

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

July 16, 2025

MEETING MINUTES

SEWERAGE AND WATER BOARD OF NEW ORLEANS

ROLL CALL

The Board of Directors for the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans (SWBNO) met on Wednesday, June 25, 2025, at 9:05 a.m. in the Executive Boardroom. Special Counsel, Ms. Yolanda Grinstead called the roll and confirmed the following members were present: Hon, Mayor LaToya Cantrell, Hon. Freddie King III, Director Joseph Peychaud, Director Robin Barnes, Director Janet Howard, Director Chadrick Kennedy, Director H. Cole Davis, Director Maurice Sholas.

The following member(s) were absent: Director Tamika Duplessis, Director Tyler Antrup.

Staff present were Ron Spooner, Interim Executive Director; Grey Lewis, Chief Financial Officer; Yolanda Grinstead, Special Counsel; Ceara Labat, Interim Chief of Communications; Brionne Lindsey, Board Relations; Giselle Smothers, Board Relations, Kaitlin Tymrak, Deputy GSO.

Before the meeting commenced, Mayor Cantrell delivered opening remarks. She acknowledged the current and former members of SWBNO's Board of Directors whose terms have concluded and who are scheduled to retire this year. Both former and current directors were presented with awards in recognition of their dedicated leadership and service on the Board.

Former Directors

Ms. Alejandra Guzman (2016 - 2024)

Mr. Ralph Johnson (2018 - 2022)

Mr. Lynes R "Poco" Sloss (2018 - 2025)

Current Directors

Ms. Robin Barnes (2014 - 2025)

Dr. Tamika Duplessis, PhD (2015 - 2025)

Dr. Maurice Sholas, MD, PhD (2019 - 2025)

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Mayor Cantrell presented a motion to accept the minutes of the June 25, 2025, Board Meeting as amended. Director Howard moved for approval of the minutes. Director Barnes seconded. The motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

GOVERNANCE Committee

Director Chadrick Kennedy reported on the summary and actions taken by the Governance Committee. The Governance Committee Report for the month of June and July was presented and recommended for approval.

➤ Mayor Cantrell asked for a motion to adopt the Governance report. Director Sholas moved

to adopt the Governance minutes as proposed. Director Howard seconded. The motion carried.

PENSION Committee

Director Chadrick Kennedy reported on the summary and actions taken by the Pension Committee. The Pension Report for the month of July was presented and recommended for approval.

- **Mayor Cantrell asked for a motion to adopt the Pension report. Director Peychaud moved to adopt the Pension minutes as proposed. Director Cole seconded. The motion carried.**

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION Committee

Director Janet Howard reported on the summary and actions taken by the Finance Committee. The Finance Committee Report for the month of June and July was presented and recommended for approval.

- **Mayor Cantrell asked for a motion to adopt the Finance report. Director Kennedy moved to adopt the Finance minutes as proposed. Director Barnes seconded. The motion carried.**

OPERATIONS Committee

Director Janet Howard reported on the summary and actions taken by the Operations Committee. The Operations Report for the month of July was presented and recommended for approval.

- **Mayor Cantrell asked for a motion to adopt the Operations report. Director Sholas moved to adopt the Operations minutes as proposed. Director Barnes seconded. The motion carried.**

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mr. Ron Spooner, P.E., Interim Executive Director presented a slide presentation that focused on the following topics:

Executive Director Randy Hayman start date will be July 28th. He comes to the utility with 24+ years as a leader in the water space. Campus visits to begin the week of July 28th.

INSTALLATION PROGRESS

- Over 122,000 meters installed (87% of population) – The project is on track
- High Online Customer Account Usage!
 - Over 81,000 registered accounts
 - Over 23,000 customers on Auto-pay (28% of online users)
 - 9,000 monthly leak alert notifications
 - Tools to help our customers find their leak before they need to call a plumber.

UPPERLINE WATER MAIN BREAK RESPONSE

- Crews responded to a 30-inch water main break on Upperline. Age of water main: 117 years.
- SWBNO operations teams were notified between approximately 11-11:30 pm; Networks Crews arrived onsite by 12 am to begin isolating the break

Repair efforts:

- Crews analyzed the situation and worked to mitigate the water flow
- Engaged CMG to begin excavation process and source parts for the full repair. CMG successfully completed the pipe repairs on Sunday.

PROMIS PAY**Active Accounts:** 15,254

- Average no-interest payment plan: \$1628
- Over \$17.9M Collected to date through the program.
- Over \$24M scheduled to be paid

POWER COMPLEX

The Power Complex



- Testing and commissioning underway
- First of three static frequency changers expected to be operational in August
- SFC-1 is a critical step to replacing outdated 25 Hz power generation equipment
- Also expect to be able to use 60-hz power from the substation in August
- SWBNO and its contractor are working collaboratively to complete all major milestones leading up to the utilization of SFC-1
- Updated schedule to utilize remaining equipment
 - SFC-2 & SFC-3 – October 2025
 - Turbine 7 – November 2025



The Power Complex will transition to using the Entergy grid via the dedicated substation this month.

