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DUTCHESS COUNTY WATER AND WASTEWATER AUTHORITY
DRAFT MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
July 15, 2026

Board Members Attending in Person

Tom LeGrand
Dale Borchert
Eric Weinstock
Aileen Rohr

Staff Attending in Person

Jonathan Churins
Jessica McMahon
Gary Banks
Pam Compasso
Carol Falcone
Ed Mills
Mary Morris
Jason Teed

Board Members Present via Video/Conference Call

N/A

Staff Present via Video/Conference Call

Board Members Absent

Jennifer Cannella

Prior Board Members In Attendance for Commendations

Larry Knapp
Rudy Vavra

Others Present via Video/Conference Call

Kerri Teed – Sr. Public Health Engineer – DBCH - Teams

Trevor Redl – Legislative Liaison – Teams

Members of the Public in Person

John Lombardi – Amity Construction Corp
Andrew Miller – Amity Construction Corp

Meeting Open – Introductions

The meeting opened at 4:36 p.m.

Tom LeGrand called the meeting to order and began with a roll call to identify those attending the meeting both in person and by video/conference call.

Public Comment

Consent Items

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Approval of Draft Meeting Minutes from Meeting on May 20, 2026 - Tabled

Approving Board Members Not Available (R2026.07.A)

Chairman's Report

Commendation for Lawrence R. Knapp

On behalf of the Board and Staff, I would like to recognize and extend our sincere gratitude to Lawrence R. Knapp for his many years of dedicated service to the Dutchess County Water and Wastewater Authority.

Larry was first appointed to the Board in 2013 and served with distinction for over thirteen years, including the past several years in a holdover capacity to ensure continuity of governance. Throughout his tenure, he brought a steadfast commitment to excellence, a disciplined perspective, and a highly experienced eye shaped by more than three decades in the construction industry.

As Senior Vice President of Construction at Administration Services, Inc., Larry has been responsible for the successful delivery of a wide range of complex building and infrastructure projects. His portfolio includes notable work such as the Rombout Wastewater Treatment Plant in Fishkill, the Bristol Business Center in Connecticut, and Dutchess Stadium—one of the fastest-built minor league stadiums of its time. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree from St. Lawrence University.

Larry's professional expertise translated directly into his service on this Board. He approached his role with rigor and integrity, consistently contributing thoughtful oversight on capital projects, operational performance, and long-term planning.

His steady presence and high standards helped shape and strengthen the Authority during a period of meaningful growth and development.

We are deeply appreciative of Larry's dedication, his contributions to the Authority's success, and his commitment to public service. His impact will endure in the systems, projects, and governance practices that continue to guide our work.

On behalf of the entire Board, thank you, Larry, for your service and your unwavering commitment to excellence.

Commendation for Rudy Vavra

On behalf of the Board and Staff, I would like to recognize and extend our sincere gratitude to Rudy Vavra for his many years of dedicated service to the Dutchess County Water and Wastewater Authority.

Rudy was first appointed to the Board in 2008 and throughout his tenure he brought a steadfast commitment to excellence, a disciplined perspective, and a highly experienced eye shaped by more than three decades in the art and architectural industry.

Rudy is an exceptional artist with an active studio, whose work has been exhibited nationally. His background includes a Bachelor's degree in environmental design from Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas, and a Master's degree in fine arts from the School of Visual Arts in New York City. His experience as a lecturer at the College of Architecture & Environmental Design at Texas A & M University and having served as a co-chair of the Town of Milan Master Plan Committee has aided his professional contributions to the Board of Directors.

Rudy's professional expertise enabled his insightful contributions to this Board in a variety of capacities. He approached his role with careful stewardship on capital projects, operational performance, governance, and auditing. His detailed observations and accomplished dedication in serving the community helped strengthen the Authority's endeavors through-out the years.

We are deeply appreciative of Rudy's dedication, his contributions to the Authority's success, and his commitment to public service. His impact will endure in the systems, projects, and governance practices that continue to guide our work.

On behalf of the entire Board, thank you, Rudy, for your service and your unwavering commitment to excellence.

Finance Reports

2027 County Division of Water Resources Budget Request – Draft

Jessica McMahon stated attached is the draft summary and supporting figures for the 2027 County Budget Request for the Division of Water Resources, the Division of Water Resources Budget only provides a very small portion of the overall operating budget for the Authority. The remainder of the Authority's operating budget is funded by system revenues and project financing. In the 2026 fiscal year we requested \$ 182,306, the County gave us \$ 137,306. We requested \$ 232,306 for the 2027 fiscal year. We are proposing a budget the County Budget Office that increases Staff Support dollars at a level commensurate with cost-of-living increases and adds additional funds to support preliminary engineering evaluation for the proposed Southern Dutchess Water Transmission Line Project.

