

Regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Plainview Water District was held in the District office on Tuesday, February 17, 2026.

Present:            Marc Laykind, Chairman  
                      Andrew Bader, Secretary  
                      Dina Scott, Business Manager  
                      Gregory Carman, Attorney  
                      James Neri, Engineer  
                      Greg Gordon, ZE Creative Communications  
                      Lola Rivera, ZE Creative Communications

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm.

Correspondence was reviewed in the Board update.

The Board approved and signed payroll checks.

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

#### **GREGORY CARMAN'S REPORT – ATTORNEY:**

Attorney Carman reported that a meeting was conducted earlier today with Dina Scott, Nicole Morton of Salerno Brokerage, Engineer Neri and Attorney Ingham to discuss professional and cyber liability insurance requirements for certain professional and specialized service providers. Dina Scott stated that she provided Nicole with a series of documents for further consideration based on the discussion that took place. All parties agreed to further consider from each of their professional perspective and upon coming to a recommended conclusion, a more detailed discussion will take place with the Board.

Attorney Carman reported that he spoke with the contractor of the Plant No. 5 emerging contaminant treatment project regarding a nearby resident's concerns. The contractor agreed to contact the resident to further discuss.

#### **ENGINEER NERI'S REPORT – ENGINEER:**

Engineer Neri provided the Board with a Project Status List which contains the status of all authorized projects to date and indicates a change in status of any ongoing projects. Said items were reviewed and discussed with the Board in detail.

Engineer Neri reported that Engineer Manfredi is near completion with the response to submit to the plumbing contractor of the Plant No. 4 Advanced Oxidation Process (AOP), nitrate and perchlorate treatment facility project regarding liquidated damages due to the project extending beyond its agreed upon completion date. Engineer Neri reported that upon completion of the draft response, it will be forwarded to Attorney Carman for his review and consideration. Discussion took place regarding the Board's consideration of assessing liquidated damages against the general, electrical and plumbing contractors or instead pursuing for excess engineering costs incurred as a result of the project not being completed

timely. Furthermore, Engineer Neri presented a series of change orders relating to the close out for each of the related Plant No. 4 AOP, nitrate and perchlorate treatment facility project contractors for the Board's approval as stated below.

A change order presented was for a previously approved purchase order with Philip Ross Industries for the Plant No. 4 AOP general contracting portion of the project which represents a series of increases and deducts, resulting in a net decrease to the total contract amount. Engineer Neri reported on details of the change to each respective line item which represents a total net decrease of \$96.34 in order to close the contract and deem it complete. After discussion, the Board approval was requested.

Motion made by Commissioner Laykind, seconded by Commissioner Bader, the below stated resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves change to the previously approved purchase order with Philip Ross Industries for the Plant No. 4 AOP general contracting portion of the project for a net decrease of the total contract amount of \$96.34.

A change order presented was for a previously approved purchase order with Hirsch Industries for the Plant No. 4 AOP plumbing contracting portion of the project which represents a series of increases and deducts, resulting in a net decrease to the total contract amount. Engineer Neri reported on details of the change to each respective line item which represents a total net decrease of \$166,509.15 in order to close the contract and deem it complete. After discussion, the Board approval was requested.

Motion made by Commissioner Laykind, seconded by Commissioner Bader, the below stated resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves change to the previously approved purchase order with Hirsch Industries for the Plant No. 4 AOP plumbing contracting portion of the project for a net decrease of the total contract amount of \$166,509.15.

A change order presented was for a previously approved purchase order with JVR Electric for the Plant No. 4 AOP electrical contracting portion of the project which represents a series of increases and deducts, resulting in a net decrease to the total contract amount. Engineer Neri reported on details of the change to each respective line item which represents a total net decrease of \$66,160.25 in order to close the contract and deem it complete. After discussion, the Board approval was requested.

Motion made by Commissioner Laykind, seconded by Commissioner Bader, the below stated resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves change to the previously approved purchase order with JVR Electric for the Plant No. 4 AOP electrical contracting portion of the project for a net decrease of the total contract amount of \$66,160.25.

