

ERIE COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT NO 1 (ECSD NO. 1)  
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING MINUTES  
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2026  
CHEEKTOWAGA TOWN HALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Patrick Bowen, Mr. Gary Dickson, Mr. Brian Nowak, Mr. Matt Salah, and Ms. Mary Sherman

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 9:31 am.

a. Nomination for Board Officers

On a motion by Mr. Salah, seconded by Mr. Bowen, the Board voted to appoint Mr. Nowak as Chairman, Mr. Dickson as Vice Chairman, and Mr. Salah as Secretary of the ECSD No. 1 Board of Managers for the 2026-2027 term. The motion carried 5-0. The meeting was turned over to Mr. Nowak as the new Chair.

b. Welcome New Board Members

The Board welcomed new member, Ms. Sherman (Town of West Seneca), to the ECSD No. 1 Board of Managers.

ITEM NO. 2 – APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 10, 2025 MEETING MINUTES

On a motion by Mr. Dickson, seconded by Mr. Nowak, the Board voted to approve the meeting minutes of October 10, 2025. The motion carried 5-0.

ITEM NO. 3 – ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

ITEM NO. 4 – OLD BUSINESS

a. Order on Consent

Mr. Fiegl stated the Division of Sewerage Management recently received comments from the NYSDEC on the proposed wet weather operating plan. An internal meeting is scheduled for February 12<sup>th</sup> to discuss, but initial reactions are that the comments may be addressed without major edits to the plan. The Order on Consent allows 60 days for response to

comments. The Board asked that the final document be provided as part of the next meeting agenda.

Mr. Fiegl also noted the “Flow Monitoring and Infiltration/Inflow Quantification Report” submitted in July 2025 remains under review by the NYSDEC.

#### ITEM NO. 5 – NEW BUSINESS

- a. Award of Contract Seneca Creek Road Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project (Handout)

The Board reviewed a resolution recommending award of the Seneca Creek Road Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project to Visone Construction.

On a motion by Mr. Bowen, seconded by Mr. Dickson, the Board voted to approve award of the contract. The motion carried 5-0.

#### ITEM NO. 6 – MISCELLANEOUS & INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- a. Operational Report (September -December)

Mr. Strzeszynski stated that ECSD staff removed pump #1 at the Borden Road pumping station and rebuilt it. Annual preventative maintenance tasks were performed on the Industrial Park pumping station generator, as well as the Cayuga pumping station and Overflow Retention Facility (ORF) generator. Improvements were made to the ORF valve controls. Staff increased the sensitivity of the remote-control abilities which gives more control during critical high flow events. Seasonal clean ups and maintenance were done at all pumping station properties. Weekly and monthly scheduled preventative maintenance tasks were completed at all facilities as well.

Tele-inspection was performed on ten (10) sewer line segments, as a follow-up to four residential complaints. Mr. Strzeszynski advised the Board that the district’s camera is currently at the vendor, receiving repairs at an estimated cost of \$12,000. Sixteen (16) manhole repairs were completed in the neighborhood’s tributary to French Road and Clinton Street areas where smoke testing had previously been performed. Manholes tributary to both Clinton Street & French Road were revisited where inflow protectors had previously been installed and found that eighteen (18) needed to be replaced. Over 11,000 ft of pipe were flushed in mini-system (MS) #2, tributary to Towers Boulevard between Losson/LeHavre Roads. In addition, staff continue to monitor and assess the ECSD No. 1 trunk during rain and snow melt events for capacity and conveyance issues, with no major issues noted.

- b. Construction Status Report

Mr. Salah updated the Board with the construction activities since the last meeting.

**Contract 48 – Seneca Creek Road Sewer Replacement** – Bids were received on January 21, 2026 for a project to install approximately 104 linear feet of 8-inch and 10-inch diameter sanitary sewerline to replace an existing deteriorated and undersized sanitary sewerline on Seneca Creek Road west of Transit Road. The project is located in front of and serves the Mayer Brothers facility on Seneca Creek Road. Recommendation of award of this contract was completed earlier in the meeting agenda. Pending award, it is anticipated that construction will take place this spring/summer.

**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)** - Kenyon Pipeline was issued WO 18K which includes cured-in-place pipe lining (CIPPL) of 23,653 linear feet of 8-inch diameter vitrified clay tile pipe (VTP) sewers in the French Road area (Yvette Drive, St. Joan, Francine Lane, Gaby Lane, Gabrielle Drive, Danielle Drive, Lordan Drive, Judith Diver, Theresa Drive, Frandine Drive, Mayberry W, Mayberry E, Denise Drive, Janine Court). Prep work is anticipated to start this winter/spring.

