

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
of
JERICHO WATER DISTRICT

held at the office of the District in Syosset, Nassau County, New York, on the 23rd day of July 2025, at 8:30 A.M.

Present:	Commissioners	Thomas A. Abbate
		James Asmus
		Patricia Beckerle
	Attorney	Gregory W. Carman Jr.
		Michael F. Ingham (remote)
	Superintendent	Peter F. Logan
	Business Manager	Kathleen Cannon
	Asst. Business Manager	Amanda Blum (absent)
	Engineer(s)	William D. Merklin
		James Van Horn

Commissioner Abbate called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Minutes of the previous meeting(s) were read and approved unanimously.

Bi-monthly report from the engineers was ordered filed.

1. Well 20 & 21 AOP Treatment: Punchlist work is underway.

Mr. Logan reported that there is a problem with the Well 20 pump. The pump is being pulled by the Contractor under the warranty to investigate cause.

2. Well 22 Facility Improvements & AOP Treatment: D&B and JWD met with J. Anthony to discuss the project delays and required steps to complete the work.

Mr. Greg Carman reported that he will reach out to Elizabethta Coshignano, counsel for the neighboring property owner, to schedule a meeting on site to review with them the plans advanced by the general contractor for site work to be completed.

Mr. Logan then presented to the Commissioners Contract Modification No. 04 from J. Anthony Enterprises, Inc. for Contract No. C5-24, Well No. 22 AOP and PFOA Treatment in the net amount of \$27,987.87. This change modification includes the addition of attic access panels in 2 locations, the removal of the well-blowoff concrete splash pad, the installation of concrete piers for the canopy at the building entrance, the removal of the scissor gates over the doors and the addition of downspout boots to transition to underground to be charged the general allowance line of the contract. After discussion, and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED, that the Commissioners approved Contract Modification No. 4 from J. Anthony Enterprises, Inc. for Contract No. C5-24, Well No. 22 AOP and PFOA Treatment in the net amount of \$27,987.87 to be charged to be charged the general allowance line of the contract.

VOTE	AYES	3	NOES	0	ABSENTIONS	0
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Commissioner Abbate	AYE
Commissioner Asmus	AYE
Commissioner Beckerle	AYE

3. Kirby Lane AOP: MC & EC are performing punch list work and preparing for contract close out. D&B and JWD are waiting for GC response to delay letter. No proposed contract modifications at this time, some pending.
4. Southwoods Road - New Well and Treatment Facility:
 - a. Well Construction Contract: Waiting for a response from Layne regarding the proposed change order.
 - b. Treatment Facility Contracts: Scheduling sampling and manufacturer commissioning. BAC samples scheduled to be taken 7/23/2025.
5. PTAS at the Wheatley Rd. Site (Well 6 & 16): Waiting for MCC shop drawing resubmittal. A meeting with Wire to Water and their bonding company was held on July 9th and July 21st to discuss incomplete work and delays. The contractor is making an effort to move the project forward. Meeting with National Grid, Bensin Contracting, D&B and Wire to Water scheduled for July 28th to address the generator issue. Additional submittals are required to resolve the MCC issues.
6. Split Rock Tank Booster Station: A startup preparation meeting is scheduled for July 24th Startup will commence the following week. and testing is scheduled for late July.

Mr. Logan then presented to the Commissioners Contract Modification No. 7 from Bensin Contracting, Inc., Contract No. C5-24, Installation of Pre-Prefabricated Ter Pumping Station at Split Rock Standpipe. This change modification includes all labor and material to install a new pressure transmitter with mounting bracket and manifold in the amount of \$2,816.00. This contract modification will be partially charged to the balance remaining in the general allowance of \$2,441.74 and require an increase to the overall cost of the contract in the amount of \$374.26 thereby amending the original contract from \$952,500.00 to \$952,874.26. After discussion and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED, that the Commissioners approved Contract Modification No. 7 from Bensin Contracting, Inc., for Contract No. C5-24, Installation of Prefabricated Booster Pumping Station at Split Rock Standpipe in the amount of \$2,816.00; The general allowance

will be charged \$2,441.74 and \$374.26 will be charged to Capital Project Account No. H-8397-003-2303 Split Rock Booster Station.

