

**WESTCHESTER JOINT WATER WORKS**  
**Rye Lake Filtration Plant Public Hearing**  
**Wednesday, May 25, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.**

**Present:**

- Trustees: Thomas Murphy (in-person) and Jaine Elkind Eney (in-person)
- Lori Lee Dickson, General Counsel (in-person)
- Paul Kutzy, Manager (in-person)
- David Birdsall, Business Director (in-person)
- Frank Arcara, General Superintendent (in-person)
- Jacqueline Briggs, Assistant Civil Engineer (in-person)
- Zach Wasp, Assistant Civil Engineer (in-person)

Trustee Dionisio made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 10, 2022 Board meeting. Trustee Murphy seconded the motion, all in favor:

Trustee Murphy	“aye”
Trustee Dionisio	“aye”
Trustee Elkind Eney	Not Present

**Financial Reports and Approvals**

David Birdsall, Business Director, reviewed bank balances and presented claims to the Board highlighting significant items, among them: March Water Purchases from NYC (NYC Water Board), NYSHIP Health Insurance Premiums for the months of May and June (State of New York), Payroll Costs (Two Weekly Pay Periods), AMI Meter Reading System Setup and Implementation Costs, Purchase Booster Station Upgrade Electrical Work (D&M and Lanza), SCADA & Operational Engineering Services (Woodard & Curran) and April Electrical Usage (NY Power Authority).

Approval of Claims: Trustee Dionisio made a motion to approve 101 claims totaling \$1,211,571. Trustee Murphy seconded the motion, all in favor:

Trustee Murphy	“aye”
Trustee Dionisio	“aye”
Trustee Elkind Eney	Not Present

**General Administration:**

- NYC Upstate Water Rate Increases (Effective July 1, 2022): David Birdsall, Business Director, participated in a public hearing hosted by the New York City Water Board and reported that the proposed basic water rate increase for Upstate wholesale customers is 1.4% and the proposed increase in the per capita excess rate is 4.9% (This is the rate charged for water used in excess of what the average NYC resident uses).

- WJWW Audit/Financial Review: David Birdsall, Business Director, said that the auditors are scheduled to attend the first trustee's meeting in June to talk about financial statements and the audit and shared that he will circulate information to the Board related to potential budget revisions for the current year.

### **Old Business**

- Rye Lake Filtration Plant:
  - SEQR Update: Lori Lee Dickson, General Counsel, explained that a public hearing to receive comments on the DEIS will be held tomorrow at 5:00 p.m. in the courtroom at the Town Center in Mamaroneck at 740 West Boston Post Road. This hearing is mandated by SEQRA regulations and is for collecting comments and questions from the public and not intended to be a back and forth, question/answer session. General Counsel, reminded everyone that written comments continue to be accepted through the filtration plant microsite at [www.wjwwfiltration.org](http://www.wjwwfiltration.org) or through the U.S. mail at 1625 Mamaroneck Ave, Mamaroneck, NY, through June 6, 2022. All comments received will be addressed in a draft Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS). Chairperson Murphy will be presiding over the hearing and will be joined by a team of WJWW consultants who will present an overall project introduction ahead of the public comment portion of the meeting. Sign-in sheets will be presented to the public in order to ensure that everyone who wishes to share a comment, can, and to ensure that their name/comment is properly included in a hearing transcript.
- Project, System Maintenance and Operational Updates: Frank Arcara, General Superintendent, provided the following updates:
  - WJWW crews performed 4 service line repairs and one 8" water main repair. ELQ crews performed a 6" valve replacement and one service line repair. The Service Department responded to 132 service calls and the Operations Department took approximately 80 samples - all came back within normal ranges.

### **Manager's Report**

No Manager's Report needed at this time.

### **New Business**

No New Business to discuss at this time.

### **Executive Session**

No Executive Session needed at this time.

### **Date of Next Meeting**

The next Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 14, 2022, at 4:45 p.m.

With no further business to discuss, Trustee Dionisio made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Murphy seconded the motion:

Trustee Murphy	“aye”
Trustee Dionisio	“aye”
Trustee Elkind Eney	Not Present

The meeting adjourned at 4:59 p.m.