

MINUTES

BETHPAGE WATER DISTRICT

DATE: April 16, 2026 – 3:00pm

Location: Bethpage Water District, 25 Adams Ave

Commissioners and others present:

John Coumatos Theresa Black Scott Greco
Michael Boufis Joseph Daub Diana Long Richard Walker
Richard Humann Gregory Carman Sal Greco

Call to Order: 3:07 pm

Overview

The board addressed outstanding meeting minutes, operational and engineering updates (including Plant 1 and Plant 6 work), financial and investment matters, correspondence and event notices, personnel/Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) items, audit status, and governance processes along with the presentation of the Superintendents resignation letter to the Board.

Minutes of previous meeting:

Minutes from February 26, March 12, March 19, March 26 and April 2, 2026, for review and approval.

Superintendent's Report: Michael Boufis

1. Supt. Boufis presented the Board with a letter dated May 30, 2025, from Michael Weber PE of H2M architects + engineers on the Plant-6 Treatment Operations for the elimination of vapor phase carbon. Supt. Daub to continue lease to buy container progress.
2. Following prior discussion on vapor phase carbon at Plant 6, Mike Weber resent the original proposal for estimated capital expenditures to eliminate vapor phase carbon, including how treatment trains would be reconfigured.

Town of Oyster Bay Bond Claim Forms

None

Correspondance :

1. Tri-party collateral agreement. Capital One and Bank of NY Mellon at 105%. dated 04/06/2026.
2. Tri-party collateral agreement. Webster Bank and Bank of NY Mellon at 102%. dated 04/06/2026.
3. Notice from LIWC of the passing of Massapequa Water District Commissioner Thomas McCarthy.
4. The 716th Meeting Dinner of the LIWC being held at the Patrizia's of Long Island in Massapequa Park on Monday April 27,2026. Attendance noted: "Commissioner Black and Commissioner Greco will be attending. Commissioner Coumatos declined.

Attorney's Report: Gregory Carman

1. Mr. Carman provided additions to the April 9 minutes regarding the CBA (Collective Bargaining Agreement).
2. Signing authority: Counsel advised minutes should not be signed by an outside consultant. Options discussed: board secretary (Diana) or a commissioner. Decision to adopt a protocol will be placed on the next meeting agenda.
3. Investment policy: A policy from 2012 was brought forward and circulated for commissioners to review.

Engineer's Report: Richard Humann

1. **BPWD1554** - North to South Transmission Main – Phase 2 – (Central Ave.) – H2M awaiting final schedule for remaining work from Bancker. Engineer Humann reported: No change.

Phase 3(Park): H2M sent notice of award to Bancker. Conformed contracts to be delivered to Mr. Carman today.

Plans sent to NYS Parks for approval for construction permit.

Easement: Parks stated the agreement is with the Comptroller's office. Anticipate another signature from BPWD, then final processing. Ongoing coordination with State Parks to secure final signatures on the easement and construction permit.

2. **BPWD2107** - Ion Exchange & AOP Treatment at Plant No. 1 – Start-up schedule for remaining systems:
 - Completed works package submitted to the DOH walkthrough.
 - PRI has cleaning crew on site this week to clean the building prior to the walkthrough.
 - Generator load bank test completed on Wednesday.
3. **BPWD2501** – Exterior Overcoat of Adams Avenue Elevated Storage Tank – Balcony lights are now functioning after Hinck fixed electrical issues caused by low voltage. This completes Bridgeway's punch list. Payment 1 was signed and distributed on 4/13/2026.
4. **BPWD2552** – Watermain Replacement on Barnum Ave - H2M responded to a secondary set of NCDH comments 4/6. Hard copies of the final plans and specs sent to NCDH. Further comments are not expected.
5. **BPWD2553** – Watermain Replacement on Dennis Ln. & Elizabeth Dr. – NCDH has no further comments. Hard copies of revised final plans and specs sent to NCDH for approval.
6. **BPWD2554** – Watermain Replacement on Elm Dr. – Health Department requested references to new backflow devices be removed from watermain plans, and any proposed new devices would require a separate submission.
7. **BPWD2275** – Verizon Upgrade at Adams Avenue – Construction resumed today, following 2-33k Verizon freeze, and expected to be complete by 4/14.
8. **BPWD2276** – AT&T Upgrades at Grumman Road – Construction to begin when H2M inspector is available.
9. **BPWD2601** – Wellhouse & Treatment for Well BGD-2 – H2M sent over prelim floor plan of wellhouse to District for review/comment. Working on design report. A draft of the water supply statements was provided.

Old Business: Asst. Supt Daub

None

New Business: Supt. Boufis

1. April 9 minutes will incorporate Mr. Carman's additions regarding the CBA.

2. Step raises: Today is Senior Account Clerk's Joanne Marinaccio's anniversary; per the CBA, she will receive a \$1.25/hour raise effective today. This applies to overtime as well. Annualized, it equals \$2,600.
3. Supt. Boufis read a letter to Chairman Coumatos. He is resigning as Superintendent and filing for New York State retirement; last workday will be April 30th.
4. Commissioner Coumatos disputed the characterization of a prior cybersecurity event and the accuracy of its recording in the minutes. Commissioner Greco stated it was an alert triggered by consultant Sal Greco, attempting to log in under a username not recognized by the system. Supt' Boufis stated the session was logged as "S-Greco" (Consultant Greco's username; the Commissioner is "S.A. Greco"), resulting in a cyber warning being triggered, and that he disabled Consultant Greco's account.
5. It was noted there is a policy and contract indicating that the consultant "is not supposed to have access to the system." Commissioner Coumatos and Commissioner Black are to review the contract and the minutes before addressing the matter further.
6. Consultant Greco previously asked in an open meeting about using the computer and a key fob; no response had been provided yet.
7. Secretary to the Board, Diana Long, reported the Audit is ongoing. Auditors are making selections (claims, cash receipts, etc.). The Comprehensive Financial Statement was submitted on time yesterday. Auditors are expected next week for final selections.
8. Vcrete/M&N: The invoice (with all backup) was entered and is ready for approval; board has a resolution and is prepared to pay. H2M invoices were addressed in the balance. Joanne Straus, Legal Assistant at Carman, Callahan & Ingham LLP, sent an additional invoice for time "cleaning up M&M" (described as minimal); routing/receipt to be confirmed and processed.

Upcoming Steps and Actions

Diana Long will add Mr. Carman's CBA additions to April 9, resend all minutes, and provide copies. Council Greg Carman to review March 5 minutes. Approvals to be handled in open session starting next meeting.
Decide minutes signing protocol (board secretary or a commissioner; not an outside consultant) at the next meeting.

Backlog context: Procedures recently changed; Diana Long stated she completes minutes, sends for review, and will resend to all commissioners; Greg will review March 5; April 9 awaits additions.

Commissioner Black requested to adopt practice for speakers to state name and position for transcription.

Audit: Prepare for auditors' visit next week; finalize and upload the auditor response letter.

Meeting Adjourned: 3:37pm

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Scott A. Greco


John F. Coumatos, Chairman


Theresa M. Black, Treasurer


Scott A. Greco, Secretary