VOTE	AYES	3	NOES	0	ABSENTIONS	0
Commissioner Abbate			AYE			
Commissioner Asmus			AYE			
Commissioner Beckerle			AYE			

Mr. Logan then presented to the Commissioners Contract Modification No. 8 from Bensin Contracting, Inc., Contract No. C5-24, Installation of Pre-Prefabricated Pumping Station at Split Rock Standpipe. This change modification is for additional sitework and blowoff piping due to design modifications for re-grading around booster station building and additional concrete, fence/gate changes plus the installation of a hydrant to enable booster station blowoff in the amount of \$108,000.00 This contract modification increases the overall cost of the contract from \$952,874.26 to \$1,060,874.26. After discussion and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED, that the Commissioners approved Contract Modification No. 8 from Bensin Contracting, Inc., for Contract No. C5-24, Installation of Prefabricated Booster Pumping Station at Split Rock Standpipe in the amount of \$108,000.00 to be charged to Capital Project Account No. H-8397-003-2303 Split Rock Booster Station.

VOTE	AYES	3	NOES	0	ABSENTIONS	0
Commissioner Abbate			AYE			
Commissioner Asmus			AYE			
Commissioner Beckerle			AYE			

Mr. Logan then presented to the Commissioners Contract Modification No. 9 from Bensin Contracting, Inc., Contract No. C5-24, Installation of Pre-Prefabricated Ter Pumping Station at Split Rock Standpipe. This change modification is to furnish and install a bronze plaque onto the new booster station building in the amount of \$6,000.00 This contract modification increases the overall cost of the contract from \$1,060,874.26 to \$1,066,874.26. After discussion and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED, that the Commissioners approved Contract Modification No. 9 from Bensin Contracting, Inc., for Contract No. C5-24, Installation of Prefabricated Booster Pumping Station at Split Rock Standpipe in the amount of \$6,000.00 to be charged to Capital Project Account No. H-8397-003-2303 Split Rock Booster Station.

VOTE	AYES	3	NOES	0	ABSENTIONS	0
Commissioner Abbate			AYE			
Commissioner Asmus			AYE			

7. Pump Rehabilitation Projects:

- Well 26: Contract close out is underway.
- Well 30: Pump work will be performed in fall 2025.
- Well 3: Contract close out is underway.
- Kirby Booster Pumps: The work will be performed in fall 2025.
- Stone Hill Booster Pumps: Contractor is preparing shop drawings.
- Juneau Booster Pumps: D&B is working with JWD to confirm design information.

8. Convent Road Facility Architectural Improvements:

- a. Architectural Contract: Punchlist work is underway. D&B is preparing the close out contract modification.
- b. Barn Roof: Contract close out is underway. D&B is preparing the close out contract modification.

9. Water Service Gooseneck Replacement: A planned bidding schedule will be pushed back to September 2025.**10. The Hunt Club Road Water Main Connection:** Contract documents will be submitted to NCDH this week. D&B will review existing and proposed easements with JWD during a review of the draft. Attorney is researching existing easements.**11. Treatment at Wells 18, 19 & 29:** JWD is waiting for EFC approval prior to executing a contract modification with New Terra for BABA compliance. D&B is addressing JWD comments on draft proposal.**12. Juneau Pump Station Improvements:** D&B is preparing a punch list.