A change order presented was for a previously approved purchase order with Philip Ross Industries for the Plant No. 4 AOP HVAC contracting portion of the project which represents a series of increases and deducts, resulting in a net decrease to the total contract amount. Engineer Neri reported on details of the change to each respective line item which represents a total net decrease of \$25,000.00 in order to close the contract and deem it complete. After discussion, the Board approval was requested.

Motion made by Commissioner Laykind, seconded by Commissioner Bader, the below stated resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves change to the previously approved purchase order with Philip Ross Industries for the Plant No. 4 AOP HVAC contracting portion of the project for a net decrease of the total contract amount of \$25,000.00.

A change order presented was for a previously approved purchase order with A.C. Schultes Inc. for the Plant No. 4 AOP well rehabilitation contracting portion of the project which represents a series of increases and deducts, resulting in a net increase to the total contract amount. Engineer Neri reported on details of the change to each respective line item which represents a total net increase of \$59,114.93 in order to close the contract and deem it complete. After discussion, the Board approval was requested.

Motion made by Commissioner Laykind, seconded by Commissioner Bader, the below stated resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves change to the previously approved purchase order with A.C. Schultes Inc. for the Plant No. 4 AOP well contracting portion of the project for a net increase of the total contract amount of \$59,114.93.

A change order presented was for a previously approved purchase order with Philip Ross Industries for the Plant No. 4 nitrate and perchlorate general contracting portion of the project which represents a series of increases and deducts, resulting in a net decrease to the total contract amount. Engineer Neri reported on details of the change to each respective line item which represents a total net decrease of \$27,236.36 in order to close the contract and deem it complete. After discussion, the Board approval was requested.

Motion made by Commissioner Laykind, seconded by Commissioner Bader, the below stated resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves change to the previously approved purchase order with Philip Ross Industries for the Plant No. 4 nitrate and perchlorate general contracting portion of the project for a net decrease of the total contract amount of \$27,236.36.

A change order presented was for a previously approved purchase order with JVR Electric for the Plant No. 4 nitrate and perchlorate electrical contracting portion of the project which represents a series of increases and deducts, resulting in a net decrease to the total contract amount. Engineer Neri reported on details of the change to each respective line item which represents a total net decrease of \$75,000.00 in order to close the contract and deem it complete. After discussion, the Board approval was requested.

Motion made by Commissioner Laykind, seconded by Commissioner Bader, the below stated resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves change to the previously approved purchase order with JVR Electric for the Plant No. 4 nitrate and perchlorate electrical contracting portion of the project for a net decrease of the total contract amount of \$75,000.00.

Engineer Neri reported that contractor for the Plant No. 5 emerging contaminant project completed tie-backs for the storm trap evacuation system which is expected to be delivered next week. Engineer Neri reported that with delivery of the storm trap evacuation system, there will be frequent deliveries of pre-cast which will consist of large tractor trailers throughout the forthcoming week. Discussion took place and the Board requested Greg Gordon prepare the related communication to be delivered to residents, informing them of such. A construction progress meeting took place this morning and the next construction progress meeting is scheduled for February 24, 2026.

Engineer Neri reported that the general contractor has continued installation of the split face block at the Plant No. 7 AOP treatment enclosure. The duct hood assembly fabrication for the blower is expected to ship on Friday, February 20, 2026, as demolition of the existing blower has commenced. Engineer Neri also reported that he is in receipt of a series of change orders from the general and electrical contractors, all of which are being reviewed in detail prior to presentation to the Board. Discussion took place and the Board requested Engineer Neri continue to keep them informed. The next construction progress meeting is scheduled for February 19, 2026.

Engineer Neri reported that the contractor provided revised maintenance bonds for the Plant No. 5 flow meter replacement project and that H2M architects + engineers has submitted the final payment request to the District for project close-out.

Engineer Neri reported that he is in receipt of the analytical data provided by Wire to Water from the previously installed electrical monitoring device at Plant No. 7 as he continues to investigate the cause behind the recent electrical event whereby a series of ballast drivers were damaged. Discussion took place and the Board requested Engineer Neri continue to keep them informed.

Engineer Neri reported that H2M architects + engineers is in receipt of information provided by Kevin Gielarowski in order to commence preparation of the required annual Water Conservation Form.

Engineer Neri reported that drawings are being finalized for the proposed District-wide security upgrades. The proposed plan is being prepared for presentation to the Board on February 24, 2026.

