

**BLRWPCA MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 2026, AT 7 PM**

The BLRWPCA Board held its Meeting on Wednesday, April 29, 2026, starting at 7 P.M., with Robert Morra presiding, and in attendance were Jim Rupert, Jessica Webb, Richard Hayes, and Cheryl Udin. And for the Town of Vernon, in attendance were Dan Champagne and Maureen Jones.

Not Present: John Kleinhans

1. Call to Order.

Robert Morra called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

2. Public Comment.

None.

3. Approval of Minutes:

a. March 25, 2026- Public Hearing and Special Meeting Minutes.

Motion: Dan Champagne made a motion to approve the March 25, 2026, minutes, and Richard Hayes seconded the motion, with a correction to Maureen Jones' first name, which was misspelled on the first page of the minutes. Also, add the address for Mr. Price when he spoke.

Motion passed unanimously. 5–0.

4. Consider and Act on the FY27 budget as discussed in the public hearing.

Jim Rupert reviewed the proposed budget and explained that prior-year anomalies had increased estimates. After reviewing historical data with the interim finance director and Suellen, staff believed the proposed budget of approximately \$196,000 would adequately meet operational needs for the upcoming year.

Motion: Richard Hayes made a motion to approve the FY2027 budget of \$196,000 as presented, seconded by Dan Champagne.

Motion passed unanimously, 5–0.

5. Pending Business:

a. Discussion on the increase of sewage fees from Manchester.

Robert Morra and Dan Champagne reported on a recent meeting held with representatives from the Town of Manchester, including Shannon Miles, Director of Water and Sewer.

During the meeting, Manchester representatives reported discovering rocks and blue rags in the sewer system. It was explained that such debris could not have passed through Bolton's grinder pump system and likely entered through a gravity-fed section. The Town of Manchester agreed to immediately notify the Authority if similar debris is found again.

Additional discussion included:

- Monitoring of the Hillside Lane manholes.
- Use of remote electronic monitoring for flow data.
- Manchester's interest in reviewing Bolton's service area maps.
- The Authority's explanation of the uniqueness of its system and operations.

Jim Rupert stated that Manchester will be provided with remote access to Bolton's meter readings, and Bolton will continue monitoring its system 24/7. Additionally, Joe Dillon (Town Engineer) possesses the best electronic service maps for transmission to Manchester.

b. Discuss odor-control improvements.

The Board discussed recent improvements to the odor-control monitoring system. Members reported that the new monitoring and alarm system is now operational and provides 24/7 electronic monitoring.

6. Adjournment.

Motion: Richard Hayes has moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 p.m. The motion was seconded by Dan Champagne.

Motion passed unanimously, 5–0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Suellen Kamara

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