Mr. Logan then presented to the Commissioners Contract Modification No. 4 from Baltray Enterprises, Inc. for Contract No. C8-22 Juneau Pump Station Electrical Improvements. This contract modification is to install a camera and base next to the new generator, install conduit from camera pole base to vault interior and to coordinate with Johnson Controls (JCI) for the installation of two (2) security cameras and associated connections in the total amount of \$29,171.03. This contract modification will be partially charged to the balance remaining in the general allowance of \$25,045.42 and will require an increase to the overall cost of the contract in the amount of \$4,125.61 thereby amending the original contract from \$481,685.00 to \$485,810.61. After discussion and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED, that the Commissioners approved Contract Modification No. 4 from Baltray Enterprises, Inc. for Contract No. C8-24, Juneau Pump Station Electrical

Improvements in the total amount of \$29,171.03. The general allowance will be charged \$25,045.42 and \$4,125.61 will be charged to Capital Project Account No. H-8397-882-2303, it was

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commissioners authorized a budget transfer in the amount of \$10,000.00 from Capital Project Account No. H-8397-8897-2102 DH-Architectural Improvements to H-8397-882-2303 Juneau Electrical Improvements.

VOTE	AYES	3	NOES	0	ABSENTIONS	0
Commissioner Abbate	AYE					
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Commissioner Beckerle	AYE					

13. Jericho Tank Rehabilitation: The tank will be removed from service on October 13, 2025, to perform the outstanding work. D&B will coordinate a preparation meeting prior to the shutdown and remobilization. No proposed contract modifications at this time, some pending.

14. GIS Improvements: D&B is preparing a "How To" manual for JWD staff.

15. Wheatley Grading and Paving: Punch list work continues to be addressed. No proposed contract modifications at this time.

16. Exemption Reporting: The last report is due on October 10th. The exemption expires on August 25th.

17. Sugar Toms Lane Water Main replacement: Bids were opened on July 18th.

Miss Cannon informed the Commissioners that after the bid opening on July 18th the office staff noticed an envelope was stuck in the mail slot. Upon investigation, it was determined that the envelope contained a bid from Merrick Utility Associates, Inc. and was dropped off prior to the 9:00 am deadline. The Commissioners instructed Miss Cannon to open the bid and read out loud the amount of the bid. Miss Cannon stated the bid amount was \$991,501.80. After discussion, the Commissioners determined that since Merrick's bid was the highest of the five (5) bids submitted, their bid would not have an impact on the bid award recommendation. The Commissioner's then requested Miss Cannon to amend the bid results posted on the District's website to include Merrick's bid. The bid was then given to D&B to review and to amend their bid award recommendation letter to include Merrick's bid.

Mr. Merklin then presented to the Commissioners a letter from Mr. Colin Jacobs, Engineer III at D&B Engineers and Architects D.P.C. who reported that he had reviewed the four (4) bid proposals received on Contract No. C1-25, Water Main Improvements for Sugar Toms Lane. Bancker Construction Corporation submitted the low bid for the contract

with a bid of \$458,778.50. Mr. Jacobs reported that based upon the review of the bid documents and the Contractor's past and present performances, D&B Engineers and Architects recommends award of the contract for Water Main Improvements for Sugar Toms Lane be made to Bancker Construction Corporation of Islip, NY. After discussion, and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED that Contract No. C1-25, Water Main Improvements for Sugar Toms Lane be awarded to Bancker Construction Corp. of Islip, NY the lowest responsible bidder with a bid that conforms with the bid specifications of the District in the amount of \$458,778.50 to be charged to H-8397-316-2300 Sugar Toms Lane Water Main Improvements contingent upon D&B reviewing Merrick's bid and submitting a new award recommendation letter.

VOTE	AYES	3	NOES	0	ABSENTIONS	0
Commissioner Abbate	AYE					
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Commissioner Beckerle	AYE					

18. PFAS Treatment at Wells 23: A draft BODR will be submitted in August.

19. PFAS Treatment at Wells 27 & 28: D&B is preparing a draft proposal for design and permitting phase services. This will follow the amendment for Wells 18, 19 & 29.

20. LIU Post Distribution Mapping: D&B sent a draft proposal for review for assisting the District with mapping of JWD and LIU Post water mains.

21. Grant Funding Opportunities:

- Waiting for response to BIL applications submitted on May 30, 2025
- D&B will submit WIIA applications prior to the deadline of September 12, 2025.

