

**MINUTES of the GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING of the ERIE
COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY** held in the office, 295 Main Street, Room 350, Buffalo,
New York, on the 16th day of July 2026.

PRESENT: Jerome D. Schad, Chair
 Peggy A. LaGree, Commissioner (via telecommunication)
 Michele M. Iannello, Commissioner
 Jennifer Hibit, Secretary to the Authority
 Joyce A. Tomaka, Chief Financial Officer
 Mark S. Carney, General Counsel
 Charles E. Eaton, Chief Operating Officer
 Leonard F. Kowalski, Executive Engineer
 Katherine A. Gillette, Senior Associate Attorney
 David W. Aubertine, Director of Cybersecurity and Information Technology
 Matthew W. Barrett, Security Officer

ATTENDEES: Earl Wells III, e3 Communications

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. A quorum was present with three Commissioners.

II. READING OF MINUTES

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

IV. REPORTS

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Amendment to the Erie County Water Authority's Financial Disclosure Statement and Policy No. 11 Code of Ethics and Conflicts of Interest of the Erie County Water Authority's Policies and Procedures Manual

Mr. Carney provided the Board with a summary of the modifications made to the Financial Disclosure Statement and Policy No. 11 Code of Ethics and Conflicts of Interest. The modifications consist of an amended Financial Disclosure Statement designed to unify the form in accordance with all regulations, along with the incorporation of further titles required to submit the Financial Disclosure Statement in compliance with Policy No. 11.

Motion by Ms. LaGree, seconded by Ms. Iannello and carried to recommend that

the Board approve the adoption of the amended Financial Disclosure Statement and Policy No. 11 Code of Ethics and Conflicts of Interest.

DISCUSSION

None

VOTE

Ayes: Three; Commrs. Schad, LaGree and Iannello

Noes: None

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ms. LaGree seconded by Ms. Iannello and carried that the meeting adjourn at 9:35 a.m.

DISCUSSION

None

VOTE

Ayes: Three; Commrs. Schad, LaGree and Iannello

Noes: None

Jennifer Hibit
Secretary to the Authority

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