

**ROCKAWAY VALLEY REGIONAL SEWERAGE AUTHORITY  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING  
DECEMBER 11, 2025**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority was held on Thursday, December 11, 2025. 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, December 11, 2025, at 6:30P.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 Records Clerk, 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, Cegelka of the Borough of Victory Gardens, Chegwidden of the Borough of Wharton, Farrell of Township of Boonton, Howarth of Borough of Rockaway, Lavery 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: Isselin of Town of Dover

There was a quorum.

Also, present was Diane Alexander, Esq. Maraziti Falcon

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

**Correspondence** - 2026 RVRSA Holiday List

**Public Portion** -Agenda Items Only

- One person from the Public. No Comments.

Commissioner Cegelka stepped out of the meeting.

## **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 November 13, 2025 Regular Board Meeting and the Closed Session Minutes
- **Resolution 25-115** – Authorizing The Execution Of A Contract With Edmunds & Associates, Inc., For The Procurement Of Computer Services Relevant To Finance, Personnel And Payroll Software
- **Resolution 25-116** – Authorizing The Execution Of A Contract With Mission Communications LLC, For The Procurement Of Computer Services Relevant To Data Communications Technology

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

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

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (2) Cegelka, Isselin

**Consent Agenda adopted on 8 yeas.**

## **Executive Committee – Hector Schorno, Chairman** – Meeting held December 9th.

- **Report** – (1) Reviewed 2026 quotes for Mission Communications, (2) Reviewed quote for 2026 Edmunds Financial Software, (3) Reviewed proposal for 2026 Computer IT Services and (4) Reviewed 2025 Laboratory Services Contract Amendment.

Commissioner Schorno offered **Resolution 25-117** – Authorizing The Execution Of A Contract With Atlantic Tomorrows Office, For The Procurement Of 2026 Computer IT Services and second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

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

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (2) Cegelka, Isselin

**Resolution 25-117 adopted on 8 yeas.**

Commissioner Schorno offered **Resolution 25-118** – Authorizing Amendment Of Contract For Laboratory Services and second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

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

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (2) Cegelka, Isselin

**Resolution 25-103 adopted on 8 years.**

**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 December 4<sup>th</sup>.

- **Report** – (1) Discussed status of design of Contract 45 – Phase 2 – Main Substation Replacement Project, (2) Bids received for Contract 49 – City Water Backflow Prevention Device Replacement Project, (3) Bids received for Chemical Building Roof Railing Project, (4) Status of Contract 51 – Effluent Meter Project, (5) Status of Contract 52 – Elevator Project, and (6) DEP mandate for monthly PFAS sampling/analysis and future PFAS removal conceptual design.

Commissioner Andes offered **Resolution 25-119** – Authorizing Execution Of A Contract For City Water Backflow Prevention Device Replacement Project – Contract 49 and second by Commissioner Sheehy and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (8) Andes, Chegwidde, Farrell, Howarth, Laverty, Schorno, Sheehy, and Zuppa.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (2) Cegelka, Isselin

**Resolution 25-119 adopted on 8 years.**

Commissioner Andes offered **Resolution 25-120** – Authorizing Execution Of A Contract For Chemical Building Roof Railing Project and second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (8) Andes, Chegwidde, Farrell, Howarth, Laverty, Schorno, Sheehy, and Zuppa.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (2) Cegelka, Isselin

**Resolution 25-120 adopted on 8 years.**

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

- **No Report**

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

- **No Report**

**Finance Committee –William Isselin, Chairman** – No Meeting held.

- No Report
- CFO Report

Commissioner Schorno offered **Resolution 25-121** – Authorizing Appropriation Transfer For The Fiscal Year 2025 and Second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

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

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (2) Cegelka, Isselin

**Resolution 25-121 adopted on 8 yeas.**

Commissioner Schorno offered **Resolution 25-122** – Authorizing Payment of Vouchers in the Amount of \$887,305.84 and Second by Commissioner Howarth and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (7) Chegwidden, Farrell, Howarth, Lavery, Schorno, Sheehy, and Zuppa.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (1) Andes

Absent: (2) Cegelka, Isselin

**Resolution 25-121 adopted on 7 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**

- **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 – Diane Alexander**

- **Report** – We received the DEP's motion to approve the PFAS settlements and the response to comments documents. The Department can only get the settlement amount if it waives the right of all the political subdivisions to sue 3M & Dupont, and that this money will be beneficial to the residents of New Jersey. Some portion of the money will be used to create a PFAS Abatement Fund that wastewater purveyors will be able to draw from. Our opposition brief is due tomorrow and will be filed. The hearing is January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026, Brad Carney will be speaking before the judge.

#### **Old Business**

- **No Report**

#### **New Business**

- **No Report**

#### **Public Portion-** Opened at 6:47PM

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

#### **Closed Session** -None

6:48 PM Commissioner Farrell made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Second by Commissioner Howarth and approved by all present.

The meeting ended at 6:48PM.

The next meeting scheduled is January 8, 2026

  
Janice Fox  
Assistant Board Secretary

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