22. Valentine Lane Water Main: D&B has started the preliminary work for the markout and survey.

23. Merry Lane Piping Modifications: D&B is obtaining proposals for a mark-out and property survey to include in the final proposal.

24. Muttontown Pressure Zone: D&B has prepared a proposal to perform an evaluation for the creation of a new pressure zone in the distribution system.

Discussion was held regarding the developer of Silver Path Estates agreement with the District to pay for a portion of the cost for D&B to conduct an evaluation of the feasibility and cost to create a new pressure zone in the Muttontown area to assist them with obtaining a letter of water availability for their proposed new development. In a previous meeting, the developer agreed conceptually to participating in the cost for the evaluation.

Mr. Merklin then presented to the Commissioners a proposal from D&B Engineers and Architects D.P.C. for engineering services to perform an evaluation of the feasibility and cost to create a new pressure zone within a portion of the District 's service in the Village of Muttontown for the not to exceed fee of \$16,000.00. After discussion, and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED that the Commissioners approve D&B Architects & Engineers D.P.C.'s proposal for engineering services to perform an evaluation of the feasibility of a new pressure zone in a section of the Village of Muttontown in the not to exceed fee of \$16,000.00 to be charged to Operating Account No. A-8340-000-4430 Engineering Services, it was

FURTHER RESOLVED that D&B will calculate the appropriate percentage of this evaluation to attribute towards Silver Path Estates request for water availability. The District will then request Silver Path Estates to reimburse the District for their portion of the cost to perform this evaluation.

VOTE	AYES	3	NOES	0	ABSENTIONS	0
Commissioner Abbate	AYE					
Commissioner Asmus	AYE					
Commissioner Beckerle	AYE					

Status of Proposed Development Projects – Engineers Report

1. Woodbury Hills: Contract documents have been approved by NCDOH. A Developer Agreement has been sent to the developer. A bid date will be established after payment is received.
2. Silver Path Estates Subdivision: D&B and JWD met with the developer and their representatives to discuss a potential new pressure zone in the area.
3. Farnum Subdivision: Waiting for more information related to adjacent properties and the potential for an easement to loop the proposed water main.
4. Grandville Gardens Subdivision: The final memorandum has been sent to JWD.
5. TOB Miller Place Water Main Extension: The Town has indicated that this project is on hold.

Mr. Ingham presented to the Commissioner's a draft of a letter to Mr. Robert Malvino for their review and approval. After discussion, the Commissioners approved the letter and authorized Mr. Ingham to send the letter to Mr. Malvino

Mr. Ingham then reported to the Commissioners that on July 10, 2025, Judge Gershon issued a 69-page ruling in favor of Suffolk County Water Authority. In the Judge's decision, he denied Dow's Motion to Dismiss the Complaint. The decision also sustained seven (7) of Suffolk County Water Authority's experts ruling that their opinions were based on fact and sound methodology. Now that the decision has been rendered with respect to Suffolk County Water Authority's experts, two (2) of the Phase 1 water districts will now be selected for further expert testimony, with a view of selecting one (1) as a "bell weather" trial to be utilized for potential settlement for all 24 of the Nassau County water districts.

Mr. Ingham and Mr. Carman reported to the Board that they reviewed the Engagement Agreement from Littler Mendelson, P.C. of Melville to provide legal services in the area of labor and employment law and found all to be in order. After discussion, the Commissioners authorized Commissioner Abbate to sign the Agreement.

Mr. Logan reported that all analysis of wells and bacteriological sampling for the period of July 9, 2025, to July 22, 2025, had been completed and all were within state and federal standards.

Mr. Logan reported that he received a request for water availability for a five (5) lot subdivision to be known as Bhooma Subdivision from Northcoast Civil, acting on behalf of the owner, which is located at 6850 Northern Blvd. Oyster Bay Cove. Mr. Logan reported that he will send the property owner/developer an Application for Certificate of Water Availability which requires an application fee of \$2,5000 to secure an initial title search and administrative costs. After discussion, the Commissioners determined that a feasibility study for this subdivision was not warranted. Mr. Logan then gave the plans to Mr. Merklin to review and prepare a proposal for engineering services.