Warrant

The Warrant was provided to the Board, in the Board package.

Dale Borchert made a motion to approve the Warrant as presented. This was seconded by Aileen Rohr; a roll call vote was taken, and the resolution passed unanimously. **(Res.2026.07.B)**

Operations Report

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The Operations report was provided to the Board in the Board package. The Board did not have any questions.

Fairways Water – Emergency Pump Replacement with Claverack

On June 29th well pump # 1 in the Fairways system stopped working. After the operators checked the pump, they determined that it was inoperable. Claverack Pump Services was able to come out the same day to replace the pump and the necessary wiring. The new pump and wiring were installed for a total cost of \$ 12,157.30, we are making the Board aware as per our Procurement Policy. No action is required.

Award of Alum Sludge Hauling for the Hyde Park Regional Water System

Jonathan Churins stated that Hickory Split Farm has merged with Duffy Layton Corp, who has done this work for us in the past. Authority staff is asking the Board to approve the Award of the Alum Sludge Removal Contract for HPR to Hickory Split Farm.

Dale Borchert made a motion for the Approval to Award of the Sludge Removal Contract for the Hyde Park Regional Water System to Split Creek Farm. This was seconded by Aileen Rohr; a roll call vote was taken, and the resolution passed unanimously. **(Res.2026.07.C)**

Capital Projects

Peach Road Water Main Extension Project Update

Ed Mills stated that progress meetings are being Bi-Weekly at the construction site with the Authority.

Regarding the trench and pipe path; due to poor soil conditions experienced so far, the runoff trench materials cannot be put back into the trench along the shoulder. The trench had to be backfilled with select material to achieve 95 % compaction. Amity Construction stated that the overall bid quantities for the backfill have been underestimated. MJ Engineering, the Contract Administrator agreed with Amity Construction claim that the design engineer's estimate for the back filling material was off. Currently, three Change Orders are being proposed to cover the anticipated cost overruns. With the change orders, the contractor will be compensated only for actual quantities installed and verified by the Construction Administrator in accordance with the contract documents; therefore, final quantities may vary from current projections.

Change Order No. 1 is related to trench materials. The design engineer hired by BOCES underestimated the backfill bid items for the trench, to achieve 95 % compaction. The change order will cover anticipated cost overruns. The Contract Administrator and Authority Staff recommend that the change order be approved.

Dale Borchert made a motion to Approve Change Order No. 1 for additional materials. This was seconded by Aileen Rohr; a roll call vote was taken, and the resolution passed unanimously. **(Res.2026.07.D)**

Change Order No. 2 is related to asphalt paving. Moving the pipe into the road, coupled with what appears to be an underestimation of asphalt quantities in the original project design will necessitate additional asphalt beyond the original bid

quantities for the trench restoration and result in extra cost. The Contract Administrator and Authority Staff recommend that the change order be approved.

Dale Borchert made a motion to Approve Change Order No. 2 for additional materials and services needed for asphalt paving. This was seconded by Aileen Rohr; a roll call vote was taken, and the resolution passed unanimously. **(Res.2026.07.E)**

Change Order No. 3 is related to unclassified excavation. The unclassified excavation has exceeded the original contract quantity of 1,551 CY due to an underestimation of quantities by the design engineer hired by BOCES. Based on project documents and observed field conditions, the total estimated quantity for unclassified excavation has been recalculated by the Contract Administrator to be 2,973 CY. The Contract Administrator and Authority Staff recommend that the change order be approved.

Dale Borchert made a motion to Approve Change Order No. 3 for unclassified excavation. This was seconded by Aileen Rohr; a roll call vote was taken, and the resolution passed unanimously. **(Res.2026.07.F)**

Tivoli WWTP Project Status

Gary Banks stated that construction on Phase 1 is ongoing. The current work includes renovating the control building; grading the site; Parshall flume (flow measurement structure) and manhole installation; SBR power and instrumentation/controls wiring; and demolition of the existing pump station structure on Broadway.

Tivoli WWTP Change Order No. 2 – Electrical Construction Contract

Gary Banks stated that Change Order No. 2 will allow the Electrical Contractor to complete the conduit installation and maintain the Phase 1 start up schedule. Once the General Contractor installs the guardrail, the conduit support system will be secured to that, but not exceeding the height of the mid-rail, thus maintaining most of the functionality of the removable guardrail sections, especially useful when a portable crane is used to remove a pump or mixer from the tank.

