

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 May 18, 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 May 18, 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. Troast, and upon roll call vote the minutes from the regular meeting held on April 20, 2026, were accepted.

Vote:

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| 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 progress.

FINANCIAL OPERATIONS:

Mr. Galletta presented the following bills for approval:

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| Operating/Vouchers for May | \$ | 130,991.74 |
| Additional Expenses for April | \$ | 26,969.98 |
| Health Benefits May | \$ | 20,305.96 |
| Operating Payroll/Gross April | \$ | 112,834.28 |
| Social Security for April | \$ | 6,740.12 |
| Meter Deposit Refund for April | \$ | 0.00 |
| TOTAL | \$ | 297,842.08 |

CAPITAL:

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| Suburban Consulting Engineers Inc. | \$ | 21,526.25 |
| Design Plastic Systems, Inc. | \$ | 13,262.00 |
| Design Plastic Systems, Inc. | \$ | 494.60 |
| RIO Supply, Inc. | \$ | 25,548.00 |
| Pete's Concrete & Masonry | \$ | 4,000.00 |
| TOTAL | \$ | 64,830.85 |

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

Vote:

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

Mr. Galletta noted the MUA is coming almost to the end of the budget year, the minus of it is that we're actually over budget by 1.4% without any bills coming in, one of which we know is going to be a large bill for Montana for the repair on Ringwood Avenue. We are 3.9% higher than what we budgeted for our income so it most likely will cover a lot of it or all of it, but we'll see when the bill comes in and what's out there remaining. Mr. Pietrowski stated that the due date for the most recent billing cycle is this week so that will reflect on the revenue portion of the budget.

PERSONNEL:

Mr. Troast reported progress.

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

Vote:

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

WATER OPERATIONS:

Mr. Kent submitted Mr. Pietrowski's Water System Report and reported that the meter was installed at Joe grill's backfield, and the water was turned on. The DPW is evaluating the potential leaks they believe that's in the irrigation system. Mr. Kent stated on May 7th and 8th, isolation valves were installed on Ringwood Ave in front of 505 Ringwood Ave and 615 Ringwood Ave by Broad Street. The compromised water line is shut off and no longer leaking. Mr. Kent noted that the MUA is coordinating with Suburban Consulting and Montana Construction to plan the replacement of the damaged pipe. The Authority is also assisting PLRYO by working with Filco Industries, Inc. to help them find the leak at Carlough Field which is a newly found leak. Mr. Kent stated that he doesn't remember talking about that leak before. Mr. Pietrowski stated that they knew about it last year and don't believe it's inside the building, but in the line from the meter to the building which is why they're working with Filco Industries, Inc. to locate that leak. Mr. Kent also reported on water pumping and as far as cumulative goes they can't look at the months of January through February of last year because the numbers were incorrect due to the totalizer not working at the time. However, for the month of April 2026 pumping jumped 14.5% more than April of 2025.

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

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

WASTEWATER OPERATIONS:

Mr. DeLine submitted Mr. Pietrowski's Wastewater report and reported that on May 9th the Authority responded to sewer blockage on Center Street. Mr. DeLine inquired about what determined the blockage. Mr. Pietrowski stated that it was a lot of grit and not typically a trouble spot, but they will keep an eye on it. Mr. Pietrowski also stated that there was also a sewer blockage by Meridia which included a ton of grit which runs through that area and a lot of wood and rocks assumed to be from the construction site. Mr. Pietrowski stated that he had a conversation with the contractor warning that the Authority may end up billing them for the

blockage. Mr. Kent inquired about how anything gets into the manhole. Mr. Pietrowski stated that there was a manhole cover that was knocked off on the corner of the building for a day or two and it looked like half a pallet was chopped up and thrown into the manhole. Mr. DeLine also reported on Sludge totals last month, there was 110,500 lbs. of sludge removal, one of our lowest numbers since about April of 2023.

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

Vote:

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

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT:

Mr. Pietrowski reported that he received an email from the NJDEP representative on May 11, 2026, stating the Authority's request for an ACO (Administration Consent Order) has been put up to the case management and special services department. Mr. Pietrowski stated that they are continuing to make permit and the ammonia was the largest hurdle and has been resolved because of the replacement of the RBC so things are in really good shape. Mr. Pietrowski stated that the PACL tanks were delivered on May 1, 2026, and installed on May 6, 2026, with the first bulk delivery on May 7, 2026. Mr. Pietrowski noted that regarding the chemical budget, for this year and moving forward it's about 50% cheaper to purchase in bulk than it is in totes. Mr. Pietrowski stated they had a hoist inspected and there is a quote to replace some of them because they're no longer functional. Mr. Pietrowski noted he will get the quote over to Mr. Galletta (Finance Commissioner) so he could take a look at it as well. Chairman Carroll inquired about what the quote is going to be looking like. Mr. Pietrowski stated a quote came in around \$9,500 and the vast majority of that is \$7,000 to replace a couple of them at South station that are in bad shape and often unused but when needed they have to be safe. Mr. Pietrowski noted that Trojan installed new bulbs in the UV banks and we got about 13,000 hours on them before we saw breakthrough, which is great, normally you would expect about 10,000 hours, which is about a year and a half. Chairman Carroll inquired about the timeline on the ACO and Mr. Troast inquired if he knows the conditions of the ACO. Mr. Pietrowski stated he does not know what the timeline is, however, he had a meeting several months ago where they outlined the exact progress. They have a full catalog of all the MUA violations in the last 3-4 or 5 years and it will depend on what their expectation is and how many violations they want to enforce and at what levels and in the meantime, the MUA is and will continue to do everything to make permit. Once the ACL is formalized that'll give the MUA the time frame and how much fines will be. Mr. Kassover stated it would be appealable and the Authority would be able to pay off the fines over a period of years. Mr. Pietrowski also reported on the external projects, the wastewater treatment plant, North pumping station and, Well 3 have all received new documents recently with regard to the I-Bank. As for the treatment plant, Mr. Pietrowski met with architects to go over the rehabilitation of the lab floor and talk about the laboratory upgrade as well as the women's locker room and the men's locker room in the basement. Mr. Pietrowski inquired about whether anyone from the Smith property has reached out about moving forward with

