

**HARRISONBURG-ROCKINGHAM REGIONAL SEWER AUTHORITY
MINUTES**

June 1, 2026

PRESENT: A. Banks, B. J. Borne, M. S. Byler, R. B. Chewning, A. M. Collins, M. W. Light, P. S. Rhodes and S. D. Stevens: Also present: J. J. Ham, Attorney; A. L. Berry, K. D. Cekada and G. A. Thomasson, Staff.

VISITORS: J. Fultz, City of Harrisonburg

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Banks called the regular monthly meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion of Mr. Borne, seconded by Mr. Stevens, the Board unanimously approved the minutes, dated May 4, 2026, as presented, by roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Banks - Aye

Mr. Chewning - Aye

Mr. Rhodes - Aye

Mr. Borne - Aye

Mr. Collins - Aye

Mr. Stevens - Aye

Ms. Byler - Aye

Mr. Light - Aye

TREASURER'S AND CASH BASIS REPORTS (May)

Ms. Berry reviewed the Treasurer's Report for May 2026.

The May Treasurer's Report showed that the Authority received income of \$1,330,323 of which \$80,942 was revenue from the collection of septage and industrial solids treatment fees. Expenditures for May totaled \$947,796 of which \$537,213 was related to routine O&M expenses. Capital Outlay and Project expenses totaled \$160,718 for the month. Of this amount, payments included \$66,964 to Allen Yoho for Electrical gear replacement project expenditures; \$62,960 to ClearWater for a submersible pump for #5 and #6 grit units and \$17,408 to Wiley/Wilson for Electrical gear replacement project expenditures. Also, there was a \$249,865 principal and interest payment for the Series 2015 bond. Total cash and investments as of May 31, 2026 totaled \$14,677,162.

Reviewing the May Cash Basis report, Ms. Berry noted that revenues were approximately 107% of budget. Expenses were approximately 82% of budget. The difference between revenues and expenses was approximately \$1,809,196.

OPERATIONS AND PRETREATMENT REPORT (May)

- Operations Report

Mr. Thomasson reviewed the Operations Report for May 2026. The average effluent flow for May was 16.36 MGD with a maximum daily flow of 31.69 MGD. The average total phosphorus

(TP) concentration for May was 0.43 mg/L. Based on the data received to date, the average total nitrogen (TN) concentration for May 2026 is 2.80 mg/L.

The 2026 annual average concentration for TP through May 2026 is 0.21 mg/L compared to the annual average limit of 0.28 mg/L. The annual average concentration for TN through May 2026 is estimated to be 3.5 mg/L compared to the annual limit of 3.7 mg/L.

Mr. Thomasson stated that 705 wet tons of Class B dewatered biosolids were land applied in May. There was 70.9 wet tons of Class A biosolids distributed and 44.5 wet tons sent to the landfill for daily cover in May.

Mr. Thomasson stated that the PFOA and PFOS Class A and B sampling results from April 28, 2026 were well below the new regulatory threshold. Additional PFOA and PFOS sampling will occur in the next few weeks.

Mr. Thomasson reported that the Whole Effluent Toxicity (WET) testing performed on effluent sampling from April 20-24, 2026 showed no toxicity. He gave an overview of the WET testing required by the Authority's VPDES permit. WET testing exposes living aquatic organisms to effluent to observe mortality, growth, and reproduction.

- Treatment Cost Recovery Fees and Notices of Violations (NOVs)

Mr. Thomasson reported that five industrial users (George's, Kerry, Organic Plant, Perdue, and SVO) were assessed treatment cost recovery fees for April 2026 totaling \$82,498.91.

Mr. Thomasson stated that three industrial users were issued NOVs for permit violations in April 2026. An NOV was issued to George's for 1 BOD5 maximum daily exceedance and the monthly average. An NOV was issued to Organic Plant for 9 BOD5, 3 TSS, 2 TP, and 12 TKN maximum daily limit exceedances. An NOV was issued to SVO for 6 BOD5 and 1 TKN maximum daily limit exceedance.

- Pretreatment Updates

Kerry is currently under consent order and is not receiving NOVs. Mr. Thomasson reported that for the month of April 2026, Kerry reported 14 TKN maximum daily limit exceedances out of 14 samples.

Perdue is currently under consent order and is not receiving NOVs. Mr. Thomasson stated that for the month of April 2026, Perdue had 14 BOD5, 2 TKN, 9 TP and 1 TSS maximum daily limit exceedances. Perdue also exceeded the BOD5, TKN, and TP monthly average limits.

CLOSED SESSION – SHENANDOAH VALLEY ORGANIC, LLC, ORGANIC PLANT, LLC, KERRY BROTH & STOCK COMPANY, AND PERDUE FOODS, LLC COMPLAINEE WITH PRETREATMENT STANDARDS

Mr. Ham read the following statement: I move to recess into a closed meeting in order to consult with legal counsel regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by the attorney, as authorized by section 2.2-3711(A)(8) of the state code and consult with legal counsel and be briefed by staff members or consultants about actual or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the local government's negotiating or litigating posture, as authorized by section 2.2-3711(A)(7) of the state code. The subject matter of the meeting and the litigation is Shenandoah Valley Organic, LLC, Organic Plant, LLC, Kerry Stock & Broth Company, Inc, and Perdue Foods, LLC. compliance with pretreatment standards;

Upon motion of Mr. Light, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, the Board unanimously voted to go into closed session by roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Banks - Aye	Mr. Chewning - Aye	Mr. Rhodes - Aye
Mr. Borne - Aye	Mr. Collins - Aye	Mr. Stevens - Aye
Ms. Byler - Aye	Mr. Light - Aye	

The Authority staff exited the meeting.

At the end of the closed session, Mr. Ham read the following statement:

With respect to the just concluded closed session, and to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirement under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and (ii) only such public business matter as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting by the Board.

Any member believing that there was a departure from this certification shall so state prior to this vote indicating the substance of the departure that, in his judgment, has taken place.

Upon motion of Mr. Borne, seconded by Mr. Collins, the Board unanimously voted to exit closed session by roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Banks - Aye	Mr. Chewning - Aye	Mr. Rhodes - Aye
Mr. Borne - Aye	Mr. Collins - Aye	Mr. Stevens - Aye
Ms. Byler - Aye	Mr. Light - Aye	

PROJECT UPDATES

- Professional Engineering Services RFP

Mr. Thomasson stated that a professional engineering services request for proposals was issued on May 15, 2026.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Chairman Banks set the next regular monthly meeting for Monday, August 31, 2026, at 3:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Mr. Chewning, seconded by Mr. Borne, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting.

S. D. Stevens, Secretary-Treasurer

Attachment (1)