

MINUTES

BETHPAGE WATER DISTRICT

DATE: October 1, 2026 – 3:00 p.m.

Location: Bethpage Water District, 25 Adams Avenue

Commissioners and others present:

Theresa Black Scott Greco Joseph Daub Diana Long Rob Walker
Gregory Carman Richard Humann Michael Weber Sal Greco

Call to Order: 3:03 p.m.

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Minutes from September 24, 2026, for review and approval.

Commissioner Black made a motion to accept the minutes of September 24, 2026, as written; Commissioner Greco seconded the motion.

Superintendent's Report: Assistant Superintendent Daub

1. Assistant Superintendent Daub presented the Board with the Overtime Sheet for payrolls 16, 17 and 18 for review and signature.

Town of Oyster Bay Bond Claim Forms

None

Correspondence:

1. Tri-party collateral agreement. Webster Bank and Bank of NY Mellon at 102%. Dated 09/21/2026.
2. Tri-party collateral agreement. Capital One and Bank of NY Mellon at 105%. Dated 09/21/2026.

Financial Report: Diana Long

1. Secretary to the Board Diana Long reported that the District has fully transitioned from Flushing Bank to OceanFirst Bank. Flushing ended on 9/18, and statements through that date were obtained and remote deposits, lockbox and vendor payments were reconciled. Because the cut-off occurred mid-month, there will be two reconciliations for each account this month, one for Flushing and one for OceanFirst. The positive pay file cannot yet be generated from SAP in the OceanFirst format; in the meantime, Ms. Long is modifying the file and uploading it to OceanFirst, and this is working well. It was noted that the bank personnel remained the same and have been very responsive.

2. Commissioner Black inquired whether the District writes checks. It was noted that physically written checks are minimal, approximately one or two escrow checks per year. Commissioner Black noted the availability of new pens whose ink cannot be washed, and Attorney Carman suggested the District consider them.

Attorney's Report: Gregory Carman

1. Assistant Superintendent Daub reported on the contract with EchoGov, the AI company discussed at the prior meeting. The three points contested by the District were revised: the termination clause now allows either party to terminate on 30 days' notice; item 7, District data security and public records ownership, now provides that the District owns all of its data and may download it from the system should the contract end; and the payment schedule was revised so that in the first year the first three months are paid upfront and the remaining nine months are paid monthly, with years two and three paid annually. The contract would begin October 1, 2026. Assistant Superintendent Daub stated that he was comfortable with the revised terms.
Commissioner Black made a motion to accept the contract as presented, subject to counsel's final review; Commissioner Greco seconded the motion, and it was adopted by the Board.
2. Attorney Carman reported that he discussed the upcoming December election with Assistant Superintendent Daub and that the District is in good shape, with the application being handled. The Board agreed to use voting machines rather than paper ballots, with the election to be held at the District. It was noted that two machines are usually obtained and that affidavit ballots will be available in case a machine goes down.

Engineer's Report: Michael Weber

1. **BPWD1554** – North to South Transmission Main – Bancker is continuing water main work moving north towards Plainview Road to the connection point just outside the plant. The water main to be used for the future Well BGD-2 raw water and blow-off, ending just inside the fence line, has been completed and will be continued in the next project. At the park end, Bancker continues to fuse together 36-inch sleeves and stage them along the road. Equipment for the directional drill, approximately ten tractor-trailer loads, are expected to begin arriving this week or next, with drilling operations expected to commence the second full week of October. Assistant Superintendent Daub noted that the tie-in and shutdown were performed today. Commissioner Greco asked that Gary from PMG be made aware so photographs can be taken.
2. **BPWD2107** – Ion Exchange and AOP Treatment at Plant No. 1 – The week of the 19th, Philip Ross Industries will troubleshoot the leaking flanges on the Air Stripping Tower. A meeting was held last week with Philip Ross and the District to review the list of items to be addressed, and they were on site today. Nassau County DOH issued the industrial discharge permit allowing discharge of the ISEP system wastes to the sanitary sewer. The permit includes special conditions for semi-annual

laboratory sampling for metals, chloride and nitrates, and four grab samples per workday for pH readings, with logs to be retained for three years. Assistant Superintendent Daub reported that discussions were held with H2M regarding installing a pH analyzer on the discharge line, which will require a special probe due to the salt concentration. Pricing will be obtained, including from Hach, and quotes will be presented to the Board.