redevelopment. Councilman Santers stated that nothing went through the planning board. There was some additional discussion regarding the Smith property possible redevelopment. Chairman Carroll inquired about last month's discussion regarding the analog meter and getting a price. Mr. Pietrowski stated that he did get pricing and they are very comparable in price to the radio meters. Chairman Carroll suggested the next order of meters to get some analog meter to test out.

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

Vote:

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

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Mr. Kassover reported that the developer's agreement for 60 Wanaque Ave and the easement agreement has been recorded in the County Clerk's office. Mr. Kassover sent copies to the developer, and the Authority will keep the originals.

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

Vote:

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

COUNCIL LIAISON:

Mr. Santers reported that Lakeside Ave is scheduled for paving sometime in the fall and will be from Lakeside School to Schuyler Ave. Mr. Santers also reported that there is a new ordinance on the prohibition of feeding the wildlife, updated especially for feeding the deer, so there is no feeding the deer, feral cats, or waterfowl. Mr. Kent inquired if it is only for residential. Mr. Santers stated it is residential and commercial and fines as of right now will be a verbal warning and then \$50.00 fine up to \$500.00. Mr. Santers noted that there's a lot of upcoming events this week. Thursday May 21st is the beginning of the summer stroll and Wanaque Avenue will be shut down to traffic and will be open to the public to walk. There will be food trucks, vendors, and restaurants bringing their tables and food out in the streets. The stroll will also take place in June and in July with streets closed at 4pm and reopened at 9:00pm. Mr. Santers stated that Sunday's Memorial Day parade starts at noon and May 23rd is the big band concert at the library starting at 6:00pm. Mr. Kent inquired if the parade starts at 12:00pm

with the ceremony beforehand. Mr. SanTERS stated the ceremony will start at 11:30am at the monument statue. There will be free hot dogs and beer down at the VFW. Chairman Carroll noted that the footbridge at Hershfield has been completed. Mr. SanTERS stated that it was completed this week and forgot to mention that there's going to be a tree ceremony for Carl Padula at the board of Ed on June 2nd at 7:00pm they will have a tree planted in memory of him.

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

Vote:

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

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Kent reported on the summer hours that were presented at the April meeting and all commissioners received an email from Mr. Pietrowski informing them all employees would like to skip their lunch during the week in order to leave at 1:30pm on Fridays during the summer months. The office staff will come in at 7:30am and work until 4:00pm and skip lunch. Mr. Kent stated that he does not agree with the men not getting a lunch. Mr. Troast agreed that he does not like anyone, including the office staff, not getting a lunch break. Mr. Troast noted this was not what he thought was going to happen working 8 ½ hours a day with no break is unacceptable. Mr. Pietrowski stated that the men get two 15-minute breaks every day and most of them eat during that time especially at the 10:00am break they will get a large breakfast that will hold them out through the day. Mr. Troast noted that the girls in the office do have a chance to work and eat at their desk, but the men do not have that opportunity. Chairman Carroll agreed with Mr. Troast and stated he is not okay with anyone skipping lunch. Mr. Pietrowski stated that in the past, working through lunches was how everyone would make up for putting in 40 hours a week. Mr. Kent stated that he assumed they would add 30 minutes to every day and not get rid of the lunch break. Mr. Pietrowski stated he will make an adjustment and talk to the employees about changing the working hours to 7:00am to 4:00pm for the guys with a ½ hour lunch break. The girls in the office will come in at 7:30am to 4:00pm with a working lunch. Mr. Galletta noted this was all figured out at the last meeting and left it up to Mr. Pietrowski and the employees to agree on how to make up the hours and the men will still have two 15-minute breaks to eat.

UPON MOTION: duly made by Mr. Troast and seconded by Mr. DeLine, and upon a roll call vote for summer operating hours 7am to 4pm Mon-Thurs and 7am to 1:30pm on Fridays with a ½ hour lunch break and office hours 7:30am to 4pm Mon-Thurs and 7:30am to 1:30pm on Fridays with a working lunch was accepted.

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

Chairman Carroll presented correspondence for discussion on item 1 through 2.

UPON MOTION: duly made by Mr. Troast and seconded by Mr. DeLine, and upon a roll call vote the item 1 through 2 was accepted.

Vote:

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

UPON MOTION: duly made by Mr. Galletta and seconded by Mr. DeLine, and upon roll call vote the Regular Meeting of the Pompton Lakes Municipal Utilities Authority was adjourned at 7:05pm.

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

Prepared by: Mary Read

Respectfully submitted by

Tim Troast, Secretary