

**PVWC REG. PUBLIC MTG. MINUTES**

**PUBLIC MEETING OF NOVEMBER 25, 2025**

**1. THE PUBLIC MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 10:0 A.M. BY PRESIDENT RIGO SANCHEZ. ON CALL OF ROLL, THE FOLLOWING COMMISSIONERS RESPONDED: GERALD FRIEND, DEB RIZZI, RUBY COTTON, JEFF LEVINE CARMEN DEPADUA AND RON VAN RENSALIER. A QUORUM WAS ESTABLISHED.**

**ATTENDING FROM THE COMMISSION'S EXECUTIVE STAFF WERE JAMES MUELLER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, YAACOV BRISMAN, GEN'L COUNSEL, COMPTROLLER, YITZ WEISS-ABSENT, SYDEL COHEN, PERSONNEL DIRECTOR AND LOUIS AMODIO ADMIN. SEC'Y TO PASSAIC VALLEY WATER COMMISSION.**

**ADMIN. SEC'Y. LOUIS AMODIO CERTIFIED TO THE CHAIR THAT ALL THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 ET SEQ. WERE MET.**

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE.**

**3. REPORT: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, JAMES MUELLER- UPDATED THE COMMISSIONERS ON VARIOUS PROJECTS.**

**4. COMPTROLLER'S REPORT: 2024 AUDIT RESOLUTION  
MOTION BY COMMISSIONER RUBY N. COTTON  
SECOND BY COMMISSIONER CARMEN DEPADUA  
(ALL COMM PRESENT RESPONDED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE).**

**5. RESOLUTION ENTERING EXECUTIVE SESSION: MOTION BY COMM. CARMEN DEPADUA SECOND BY COMM. RUBY N. COTTON (ALL COMM PRESENT RESPONDED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE). TIME 11:06 AM**

**6. PRESIDENT RIGO SANCHEZ RECONVENED THE PUBLIC MEETING THE FOLLOWING COMMISSIONERS RESPONDED: RUBY N. COTTON, DEB RIZZI, JERRY FRIEND, JEFF LEVINE, CARMEN DEPADUA AND RON VAN RENSALIER A QUORUM WAS ESTABLISHED. TIME 11:30 A.M.**

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**7. MINUTES-COMM. CARMEN DEPADUA MOVED THE APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM JULY 23, 2025, AND SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 22, 2025. IN CAMERA AND REGULAR MEETING, SECONDED BY COMM DEB RIZZI (ALL COMM PRESENT RESPONDED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE)**

**RESOLUTIONS:**

8. COMM. RUBY N. COTTON MOVED THE APPROVAL OF THE BELOW  
RESOLUTIONS SECONDED BY COMM. RON VAN RENSALIER (ALL COMM  
PRESENT RESPONDED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE)

- a) Resolution No. 25-161  
Resolution to Renew Contract 23-B-14 Entitled “Removal and Disposal of Process Residuals”
- b) Resolution No. 25-162  
Resolution to Award Contract 25-B-10 Entitled “Water Main Replacement and Distribution Projects – Clifton and Passaic”
- c) Resolution No 25-163  
Resolution to Award Contract 25-B-11 Entitled “Water Main Replacement and Distribution Projects – Paterson and Prospect Park”
- d) Resolution No. 25-164  
Resolution Awarding Project 25-PE-21 Entitled “Construction Management Services for Various Plant and Distribution Projects” Resolution No. 25-167  
Resolution Approving Change Order No. 1 for Project No. 25-B-02 Entitled “Emergency Water Main Repairs and Appurtenance Replacement”
- e) Resolution No. 25-168  
Resolution Approving Change Order No. 1 for Contract No. 24-B-02 Entitled “New Roofs and Miscellaneous Repairs for Various Buildings at PVWC LFWTP, 800 Union Boulevard, Borough of Totowa, New Jersey”
- f) Resolution No. 25-169  
Resolution Approving Change Order No. 1 for Contract No. 24-B-03 entitled “Testing Services for Perfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS)”
- g) Resolution No. 25-170  
Resolution Permitting PVWC to Solicit Proposals for Insurance Broker for Risk Management Matters Utilizing Competitive Contracting
- h) Resolution No. 25-171  
Resolution Approving Change Order No. 1 for Project No. 25-PE-04 Entitled “Professional Services for Implementing a Water Main Replacement Program for the Paterson and Prospect Park Systems”
- i) Resolution No. 25-172  
Resolution Approving Change Order No. 1 to our Three-Year Agreement with Netradyne, Inc.
- j) Resolution No. 25-173  
Resolution Permitting PVWC to Solicit Proposals for Public Outreach Utilizing Competitive Contracting
- k) Resolution No. 25-174  
Resolution Authorizing a Shared Services Agreement with Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission (PVSC) for Receiving and Disposing of PVWC’s Liquid Residuals
- l) Resolution No. 25-175  
Resolution Authorizing Withdrawal/Termination of Membership in New Jersey Sustainable Energy Joint Meeting (NJSEM)

COMM. RON VAN RENSALIER MOVED THE APPROVAL OF THE BELOW RESOLUTIONS SECONDED BY COMM. RUBY N. COTTON (ALL COMM PRESENT RESPONDED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE, COMMISSIONER JERRY FRIEND ABSTAIN)

m) Resolution No. 25-165

Resolution Authorizing the Procurement of Dell Computers and Laptops Utilizing the NJ State Contract

n) Resolution No. 25-166

Resolution Authorizing the Procurement of a One (1) Ford Ranger 4X4 Super Crew Utilizing the Bergen County Cooperative Contract BC-Bid 24-43

REQUEST FOR ACTION:

9. COMM. JEFF LEVINE MOVED THE APPROVAL OF THE BELOW RESOLUTIONS SECONDED BY COMM. CARMEN DEPADUA (ALL COMM PRESENT RESPONDED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE)

