

UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY

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Union County Utilities Authority March 19, 2014 Regular Public Meeting

Chairman Huff called the meeting to order at 7:10 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, Treasurer People, Commissioners Badri, Eastman, Jackus, Kahn and Kulish. Also present were alternate Commissioners Bonanno and Lombardo.

Commissioners Absent: Secretary Kennedy.

Chairman Huff appointed Commissioner Bonanno to act for Commissioner Kennedy.

Others Present: Daniel Sullivan of the Authority's staff; Kraig Dowd of Weber Dowd Law; Tim Gillen of CME Engineers; Richard Bauch of Hatfield and Bauch; Liaison Christopher Hudak; Deputy Clerk Lisa DaSilva and Clerk Joseph C. Bodek.

Chairman Huff led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Bodek provided Proof of Notice of the meeting.

Communications

There were no communications.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Kulish moved for approval of the public session minutes of the public session and executive session of the regular meeting of February 12, 2014, and the special meeting of February 26, 2014. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Badri and was ordered approved by a roll call vote, with all voting in favor except Commissioners Eastman and Erdos who abstained, and Commissioner Kahn who abstained on the minutes of February 12, 2014.

Communications

There were no communications.

Reports of Officers

There were no reports from the officers.

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Reports of Committees, Staff and Counsel - Public Session I

Finance and Budget

Commissioner Jackus reported that the Finance and Budget Committee had met and recommended payment of the bills. Commissioner Kulish moved the following resolutions: 1) Approving operating and resource recovery facility vouchers for processing and payment; and 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.

Personnel/Procurement/Insurance

Commissioner Kulish reported on the meeting of the Personnel/Procurement/Insurance Committee. The committee recommended reappointment of certain professionals, renewing the contract for IT services, a contract for specialized insurance and deferred compensation benefits and the hiring of a solid waste enforcement officer. Commissioner Eastman moved for approval of the following resolutions: 1) Authorizing the execution of contracts with previously appointed and reappointed professionals and consultants to the Authority; 2) Awarding a contract for the provision of information technology services; 3) Authorizing the execution of a professional services contract for specialized insurance and deferred compensation benefits consultant and brokerage services; and 4) Authorizing the hiring of certain solid waste enforcement personnel. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Badri and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote.

Operations

There was no report of the Operations Committee.

Solid Waste and Recycling

There was no report of the Solid Waste and Recycling Committee.

New Business

Mr. Sullivan reported that the Authority had received a settlement from a company call Central Jersey Waste and Recycling, for past waste flow violations, in the amount of \$96,000.00, for which he attributed to and commended the efforts of the enforcement staff, and supervisors, for the work they do every day.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Report of Committees, Staff and Counsel - Executive Session

Resolution of the Union County Utilities Authority Board of Commissioners to enter into executive session.

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 10:4-6 et seq., permits the exclusion of the public from a public body meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Union County Utilities Authority Board of Commissioners is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioner wishes to discuss the following issues:

Contracts: 1) Matters covered by the Attorney Client privilege.

2) Matters rendered confidential by State or Federal law.

WHEREAS, minutes will be kept of the executive session and once the matter(s) above no longer require confidentiality, the minutes, or appropriate portions thereof, of the executive session will be made available to the public; and

WHEREAS, the public is now being informed that the Authority may take official action at the conclusion of the executive session.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Union County Utilities Authority Board of Commissioners that the public be excluded from this meeting.

Commissioner Badri moved the resolution for executive session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Eastman and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote. The Authority convened into executive session at 7:25 pm. (Commissioner Erdos left the meeting)

Commissioner Jackus moved to return to public session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Badri and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote. The Authority returned to public session at 8:50 pm.

Report of Committees, Staff & Counsel - Public Session II

Commissioner Badri moved to recess the meeting, to allow for a meeting of the Personnel/Procurement/Insurance Committee. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Eastman and was unanimously ordered approved by a voice vote. The Authority recessed the meeting at 8:53 pm.

Commissioner Badri moved to call the meeting back to order. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Eastman and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote.

Commissioner Kulish moved the resolution increasing the CAP for Saiber LLC in their existing professional services contract. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Badri and was approved by a roll call vote, with all voting in favor, except Commissioners Jackus and People who recused themselves on the advice from Counsel.

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Commissioner Badri moved the resolution for executive session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bonanno and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote. The Authority convened into executive session at 9:20 pm.

Commissioner Jackus moved to return to public session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Badri and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote. The Authority returned to public session at 9:55 pm.

Report of Committees, Staff & Counsel - Public Session III

Commissioner Kahn moved the resolution indemnifying Executive Director's Counsel Fees pertaining to his defense in the fact-finding inquiry concerning stipend payments made to Authority Employees in 2013 and 2014. Commissioner Badri seconded the resolution and it was approved by a roll call vote with all voting yes except Commissioner Kulish who abstained, and Commissioner Bonanno who voted no.

Commissioner Kahn moved to amend resolution 25-2014, approving the minutes of February 12, 2014 and February 26, 2014, to strike any reference to approval of executive session minutes as there were no executive session minutes presented for approval. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kulish and was approved by a roll call vote, with all voting in favor except Commissioner Jackus who abstained on the minutes of February 12, 2014.

Unfinished Business

There were no items of unfinished business

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 Eastman and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote. The meeting was adjourned at 9:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph C. Bodek

Clerk

James Huff Chairman James Kennedy Secretary