

A Regular Meeting of the Members of the Pompton Lakes Borough Municipal Utilities Authority was held at 2000 Lincoln Avenue, Pompton Lakes, New Jersey on March 16, 2026.

In accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was provided. Letters to North Jersey Herald News, Suburban Trends, and the Administrator of Pompton Lakes, dated February 25, 2026, gave notice that the Regular Meeting of the Authority would be held at 6:00pm on Monday March 16, 2026. The meeting was held at 2000 Lincoln Avenue, Pompton Lakes, New Jersey. A notice stipulating the time and date of this meeting was also posted in a public place, to wit: 2000 Lincoln Avenue, Pompton Lakes, New Jersey.

Roll Call was as follows:

PRESENT: Kevin Carroll
Neal Galletta
Lloyd Kent
Tim Troast
Erik DeLine
John Pietrowski (Superintendent)
Jeffrey M. Kassover (Attorney)
Scott Santers Council Liaison

UPON MOTION: duly made by Mr. Galletta and seconded by Mr. Kent, and upon roll call vote the minutes from the Reorganization Meeting and the Regular Meeting held on February 25, 2026, were accepted.

Mr. Kent noted that in the written minutes for February in the Water report it stated that the hydrant flushing program will run for 23 weeks. It should state it will run for 2 weeks. Mrs. Read will make the correction.

Vote:

Ayes	Carroll, Galletta, Kent, Troast, DeLine
Nays:	None
Absent:	None
Abstain:	None

Chairman Carroll noted that no one was present for the Public Portion of the meeting.

CHAIRMAN:

Chairman Carroll reported he has signed the letter to the Mayor and Council requesting a 2.8% increase for the Chairman and Commissioners.

UPON MOTION: duly made by Mr. Chairman Carroll and seconded by Mr. Troast, and upon a roll call vote to send the requested increase for all of the commissioners to the Mayor and Council was accepted.

Vote:

Ayes	Carroll, Galletta, Kent, Troast, DeLine
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

FINANCIAL OPERATIONS:

Mr. Galletta presented the following bills for approval:

Operating/Vouchers for March	\$319,538.06
Additional Expenses for February	\$4,868.73
Hospitalization for March	\$30,305.96
Operating Payroll/Gross February	\$93,252.18
Social Security for February	\$5,526.03
Meter Deposit Refund for February	<u>\$136.00</u>
TOTAL	\$453,626.96

CAPITAL:

H2M Associates Inc.	\$58,526.60
Suburban Consulting Engineers Inc.	<u>\$33,170.88</u>
TOTAL	\$91,697.48

UPON MOTION: duly made by Mr. Galletta and seconded by Mr. Troast, and upon roll call vote it was certified that the funds are available and budgeted to pay these expenses and was accepted.

Vote:

Ayes	Carroll, Galletta, Kent, Troast, DeLine
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

Mr. Galletta read a resolution for the record to adopt the Pompton Lakes Utilities Authority budget for the fiscal year, June 1, 2026, to May 31, 2027.

UPON MOTION: duly made by Mr. Troast and seconded by Mr. Kent, and upon roll call vote that the resolution to adopt the Budget was accepted.

Vote:

Ayes	Carroll, Galletta, Kent, Troast, DeLine
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

PERSONNEL:

Mr. Troast reported progress and requested a closed session to discuss personnel matters.

WATER OPERATIONS:

Mr. Kent submitted Mr. Pietrowski’s Water System Report and reported that the water tank rehabilitation is confirmed for May 2026 with USG. Mr. Kent also reported on water pumping. He would not be able to compare year to date since the numbers last year were inaccurate due to the totalizer not working last January and February.

UPON MOTION: duly made by Chairman Carroll and seconded by Mr. DeLine, and upon a roll call vote the Personnel and the Water Systems Reports were accepted.

Vote:

Ayes	Carroll, Galletta, Kent, Troast, DeLine
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

WASTEWATER OPERATIONS:

Mr. DeLine submitted Mr. Pietrowski’s Wastewater report and reported that the replacement RBC has been installed and is placed back into service and all units are operational. Mr. DeLine also reported that Grease and Oil sampling has been completed and waiting for test results. Mr. DeLine stated that sludge removal is down from last year.

UPON MOTION: duly made by Mr. Kent and seconded by Mr. Troast, and upon a roll call vote the Wastewater Report was accepted.

Vote:

Ayes	Carroll, Galletta, Kent, Troast, DeLine
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT:

Mr. Pietrowski reported that he is still waiting for a response from the NJDEP regarding permit and ACO (Administrative Consent Order) used to resolve environmental violations. Mr. Pietrowski stated that he provided the NJDEP with additional information requested. Mr. Pietrowski noted that he hired Patrick Glenn to replace Jack Hughes, who resigned. Patrick’s start date was March 16, 2026 with a 90-day probation period. Mr. Pietrowski also stated that mission control SCADA network is up and running at all wells and stations. Mr. Pietrowski also reported on water and sewer projects stating he has a meeting on February 26, 2026 with Robert Beinfeld to discuss bonding for the water pollution control plant various site upgrades. Mr. Pietrowski noted that he had a meeting in the morning with the Passaic County Affordable Senior Housing, and they are looking at a September occupancy, connecting to the water and sewer system in the next month or two.