**Contract 96 (Multi-District) - Sanitary Sewer Open Cut Repair Term Contract (Visone Construction)** - A work order was issued to Visone Construction for an 18 linear foot 10-inch diameter sanitary sewer spot repair on Broadway Street. The repair location is within a sidewalk. The work is anticipated for spring 2026, pending a NYSDOT highway permit for work within the right of way.

**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.

**Borden Road reconstruction (ECDPW project – Phase 2, CATCO)** - DPW's road reconstruction is currently in winter shutdown. DPW's project included replacement of approximately 6,057 linear feet of sanitary sewer pipe inclusive of manhole replacements, approximately 51 lateral re-connections, and abandonment of the existing sewer. The new sewer was constructed last summer and televised by sewer district staff in the fall. The project will resume in the spring. Work remaining is related to the sewer component includes setting manhole frames and covers to final grade and completing punch list items.

**Borden Road reconstruction (EC DPW project – Phase 3 (Slate Bottom Creek (south side to Seneca Creek Road), Design):** Design for the third phase of this road project is underway by Colliers on behalf of EC DPW. DSM provided DPW with test pit data regarding the location of an existing sanitary sewer forcemain to check for conflicts. DPW anticipates tentative 2026 bid and construction.

c. Payments (Handout)

Mr. Salah reviewed the payments made to AECOM of USA, WM Schutt Associates and Kenyon Pipeline.

d. State Environmental Quality Review - 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 the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) process. The SEQRA comment period will be open until March 2, 2026.

On a motion by Mr. Nowak, seconded by Mr. Bowen, the Board voted to receive and file the miscellaneous and informational items on the agenda. The motion carried 5-0.

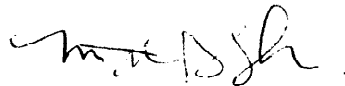
ITEM NO. 7 – ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING

Prior to the adjournment, members of the Board expressed a desire to reschedule a Board meeting to an evening to accommodate those constituents with conflicts during the day. Mr. Fiegl stated the Division of Sewerage Management would coordinate rescheduling the June 2026 meeting to after work hours.

On a motion by Mr. Nowak, seconded by Mr. Bowen, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 9:59 am. The motion carried 5-0.

**The next meeting is scheduled for April 17, 2026, at 9:30 am at the West Seneca Community Center.**

Respectfully submitted,



Matt Salah, P.E., Secretary  
ECSD No. 1 Board of Managers

MS:bp  
Motion to Approve the February 6, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Moved by: MR. BOWEN  
Seconded by: MR. DICKSON  
App./Disapp.: 5/0  
Date: APRIL 16, 2026  
Signed: [Handwritten Signature]

ERIE COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT NO 1 (ECSD NO. 1)  
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING MINUTES  
THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2026  
WEST SENECA COMMUNITY CENTER

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Patrick Bowen, Mr. Gary Dickson, Mr. Brian Nowak, Mr. Matt Salah, and Ms. Mary Sherman

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

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

ITEM NO. 1 – CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Mr. Nowak called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

ITEM NO. 2 – APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 6, 2026 MEETING MINUTES

On a motion by Mr. Bowen, seconded by Mr. Dickson, the Board voted to approve the meeting minutes of February 6, 2026. The motion carried 5-0.

ITEM NO. 3 – ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

ITEM NO. 4 – OLD BUSINESS

a. Order on Consent

i. Wet Weather Operating Plan – Report Approval (Handout)

Mr. Fiegl updated the Board on the Order on Consent for the ECSD No. 1 overflow retention facility. As noted on the agenda, the Division of Sewerage Management (DSM) responded to comments from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) for the wet weather operating plan associated with the overflow retention facility, and the NYSDEC subsequently approved the plan. ECSD No.1 has been working to automate certain protocols noted in the plan through its telemetry and control systems. ECSD No. 1 is waiting on NYSDEC comments for its flow monitoring and infiltration/inflow report submitted in July 2025.

ITEM NO. 5 – NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor Nowak raised concerns on behalf of a constituent at 2378 Union Road who reported recurring basement sewage backups during periods of heavy rainfall, coinciding with sewer system surcharging.

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Mr. Strzeszynski noted that the resident at 2378 Union Road has contacted the sewer district several times in the past reporting that sewage was entering his basement through cracks in the floor and walls. Based on this description, Mr. Strzeszynski indicated sewage may be infiltrating the homeowner's lateral trench, potentially due to a deficient plumber's tap, and then finding its way into the basement. Sewer District staff have spoken to the homeowner regarding this. Mr. Strzeszynski explained addressing this condition would require corrective work on the private lateral/connection, and ECSD No. 1 cannot perform work on private property.

Mr. Strzeszynski stated Sewer District staff will be televising the sewer main in front of the property to confirm there are no defects in the public system that could be contributing to the issue. Additional follow-up will occur with the homeowner.

