

**ROCKAWAY VALLEY REGIONAL SEWERAGE AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING
June 12, 2025**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority was held on Thursday, June 12, 2025. The meeting started at 6:34 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, June 12, 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, Chegwidden of the Borough of Wharton, Farrell of Township of Boonton, Howarth of Borough of Rockaway, Isselin of Town of Dover, Schorno of Township of Rockaway, Sheehy of Township of Randolph, and Zuppa of City of Jersey City.

Commissioner Cegelka, of the Borough of Victory Gardens, entered the meeting at 6:37PM.

The following Board Member was absent: Lavery of Town of Boonton.

There was a quorum.

Also, present was Joseph Maraziti and Adrew Brewer, Esqs. Maraziti Falcon.

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

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 May 9, 2025, Regular Board Meeting
Resolution 25-065 – Authorizing Execution Of A Contract for Organic Polyelectrolyte (Polymer)

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

Yeas: (8) Andes, Chegwiddden, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Schorno, Sheehy, and Zuppa.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (2) Cegelka and Lavery.

Consent Agenda adopted on 8 yeas.

Executive Committee – Hector Schorno, Chairman - Meeting held June 10, 2025.

- **Report – (1)** Discussed the proposed amendment to Contract for Meter Inspection, amendment is to include for repair costs; **(2)** Discussed the re-rating of the RVRSA – NJDEP has finished its review of RVRSA's Capacity Assurance Report and determined that RVRSA can be rated to 15-mgd without physical expansion of Plant Facilities.

Commissioner Schorno offered **Resolution 25-066** – To Amend Resolution 25-064 Awarding Contract For Meter Inspection, Repair and Calibration and Second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

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

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (1) Lavery

Resolution 25-066 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 June 9, 2025.

- **Report-** Discussed (1) Contract 51-Effluent Flow Meter Project- One Water Bids received.

(2) Contract 52- Elevator Project-LS Engineering Associates bids received. (3) Contract 43- Boonton Siphon Chambers and Washington St. Pipe Replacement-Change Order No. 5.

Commissioner Andes offered **Resolution 25-067** – Authorizing Sixth Amendment Of Contract With Mott-MacDonald To Provide Professional Engineering Services For NJEIFP (IBANK) Loan Assistance, Design, Bid Phase And Construction Phase Engineering Services For Contract 43 – Interceptor Sewer Replacement And Rehabilitation – Boonton Section Project and Second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

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

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (1) Lavery

Resolution 25-067 adopted on 9 yeas.

Commissioner Andes offered **Resolution 25-068** – To Authorize The Execution Of Change Order 5 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, Cegelka, Chegwiddden, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Schorno, Sheehy, and Zuppa.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (1) Lavery

Resolution 25-068 adopted on 9 yeas.

Commissioner Andes offered **Resolution 25-069** Authorizing Execution Of A Contract For Effluent Flow Meter Project – Contract 51 and Second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

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

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (1) Lavery

Resolution 25-069 adopted on 9 yeas.

Commissioner Andes offered **Resolution 25-070** – Authorizing Execution Of A Contract For Elevator Project – Contract 52 and Second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

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

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (1) Lavery

Resolution 25-070 adopted on 9 yeas.

Jersey City Committee –William Chegwidden, Chairman – No meeting held.

- **No Report**

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

- **No Report**

Commissioner Farrell offered **Resolution 25-071** – Authorizing The Issuance Of A Public Notice Prior To Renewal Of An Industrial Sewer Connection Permit and Issuance Of Variance – Rockaway Center Associates (RCA) DBA: Rockaway Townsquare Mall – 301 Mount Hope Avenue Township Of Rockaway, New Jersey and Second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

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

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (1) Lavery

Resolution 25-071 adopted on 9 yeas.

Finance Committee –William Isselin, Chairman – Meeting held June 11, 2025.

- Report - Discussed Capital Budget Amendment and Budget Transfers.
- CFO Report

Commissioner Isselin offered **Resolution 25-072** – Authorizing Amendment of Capital Budget and Second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

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

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (1) Lavery

Resolution 25-072 adopted on 9 yeas.

Commissioner Isselin offered **Resolution 25-073** – Authorizing Transfer Of Funds and Second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

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

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (1) Lavery

Resolution 25-073 adopted on 9 yeas.

Commissioner Isselin offered **Resolution 25-074** – Resolution to Authorize Payment of Vouchers for **\$1,502,613.04** and Second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (8) Cegelka, Chegwiddden, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Schorno, Sheehy, and Zuppa.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (1) Andes

Absent: (1) Lavery

Resolution 25-074 adopted on 8 yeas.

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-** Contract 44- The Generator Replacement Project -they are finalizing a Change Order request for rerouting a portion of the duct bank, due to some utility conflicts, in front of the old administrative building, that were not indicated on the drawings. Then we will arrange a conference call with the State to expedite this.
- 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 6:46PM

- No Public, no comments, closed at 6:46PM

Closed Session – 6:47PM-7:35PM

Commissioner Schorno offered **Resolution 25-075** – Authorizing Closed Session Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Law and Second by Commissioner Farrell and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (8) Andes, Cegelka, Chegwiddden, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Schorno, and Sheehy.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

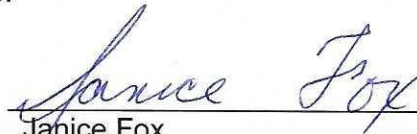
Absent: (2) Lavery and Zuppa.

Resolution 25-075 adopted on 8 yeas.

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

The meeting ended at 7:36 PM.

The next scheduled meeting is July10, 2025.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Janice Fox", is written over a horizontal line.

Janice Fox

Assistant Board Secretary