3. **BPWD2552** - Barnum Avenue Water Main – The construction kickoff meeting was held this morning with the contractor, Alessio, and contracts are expected to be signed. The notice to proceed will likely be effective Monday, although the contractor may request a one-week delay pending the road opening permit from the Town OF Oyster Bay. Residents have not yet been notified and will be notified in the coming weeks.
4. **BPWD2601** – Wellhouse and Treatment for Well BGD-2 – H2M is scheduled to present the findings of the BGD plant feasibility study at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 22, before the regular Board meeting, with a copy of the report to be provided to the Board beforehand. Based on last week's authorization for design, work is proceeding on the engineering report to the Health Department and the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) review, and a SEQR resolution is being prepared for the Board.
5. **BPWD2551** - Marginal Road Water Main – The project was kicked off with the contractor yesterday, and the notice to proceed may be effective today, bringing the contract completion date to the end of February.
6. **BPWD2651** - Maple Avenue, Meade Avenue and 11th Street Water Main – A call was held with the District last Friday to review plan sets, and a paper set was left with the District. Assuming no or minor comments, the plans will be submitted to the Health Department.

Old Business: Assistant Superintendent Daub

1. Assistant Superintendent Daub provided an update on the vehicles. The Ford pickup truck has been received with the plow, cab and tool boxes, and emergency lights have been installed; GPS, detailing and striping remain. The Dodge pickup requires striping, and the van requires striping and shelving. Both plows have been received. Once complete, the vehicles will be assigned to the respective employees, and the remaining fleet will be discussed in terms of spares and possibly auctioning one or two vehicles.
2. Assistant Superintendent Daub reported that he attended the all-day New York State Retirement System training, which covered enrollment of new employees and retirement reporting. The District's current reporting practices were confirmed to be correct. The presentation is available for the Board to review.
3. Assistant Superintendent Daub reported on the utility business award offered to the District by email (Utility Business Review). Upon research, it appeared to be paid advertising tied to the purchase of memberships and sponsorships, and the District will not pursue it.

4. Commissioner Greco reported on the cybersecurity presentation at the Long Island Water Conference by a company called Sly Fox. Rob Walker is following up on the next steps. Commissioner Greco noted that the District does not need to hire a company and will use H2M and its existing resources.
5. Commissioner Greco inquired about installing a lock box at the front of the building for the fire department so that doors are not broken during an alarm response. Commissioner Greco will have the fire district superintendent contact Assistant Superintendent Daub with the specifications.
6. Commissioner Black noted that the Kiwanis street fair is this Sunday. Commissioner Greco reported that, due to the short notice, the District was unable to assemble a workforce and would not participate. Assistant Superintendent Daub noted that the giveaway order has not yet been received.

New Business:

1. Richard Humann reported on a status meeting with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC). The District will continue to update the State on the status of the North to South Transmission Main project and, once completed, will assess its needs, likely operating next summer to confirm whether Plant 5 is needed. The DEC is rerunning its models without the use of Plant 5. Mr. Humann also reported that Northrop Grumman is proposing in situ chemical oxidation treatment of VOC contamination identified under the Bethpage Community Park parking lot. He noted concerns regarding incomplete reduction, which could produce compounds worse than TCE such as vinyl chloride, and the need for clear monitoring and management and for assurances that the existing extraction system would capture anything reaching groundwater. The District took a strong position on a similar proposal years ago on the Northrop Grumman property, which was not pursued. A special meeting with the District has been offered to discuss the topic in detail. Commissioner Black and Commissioner Greco expressed concern regarding the potential impact on the residents of the number streets.
2. Commissioner Greco inquired about the future of Plant 5. Assistant Superintendent Daub stated that the District must first see how the system operates next summer with the transmission main in service.
3. Attorney Carman noted that the Town is scheduled to conduct testing around and through the pool area this month at a cost of approximately \$400,000, and that the current vision is to relocate the pool to the ball field and place a ball field where the pool is.

Meeting Adjourned: 3:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Scott A. Greco.

John F. Goumatos, Chairman

Theresa M. Black, Treasurer

Scott A. Greco, Secretary