UPON MOTION: duly made by Chairman Carroll and seconded by Mr. Galletta, and upon a roll call vote the Superintendents report was accepted.

Vote:

Ayes	Carroll, Galletta, Kent, Troast, DeLine
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Mr. Kassover reported on 60 Wanaque Avenue after a couple changes the finalized developer's agreement is ready to be signed so Mr. Kassover can record it with the County Clerk's office. Mr. Kassover stated that he had the 2026 professional appointments published and the affidavit for publication was sent to the Authority. Mr. Kassover read the bond resolution for the record referring to the Upgrade Water Pollution Control Plant. Once the resolution is approved and signed it will go onto the Authority's website under the legal notices page.

UPON MOTION: duly made by Chairman Carroll and seconded by Mr. DeLine, and upon roll call vote that the bond resolution for Upgrade Water Pollution Control Plant was accepted.

Vote:

Ayes	Carroll, Galletta, Kent, Troast, DeLine
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

UPON MOTION: duly made by Chairman Carroll and seconded by Mr. Troast, and upon a roll call vote the attorney report was accepted.

Vote:

Ayes	Carroll, Galletta, Kent, Troast, DeLine
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

COUNCIL LIAISON:

Mr. Santers reported that the Mayor has a meeting scheduled for Friday regarding the odor of the plant. Mr. Pietrowski stated the meeting had already occurred last Friday. Chairman Carroll stated that in the meeting they discussed if someone calls the police department regarding a smell, they should contact Mr. Pietrowski or if it is after hours they can call Elias Sweeney. Elias can go to the plant to try to figure out the cause. All complaints will be logged to try to determine how to address the issue. Mr. Santers stated that most of the fire hydrants have flags so there may not be many of them left to flag. Mr. Pietrowski stated there are less than one hundred left.

UPON MOTION: duly made by Chairman Carroll and seconded by Mr. Galletta, and upon a roll call vote the Council Liaison report was accepted.

Vote:

Ayes	Carroll, Galletta, Kent, Troast, DeLine
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

CORRESPONDENCE:

Chairman Carroll presented correspondence for discussion on item 1.

UPON MOTION: duly made by Mr. Troast and seconded by Mr. Galletta, and upon a roll call vote item 1 was accepted.

Vote:

Ayes	Carroll, Galletta, Kent, Troast, DeLine
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Galletta inquired if a homeowner is allowed to request a separate meter for their irrigation. Mr. Pietrowski said yes, but it will not save them any money because they will pay the minimum amount of \$30.00 twice instead of the usage just going through one meter with one charge. Mr. Kent also noted that a property located at 100 Broad Street is on 4 Acres and the town approached the homeowner to purchase the property, but the homeowner is not interested in selling. The homeowner is interested in adding some residential homes to the property. Mr. Kent stated this may be another project in the future. Mr. DeLine stated that property may be zoned as a single family residential.

UPON MOTION: duly made by Mr. Troast and seconded by Mr. Galletta, and upon roll call the members of the Pompton Lakes Municipal Utilities Authority entered Closed Session at 6:41pm.

Vote:

Ayes	Carroll, Galletta, Kent, Troast, DeLine
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

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CLOSED SESSION STATEMENT

Whereas Section 7 of the Open Public Meeting Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12) permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances and.

Whereas, on March 16, 2026, this body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

Now, therefore be it resolved by the commissioners of the Borough Municipal Utilities Authority, county of Passaic, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the public shall be excluded from discussion of action upon the hereinafter-specified subject matter.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:

To discuss personnel matters.

3. The commissioners shall release and disclose to the general public the action taken on this matter of the above-mentioned when the reason for discussing and acting on the matter in closed session no longer exists, but no later than one month of the commissioners arriving at a final decision of the specific subject matter.

Approved: _____

Kevin P. Carroll, Chairman

Attest: _____

Tim Troast, Secretary

UPON MOTION: duly made by Chairman Carroll and seconded by Mr. Kent, and upon roll call vote the members of the Pompton Lakes Municipal Utilities Authority entered back into Open Session at 7:18pm.

Vote:

Ayes	Carroll, Galletta, Kent, Troast, DeLine
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

UPON MOTION: duly made by Mr. Galletta and seconded by Mr. Kent, and upon roll call vote the Regular Meeting of the Pompton Lakes Municipal Utilities Authority was adjourned at 7:20pm.

Vote:

Ayes	Carroll, Galletta, Kent, Troast, DeLine
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

Prepared by: Mary Read

Respectfully submitted by

Tim Troast, Secretary