

**ROCKAWAY VALLEY REGIONAL SEWERAGE AUTHORITY  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING  
September 12, 2024**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority was held on Thursday, September 12, 2024. The meeting started at 6:30 PM.

The agenda is available on the website of the RVRSA.

- **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.**

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, Corbett of the Borough of Wharton, Farrell of Township of Boonton, Isselin of Town of Dover, Lavery of Town of Boonton, and Schorno of Township of Rockaway,

The following Board Members were absent: Howarth of Borough of Rockaway, Commissioner of Township of Randolph. and Zuppa of City of Jersey City.

There was a quorum.

Also, present were Diane Alexander Esq. and Andrew Brewer, Esq., Maraziti Falcon LLP.

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

**Correspondence:**

- Letter to Senator Bucco re: Mine Hill Contractual Allotment
- Capacity Assurance Report – August 30, 2024

**Public Hearing** – 5-year Engineering Report- No comments from the public.

- **Report-** JoAnn Mondsini advised that to date RVRSA has received no comments from the public notice regarding the 5-year report. It was sent to all of our service member towns. The report, prepared by Kleinfelder and One Water, details what projects we have coming over the next 5 years. The report details the following: generators and substation projects,

more work needed on the interceptor, the completed filter building, the completed rehabilitation of the Boonton syphon and the renovation of the old administration building.

**Public Portion** – Agenda Items Only- No comments from the public.

- Public Present: John Wyciskala, Representative for Brookdale Properties, Dan Miola and Will Pasik.

**Consent Agenda**

- **Approval of Minutes** of August 08, 2024, Regular Board Meeting
- **Resolution 24-079** – Authorizing Public Notice of Permit Renewal for St. Clare’s Boonton Twp
- **Resolution 24-080** – Authorizing Public Notice of Permit Renewal for St. Clare’s Denville
- **Resolution 24-081** – Authorizing Public Notice of Permit Renewal for St. Clare’s Dover

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

Yeas: (7) Andes, Cegelka, Corbett, Farrell, Isselin, Lavery, and Schorno.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (3) Howarth, Commissioner of Randolph. and Zuppa.

**Consent Agenda passed on 7 yeas.**

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

- **No Report**

Commissioner Schorno offered **Resolution 24-082** – Authorizing an Energy Agent Contract with Gabel Associates, Inc., and Authorizing the Executive Director and In Her Absence the Manager of Engineering to Award a Contract And/or Reject Bids in Response to the Request for Bids for Electric Generation Service Issued on Behalf of the New Jersey Sewerage and Municipal Utility Authority Electrical Supply Aggregation and second by Commissioner Corbett and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (7) Andes, Cegelka, Corbett, Farrell, Isselin, Lavery, and Schorno.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (3) Howarth, Commissioner of Randolph. and Zuppa.

**Resolution 24-082 passed on 7 yeas.**

Commissioner Schorno offered **24-083** – Authorizing Contract Amendment for General Counsel Maraziti Falcon and second by Commissioner Cegelka and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (7) Andes, Cegelka, Corbett, Farrell, Isselin, Lavery, and Schorno.  
Nays: (0) None  
Abstain: (0) None  
Absent: (3) Howarth, Commissioner of Randolph. and Zuppa.  
**Resolution 24-083 passed on 7 yeas.**

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

- **Report** – Public noticed Engineering 5-Year Planning Report on August 14<sup>th</sup> and mailed to all Members and Customers. No comments were received.
- Operation and Maintenance and Trunkline Reports are in the packet.

Commissioner Farrell offered **24-084** – Adopting Engineer’s Report Regarding Five Year Plan and second by Commissioner Cegelka and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (7) Andes, Cegelka, Corbett, Farrell, Isselin, Lavery, and Schorno.  
Nays: (0) None  
Abstain: (0) None  
Absent: (3) Howarth, Commissioner of Randolph. and Zuppa.  
**Resolution 24-084 passed on 7 yeas.**

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

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

**Infrastructure Committee – Thomas Andes, Chairman** – Meeting held September 12, 2024.

- **Report** – (1) Reviewed proposal for 4<sup>th</sup> amendment to contract with Mott MacDonald regarding completion of Contract 43 – Interceptor Sewer Replacement and Rehabilitation – Boonton Project and (2) Reviewed Contract 43 Time Extension Contract Modification #3 for same.

