

# **Two Rivers Water Reclamation Authority**

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## **TWO RIVERS WATER RECLAMATION AUTHORITY ONE HIGHLAND AVENUE MONMOUTH BEACH, NEW JERSEY 07750**

The Regular Meeting of the Two Rivers Water Reclamation Authority was held on **Tuesday, January 21, 2025, at 6:00 pm**, and using Microsoft Teams.

### **Mr. Barry Berdahl, Chaired the Meeting**

**Present:** Mr. Barry Berdahl, Ph.D., Chairman  
Mr. Thomas "Burt" Barham, Vice Chairman (remote)  
Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary  
Mr. Jonathan Peters, Asst Secretary  
Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer  
Mr. John Bonforte (remote 6:10 PM)  
Mr. Phil Carnes  
Mr. Gregory Christopher (remote)  
Mr. Eric Jaeger (remote)  
Mr. Brian McPeak (remote)  
Mr. Richard Tocci (remote)

**Absent:** Mr. James Mazza

**Others present:** Mr. Dennis J. Galvin, Executive Director  
Mr. Brian Rischman, Deputy Executive Director  
Ms. Lauren Lechner, Engineering Manager  
Mr. Johnny Rodriguez, Financial Manager  
Mr. Joe Ottaviano, Operations Manager (remote)  
Mr. David Laughlin, Esq., Birdsall & Laughlin  
Mr. John Vena, PS&S (remote)

### **NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING**

Statement is hereby made that adequate Notice of Meeting has been provided by publishing the same in the Asbury Park Press on **December 26, 2024**, and mailing the same on **Friday, December 20, 2024**, to the Clerks of the participant municipalities of the Boroughs of Fair Haven, Little Silver, Monmouth Beach, Oceanport, Shrewsbury and West Long Branch, and all customer communities whose geographic boundaries are co-extensive with those of this Authority, and by prominent posting said Notice in the entryway of the Authority's office building on **Friday, December 20, 2024**.

### **CHAIRMAN RULES OF QUORUM**

**Mr. Berdahl** declared that a quorum was present. All present saluted the American Flag.

### **OPENING STATEMENT TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD**

Mr. Galvin addressed the Board: In addition to the published notice, access to the meeting via computer and telephone was prominently displayed to the public by posting it on the front door of the office, and on the first page of the TRWRA website.

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**Mr. Berdahl** welcomed the new Commissioner from the Borough of Shrewsbury, Mr. Philip Carnes. Mr. Carnes will serve on the same committees as his predecessor. Mr. Berdahl also acknowledged the service of Ms. Jeanette Hoffman.

## **APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING**

### **MINUTES OF JANUARY 21, 2025**

**Mr. MacStudy** moved the minutes from the regular monthly meeting held on **JANUARY 21, 2025**, to be approved. The motion was seconded by **Mr. Barham** and followed by the following vote on roll call:

**Ayes:**  
Mr. Barry Berdahl, Ph.D., Chairman  
Mr. Thomas "Burt" Barham, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary  
Mr. Jonathan Peters, Asst Secretary  
Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer  
Mr. John Bonforte  
Mr. Eric Jaeger  
Mr. James Mazza  
Mr. Brian McPeak

**Abstain:** Mr. Phil Carnes

**Absent:** Mr. James Mazza

Note: there was a correction to the minutes to reflect that Commissioner Hartman indicated the tunnel was 66% excavated, not the 33% reflected in the minutes.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Mr. Galvin advised the Board of the MEL 2023-2024- Annual Report that was included in the meeting package.

## **FINANCE AND INSURANCE**

### **RESOLUTION NO: 2025-01-01**

### **AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**Mr. MacStudy** moved **Resolution No: 2025-01-01** for approval. The motion was seconded by **Mr. Berdahl** and carried by the following vote on roll call:

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**Ayes:** Mr. Barry Berdahl, Ph.D., Chairman  
Mr. Thomas "Burt" Barham, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary  
Mr. Jonathan Peters, Asst Secretary  
Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer  
Mr. Phil Carnes  
Mr. Gregory Christopher  
Mr. Eric Jaeger  
Mr. James Mazza  
Mr. Brian McPeak  
Mr. Richard Tocci

**Absent:** Mr. James Mazza  
Mr. John Bonforte

## LEGAL

Mr. McPeak provided a report on the NJDEP's requirement for certain Treatment Plants to test for PFOS/PFOA and the future impact on all Treatment Plants.

