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 July 20, 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, July 20, 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 regular meeting held on June 15, 2026, were accepted.

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.

<u>CHAIRMAN:</u>

Chairman Carroll reported that the Keefe Law Firm reached out to update the Authority about a new threat to the water system. The firm has previously represented the Authority in litigation from the contamination of PFAS. Chairman Carroll stated the firm would like to represent the Authority again regarding the threat of 1,4 dioxane and other emerging contaminants by executing an enclosed retainer agreement. Chairman Carroll reported he would like to move forward and authorize Mr. Kassover to sign the letter on the Authority's behalf.

UPON MOTION: duly made by Mr. Kent and seconded by Mr. Troast, and upon a roll call vote to authorize Mr. Kassover the Authority's attorney to sign the agreement for Keefe Law Firm for them to represent the Authority for 1,4 dioxane and other emerging contaminants 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 July	$	314,147.39
Additional Expenses for June	$	6,133.76
Health Benefits July	$	25,330.96
Operating Payroll/Gross June	$	92,307.93
Social Security for June	$	5,451.37
Meter Deposit Refund for June	$	135.00
TOTAL	$	435,470.18

CAPITAL:

Suburban Consulting Engineers Inc.	$	13,552.50
RIO Supply, Inc.	$	3.117.00
H2M Associates, Inc.	$	9,762.66
TOTAL	$	26,432.16

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. Troast inquired about Mary Read, Jermaine Scott and John Pietrowski, and why they are receiving checks. Mr. Galletta explained that Jermaine Scott is being reimbursed for uniforms and Mary Read and John Pietrowski are being reimbursed for office supplies or other miscellaneous MUA needs. Mr. Galletta stated the Authority is forbidden to have a credit card for miscellaneous use.

PERSONNEL:

Mr. Troast reported progress.

WATER OPERATIONS:

Mr. Kent submitted Mr. Pietrowski's Water System Report and reported that the rehab of the 50-thousand-gallon tank was completed, and the tank was brought back online on June 15, 2026. Mr. Kent stated that on July 1, 2026 there was an overnight shutdown of water to install two new water valves at the water tanks. New piping ran to the large storage tank, and all pipework on the site was completed on July 14, 2026. Mr. Kent noted that the 1-million-gallon storage tank rehab is expected to be completed by the end of August. Mr. Kent also noted as far as water pumping goes for the month of June 2026, this year was up 11% over June of last year but down 9% versus 2024 and similar to May 2023. There was some discussion regarding the new Crystal-Clear newsletter that was given to all the commissioners, the newsletter is meant for new residents.

UPON MOTION: duly made by Chairman Carroll and seconded by Mr. Galletta, and upon a roll call vote the Water Report was 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 Tam Enterprises has been contracted to clean out all stations, including South Station. All stations should be cleaned out by mid-August. Mr. DeLine noted that Rapid Pump will complete rehab of Albany Avenue pump station the Authority also received pricing to install a safety hatch at South Pump Station, the quote being $7,100. Mr. DeLine also noted that sludge totals were just under 135,000 gallons, which is about 22,000 over last year and the highest since June of 2021.

UPON MOTION: duly made by Mr. Galletta and seconded by Mr. Kent, 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. Sweeney reported that the Hoists repairs are almost complete with Moye handling. South Station is the last to be updated. Mr. Sweeney stated that they will need to add a beam to put the hoists on a trolley to make it safer than it is currently. Mr. Sweeney noted that 400 tons of fill was removed from the treatment plant from previous jobs. Mr. Troast inquired about the fill being stored in a flood zone. Mr. Sweeney stated that they store the fill just above the floodplain. Mr. Sweeney also stated that the soil has been tested before it is taken and everything came back clean. Mr. Sweeney noted that Kendal Machinery is designing a replacement metal plate for the distribution box to divert the water to the E tanks. Mr. Sweeney also reported on the project status report that Well #3. H2M is resubmitting drawings for approval they need for upgrading the piping in the design. Mr. Sweeney noted that H2M has given the Authority an updated timeline regarding North Sewerage Pumping Station Upgrade Project that includes going out to bid in September 2026, closing in mid-October, and a contract awarded in early November. Construction will begin shortly thereafter and they anticipate a timeline of a year start to finish. There was some additional discussion regarding the pump station and Meridia occupancy timeline. Mr. Sweeney also reported that on July 14, 2026 there was a site walkthrough for Meridia with the contractor. The owner is expected to file for temporary C.O.'s for the top two floors within the next few weeks. The water and sewer lines are connected; meters are installed and fire flow tests completed. Mr. Sweeney also stated that Meridia is considering purchasing 60 Wanaque Ave property for development. A flow test will be conducted on Wednesday 7/22/26.

UPON MOTION: duly made by Chairman Carroll and seconded by Mr. DeLine, 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 that for the Meridia project their developer's agreement does not distinguish between temporary C.O.'s, just stating the first certificate of occupancy will start the connection fees billing. Mr. Kassover noted he would like to notify Sal to advise when the first C.O. is issued. Mr. Galletta stated that the temporary C.O. should not enforce the first installment of Meridia's connection fees, it should be the actual C.O. Mr. Kent suggested that if they pay the fee then that's ok, but not to enforce payment. Mr. Kassover stated that he will at least try to get the ball rolling and send a letter to Sal and the developer. Mr. Kassover also noted that the senior housings connection fees will be a lump sum payment not installments.

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

Vote:

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

COUNCIL LIAISON:

Mr. Santers inquired if there will be any more water shutdowns with the million-gallon water tank rehabilitation. Mr. Troast stated that the correct authorities were contacted well in advance to complete a reverse 911 call to advise the residents of a temporary water shutdown. The reverse 911 failed to work at the last minute and no one was notified, causing some residents to be very upset. Mr. Sweeney stated that there will not be another water shut down.

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

Vote:

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

UPON MOTION: duly made by Mr. Troast and seconded by Mr. Kent, and upon a roll call vote, the item 1 through 3 was accepted.

Vote:

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

UPON MOTION: duly made by Mr. Galletta and seconded by Chairman Carroll, and upon roll call vote the Regular Meeting of the Pompton Lakes Municipal Utilities Authority was adjourned at 6:35pm.

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

Prepared by: Mary Read

Respectfully submitted by

Tim Troast, Secretary