

**Bangor Water District
Board of Trustees
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
June 16, 2026**

The regular meeting of the Bangor Water District Board of Trustees was held at 3:45 p.m. in the Hughes Building, 614 State Street. Trustees and staff participated in person, except as noted below. Remote participation for the public was provided; however, no one joined the meeting.

I. Chair Hwalek called the meeting to order at 3:45 p.m.

II. **Roll Call:** Mrs. Hamilton, Mr. Morse, Mr. Bragg, Mr. Chick, Mr. Higgins, and Mr. Hwalek. Also in attendance were Mrs. Silva, Mr. Abbott, Mr. Easterwood, and Mr. Harrison.

III. **Public Comment:** None

IV. **Old Business:**

Approval of May Regular Minutes: It was upon motion being made and duly seconded, unanimously:

VOTED: To accept the minutes of the regular May meeting with recommended changes.

Report of the Treasurer: Director of Finance Silva presented an overview of the May financials, beginning with the month's disbursements and investments and then reviewing the year-to-date revenues and expenses compared to the budget. Silva noted that as of the end of the month, operating revenues were 3 percent (\$139,000) ahead of budget with metered sales being 3 percent (\$88,000) ahead of budget. Silva also noted that the Total Fire Protection was right on budget and other Revenues are ahead of budget by 39 percent (\$50,000). Silva noted that the operating expenses were under budget by 5 percent (\$174,000). Silva ended by presenting the year-to-date cash flow summary. Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented.

Project Manager's Report:

Current Construction and Engineering Projects:

General Manager Harrison presented the Cumberland Street water main replacement project stating that work is expected to start later in July. Harrison also presented on the Birch and Nelson Street project which is still currently being reviewed by State and Federal agencies. Harrison ended his presentation by going over the new AFLX leak detection devices.

V. New Business:

Water Treatment:

Water Treatment Manager Abbott presented some of the enhancements that have been made at the treatment plant with key accomplishments being; systems reliability, infrastructure optimization, operational excellence improvement and efficiency gains achieved. Abbott went over the monthly cost/mg from 2023 through current date and presented the monthly savings due to the efficiency gains. Abbott ended his presentation by touching on the strategic opportunities that are ahead which consisted of strengthening treatment resiliency and reducing operation risks.

Water Quality Report: Water Quality Manager Easterwood presented the Board of Trustees with the District's monitoring of coliform, fluoride, bromate and turbidity, which all met the EPA and State guidelines. Easterwood ended by presenting the May nitrification showing the average Nitrate storage in tanks in May, with the amount of chlorine used to re-chlorinate sites and amount of gallons of water dumped to maintain water quality.

General Manager's Report: The April Progress Report was accepted as written.

- Inquiry to purchase the Hammond tank site by Sargent.
- Merit increase evaluations are being performed in June.
- Emergency Response Plan has been updated.
- Updated Employee Handbook is currently being reviewed by a legal team.
- New Hydraulic Model software implementation is underway.
- Customer accounts with discrepancies reviewed with the Board.

VI: Board Member Communication/ Request: None.

IV: Executive Session: None.

It was then upon motion being made and duly seconded:

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting at 5:04 p.m.

VIII: Next Meeting Dates:

July 21, 2026

Ralph Foss, Clerk

John Hwalek, Chair

Patty Hamilton

Frank Bragg, Vice Chair

Lee Chick

Samuel Morse

Thomas Higgins