- a) Request Permission to Advertise Contract 26-B-02 Entitled Testing Services for Perfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS)
- b) Request Permission to Advertise Contract 26-B-07 entitled PVWC Little Falls Water Treatment Plant Chemical Fill Station Improvements
- c) Request Permission to Advertise Contract 26-B-04 Entitled "Transmission Main Replacement at Great Falls, Paterson"
- d) Request Permission to Solicit Proposals under the Fair and Open Process for Project No.26-PE-04 entitled "Construction Administration and Management Services for Overseeing the Transmission Main Replacement at Great Falls" – Projected Cost \$1,500,000.
- e) Request Permission to Advertise Contract 26-B-05 Entitled "Meter Replacement Program, Phase 2A: Retail Customers-Paterson"
- f) Request Permission to Advertise Contract 26-B-06 Entitled "Meter Replacement Program, Phase 2A: Retail Customers-Clifton"
- g) Request Permission to Solicit Proposals under the Non-Fair and Open Process for Project No. 26-PA-06 for "Security and Emergency Management Program Development" Not to Exceed \$175,000.00 – 1 year
- h) Request Permission to Solicit Proposals under the Fair and Open Process for Project No.26-PE-03 entitled "Professional Engineering Services for Rehabilitation of Water Treatment Processes at the LFWTP" Not to Exceed \$750,000 – 1 year
- i) Request Permission to Solicit Proposals under the Non-Fair and Open Process for Project No. 26-PE-05 entitled "Performing Inspection Services for 2-Year Filter Valve Replacement Contract & Actiflo Improvements at the LFWTP" Not to Exceed \$800,000 – 2 Years
- j) Request Permission to Solicit Proposals under the Fair and Open Process for Project No. 26-PT-04 entitled "Professional Services for Development of a Staffing Plan for the Laboratory" Not to Exceed \$275,000 – 1 Year

**NEW BUSINESS:**

10. Summary of Disbursements & Payrolls thru SEPTEMBER 25, 2025, in the Amount of \$15,493,591.15 Certified by Treasurer DePadua and Comptroller Weiss.  
COMM. RON VANRENSALIER MOVED, SECOND BY COMM.  
DEB RIZZI ADOPTED, ON THE ROLL; AYES: 7  
COMMISSIONER CARMEN DEPADUA ABSTAIN (ck 256732)

11. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER RON VAN RENSALIER  
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CARMEN DEPADUA

**A. PERSONNEL:**

1. **Brianna Martinez to a provisional Laboratory Technician Water Analysis (CSC list)**  
**Laboratory Dept.**  
Current Position: Water Sample Collector  
Current Salary: \$71,150  
Current Range: \$45,000-\$76,520  
**Proposed Title: Laboratory Technician Water Analysis**  
**Title Salary: \$73,097**  
**Title Range: \$38,0000 - \$80,889**
2. **Michael Nigro promotion to *provisional* Supervising Water Treatment Plant Repairer**  
**Maintenance Dept.**  
Current Position: Sr. Maintenance Repairer Welder  
Current Salary: \$101,319  
Current Range: \$54,995-\$106,068  
**Proposed Title: Supervising Water Treatment Plant Repairer**  
**Title Salary: \$104,828**  
**Title Range: \$50,000 - \$118,865**
3. **Katharine McNaught promotion to *provisional* Sr. Laboratory Tech Water Analysis**  
**Laboratory Dept.**  
Current Position: Laboratory Tech Water Analysis  
Current Salary: \$74,496  
Current Range: \$38,000-\$80,889  
**Proposed Title: Sr. Laboratory Tech Water Analysis**  
**Title Salary: \$ 76,766**  
**Title Range: \$60,000-\$85,843**
4. **Evan Cruz promotion to *provisional* Sr. Laboratory Tech Water Analysis**  
**Laboratory Dept.**  
Current Position: Laboratory Tech Water Analysis  
Current Salary: \$74,496  
Current Range: \$38,000-\$80,889  
**Proposed Title: Sr. Laboratory Tech Water Analysis**  
**Title Salary: \$ 76,766**  
**Title Range: \$60,000-\$85,843**

**New Hire:**

5. **Mariana Rodriguez Caballero, as a *provisional* Accountant (CSC list)**  
Finance Dept.  
Proposed Salary: \$80,000  
Title Range: \$70,000-\$98,077
6. **Gesi Lleshi, as a *provisional* Water Sample Collector**  
Laboratory Dept.  
Proposed Salary: \$45,000  
Title Range: \$45,000-\$76,520
7. **Markill Mars, as a *provisional* Water Treatment Plant Operator**  
Purification Dept.  
Proposed Salary: \$65,000  
Title Range: \$55,000-\$83,247.60

**Title Change:**

8. **Ruth Crissien to Account Clerk**  
Finance Dept.  
Current Accountant  
Current Salary: \$93,946  
Title Range: \$70,000-\$98,077  
**Proposed Title: Account Clerk**  
**Title Salary: \$89,548**  
**Title Range: \$50,000-\$89,548.73**
9. **Rony Francisco to Analyst Trainee**  
Engineering Dept.  
Current Position: Assistant Engineer  
Current Salary: \$77,658  
Title Range: \$65,000-\$90,342  
**Proposed Title: Analyst Trainee**  
**Title Salary: \$67,112**  
**Title Range: \$60,000-\$67,112**

**RESOLUTION: APPROVING 2026 MEDICAL INSURANCE INCREASE**

**11. GOOD AND WELFARE**

A moment of silence for Lee-Roy Jones who passed on October 29, 2025.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

MEETING ADJOURNED, TIME: 11:37 AM

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2025, AT 10:00 AM  
/TBL  
12/9/25