Engineer Neri reminded the Board that the Risk Resiliency Assessment is due to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) June 2026 and the deadline to certify the Emergency Response Plan is December 2026. Discussion took place and the Board agreed to further consider.

Engineer Neri reported that H2M architects + engineers received comments from the Nassau County Department of Health on their review of the submitted plans and specifications for the Plant No. 3 Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) replacement project on January 27, 2026. Engineer Neri reported that H2M architects + engineers submitted the related response this morning. Engineer Neri also reported that he is in discussion with the GAC vessel vendor regarding a request for delayed delivery of the vessels due to the fact that bidding for installation cannot take place until receipt of approval from the Nassau County Department of Health and being it mid-February, construction installation of the vessels would not be complete prior to the District's need to utilize the Plant facility through the high pumpage season. Discussion took place and the Board requested Engineer Neri to continue to keep them informed.

#### **GREG GORDON'S REPORT – PUBLIC INFORMATION FIRM:**

Greg Gordon presented a press release related regional water main breaks occurring during prolonged cold weather. for the Board's review and approval. The Board provided comments and approved for publishing upon the revisions being made.

Greg Gordon reported that he is near completion of the proposal for reconfiguration of the District's website. Upon completion, he will submit to the District for review and consideration.

Greg Gordon reported that he reached out to both Philip Ross Industries and Bancker Construction Corp. to inquire if they had interest in once again participating in the District's touch-a-truck event. Both contractors stated they are pleased to participate upon receipt of a confirmed event date. Discussion took place and the Board agreed to host the event on Saturday, May 9, 2026.

Lola Rivera reported that the minutes section of the website has been updated as previously requested by Dina Scott.

Lola Rivera presented the Board with an invitation for the District to participate in the POB school district STEAM night scheduled on March 27, 2026 from 8:00am through 11:00am. After discussion, the Board identified scheduling conflicts based on prior commitments and respectfully declined.

**KEVIN GIELAROWSKI'S REPORT – ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT** (as presented by Dina Scott):

Dina Scott reported that District staff repaired water main breaks on Haypath Road, Morton Blvd., Vernon Street, Winters Court, Central Park Road, Rountree Lane and Donna Drive.

Dina Scott presented a quotation issued by Trojan Technologies Group and requested Board approval to purchase eleven (11) lamp drivers to replace the recently damaged drivers. Dina Scott reminded the Board that Trojan Technologies Group is the standardized distributor and maintenance provider of purchase Trojan UV Flex 100, low pressure high output ultraviolet light and hydrogen peroxide AOP systems pursuant to the standardization resolution on file. After discussion, the Board of Commissioners approved the p eleven (11) lamp drivers for a total cost of \$17,733.39.

**DINA M SCOTT'S REPORT – BUSINESS MANAGER:**

Vendor check nos. 58838 through 58860 dated February 11, 2026 in the amount of \$217,902.89 were previously reviewed, approved and signed by the Board.

Dina Scott requested Board approval and authorization to transfer funds to cover the following dental claim costs:

- Dental claims dated February 10, 2026 in the amount of \$2,275.93

Motion made by Commissioner Laykind, seconded by Commissioner Bader, the below stated resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the dental claims dated February 10, 2026 in the amount of \$2,275.93 and the Board authorized funds to be transferred into the District's dental benefit account.

Dina Scott presented a report of customer billing adjustments that were made in accordance with District Policy. After discussion, the report was ordered filed. Dina Scott presented a customer request for the Board's approval to grant a three (3) month payment plan for 54A Barnum Ave for reasons discussed. Upon discussion, the Board approved Dina Scott's request to grant a three (3) month payment plan to 54A Barnum Ave in accordance with District policy.

Dina Scott presented a summary of the top ten internal control deficiencies cited in the NYS Comptroller Reports for local governments. Discussion to took place and the Board agreed to further review.

Dina Scott presented an email correspondence from Nicole Morton of Salerno Brokerage Corp. as it relates to the annual workers compensation insurance policy renewal effective March 1, 2026. Dina Scott reported that the District is entering year two of its

previously elected three-year renewal term. The contribution amount for the period March 1, 2026 through February 28, 2027 is \$33,079.00, plus a \$2,021.00 NYS Assessment Fee, less a projected credit for dividend earnings of \$365.00. This represents a net annual renewal cost of \$34,735.00. The contribution amount represents a decrease in annual premium of \$1,916.00 from the prior year. After discussion, the Board approved the annual workers compensation insurance renewal.

