

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
WATER AUTHORITY OF NORTH SHORE
HELD ON May 28, 2025 at 7:00 PM
at Roslyn Harbor Village Court
500 Motts Cove Rd S., Roslyn Harbor, NY**
Final/Public Version

PRESENT:

John Vasilakis, Director
George Pombar, Director
Sandeep Kapoor, M.D., MS _HPPL, Director
James Greenberg, Esq. Director

Appointed by:

Village of Old Brookville
Town of Oyster Bay (Hamlet of Glen Head)
Village of Roslyn Harbor
City of Glen Cove

ABSENT:

James W. Versocki, Esq., Director
Richard Arena, Director

Village of Sea Cliff Board Director
Town of Oyster Bay (Glenwood Landing)

ALSO PRESENT:

Joseph S. Lopes, Secretary
Tony Croce, CPA/Treasurer
Agatha Nadel

Representing:

WANS Board of Directors
WANS Board of Directors
Glen Head

Director Pombar, as acting Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Four of six Directors were present, constituting a quorum, with Director Arena attending only the Executive Session. All Directors and attendees present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance. A roll call identified all who are present, with four Directors constituting a quorum.

(We are again video recording the meeting, using the Zoom conferencing app that has been set up. We will need this capability to meet the new requirements established by the state (ABO) and which become effective in June.)

On the motion of Director Greenberg, seconded by Director Vasilakis, by **Resolution #25-05-01**, the **Minutes of the April 28, 2025 Public Meeting**, distributed earlier, were unanimously approved (4-0). (A copy of the public meeting minutes will be posted on the Authority website and are on file.)

Finance Committee

- Director Vasilakis submitted a list of invoices totaling \$2,402.04 previously circulated to the full Board of Directors for approval and comment, to be paid by Director Vasilakis from the Operating account. Director Vasilakis motion to approve payments by **Resolution #25-05-02**, Director Kapoor 2nd, unanimously (4-0) approved.
- CPA Croce Accountant/Treasurer's report:
 - Total assets of \$1,788,482

- For the period January 1 through April 30, income of \$19,436, expenses of \$10,554, net income of \$8,981.
- One page summary was previously distributed via email to all Board members
- ABO Filing Status:
 - CPA Croce had distributed a number of questions that ABO required answered, which was to be addressed at this meeting during an Executive Session.

Personnel Committee

New Auditor Rehn & Maresco was signed up last month.

Negotiations Committee

WANS Board sent a letter proposal March 4, 2025. We received a reply on May 13, 2025 that Liberty is planning a response as to whether they will be providing their version of an Appraisal. We expect a response by June 13 (60 days). If no response by then, we will have Director Greenberg have our attorney follow up with Liberty.

Governance Committee

Open Meeting Guidance from ABO, effective June. We will be in compliance by the cited deadline.

- There are about 8 different points, which are meeting.

Voting and invoices

- Procedures have been drafted and distributed by Director Vasilakis, which modifies the current process. This will be discussed in the Executive Session

Membership in Long Island Water Conference

- Discussed with Bob McAvoy, who indicated we could attend a meeting to consider joining
- Director Pombar will distribute a meeting date for whoever wishes to attend the next LIWC meeting
- If WANS joins, we would join at one of the lower-cost options.

Professional Services Update – Nothing to report.

Public Comment

Agatha Nadel:

- With regard to negotiations, we would expect Liberty to drag their feet. Given the (small) size of our assets, are they being nit-picky about responses? As opposed to Lynbrook, given their (large) size and scope of the issue.
 - Pombar: Liberty is following the timetable established by the PSC. That timetable has wide ranges (60, 90 days, etc.) and many of the actions overlap, Liberty is not nit-picking. We are in wait-and-see mode for the next few months.

- Do you see them pushing limits and causing problems that could cause WANS to go to the PSC
 - Pombar: It is premature to speculate on that right now. We are bouncing everything off our attorney (Limmer), who is on top of it. Realistically, we are within the timetable (Step 4, going into Step 5)
- Since Attorney Limmer has been down this path before, and was gangbusters, we can hope he will be aggressive.
 - Greenberg: June 13 will be a key date to see how Liberty will respond.

Adjourn/Next Meeting

The **Meetings of the Board** are planned to be held on the last Monday of each month, with the next date Monday June 30, 2025. Director Vasilakis will check on availability for an Old Brookville meeting and let everyone know.

The Library is planned for a July opening (possible future meeting venue) but may not be ready by then.

At 7:15 p.m., on the motion of Director Pombar, seconded by Director Vasilakis, approved unanimously (4-0) by **Resolution #25-05-03**, the meeting was adjourned.

During Post-Meeting Executive Session, motion of Director Vasilakis, seconded by Director Pombar, approved unanimously (4-0) by **Resolution #25-05-04**, to authorize issuance of a WANS credit card for payment of approved invoices, as required.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph S. Lopes, Administrative Secretary

Executive Session

6:15 p.m. Pre-Meeting Executive Session

WANS Board (in person):

Directors Present: Pombar, Kapoor, Arena, Greenberg, Vasilakis
 Attorney Limmer
 Staff: Joseph Lopes and Tony Croce

Topics for Board Review: Timeline and Legal Matters concerning negotiations

No resolutions were passed. Executive Session adjourned 6:55 pm

7:20 pm Post-Meeting Executive Session

WANS Board (in person):

Directors Present: Pombar, Kapoor, Greenberg, Vasilakis
 Staff: Joseph Lopes and Tony Croce

Topics for Board Meeting: New Finance procedures for approval of invoices
Alternative web site and email systems

Motion of Director Vasilakis, seconded by Director Pombar, approved unanimously (4-0) by **Resolution #25-05-04**, to authorize issuance of a WANS credit card for payment of approved invoices, as required.

Executive Session adjourned 8:06 pm