Commissioner Andes offered **Resolution 24-085** – Authorizing Fourth Amendment of Contract with Mott-MacDonald to Provide Professional Engineering Services for NJEIFP (I-Bank) 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 Corbett and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (7) Andes, Cegelka, Corbett, Farrell, Isselin, Lavery, and Schorno.  
Nays: (0) None  
Abstain: (0) None  
Absent: (3) Howarth, Commissioner of Randolph. and Zuppa.  
**Resolution 24-085 passed on 7 yeas.**

Commissioner Andes offered **Resolution 24-086** Authorizing the Execution of Change Order 3 to Contract Number 43, Interceptor Sewer Replacement And Rehabilitation – Boonton Section and second by Commissioner Cegelka and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (7) Andes, Cegelka, Corbett, Farrell, Isselin, Lavery, and Schorno.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (3) Howarth, Commissioner of Randolph. and Zuppa.

**Resolution 24-086 passed on 7 yeas.**

**Jersey City Committee – Glenn Corbett, Chairman** - No meeting held.

- **No Report**

**Sewer User Committee – Donald Farrell, Chairman** – Meeting held September 9, 2024.

- **Report – (1)** Discussed Capacity Assurance Report and **(2)** TWA Endorsement for Iron Mountain, Mine Hill

Commissioner Farrell offered **Resolution 24-087** – Endorsing Mine Hill's Request for Application for Treatment Works Approval (TWA) Township of Mine Hill Sewer Extension Iron Mountain Road Block 202, Lot 1; Block 203, Lot 12.01; and Block 203, Lot 14.01 and second by Commissioner Cegelka and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (7) Andes, Cegelka, Corbett, Farrell, Isselin, Lavery, and Schorno.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (3) Howarth, Commissioner of Randolph. and Zuppa.

**Resolution 24-087 passed on 7 yeas.**

**Finance Committee – Glenn Corbett, Chairman** – Meetings held September 4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

- **Report** – Reviewed and discussed 2025 proposed budget.
- CFO's Report is in the packet.

Commissioner Corbett offered **Resolution 24-088** – Authorizing Appropriation Transfer and second by Commissioner Farrell and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (7) Andes, Cegelka, Corbett, Farrell, Isselin, Lavery, and Schorno.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (3) Howarth, Commissioner of Randolph. and Zuppa.

**Resolution 24-088 passed on 7 yeas.**

Commissioner Corbett offered **Resolution 24-089** – Resolution Authorizing Payment of Vouchers for \$2,499,257.17 and second by Commissioner Cegelka and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (6) Cegelka, Corbett, Farrell, Isselin, Lavery, and Schorno,  
Nays: (0) None  
Abstain: (1) Andes  
Absent: (3) Howarth, Commissioner of Randolph. and Zuppa.  
**Resolution 24-089 passed on 6 yeas.**

### **Executive Director's Report**

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

### **Engineers Report- Robert Bocchino**

- **No Report**
- Engineer Report is in the packet.
- Industrial Pre-Treatment Report is in the packet.
- Electrical Engineer Report is in the packet.

### **Lawyers Report – Diane Alexander**

- **No Report**

### **Old Business**

- **No Report**

### **New Business**

- **No Report**

### **Public Portion- 6:43-6:45 PM**

- John Wyciskala, Representative for Brookdale Properties thanked the Board for their consideration. He advised that the subdivision changed lot & block numbers to Block 2.02 and Lot 1.04

### **Closed Session – 6:45-6:57 PM**

Commissioner Schorno offered **Resolution 24-090** - Authorizing Closed Session and second by Commissioner Corbett and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (7) Andes, Cegelka, Corbett, Farrell, Isselin, Lavery, and Schorno,

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

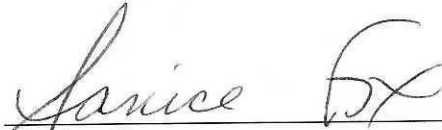
Absent: (3) Howarth, Commissioner of Randolph, and Zuppa.

**Resolution 24-090 passed on 7 yeas.**

Commissioner Corbett offered a motion to return to open session and second by Commissioner Farrell.

Commissioner Corbett offered a motion to adjourn and second by Commissioner Andes and all in favor.

Meeting ended 6:57 PM. The next scheduled meeting is October 10, 2024.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janice Fox". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Janice Fox

Assistant Board Secretary