

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Vision

The Lewes Board of Public Works exists to improve the quality of life of the customers we serve by providing quality and reliable utility services.

Mission

We are dedicated to providing our customers with electric, water, wastewater, stormwater management, and other value-added services in a safe, reliable, and economic manner with sound business practices, sustainable growth, community engagement, economic development, and environmental stewardship.

Regular Meeting

May 27, 2026

4:00 p.m.

City Council Chambers

114 E. Third Street

ZOOM: <https://lewesbpw.zoom.us/j/83780792124>

Agenda

1. WELCOME, CALL MEETING TO ORDER, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ROLL CALL

Board Members

Thomas Panetta
Barbara Curtis
D. Preston Lee, P.E.
Richard Nichols
Bob Heffernan

Ex-Officio Members

Amy Marasco, Mayor
Robin Davis, General Manager
Sharon Sexton, Assistant General Manager
Michael Hoffman, Legal Counsel

3. CONSENT AGENDA

- Receive Vice-President Report
- Receive Secretary Report: Approval of minutes [Regular Board Meeting April 22, 2026](#), Finance Committee minutes [March 13, 2026](#), and [April 13, 2026](#).
- Receive [Treasurer Report](#)
- Receive Asst. Treasurer Report

4. Call to the Public

- Members of the public wishing to address the Board on any BPW-related matter, whether on tonight's agenda or not, should make their request known at this time.
- Please note that there will be no opportunity for additional public comments on matters listed on the agenda until the end of the meeting.

- Each speaker will be given three (3) minutes. No action or Board discussion, including answering questions, will occur during the public comment period; however, the Board President may ask staff to review a matter, and individual members of the Board may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda.

5. Receive the Inframark Report.

- Discharge Monitoring Report
- Gantt chart
- InSight Report
- Work Orders Complete
- Pump Station

6. Receive the President's Report

7. Receive the General Manager's Report

8. Receive the Finance Manager's Report

Election of Officers

9. SWEARING IN OF ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS

10. Open forum/general discussion of the election of Officers of the BPW for the upcoming year. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION (Thomas Panetta)

Current Elected

President – Thomas Panetta
Vice President – Barbara Curtis
Secretary - D. Preston Lee, P.E.
Treasurer – Richard Nichols
Asst. Treasurer – Bob Heffernan

Proposed: _____
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Old Business

11. Open forum/general discussion on reinstating the Mitigation Committee and establishing a new scope. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION (M. Hoffman)

New Business

12. Open Forum/general discussion on Mitigation Committee members. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION (P. Lee)

13. Open forum/general discussion on cost-of-service proposals. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION (K. Bellere)

14. Open forum/general discussion on the AT&T Water Tower Lease Agreement. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION (R. Davis)

15. Open forum/general discussion on accepting the supplemental funding resolution for the Fourth Street & Park Avenue Project. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION (R. Davis)

16. Open forum/general discussion on accepting the developer's agreement with Abbott Park. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION (R. Davis)

17. BOARD OR STAFF REQUESTS FOR AGENDA ITEM(S).

18. CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

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19. CALL TO THE PRESS

20. Executive Session- *Discussion of Strategy sessions, including those involving legal advice or opinion from an attorney-at-law, with respect to collective bargaining or pending or potential litigation, but only when an open meeting would have an adverse effect on the bargaining or litigation position of the public body; discussion of the content of documents, excluded from the definition of "public record" in § 10002 of this title where such discussion may disclose the contents of such documents. 29 Del C § 10004, (b)(4), (b)(6). Review unapproved executive minutes, April 22, 2026.*

21. Return to open session.

22. Discussion and action on items from Executive Session, if applicable.

23. ADJOURNMENT

The items listed may not be considered in sequence. This agenda is subject to change to include additional items and Executive Sessions or the deletion of items, including Executive Sessions, that may arise prior to and at the time of the meeting.

THE BOARD RESERVES THE RIGHT TO TAKE ACTION ON ANY AGENDA ITEM.
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*Public comment during any agenda item is limited to a maximum of three minutes per person. Time cannot be transferred from one individual to another.

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