Dale Borchert made a motion to Approve Change Order No. 2 for the Tivoli WWTP Electrical Construction Contract, for the installation of an independent electrical conduit support system. This was seconded by Aileen Rohr; a roll call vote was taken, and the resolution passed unanimously. **(Res.2026.07.G)**

Tivoli Soil Remediation Project Status

This project involves remediation of the soil contaminated with PCBs from the former location of the Tivoli water tower. Monthly status meetings are being held with NYSDEC, NYSDOH, Village of Tivoli, DCWWA staff, and Tighe & Bond. Tighe & Bond's Remedial Action Work Plan is under final review with NYSDEC.

DFS Plum Court Pump Station Improvement

The Dalton Farms Sewer Plum Court Station Improvement Project will consist of work along an easement between Plum Court and Beekman-Poughquag Road in the Town of Beekman. The purpose of the project is to improve the capacity of the pump station to attenuate further development within Plum Court and Alania Estates.

DFS Plum Court Pump Station Improvement Change Order No. 1 – GC Contract

Jason Teed stated that Change Order No. 1 will allow the General Construction Services for additional work for any unforeseen issues that may arise, delaying the completion of the customer.

Dale Borchert made a motion to Approve Change Order No. 1 for the Plum Court Station Improvements General Construction Contract. This was seconded by Aileen Rohr; a roll call vote was taken, and the resolution passed unanimously. **(Res.2026.07.H)**

West Dorsey Water Main Extension Project Status

The West Dorsey Water Main Extension Project will serve eight parcels along Old West Dorsey Lane & State Route 9; there has been poor water quality issues in this area. DCWWA has engaged with Tighe & Bond through the Task Order Contracting Service for the design phase of the project. There are no grants available for this project, so the project is being bonded by the Authority at the expense of the benefited users within the Zone of Assessment.

Authorize Issuance and Sale of Authorities Quaker Hill Water Revenue Bonds Series 2024

In 2024, the Authority was awarded \$ 15,312,990 in grant funding to address PFAS remediation of the QHW System in the form of an interconnection to the Hyde Park Regional Water System. The grant award is 70 % of the estimated project cost at the time of the application. The remainder of the project cost will be funded through long-term borrowing by NYS EFC.

To get long-term borrowing through NYS EFC, the project needs to be completed, and before the project can get started through the design phase, short-term financing must be provided by NYS EFC to fund the design and construction phases. The Authority has addressed all the NYS EFC's requirements and is in the process of securing short-term financing, which will be available later this year.

In April, the Dutchess County Legislature approved consent to the issuance by the Authority of its Services Agreement Revenue Notes and Bonds. The Authority is asking the Board to approve the resolution for the issuance of notes and bonds for the Quaker Hill Interconnection to the Hyde Park Regional Water System.

Dale Borchert made a motion to Approve the Issuance and Sale of the Authorities Quaker Hill Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2024. This was seconded by Aileen Rohr; a roll call vote was taken, and the resolution passed unanimously. **(Res.2026.07.I)**

Executive Session:

N/A

Motion to Adjourn:

At 5:32 pm Dale Borchert made a motion to adjourn. This was seconded by Aileen Rohr; a roll call vote was taken, and the resolution passed unanimously.

The next Board Meeting will be on Wednesday June 17, 2026, at 4:30 pm, at 1 Lagrange Ave., Poughkeepsie, NY 12603.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Compasso
Program Assistant

Resolutions

1. **(2026.07.A) Approval of Draft Meeting Minutes from May 20th, 2026 - TABLED**
2. **(2026.07.B) Approval of Warrant**
3. **(2026.07.C) Approval of Alum Sludge Hauling for the Hyde Park Regional Water System**
4. **(2026.07.D) Approval of Peach Road Water Main Change Order No. 1 – GC Contract**
5. **(2026.07.E) Approval of Peach Road Water Main Change Order No. 2 – GC Contract**
6. **(2026.07.F) Approval of Peach Road Water Main Change Order No. 3 – GC Contract**
7. **(2026.07.G) Approval of Tivoli WWTP Change Order No. 2 for the Electrical Contract**
8. **(2026.07.H) Approval of DFS Plum Court Change Order No. 1 for GC Contract**
9. **(2026.07.I) Approval to Authorize Issuance and Sale of the Authorities Quaker Hill Revenue Bonds, Series 2024**
10. **(2026.07.J) Open Executive Session**
11. **(2026.07.K) Close Executive Session**