheehy.
Minutes on the Consent Agenda adopted on 9 yeas.

Commissioner Schorno offered **the Resolution 26-047 on the Consent Agenda** and second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (9) Andes, Farrell, Hobbs, Howarth, Isselin, Janone, Laverty, Schorno, and Zuppa.
Nays: (0) None
Abstain: (0) None
Absent: (1) Sheehy.
Resolution 26-047 on the Consent Agenda adopted on 9 yeas.

Closed Session: 6:37 PM

Commissioner Schorno offered **Resolution 26-058** – Authorizing Closed Session Pursuant To The Open Public Meetings Act To Discuss Issues Regarding Attorney Client Privilege and second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (9) Andes, Farrell, Hobbs, Howarth, Isselin, Janone, Laverty, Schorno, and Zuppa.
Nays: (0) None
Abstain: (0) None
Absent: (1) Sheehy.
Resolution 26-058 adopted on 9 yeas.

Commissioner Zuppa left the meeting.

6:57 PM Commissioner Howarth made a motion to return to Public Session and second by

Commissioner Andes with all in favor.

Commissioner Zuppa re-entered the meeting.

Executive Committee – Hector Schorno, Chairman – Meeting held April 20th & May 4th.

Report – (1) Discussed Personnel Manual update, and **(2)** Status of DEP Litigation.

Commissioner Schorno offered **Resolution 26-048** – Approving Confidential Term Sheet With NJDEP relevant to 3M And Dupont JCO's and second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (9) Andes, Farrell, Hobbs, Howarth, Isselin, Janone, Laverty, Schorno, and Zuppa.
Nays: (0) None
Abstain: (0) None
Absent: (1) Sheehy.
Resolution 26-048 adopted on 9 yeas.

Commissioner Schorno offered **Resolution 26-049** – To Accept And Implement The April 2026 Revision Of The Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority Personnel Manual/Policies And Procedures and second by Commissioner Farrell and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (9) Andes, Farrell, Hobbs, Howarth, Isselin, Janone, Laverty, Schorno, and Zuppa.
Nays: (0) None
Abstain: (0) None
Absent: (1) Sheehy.
Resolution 26-049 adopted on 9 yeas.

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.

Infrastructure Committee – Thomas Andes, Chairman – Meeting held May 13th.

- **Report** – Reviewed **(1)** Change Order #2 request for Contract 44 – Emergency Generator Project, **(2)** Change Order request for Contract 51 Effluent Flow Meter Replacement Project **(3)** Change Order request for Contract 52 – Elevator Project, **(4)** PFAS Conceptual Plan and Pilot Testing, and **(5)** Alum Storage Tank Modifications.

Commissioner Andes offered **Resolution 26-050** – Authorizing The Execution Of Change Order #2 To Contract Number 44, Emergency Generators Replacement Project And Procedures and second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (9) Andes, Farrell, Hobbs, Howarth, Isselin, Janone, Laverty, Schorno, and Zuppa.
Nays: (0) None
Abstain: (0) None
Absent: (1) Sheehy.
Resolution 26-050 adopted on 9 yeas.

Commissioner Andes offered **Resolution 26-051** – Authorizing Execution of Change Order #1 To Contract Number 51, Effluent Flow Meter Replacement Project And Procedures and second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (9) Andes, Farrell, Hobbs, Howarth, Isselin, Janone, Laverty, Schorno, and Zuppa.
Nays: (0) None
Abstain: (0) None
Absent: (1) Sheehy.
Resolution 26-051 adopted on 9 yeas.

Commissioner Andes offered **Resolution 26-052** – Authorizing Execution of Change Order #3 To Contract Number 52, Elevator Project And Procedures and second by Commissioner Farrell and approved on a roll call vote as follows:
Yeas: (9) Andes, Farrell, Hobbs, Howarth, Isselin, Janone, Laverty, Schorno, and Zuppa.
Nays: (0) None
Abstain: (0) None
Absent: (1) Sheehy.
Resolution 26-052 adopted on 9 yeas.

Jersey City Committee – Jennifer Hobbs, Chairman – Meeting held May 5th.

- **Report** – Reviewed proposed Alternate Dispute Resolution.

Commissioner Hobbs offered **the Resolution 26-053** – Authorizing Execution Of An Alternate Dispute Resolution Agreement By And Between Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority, The City Of Jersey City, And Jersey City Municipal Utilities Authority Regarding Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority V. City Of Jersey City And Jersey City Municipal Utilities Authority, Docket No. MRS-L-1861-22 And Procedures and second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:
Yeas: (8) Andes, Farrell, Hobbs, Howarth, Isselin, Janone, Laverty, and Schorno.
Nays: (0) None
Abstain: (1) Zuppa.
Absent: (1) Sheehy.
Resolution 26-053 adopted on 9 yeas.

Sewer Use Committee – Donald Farrell, Chairman –No meeting held.

- **No Report**

Commissioner Farrell offered **the Resolution 26-054** – Conditionally Authorizing Endorsement Of Application For Treatment Works Approval (TWA-1), Town of Dover, 100 Grace Street, Block 1501, Lot 1 and second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:
Yeas: (9) Andes, Farrell, Hobbs, Howarth, Isselin, Janone, Laverty, Schorno, and Zuppa.
Nays: (0) None
Abstain: (0) None
Absent: (1) Sheehy.
Resolution 26-054 adopted on 9 yeas.

Commissioner Farrell offered **the Resolution 26-055** – Conditionally Authorizing Endorsement Of Request For Mapping Revision Grant Condition Waiver, Town of Dover, 100 Grace Street, Block 1501, Lot 1 and second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:
Yeas: (9) Andes, Farrell, Hobbs, Howarth, Isselin, Janone, Laverty, Schorno, and Zuppa.
Nays: (0) None
Abstain: (0) None
Absent: (1) Sheehy.
Resolution 26-055 adopted on 9 yeas.

<u>**Finance Committee –William Isselin, Chairman**</u> – No Meeting held.

- **No Report**
- CFO Report

Commissioner Isselin offered **the Resolution 26-056** – To Delete Certain Major Equipment Items From The 2025 Fixed Asset Inventory and second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:
Yeas: (9) Andes, Farrell, Hobbs, Howarth, Isselin, Janone, Laverty, Schorno, and Zuppa.
Nays: (0) None
Abstain: (0) None
Absent: (1) Sheehy.
Resolution 26-056 adopted on 9 yeas.

Commissioner Isselin offered **Resolution 26-057** – Authorizing Payment of Vouchers in the Amount of $1,493,388.53 and Second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (8) Farrell, Hobbs, Howarth, Isselin, Janone, Laverty, Schorno, and Sheehy.
Nays: (0) None
Abstain: (1) Andes.
Absent: (1) Zuppa.
Resolution 26-057 adopted on 8 yeas.

Executive Director's Report- JoAnn Mondsini

- **No Report**
- HR/Safety Coordinators Report is in the packet.
- Executive Directors Report is in the packet.

Engineers Report- Robert Bocchino

- **Report –** Elevator Project should be done before the next meeting.
- 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 7:09 PM

- No Public, no comments, closed at 7:09 PM

At 7:10 PM Commissioner Schorno made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Second by Commissioner Howarth and approved by all present.

The meeting ended at 7:10 PM.

The next meeting scheduled is June 11, 2026

Janice Fox

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Assistant Board Secretary