

UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY
November 28, 2007
REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING

Vice-Chairman Kulish called the meeting to order at 6:37 pm, 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 Bodek, Clerk of the Authority.

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

Commissioner Absent: Chairman Kennedy, Commissioner Jackus and Alternate Commissioner Jorn.

Others Present: Dr. Garg, Mr. Brennan, Mr. Crane, Ms. Santiago and Mr. Neafsey of the Authority's staff; Neil Cohen, General Counsel; Ed Traina of CME; Kraig Dowd of Brownstein Booth; Deputy Clerk Lisa Miskiewicz and Clerk Joseph Bodek.

Vice-Chairman Kulish led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Bodek provided Proof of Notice of the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Badri moved to approve the regular session minutes of October 17, 2007, and the executive session minutes of October 17, 2007. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wolf, and approved unanimously by a voice vote.

Communications

There were no Communications.

Report of Officers

There were no reports from the officers.

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Report of Committees, Staff & Counsel - Public Session I

Finance and Budget

Commissioner Kulish reported that the Finance and Budget Committee had met and recommended approval of the bill list as submitted. Commissioner Wolf 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 approved unanimously by a roll call vote.

Commissioner Wolf moved the resolution authorizing the consideration of the annual budget for the fiscal year January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kahn, and approved unanimously by a roll call vote.

Commissioner Wolf moved the resolution increasing the CAP for Rangam Associates in their existing professional services contract. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Badri and approved unanimously by a roll call vote.

Personnel/Procurement/Insurance

No report.

Operations

Mr. Crane reported that there were 478 solid waste flow inspections/investigations conducted during the month of October 2007, broken down as follows: 391 type 13 and 87 type 10. Waste Flow settlements amounted to \$19,800.00

Solid Waste & Recycling

Ms. Santiago informed the Commissioners that there was a resolution on this evening approving a MRF agreement with Allegro Sanitation Corporation of New Jersey, Inc., to accept and recycle types 13, 13C, 23 and 27 solid waste. She noted that the approval is retro-active by thirty days. Dr. Garg noted that this company has had enforcement issues in the past, which have been resolved, with a payment to the Authority. Commissioner Wolf then moved the resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with Allegro Sanitation Corporation of New Jersey, Inc., to allow its materials recovery facilities to accept and recycle Types 13, 13C, 23 and 27 Solid Waste generated within Union County and return all residue therefrom to the designated disposal facilities in the County in accordance with the Union County District Solid Waste Management Plan. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kahn and approved unanimously by a roll call vote.

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New Business

Dr. Garg reported that for the last six to eight months the staff has been working on a computerized tracking system for handling all of the data used in waste flow violation cases. They have been working closely with Rangam Associates, the Authority's consultant in this matter. He, representatives of Rangam, and Mr. Neafsey explained all the material that has to match up in order to follow a violation from start to finish. He detailed the advantages of such a system.

The representatives of Rangam, Mr. Neafsey and Suzanne Kinloch demonstrated the system for the Commissioners.

Ms. Miskiewicz and the representatives of Rangam Associates then unveiled and demonstrated the Authority's new website. They explained what was going to be on the site, and how it will be helpful to the general public. The new site is not complete, but should be in the near future. Dr. Garg also spoke about the need to protect the Authority's records, and how making them available electronically would make it easier to preserve the paper copies.

Public Comment

There was no public present.

Report of Committees, Staff & Counsel - Executive Session

Commissioner Wolf moved to go into executive session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kahn. Mr. Bodek informed those present as to the reasons the Authority was entering into executive session. He also noted that the Authority may take official action upon the completion of the executive session. The motion was approved unanimously by a roll call vote. The Authority entered into executive session at 7:18 pm.

Upon motion of Commissioner Wolf, seconded by Commissioner Erdos, and approved unanimously by a roll call vote, the Authority returned to public session at 7:40 pm.

Report of Committees, Staff & Counsel - Public Session II

Commissioner Badri moved the resolution appointing HDR Engineering, Inc., to perform consultant services for solid waste and recycling management for the Authority pursuant to a request for qualification process. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Huff and approved unanimously by a roll call vote.

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Commissioner Erdos then moved the following resolutions: 1) Adjusting the annual salary of certain executive and managerial employees. The proposed salary adjustments are subject to the certification of availability of funds; 2) Adjusting the annual salary of William Neafsey. The proposed salary adjustment is subject to the certification of availability of funds; 3) Adjusting the annual salary and title of Lisa Miskiewicz. The proposed salary adjustment is subject to the certification of availability of funds. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Huff and approved unanimously by a roll call vote.

Unfinished Business

Mr. Bodek noted that next month there will be a special meeting at 6:00 pm, on December 19, 2007 for the purpose of having Covanta hold the Annual Public Meeting that is required as part of their permit. The regular public meeting will be held at 6:30 pm, or as soon thereafter.

Dr. Garg congratulated Mr. Bodek on being municipal clerk in Linden. He also congratulated Mr. and Mrs. Wolf on celebrating their 67th wedding anniversary.

Public Comment by Commissioners/Freeholder Liaison Chester Holmes

There were no comments.

There being no further business to come before the Authority, Commissioner Wolf moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Badri and approved unanimously by a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph C Bodek
Clerk

James Kennedy
Chairman

William Wolf
Secretary