Dina Scott reported that previously approved was a request to transfer \$81,855.46 from the capital projects cash account to the fund balance assignment for emerging contaminants cash account for the purpose of reallocating capital project interest earned back to the originating funding source. The related transfer and transfer request form were completed in error with the originating source incorrectly being the unappropriated/undesignated cash account. As a result, in order to make the necessary correction, Dina Scott requested Board approval to transfer \$81,855.46 from the capital projects cash account to the unappropriated/undesignated cash account.

Motion made by Commissioner Laykind, seconded by Commissioner Bader, the below stated resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the transfer of \$81,855.46 from the capital projects cash account to the unappropriated/undesignated cash account.

Dina Scott presented a transfer request form from the capital projects cash account to the fund balance assignment for emerging contaminants cash account in the amount of \$194,580.73. The requested transfer relates to the close out of the Plant No. 7 GAC enclosure project. In accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, any unexpended funds related to a capital project should be transferred back to the respective funding source upon the project's completion. Board approval was requested.

Motion made by Commissioner Laykind, seconded by Commissioner Bader, the below stated resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the transfer of \$194,580.73 from the capital projects cash account to the fund balance assignment for emerging contaminants cash account.

Dina Scott presented a transfer request form from the capital projects cash account to the unappropriated/undesignated cash account in the amount of \$10,000.00. The requested transfer relates to the close out of the Plant No. 5 flow meter replacement project. In accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, any unexpended funds related to a capital project should be transferred back to the respective funding source upon the project's completion. Board approval was requested.

Motion made by Commissioner Laykind, seconded by Commissioner Bader, the below stated resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the transfer of \$10,000.00 from the capital projects cash account to the unappropriated/undesignated cash account.

Dina Scott presented information pertaining to a webinar hosted by the EPA's Office of Water Emergency Response and Cybersecurity (OWERC), offering a threat briefing that will be held virtually on February 26, 2026 with topics specific to drinking water and wastewater security threats and preparedness. Dina Scott reported that she will be in virtual attendance and have requested Kevin Gielarowski and John Michta register as well.

Dina Scott presented correspondence received from the Director of Public Work & Prevailing Wage Enforcement of the Department of Labor as it relates to the continued requirement to obtain certified payroll reports from contractors based on the newly established regulations. The District was advised that once the contractor submits a certified payroll to the new online system, it satisfies the reporting requirement to the Department of Jurisdiction under Article 8. Discussion took place as to whether the District should continue to obtain the certified payroll reports. After discussion, Attorney Carman requested additional consideration prior to making a recommendation to the Board.

The NSWCA meeting was held on Monday, February 16, 2026 at Palmers in Farmingdale, NY at 6:00pm. The topic was LICAP. Commissioner Laykind, and Commissioner Bader were in attendance.

The following board meetings were scheduled for March 2026:

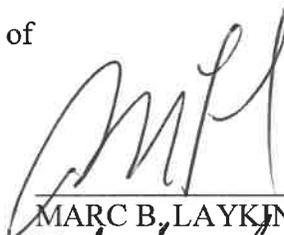
- March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30 pm
- March 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm
- March 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm - Additional Public Session at 7:00 pm
- March 31<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 pm

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned with a call to the Chair at 8:15 pm.

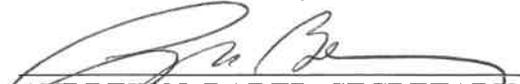
STATE OF NEW YORK            )  
COUNTY OF NASSAU            ) ss.:  
PLAINVIEW WATER DISTRICT)

We, the undersigned, Commissioners of the Plainview Water District, Town of Oyster Bay, Nassau County, New York, do hereby certify that the above-mentioned and contained is a true copy of the minutes of a meeting of the Board of Commissioners held in the District office on Tuesday, February 17, 2026.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed the seal of the Plainview Water District on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of March 2026.

  
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MARC B. LAYKIND, CHAIRMAN

  
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MICHAEL A. CHAD, TREASURER

  
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ANDREW N. BADER, SECRETARY