Mr. Logan then reported that he received notification from the Town of Oyster Bay that they had a court-order to take down the residence at 23 Ann Dr., Syosset. Since the TOB was not going to discontinue the water service at the main, as per District ordinances, Mr. Logan wanted to discuss how we should go about getting the service discontinued and being able to put that cost onto the property owner. Mr. Carman suggested that we speak with the TOB and see what arrangements could be made where both JWD and TOB requirements would be met.

Mr. Logan then reported that he received a request from All State Insurance for video footage to verify that an employee was at work on June 12th, 2025, between the hours of 8:00 am and 1:00 pm. The request was made due to a claim that the employee's personnel vehicle was involved in an accident on this date and time and the employee was at work during the date and time in question. After discussion, the Commissioners authorized Mr. Logan to send the video footage and or screen shots to Allstate and provide the employee with a copy as well.

Mr. Logan then reported that he received a request from consumer Mrs. Manfredi of East Norwich for the Commissioners to consider including the dates and times of the Board

Meetings in the Semi-Annual Newsletter. After discussion, the Commissioners authorized Mr. Logan to add this information to the District's future Newsletters.

Miss Cannon then presented and reviewed with the Commissioners a Cash Balance/Cash Deposit report as of July 21, 2025. After discussion, the report was ordered filed.

Miss Cannon then presented and reviewed with the Commissioners a Purchase Order by Expense Account Report listing all purchase orders issued between July 8, 2025, and July 21, 2025. After discussion, the report was ordered filed.

Miss Cannon then presented and reviewed with the Commissioners the Quarterly Construction Fund and Installation Fund Reports for the period ended, June 30, 2025. After discussions, the reports were ordered filed.

Miss Cannon informed the Commissioners that she received a request to waive a penalty on account no. 55658000-7 in the amount of \$144.88. Miss Cannon informed the Commissioners that no penalty had been waived in the last five (5) years. After discussion, the Commissioners authorized Miss Cannon to waive the penalty on the account and instructed her to send a revised bill to the customer.

VOTE	AYES	3	NOES	0	ABSENTIONS	0
Commissioner Abbate	AYE					
Commissioner Asmus	AYE					
Commissioner Beckerle	AYE					

Miss Cannon informed the Commissioners that she received a request to waive a penalty on account no. 31357700-1 in the amount of \$413.86. Miss Cannon informed the Commissioners that no penalty had been waived in the last five (5) years. After discussion, the Commissioners authorized Miss Cannon to waive the penalty on the account and instructed her to send a revised bill to the customer.

VOTE	AYES	3	NOES	0	ABSENTIONS	0
Commissioner Abbate	AYE					
Commissioner Asmus	AYE					
Commissioner Beckerle	AYE					

Miss Cannon informed the Commissioners that she received a request to waive a penalty on account no. 31357825-1 in the amount of \$166.08. Miss Cannon informed the Commissioners that no penalty had been waived in the last five (5) years. After discussion, the Commissioners authorized Miss Cannon to waive the penalty on the account and instructed her to send a revised bill to the customer.

VOTE	AYES	3	NOES	0	ABSENTIONS	0
Commissioner Abbate			AYE			
Commissioner Asmus			AYE			
Commissioner Beckerle			AYE			

Miss Cannon informed the Commissioners that she had received a FOIL request from Ms. Judith Saren of JC Ryan EBCO/H&G, LLC requesting a copy of the payment bond for the Well 22 AOP Project for J. Anthony Enterprises Inc. After discussion, the Commissioners authorized the release of the records under FOIL.

The pending agenda items list was read, discussed, and filed.

The following claims were then audited and approved for payment: General Fund #29649 to #29657 and Construction Fund #2821.

There being no further business, the meeting was, upon motion, duly made and seconded and adjourned.



Secretary