PUMPING AND POWER STATUS

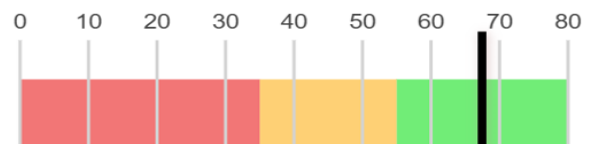
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Equipment Status as of July 8, 2025

- Turbine 4 is available for emergency use only.
- Turbine 5 is online.
- Turbine 6 is available for emergency use only. Estimated return to service is July 25, 2025
- 5 out of 5 EMDs are available.
- 86 of 93 Major Pumps are available. The major drainage pumps have been revised from 99 to 93. The two pumps located at DPS 17 are dry weather constant duty pumps. Stormwater drainage from the Gentilly area is served by DPS 19. Four of the six major pumps located at DPS Grant have been classified as

67.5 MW
Currently Available



44MW of power needed at peak demand

CORRESPONDING RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were discussed at the July 9, 2025, Finance and Administration Meeting:

Corresponding Resolutions:

- Resolution (R-117-2025) Authorizing Application to the Louisiana Department of Health

General Superintendent Recommendations

Contract Change Order by Ratification

- Resolution (R-093-2025) Ratification of Change Order No. 2 for Contract 30229 – Carrollton Basin No. 1 Sewer Rehabilitation between The Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and BLD Services, LLC.
- Resolution (R-101-2025) Ratification of Change Order No. 2 for Contract 30230 – Carrollton Basin No. 2 Sewer Rehabilitation between The Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and BLD Services, LLC.
- Resolution (R-102-2025) Ratification of Change Order No. 2 for Contract 30232 – Carrollton Basin No. 3 Sewer Rehabilitation between The Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and BLD Services, LLC.
- Resolution (R-103-2025) Ratification of Change Order No. 2 for Contract 30235 – Carrollton Basin No. 5 Sewer Rehabilitation between The Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and BLD Services LLC.
- Resolution (R-104-2025) Ratification of Change Order No. 3 for Contract 30255 – Carrollton Basin No. 14 Sewer Rehabilitation between The Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Fleming Construction Company, LLC.
- Resolution (R-105-2025) Ratification of Change Order No. 3 for Contract 30256 – Carrollton Basin No. 15 Sewer Rehabilitation between The Sewerage and Water Board and Hard Rock Construction, LLC.
- Resolution (R-106-2025) Ratification of Change Order No. 4 for Contract 30260 – Carrollton Basin No. 19 Sewer Rehabilitation between Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Hard Rock Construction, LLC.
- Resolution (R-107-2025) Ratification of Change Order No. 9 for Contract 1376 – Water Hammer Hazard Mitigation Program – High Lift Pumping Station and Panola Pumping Station between The Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and M.R. Pittman Group, LLC.

Miscellaneous

- Resolution (R-108-2025) Authorization of Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between The Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Plaquemines Parish Government for Mutual Emergency Assistance for Potable Water Supply.

Final Acceptance

- Resolution (R-109-2025) Authorization of Final Acceptance of Contract 30238 - Restoration of Existing Gravity Flow Sanitary Sewers by Excavation and Replacement from Manhole to Manhole, CIPP Lining from Manhole to Manhole, CIPP Lining of Service Laterals and Point Repairs between The Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Wallace C. Drennan.

Mayor Cantrell asked for a motion to approve Corresponding Resolutions in Globo. Director Peychaud moved to accept Corresponding Resolutions as proposed. Director Sholas seconded. The motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Cantrell presented a motion to enter executive session. Director Barnes moved. Director Howard seconded. The motion carried.

- Pursuant to La. R.S. 42:17(A)(2), the Board of Directors of the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans will meet in Executive Session to discuss workers compensation case, Anthony Williams, Claim No.: AW1129159315
- Pursuant to La. R.S. 42:17(A)(2), the Board of Directors of the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans will meet in Executive Session to discuss: Act 384 (2024 Legislative Session) and House Resolution No. 334 (2024).

Mayor Cantrell presented a motion to exit the executive session. Director Sholas moved. Director Kennedy seconded. The motion carried.

Special Council Ms. Grinstead asked for a motion to approve Special Council's recommendation for the Workers Compensation claim for Mr. Anthony Williams. Director Howard moved. Director Barnes seconded. The motion passed.

INFORMATION ITEMS

The following items were submitted for informational purposes only:

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| A. CFO | May 2025 Report |
| B. GSO | June 2025 Report |
| C. Safety | June 2025 Report |
| D. FEMA | June 2025 Report |
| E. EDBP | June 2025 Report |

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, Director Barnes moved to adjourn. Director Sholas seconded. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:37 a.m.