

UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY

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Union County Utilities Authority May 21, 2014 Regular Meeting

Chairman Huff called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m., in the meeting room of the Union County Utilities Authority, 1499 Routes 1 & 9 North, Rahway, New Jersey.

Notice of Compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act was read by Joseph C. Bodek, Clerk of the Authority.

A roll call of the Commissioners showed the following present: Chairman Huff, Vice-Chairman Erdos, Secretary Kennedy, Treasurer People, Commissioners Badri, Eastman, Kahn and Kulish.

Commissioners Absent: Commissioner Jackus. Also absent were Alternate Commissioners Bonanno and Lombardo.

Others Present: Daniel Sullivan and Thomas Brennan of the Authority's staff; Kraig Dowd of Weber Dowd Law; Richard Bauch of Bauch Zucker Hatfield; Jonathan Williams of Decotiis Fitzpatrick and Cole; Tim Gillen of CME; Vijayant Pawar; Deputy Clerk Lisa M. da Silva; and Clerk Joseph C. Bodek

Chairman Huff led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Bodek provided Proof of Notice of the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Kahn moved for approval of the public and executive session minutes of March 19, 2014 and March 26, 2014. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Badri and approved with Commissioners Kennedy and Kulish abstaining on the minutes of March 19, 2014 and Commissioners People and Erdos abstaining on the minutes of March 26, 2014.

Communications

There were no communications.

Report of Officers

There were no reports from the officers.

Report of Committees, Staff & Counsel – Public Session I

Finance and Budget.

Commissioner Erdos reported on the meeting of the Finance and Budget Committee. The Committee met and recommended approval of the bill list. Commissioner People moved the following resolutions: 1) Approving operating and resource recovery facility vouchers for processing and payment; 2) Approving consulting and legal vouchers for processing and payment. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Badri and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote.

Chairman Huff asked for a short recess. Commissioner Kulish moved for the recess. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kahn, and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote. The recess started at 6:50 pm.

Commissioner Erdos moved to return to the meeting from the recess. The motion was seconded by Commissioner People and unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote. The meeting was reconvened at 7:25 pm.

Personnel/Procurement/Insurance Committee.

Commissioner Kulish reported on the meeting of the PPI Committee and that the committee recommended resolutions appointing a Senior Solid Waste Enforcement Officer, the authorizing execution of Mass Mutual Deferred Compensation Plan Document, and indemnifying certain employees concerning stipend payment matter. Commissioner Kahn moved the following resolution: 1) Appointing a Senior Solid Waste Enforcement Officer. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kennedy and approved unanimously by roll call vote. Commissioner Eastman moved the resolution authorizing execution of Mass Mutual Deferred Compensation Plan Document. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kennedy and approved unanimously by roll call vote. Commissioner Eastman then moved the resolutions indemnifying counsel fees in connection with the fact-finding inquiry concerning stipend payments made to Authority employees in 2013 and 2014, The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kennedy, and approved by a roll call vote with all voting in favor except Commissioner Erdos, who abstained.

New Business

Mr. Sullivan reported that bids had been taken on repairing the boardwalk that was damaged during Hurricane Sandy. He noted they were substantially more than the FEMA estimates. He then asked Mr. Gillen to give the Commissioners an update. Mr. Gillen updated the Commissioners on a meeting with FEMA to obtain additional funds.

Public Comment

The Clerk read the rules under which public comment would be permitted.

John Burry, Kenilworth. Mr. Burry asked for copies of the two resolutions indemnifying employees, Mr. Burry asked if he could ask questions or if only public comment, with no questions. He asked what the resolutions were about. Chairman Huff informed him that he would be provided with copies of the two resolutions, after the meeting.

Report of Committees, Staff & Counsel – Executive Session

There was no need for an executive session.

Unfinished Business

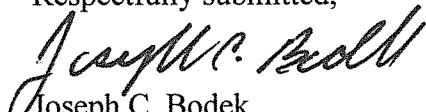
Chairman Huff noted the resolution appointing an ad-hoc over-site committee and appointing two members to it. He announced that he was appointing Commissioner Eastman and Commissioner Kahn to the Committee. Commissioner Badri moved the resolution authorizing the appointment of an ad-hoc over-site committee which will coordinate with a similar committee of the Union County Improvement Authority to coordinate and report to the boards on work performed under the shared services agreement. The motion was seconded by Commissioner People and was ordered approved by a roll call vote, with all voting in favor except Commissioner Erdos who abstained.

Public Comment by Commissioners/Freeholder Liaison Chris Hudak

There were no comments.

There being no further business to come before the Authority, Commissioner Badri moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kahn and was unanimously ordered approved by a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Joseph C. Bodek
Clerk

James Huff
Chairman

James Kennedy
Secretary