

Philadelphia Water, Sewer and Storm Water Rate Board
July 1, 2026, Meeting Notes
In Person (Room 18031, One Parkway Building, 1515 Arch Street)
and by Zoom (Online and Telephone)

Board Members Present:

Irwin "Sonny" Popowsky, Chair
Tony Ewing, Vice Chair
Abby Pozefsky, Secretary
Debra McCarty
McCullough "Mac" Williams III

Others Present:

Ryan E. McSherry, Esq. (Board Counsel)
Khadijah George (Zoom Administrator)
Kathryn G. Sophy (Hearing Officer)
Andre Dasent
Robert Ballenger
Adriana Gonzalez
Carl Shultz
Dominic McGraw
Mykayla Miller

Mr. Popowsky called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

1. Mr. Popowsky stated that the principal item of business before the Board was consideration and vote on the Final Determination in the 2026 TAP-R Reconciliation Proceeding. Mr. Popowsky explained that the Board had previously received a draft of this Final Determination which is intended to reflect the Board's vote at its June 24, 2026 meeting, and to constitute the written report incorporating the information used by the Board in reaching a decision to approve, modify or reject the proposed rates and charges which the Board must follow under the City Code. The rate determination the Board was voting on were the documents that will determine the Philadelphia Water Department ("PWD")'s rates and charges going forward. Mr. Popowsky asked whether any Board Members had questions regarding the proposed procedure. There were none.
2. Mr. Popowsky asked for a motion to approve the Final Determination in the 2026 TAP-R Reconciliation proceeding, consistent with the vote taken by the Board at its June 24, 2026 meeting. Mr. Ewing moved to approve the Final Determination, and Ms. Pozefsky seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

3. Mr. Popowsky directed Board Counsel and the Board's Office Manager to file the Final Determination with the City's Department of Records. He indicated that the determinations become final once they are filed. He further directed that date-stamped copies of the Final Determination be posted to the Board's website and that the Hearing Officer distribute date-stamped copies to all Participants in the proceeding.
4. Mr. Popowsky asked whether there were any questions or comments with respect to this procedure. There were none. He asked whether the Board Members had any matters to bring before the board. There were none. He asked whether any of the Participants or members of the public had anything to raise with the Board at this time. Mr. Dasent indicated that PWD would have the rates and charges it would use for a compliance filing ready this week and would circulate those rates and charges in advance of the Board's July 8, 2026 meeting so that interested parties could review.
5. Mr. Popowsky encouraged the parties to notify the Board promptly if any concerns arose regarding the compliance filing.
6. Mr. Popowsky asked if there were any other matters to be brought before the Board. There were none.
7. Mr. Popowsky expressed gratitude to the Hearing Officer, Board Counsel, the Board's Office Manager, and the Participants for their work throughout the proceeding.
8. Mr. Popowsky asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Ewing moved to adjourn, and Ms. McCarty seconded the motion, which carried 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 3:11 p.m.