

Two Rivers Water Reclamation Authority

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REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2026

The Regular Meeting of the Two Rivers Water Reclamation Authority was held on **Tuesday, June 16, 2026, at 6:00 pm** in person and via Microsoft Teams.

Mr. Barry Berdahl, PhD., chaired the meeting.

Present: Mr. Barry J. Berdahl, PhD., Chairman
Mr. David F. Stickle, Vice Chairman
Mr. Jonathan Peters, Secretary
Mr. Christopher York, Asst. Secretary
Mr. John Bonforte (**remote**)
Mr. Kevin Burke
Mr. Scott Hartman (**remote**)
Mr. Richard Tocci (**remote**)
Mr. Jason McCullough
Mr. Gregory Christopher (**remote**)

Absent: Mr. James Mazza
Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer

Others Present: Mr. Dennis J. Galvin, Executive Director
Mr. Brian Rischman, Deputy Executive Director
Ms. Lauren Lechner, Engineering Manager
Mr. Johnny Rodriguez, Financial Manager
Mr. Joe Ottaviano, Operations Manager (**remote**)
Mr. David Laughlin, Esq., Birdsall & Laughlin
Mr. Andrew Pursell, PS&S (**remote**)
Mr. Michael Gianforte, Consultant to TRWRA (**remote**)

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING

Statement is hereby made that adequate Notice of Meeting has been provided by emailing the same on **Tuesday, December 19, 2025**, to the Clerks of the participant municipalities of the Boroughs of Fair Haven, Little Silver, Monmouth Beach, Oceanport, Shrewsbury and West Long Branch, and all customer communities whose geographic boundaries are co-extensive with those of this Authority, and by prominent posting said Notice in the entryway of the Authority's office building on Friday, **December 17, 2025**.

CHAIRMAN'S RULES OF QUORUM

Mr. Berdahl declared that a quorum was present. All present saluted the American Flag.

OPENING STATEMENT TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

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Ms. Lechner addressed the Board: In addition to the published notice, access to the meeting via computer and telephone was prominently displayed to the public by posting it on the front door of the office, and on the first page of the TRWRA website.

APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

MINUTES OF MAY 16, 2026

Mr. Berdahl moved that the minutes from the regular monthly meeting held on **May 16, 2026**, to be approved. The motion was seconded by **Mr. Stickle** and followed by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes:
Mr. Barry J. Berdahl, PhD., Chairman
Mr. David F. Stickle, Vice Chairman
Mr. Jonathan Peters, Secretary
Mr. Christopher York, Asst. Secretary
Mr. John Bonforte
Mr. Kevin Burke
Mr. Jason McCullough
Mr. Scott Hartman
Mr. Richard Tocci
Mr. Gregory Christopher

Abstain:

Absent:
Mr. James Mazza
Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer

APPROVAL OF THE SPECIAL MEETING

MINUTES OF MAY 27, 2026

Mr. Berdahl moved that the minutes from the special meeting held on **May 27, 2026**, to be approved. The motion was seconded by **Mr. Stickle** and followed by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes:
Mr. Barry J. Berdahl, PhD., Chairman
Mr. David F. Stickle, Vice Chairman
Mr. Jonathan Peters, Secretary
Mr. Christopher York, Asst. Secretary
Mr. John Bonforte
Mr. Kevin Burke
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Abstain:

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Absent: Mr. James Mazza
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CORRESPONDENCE

Staff reported that the tunnel project has received industry recognition and may be featured at upcoming professional engineering conferences. Board members discussed the importance of reviewing any project-related presentations to ensure they do not represent positions or endorsements of the Authority.

It was noted that the rescue tunnel proposed under Contract 200A was successfully connected to the Contract 200 tunnel. Work to complete all tunnel piping (Contract 200A) will continue into September 2026.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Berdahl moved **Resolution No: 2026-06-56 To Enter Executive Session, and Action Would Be Taken Upon Return to Open Session** for approval. The motion was seconded by **Mr. Stickle** and all were in favor of taking action. The Board entered Executive Session at 6:08 pm.

The regular meeting resumed at 7:05 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE AGENDA

There was no public comment on the agenda.

FINANCE AND INSURANCE

RESOLUTION NO: 2026-06-57 **AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Mr. Berdahl moved **Resolution No: 2026-06-57** for approval. The motion was seconded by **Mr. York** and carried by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes: Mr. Barry J. Berdahl, PhD., Chairman
Mr. David F. Stickle, Vice Chairman
Mr. Jonathan Peters, Secretary
Mr. Christopher York, Asst. Secretary
Mr. John Bonforte
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Mr. Gregory Christopher

Absent: Mr. James Mazza
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Mr. Rodriguez reported that a draft audit has been received and is under review. Final issuance remains dependent on receipt of required State Pension and Benefits information. The final audit is expected in the coming months.

LEGAL

Mr. York provided an update regarding the State's proposed PFAS settlement with 3M and Dupont. Revisions to the settlement include financial assistance for PFAS treatment upgrades, reduced financing costs for PFAS-related projects, and protections for treatment plants from certain PFAS-related liability claims. The proposed settlement remains subject to court approval, and additional updates will be provided as information becomes available.

ENGINEERING

Staff reported that a variable frequency drive (VFD) at Pump Station 13 in Oceanport failed and required replacement. Additional surge protection measures are planned as part of upcoming enclosure upgrades.

