

ALBANY WATER BOARD

10 North Enterprise Drive
Albany, New York 12204
(518) 434-5300

Charles G. Houghton III, Chair
Rachel M. Johnson, Vice Chair
C. Anthony Owens, Treasurer
Michael V. Franchini, Member

Notice of Annual Meeting of the Albany Water Board

Friday – January 23, 2026 @ 9:00am

(or immediately following the conclusion of the Finance Committee Meeting)

(Note: The Annual Meeting will serve as the Regular Meeting for the month of January)

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll call
 - A. Acknowledgement with gratitude of James R. Frezzell's service on the Board given his resignation on December 30, 2025.
 - B. Welcome appointment of new member, Michael V. Franchini, Former Commissioner of Water.
3. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting on December 19, 2025 (if no objection, reading of minutes dispensed)
4. Public Comment Period
5. Staff Reports
 - A. Operations and Safety – Justin Schievelbein, Operations Manager
 - B. Engineering and Capital Projects – Rebecca Caldon, P.E., Supervising Engineer
6. Advisor Reports
 - A. Rate Advisor – William Kahn, UHY Advisors
7. Committee and Other Reports:
 - A. Governance Report – Rachel M. Johnson, Vice-Chair
 - B. Finance Report – C. Anthony Owens, Treasurer
 - C. Commissioner's Report – William D. Simcoe, P.E., Acting Commissioner

- Hackett SEQRA Amendment
- Department of Transportation “Mini-Forest” Notice of Project
- Budget Performance Report
- Bethlehem Purchase Agreement
- Status of on-going construction projects
 - Lead water service replacement program update
 - Learning Garden at Lincoln Park
 - Fluoridation
- Grants and Financing
 - Closings for 20-00 & 21-00 and Subsequent Financings
 - Awards: DEC WQIP for Basic Creek Reservoir Dam & Rensselaer Lake Dam

C. Counsel’s Report – Laura Gulfo, Attorney at Law, MCL&C, PLLC

- First Prize Development Partners LLC Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Status
- Master Service Agreements (MSAs) Awards and Extensions
- Easements Status
 - Rise Midtown Apartment with 563 New Scotland
 - National Grid Mill Road
 - National Grid Eastern Gas
 - UAlbany Sandidge Way
 - 165 Orange Street

D. Communications Report – Steve Mercier, Project Manager – Communications

8. New Business

9. Resolutions:

- Resolution 26-01 – Election of Officers and Committee Assignments for 2026
- Resolution 26-02 – Adopting Amendments to Senior Discount Policy
- Resolution 26-03 – Adopting Amendments to the 2026 Budget Summary and Transfer Document
- Resolution 26-04 – Authorizing Designated Representatives to the Albany County Stormwater Coalition
- Resolution 26-05 – Adopting Negative Declaration under State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) Concerning the Academy Road Constructed Wetlands Project
- Resolution 26-06 – Awarding Lead Service Line Replacement - Winter 2026 Contracts to New Castle – \$2,236,080.00
- Resolution 26-07 – Approving Change LM-G-05 to Feura Bush WFP – Lime and Maintenance Building – General with AMZ Construction Services, Inc. to Increase the Contract Amount by \$20,761.81

10. Announce next Regular meeting date: Friday, February 27, 2026 at 9:00am. Please note there will be a meeting of the Governance Committee at 8:30am.

11. Adjournment

¹ Only if necessary (and approved by a majority vote of the Board) to discuss:

- a. matters which will imperil the public safety, if disclosed;
- b. any matter which may disclose the identity of a law enforcement officer, or informer;
- c. information relating to current or future investigation or prosecution of a criminal offense which could imperil effective law enforcement, if disclosed;
- d. discussions regarding proposed, pending or current litigation;
- e. collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law;
- f. the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation;
- g. the preparation, grading or administration of examinations; and
- h. the proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property or the proposed acquisition of securities, or sale or exchange of public securities held by such public body, but only when publicly disclosed would substantially affect the value thereof