

ERIE COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT NO. 4 (ECSD NO. 4)  
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2026  
NORTHERN REGION CONFERENCE ROOM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Kevin Peterson, Mr. Edward Schiller, Mr. Willam Schutt and Ms. Nadine Wetzel

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Mr. Joseph Fiegl, Ms. Sally Mertz, and Mr. William Strzeszynski

ITEM NO. 1 – CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Mr. Fiegl called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm.

a. Nomination of Board Officers

On a motion by Mr. Schutt, seconded by Mr. Peterson, the Board voted to appoint Mr. Schiller as Chair, Mr. Peterson as Vice-Chair and Ms. Wetzel as Secretary. The motion carried 4-0.

ITEM NO. 2 – APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 8, 2025 MEETING MINUTES

On a motion by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Ms. Wetzel, the Board voted to approve the minutes from the October 8, 2025 meeting. The motion carried 4-0.

ITEM NO. 3 – ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

ITEM NO. 4 – OLD BUSINESS

a. Order On Consent

Mr. Fiegl noted the Division of Sewerage Management (DSM) recently received comments from the NYSDEC on the ECSD No. 4 sanitary sewer evaluation survey (SSES) work plan. Based on the “Flow Monitoring and Infiltration/Inflow Quantification Report” required in the order on consent, the DSM developed a SSES work plan targeting medium and high-priority infiltration/inflow (I/I) areas owned by ECSD No. 4. The order on consent required areas with ‘excessive’ I/I to be targeted. The NYSDEC stated that it wanted ECSD No. 4 to perform SSES work in all County-owned areas, including those identified as having low I/I. The DSM responded that conducting SSES activities in low-priority areas will divert resources with little to no expected I/I impact. Additional details regarding the age of sewers, materials of construction, and other characteristics of low-priority basins were provided. The DSM is awaiting a formal response from the NYSDEC.

ITEM NO. 5 – NEW BUSINESS

- a. Confirmation of Email Poll – Award of Broadway East Pumping Station Generator Replacement Project (Handout)

Ms. Wetzel reviewed an email poll that was conducted with the Board in November regarding award of Contract No. 62 for the Broadway East Pumping Station Generator Replacement. On a motion by Mr. Schutt, seconded by Mr. Schiller, the Board voted to confirm the November 6, 2025 email poll. The motion carried 4-0.

ITEM NO. 6 MISCELLANEOUS & INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- a. Operation Report (September – December)

Mr. Strzeszynski updated the Board with the Operational Report. Preparations were made at the Broadway East Pumping Station for the upcoming generator replacement project. The station's louvers were removed and replaced to ensure proper access for the removal of the old and installation of the new generator unit. The building's exterior wall was core drilled and a permanent access port was installed to accommodate cables for a portable generator, allowing for the station to have a constant back-up power supply throughout the generator replacement project.

At the Depew Pumping Station and Overflow Retention Facility (ORF), the sensitivity of the remote control of the ORF gates and valves was increased. This will allow for better control during and after high-flow events and will reduce manhours required during these events. Fuel injectors were replaced on the station's standby generator. Station bypasses were exercised and tested at the Pleasantview Drive, Iroquois Avenue, and Warner Road pump stations. All of the District's portable generators received scheduled annual maintenance.

At the Bowmansville Pump Station, head gaskets were replaced on the station's standby generator, the soft starts were replaced on all pumps, and a de-ragging function was wired into the pump controls.

For the Collection System, there was a plugged sewer on Greenmeadow Drive that resulted in a minor Sanitary Sewer Overflow of approximately 50 gallons of sewage during the process of relieving the blockage. Subsequently, television inspection on this sewer line was completed, revealing a root mass and pipe defect. The roots identified were removed and the pipe defect was addressed with an open-cut repair of the PVC sewer main. See Item 6.e for more details. Thirteen (13) manholes repairs were completed in areas throughout the district where smoke testing and Manhole Inspections were previously performed. The district had a total of three (3) residential complaints that required attention by EC staff for resolution.

- b. Construction Status Report

Ms. Wetzel updated the Board with the following construction status report.

Contract 61 (Depew Pumping Station Electrical Upgrades and Valves Replacement) –GHD, under the Term Engineering Contract, is completing the design of electrical upgrades and check valve replacements based on recommendations from the design report completed last year. The DSM is expecting to bid this project this spring.

Contract 62 – Broadway East PS Generator Replacement - was awarded to Concord Electric Corp at the beginning of December in the amount of \$274,000. The DSM held a kickoff meeting on 1/9/26 and issued the notice to proceed on 1/13/26. Concord Electric has 485 days to complete the job but anticipate completing the work this fall.

Contract 87 (Multi-District) - On – Call Sewer Repair Contract (CATCO) - This contract for on-call/emergency sewer repairs expired in December 2025 and is in the process of closeout.

Contract 95 (Multi-District) - CIPPL Term Contract (USI/Kenyon Pipeline)- WO 10K with Kenyon Pipeline is nearly complete, with the exception of one sewer line with the Transit Road right of way in Lancaster that required coordination with sewer district staff. This has been postponed due to weather conditions and is anticipated to be completed this spring.

Contract 101(Multi-District) - On – Call Sewer Repair Contract (2026-2028) Bids were received through Purchasing on November 14, 2025 for this two-year multi-district on-call/emergency repair contract. The project was awarded to the low bidder, Visone Construction, and contracts are being executed. A pre-construction meeting is anticipated to be held in the coming weeks. Sewer repair work orders may be assigned under this contract on an as needed basis.

c. Payments (Handout)

Ms. Wetzel reviewed with the Board the payments made to consultants and contractors since the last Board meeting.

d. State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) – Updates/Amendments to the Rules and Regulations for Erie County Sewer Districts (Handout)

Mr. Fiegl commented that all seven (7) ECSD Boards of Managers previously approved updates to the “Rules and Regulations for Erie County Sewer Districts”. Those updates have completed County Attorney review and the final step before requesting approval by the County Legislature is SEQR. The SEQR comment period will be open until March 2, 2026.

e. Notice of Violation – Sanitary Sewer Overflow & Response Letter (Handout)


Mr. Fiegl briefed the Board on a Notice of Violation received from the NYSDEC in regard to an overflow and the DSM’s prompt responses to the correct and address the unauthorized discharge.

On a motion by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Schutt, the Board voted to receive and file the informational items on the agenda. The motion carried 4-0.

7. ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING

Ms. Wetzel moved, seconded by Mr. Peterson, to adjourn the meeting at 3:53 pm. The motion carried 4-0.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 15, 2026 @ 3:30 pm  
Northern Region Admin Offices

Respectfully submitted,  
  
Nadine R. Wetzel, Secretary  
ECSD No. 4 Board of Managers

NW:sm  
Motion to Approve the February 11, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Moved by: K. Peterson  
Seconded by: N. Wetzel  
App./Disapp.: 4-0  
Date: 4/15/26  
Signed: Nadine Wetzel