Staff reported that additional information is being gathered regarding the Pump Station #1 main repair in Fair Haven. The Authority and Ductile Iron Pipe Research Association continues to evaluate the condition of the pipe and potential long-term replacement needs due to its age and location.

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RESOLUTION NO: 2026-06-58

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EMERGENCY REPLACEMENT OF A VARIABLE FREQUENCY DRIVE AND INVESTIGATION FOR PUMP STATION 13

Mr. Tocci moved **Resolution No: 2026-06-58** for approval. The motion was seconded by **Mr. Berdahl** and carried by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes:

Mr. Barry J. Berdahl, PhD., Chairman
Mr. David F. Stickle, Vice Chairman
Mr. Jonathan Peters, Secretary
Mr. Christopher York, Asst. Secretary
Mr. John Bonforte
Mr. Kevin Burke
Mr. Jason McCullough
Mr. Scott Hartman
Mr. Richard Tocci
Mr. Gregory Christopher

Absent:

Mr. James Mazza
Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer

Mr. Tocci asked Ms. Lechner if there was anything to discuss. Ms. Lechner responded no. Mr. Tocci asked Mr. Pursell if there was anything to discuss in addition to the PS&S report. Mr. Pursell responded no.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO: 2026-06-60

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AUTHORITY TO PROMOTE LAUREN LECHNER TO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND PROMOTE BRIAN RISCHMAN TO DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

Mr. Bonforte moved **Resolution No: 2026-06-60** for approval. The motion was seconded by **Mr. Stickle** and carried by the following vote on roll call:

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Mr. John Bonforte
Mr. Kevin Burke
Mr. Jason McCullough
Mr. Scott Hartman
Mr. Richard Tocci
Mr. Gregory Christopher

Absent: Mr. James Mazza
Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer

RESOLUTION NO: 2026-06-59

RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE HIRING OF AN UNLICENSED OPERATOR

Mr. Bonforte moved **Resolution No: 2026-06-59** for approval. The motion was seconded by **Mr. Tocci** and carried by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes: Mr. Barry J. Berdahl, PhD., Chairman
Mr. David F. Stickle, Vice Chairman
Mr. Jonathan Peters, Secretary
Mr. Christopher York, Asst. Secretary
Mr. John Bonforte
Mr. Kevin Burke
Mr. Jason McCullough
Mr. Scott Hartman
Mr. Richard Tocci
Mr. Gregory Christopher

Absent: Mr. James Mazza
Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer

RESOLUTION NO: 2026-06-61

RESOLUTION PROMOTING BRIAN TRUEX TO OPERATIONS MANAGER AND AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF A COMPLIANCE MANAGER

Mr. Bonforte moved **Resolution No: 2026-06-61** for approval. The motion was seconded by **Mr. York** and carried by the following vote on roll call:

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Ayes:

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Mr. Gregory Christopher

Absent:

Mr. James Mazza
Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

Mr. Hartman provided an update on the tunnel project. He reported that Northeast Remsco has substantially completed its work in Monmouth Beach and that coordination meetings have been adjusted accordingly. He also reported that SPC continues to work on the second level of shaft walls.

CYBER SECURITY COMMITTEE

Mr. Peters provided an update regarding the Authority's SCADA hardware upgrades and it is anticipated to be complete by the end of this year.

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Mr. Stickle provided an update to the neighbors that there will be a second shift on the construction site for the main pump station.

Mr. Peters reported an update from the Fair Haven Environmental Commission regarding the Pump Station #1 force main repair in Fair haven. He noted that the Commission expressed appreciation for the Authority's response efforts and proactive approach to environmental protection.

CONSENT AGENDA: (For Resolution 2026-06-62 through Resolution 2026-06-63)

Resolutions 2026-06-62 and 2026-06-63 were introduced, seconded, and approved by the roll call vote.

RES NO: 2026-06-62 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT OF ALL CLAIMS BETWEEN THE AUTHORITY, ITS FORMER CONTRACTOR ANAR CONSTRUCTION, LLC ("ANAR") AND THEIR BONDING COMPANY BONDEX INSURANCE COMPANY ("BONDEX")

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RES NO: 2026-06-63 RESOLUTION TO PURCHASE REPLACEMENT ROLL OFF CONTAINER TRUCK

Mr. Berdahl moved the Consent Agenda **Resolutions No: 2026-06-62 through 2026-06-63** for approval. The motion was seconded by **Mr. York** and carried by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes:
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Mr. John Bonforte
Mr. Kevin Burke
Mr. Jason McCullough
Mr. Richard Tocci
Mr. Scott Hartman
Mr. Gregory Christopher

Absent:
Mr. James Mazza
Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer

OLD BUSINESS

Staff provided an update on the biofilter study. Ongoing testing, monitoring, and operational adjustments are being conducted in coordination with BioREM, Hazen, and the Authority's independent consultant, and further evaluation will continue through the winter months.

NEW BUSINESS

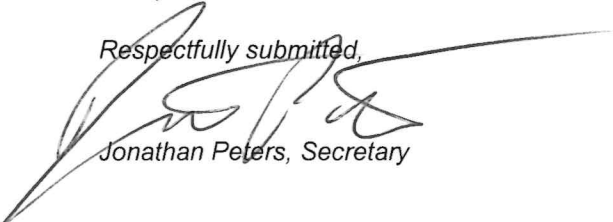
There was no new business.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

There was no public present.

Mr. York moved that the meeting be adjourned at 7:29 pm. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stickle and carried out by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,


Jonathan Peters, Secretary