### RESOLUTION NO: 2025-01-05

#### RESOLUTION CALLING UPON THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION TO RECONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO THE NEW FRESHWATER AND SALINE WATER CRITERIA FOR PFNA, PFOA AND PFOS

**Mr. McPeak** moved **Resolution No: 2025-01-05** for approval. The motion was seconded by **Mr. Berdahl** and carried by the following vote on roll call:

**Ayes:** Mr. Barry Berdahl, Ph.D., Chairman  
Mr. Thomas "Burt" Barham, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary  
Mr. Jonathan Peters, Asst Secretary  
Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer  
Mr. Phil Carnes  
Mr. Gregory Christopher  
Mr. Eric Jaeger  
Mr. James Mazza  
Mr. Brian McPeak  
Mr. Richard Tocci

**Absent:** Mr. James Mazza  
Mr. John Bonforte

## ENGINEERING

Ms. Lauren Lechner and Mr. John Vena had nothing to add to their reports.

### RESOLUTION NO: 2025-01-02

#### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE, PROGRAMMING AND INSTALLATION OF A NEW PLC AND HMI FOR THE BELT FILTER PRESS

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**Mr. Tocci** moved **Resolution No: 2025-01-02** for approval. The motion was seconded by **Mr. Barham** and carried by the following vote on roll call:

**Ayes:** Mr. Barry Berdahl, Ph.D., Chairman  
Mr. Thomas "Burt" Barham, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary  
Mr. Jonathan Peters, Asst Secretary  
Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer  
Mr. John Bonforte  
Mr. Phil Carnes  
Mr. Gregory Christopher  
Mr. Eric Jaeger  
Mr. James Mazza  
Mr. Brian McPeak  
Mr. Richard Tocci

**Absent:** Mr. James Mazza

## **PERSONNEL**

Mr. Bonforte reviewed the two resolutions with respect to establishing salary adjustments and the promotion to the position of Compliance Manager.

**Mr. Bonforte** moved **Resolutions No: 2025-01-03 and 2025-01-04** for approval. The motion was seconded by **Mr. Berdahl** and carried by the following vote on roll call:

### **RESOLUTION NO: 2025-01-03**

#### **RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING ANNUAL SALARIES FOR CERTAIN ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL**

### **RESOLUTION NO: 2025-01-04**

#### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ELIMINATE THE POSITION OF REGULATORY COMPLIANCE MANAGER, CREATE THE POSITION OF COMPLIANCE MANAGER AND PROMOTE BRIAN TRUOX TO COMPLIANCE MANAGER**

**Ayes:** Mr. Barry Berdahl, Ph.D., Chairman  
Mr. Thomas "Burt" Barham, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary  
Mr. Jonathan Peters, Asst Secretary  
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**Absent:** Mr. James Mazza

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## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

Mr. Hartman reported that Hazen has developed a soil boring plan to better understand the soil conditions in front of the TBM. There is a resolution added to the agenda authorizing the additional investigative soil borings, to be performed on a barge in the river.

### RESOLUTION NO: 2025-01-14

### RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE AUTHORIZATION OF ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATIVE SOIL BORINGS PLEASURE BAY CROSSING AND MAIN PUMP STATION REPLACEMENT CONTRACT 200 RE-BID

Mr. Hartman moved Resolution No: 2025-01-14 for approval. The motion was seconded by Mr. Berdahl and carried by the following vote on roll call:

**Ayes:**

- Mr. Barry Berdahl, Ph.D., Chairman
- Mr. Thomas "Burt" Barham, Vice Chairman
- Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary
- Mr. Jonathan Peters, Asst Secretary
- Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer
- Mr. John Bonforte
- Mr. Phil Carnes
- Mr. Gregory Christopher
- Mr. Eric Jaeger
- Mr. James Mazza
- Mr. Brian McPeak
- Mr. Richard Tocci

**Absent:** Mr. James Mazza

## CYBER SECURITY COMMITTEE – JONATHAN PETERS

Mr. Peters had nothing new to report other than what was in Mr. JnoBaptiste's report.

## OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Mr. Barham reported on an outreach to the Borough of Monmouth Beach regarding an interaction between a resident and the contractor. Hazen addressed this immediately with the Contractor, and it was resolved.

### **CONSENT AGENDA: (For Resolutions 2025-01-06 THROUGH 2025-01-13)**

The following Resolutions are routine and will be considered together, by Roll Call Vote, without discussion. If any Commissioner wishes to have any "discussion" on any of these routine matters, please identify any such Resolution and it will be removed from the Consent Agenda and addressed immediately thereafter.

Mr. Berdahl moved the Consent Agenda Resolutions No: 2025-01-06 through 2025-01-13 for approval. The motion was seconded by Mr. MacStudy and carried by the following vote on roll call:

**RES NO: 2025-01-06** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHARGES AGAINST THE ENGINEERING INSPECTION ACCOUNT FOR SOMERSET PULTE FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS PARKERS CREEK

**RES NO: 2025-01-07** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE NEW AGREEMENT WITH THE PASSAIC VALLEY SEWERAGE COMMISSION