

DATE: July 31, 2025 – 3:00pm

Location: Bethpage Water District, 15 Grumman Road West Suite 1450

Commissioners and others present:

John Coumatos	Theresa Black	Scott Greco		
Michael Boufis	Joseph Daub	Denise Spinelli	Diana Long	Richard Walker
Michael Weber				
Gregory Carman				
Gary Cucchi				
Sal Greco				

Call to Order: 2:58PM

Minutes of previous meeting:

7/10, 7/17, 7/24

Superintendent's Report: Michael Boufis

1. Supt. Boufis presented the Board with Payroll Journal reports for week ending July 27, 2025.
2. Supt. Boufis presented the Board with Overtime Report for week ending July 27, 2025.
3. Supt. Boufis received an email from Melanie Garate from CBI on the July 2025 NYSDEC Navy-Grumman Community Update.
4. Supt. Boufis received a budget package from Town of Hempstead Comptroller John A. Mastromarino, CPA on the Districts' 2025 budget review and public hearing dates.
5. Supt. Boufis received an email from Gretal Lee from Sher Edling LLP, on the updated cost sharing addendum on the 1,4-dioxane case.
6. Supt. Boufis received an email from Jason Nahmias from Stalco Construction, Inc. looking for payments #2318-014, #2318-015 and #2318-016.

Town of Oyster Bay Bond Claim Forms

M&N Construction Services Inc.
BPWD2301 – Renovation of Administration Building
Invoice – M&N #21 Net Payable: \$189,010.24

Payment for M&N Construction #21 is being held

Correspondence:

1. Tri-party collateral agreement. Capital One and Bank of NY at 105%. dated 7/21/2025.
2. Received a letter from Town of Oyster Bay Zoning Board of Appeals on a variance hearing taking place on August 7, 2025, at 7:00pm for a subdivision located at #110 Spruce Ave.

Attorney's Report: Gregory Carman

1. Attorney Carman commented on recent News 12 Presentation. Attorney Carman will contact Bill Richards from Newsday to again correct statement " Bethpage Plume". The correct statement must be "Northrop Grumman/U.S. Navy Plume".
2. Sher Edling will be handling all communications in reference to 3M Litigation. Attorney Carman has statement prepared by Sher Edling for posting when necessary.
3. Attorney Carman reported Steel Equities has contacted TOB in reference to repaving Grumman Road. The District may have to update electrical service to Grumman Road site in connection with proposed Solar Project. Supt. Boufis stated that if the road is paved then we will make other arraignments.
4. Supt. Peter Logan from JWD has inquired as to the BWD Policy in reference to termination of water service when a house is being demolished. The TOB will have a contractor remove the service and cost will be placed on the taxes. There will be no cost to the BWD.

Old Business: Supt. Michael Boufis

1. Supt. Boufis brought up issues the District is having on two of the three jobs located at 25 Adams Ave., BPWD2105 and BPWD2301.
2. Supt Boufis informed the board that Stalco Contracting had still not finished the job for Well Houses 7 & 8. This job is over 400 days past due. Jason Nahmias from Stalco has been requesting payment for the completion of the job. Payments are being held until after the job is completed. Attorney Carman and Engineer Weber will look into the liquidated damage timeline.
3. Palace Electric has not responded to any communication attempts made by H2M and the District. Hinck Electric has been contracted by the bonding company to finish 7 other projects. They have presented the District with an estimate in the amount of \$9,700 to complete the fire suppression system. Supt Boufis will identify any outstanding electrical work. Attorney Carman will send letter of termination to Palace Electric.
4. Supt. Boufis stated NC Fire Marshal is tentatively scheduled for the fire system inspection on August 6, 2025.
5. Supt Boufis reported that M & N Contracting is working at 25 Adams Ave. today but has been noticeably absent over the last week. There are still many outstanding issues with buildings. NYS Dept of Labor contacted Denise Spinelli on suppling all certified payroll records for M&N. All records have been scanned and

sent over. Attorney Carman will send a letter informing M&N that we will be terminating their contract for cause.