#### ITEM NO. 6 – MISCELLANEOUS & INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

a. Operational Report (January-February)

Mr. Strzeszynski updated the Board with the operational report. For ECSD No. 1 facilities, Pump #3 at the Cayuga Pumping Station and Pump #4 at the Industrial Park Pumping Station were removed and rebuilt. In addition, Variable Frequency Drive (VFD) #4 at the Industrial Park Pumping Station was replaced.

Regarding ECSD No. 1 collection system work, televising of 13 sewer segments was completed as a follow-up to prior backup complaints. Root intrusions were identified as the primary cause of most of the backups. All identified root intrusions have been removed, and the affected segments will either be scheduled for lining or placed on a maintenance list for periodic root treatment until lining can be completed.

A 2-inch stormwater connection was eliminated from a manhole at the intersection of St. Jude Terrace and Annette Drive, which had been contributing continuous flow during wet weather conditions. Fourteen manhole repairs were also completed in neighborhoods along French Road and Clinton Street. Additionally, 151 sewer segments tributary to Losson Road sewers were cleaned. Staff continue to monitor trunkline flows during wet weather events.

b. Construction Status Report

Mr. Salah updated the Board with the following construction status report:

Contract 48 – Seneca Creek Road Sewer Replacement (Visone Construction) - A project was awarded to Visone Construction to install approximately 104 linear feet of 8-inch and 10-inch diameter polyvinyl chloride (PVC) sanitary sewer line to replace an existing deteriorated and undersized sanitary sewer line on Seneca Creek Road west of Transit Road. The project is in front of and serves the Mayer Brothers facility on Seneca Creek Road. A pre-construction meeting was held on April 8<sup>th</sup>. Summer construction is anticipated.

Contract 95 (Multi-District) - CIPPL Term Contract (USI/Kenyon Pipeline)- Kenyon Pipeline continued work order (WO) 18K which includes cured-in-place pipe lining (CIPPL) for 23,653

linear feet of 8-inch diameter sewers in the Town of Cheektowaga in the French Road area (Yvette Drive, St. Joan, Francine Lane, Gaby Lane, Gabrielle Drive, Danielle Drive, Lordan Drive, Judith Drive, Theresa Drive, Frandine Drive, Mayberry W, Mayberry E, Denise Drive, Janine Court). Lining work is in progress.

Contract 96 (Multi-District) - Sanitary Sewer Open Cut Repair Term Contract (Visone Construction) - A WO was issued to Visone Construction for a sanitary sewer spot repair on Broadway Street in the Town of Cheektowaga. The repair location is within a sidewalk. The work is anticipated for spring 2026, pending a New York State Department of Transportation highway permit for work within the right of way.

Contract 101(Multi-District) - On – Call Sewer Repair Contract (2026-2028) (Visone Construction) A pre-construction meeting was held in February for this two-year multi-district on-call/emergency repair contract. Sewer repair work orders may be assigned under this contract on an as needed basis.

#### Coordination Projects

- Borden Road reconstruction (EC DPW project – Phase 2, CATCO). The Erie County Department of Public Works’s (EC DPW’s) road reconstruction is currently in winter shutdown. EC DPW’s project included replacement of approximately 6,057 linear feet of sanitary sewer pipe inclusive of manhole replacements, approximately 51 lateral re-connections, and abandonment of the existing sewer. The new sewer was constructed last summer and televised by the DSM in the fall. The project will resume in the spring. Work remaining related to the sewer component includes setting manhole frames and covers to final grade and completing punch list items.
- Borden Road reconstruction (EC DPW project – Phase 3 (Slate Bottom Creek (south side to Seneca Creek Road), Design): The third phase of this road project was bid by EC DPW in March and is in the process of award. This project includes replacement of approximately 1,300 linear feet of sanitary sewer in conflict with the proposed storm sewer design. EC DPW anticipates summer 2026 construction.

c. Payments (Handout)

Mr. Salah reviewed the payments made to AECOM of USA, WM Schutt Associates and Kenyon Pipeline.

On a motion by Mr. Salah, seconded by Mr. Dickson, the Board voted to receive and file the miscellaneous items on the agenda. The motion carried 5-0.

#### ITEM NO. 7 – ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING

On a motion by Mr. Dickson, seconded by Mr. Bowen, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 3:19 pm. The motion carried 5-0.

**The next meeting is scheduled for June 11, 2026 at 5:30 pm at the  
Cheektowaga Town Hall**

Respectfully submitted,



Matt Salah, P.E., Secretary  
ECSD No. 1 Board of Managers

MS:sm

Motion to Approve the April 16, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Moved by: MR. BOWEN  
Seconded by: MS. SHERMAN  
App./Disapp.: 5/0  
Date: 6-11-2026  
Signed: M. Salah