6. PGA still has not completed their working list or corrected the AC problems. 3rd party contractor hired to balance the system stated that there are still a few installation issues and some parts that need to be changed. Attorney Carman will send a letter informing PGA that we will be terminating their contract for cause.

Engineer's Report: Michael Weber

1. **BPWD1554** - North to South Transmission Main – Phase 2 – (Central Ave.) – Contract signed. Construction Kickoff Meeting scheduled for 8/5. Phase 3 (Park): H2M and District walked southern portion of property. New transmission main and a raw watermain from Well BGD-2 will be installed on the west side of existing stone access road. H2M waiting on PSEG and NYS Parks for final easement agreements.
2. **BPWD2105** - Well House No. 7 & 8 Roof Replacement & Improvements – Contractor installed new fans, however, still must power them.
3. **BPWD2107** - Ion Exchange & AOP Treatment at Plant No. 1 – PRI installing the concrete piers for the blowoff piping as well as the sidewalk and chemical containment pad adjacent to the PTA building. Generator scheduled to arrive on 8/11. South end of property can then be paved and new driveway gate installed.
4. **BPWD2553** - Watermain Replacement on Dennis Ln & Elizabeth Dr. – Design work progressing. To set up meeting with District to review plans.
5. **BPWD2554** - Watermain Replacement on Elm Dr. – Design work progressing 90%. Met with District to review plans including approx. 500' additional feet of watermain replacement on Elm Dr. cross streets.
6. **BPWD2551** - Marginal Roads WM Replacement – Comment response letter sent to NCDOH.
7. **BPWD2301** - Renovation of Administration Building – Admin. Building: awaiting contractor scope completion for G.M and E. Garage Building: Punch lists for the garage scope of work have been issued to the contractors.
8. **BPWD2353** - 11 Union Ave. Service Stubs – Construction started on 7/29. Install of fire service and domestic water service, abandonment of existing water service completed. Pressure test of fireline to occur Friday 8/1. Sampling to be coordinated with the contractor for next week.
9. **BPWD2351** - Harrison Ave. Watermain Replacement- Merrick sent back final asphalt quantities. H2M to review and compare.
10. **BPWD2275** - Verizon Upgrades at Adams Ave. – Pre-con Walk held on 7/29/25. JVM discussed tank overcoat project with Verizon as they aiming for a September start for 20 days of work. Cell upgrades may need to be delayed until after the overcoat project. Crew has to weld 1 bracket on handrail that H2M will try to schedule prior to the overcoat project.

New Business:

1. Supt. Boufis recommended that the District should move away from Capitol One Bank. ConnectOne Bank (formally 1st National Bank of Long Island) and Webster

- Bank are being considered for depositories due to money market and CD rates.
2. Supt. Boufis will be drawing up resolutions to open and move money to the new accounts.
 3. Supt. Boufis reported that the Plant 6 AC unit failed in the electrical room. We are calling contractors for pricing on repairs.
 4. Mr. Walker brought up that maybe we should be going out for an RFP for the solar project. Draft RFP has been sent to legal counsel for review. The district and H2M will have a conversation on the project next week.

Public Relations: Gary Cucchi

1. Gary Cucchi commented on News 12 interview of Supt. Boufis. Mr. Cucchi will contact Bill Richards from Newsday to again inform him it is the "Northrop Grumman/U.S. Navy Plume, not the Bethpage Plume if the District would like.
2. Sher Edling has informed Mr. Cucchi all communication in reference to 3M Settlement will be handled by their office.
3. Mr. Cucchi has the videos for approval from the Plant-6 tours. Commissioner Greco and Black will review them.
4. Mr. Cucchi is working with the District on recovering their Facebook page that has been hacked and taken over.

Meeting Adjourned: 4:35 pm

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Scott A. Greco



John F. Ooumatos, Chairman



Theresa M. Black, Treasurer



Scott A. Greco, Secretary



Sal J. Greco, Consultant