UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY



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Union County Utilities Authority September 12, 2011 Special Meeting

Chairman Kulish called the meeting to order at 7:07 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 Kulish, Vice-Chairman Jackus, Secretary Kennedy, Commissioners Eastman, Erdos, Huff, and Kahn. Also present was alternate Commissioner Lombardo.

Commissioners Absent: Treasurer People and Commissioner Badri. Also absent was alternate Commissioner Jorn.

Others Present: Dan Sullivan and Denise Santiago of the Authority's staff; Jonathan Williams and Kevin Conti of DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, and Cole; Kraig Dowd of Weber Dowd Law; Dennis Enright of NW Financial; Joseph Orlando of Winning Strategies; Freeholder Angela Estrada; Deputy Clerk Lisa M. Miskiewicz and Clerk Joseph C. Bodek. (A court reporter was also present to prepare a transcript of the McEnroe hearing).

Chairman Kulish led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Kulish designated alternate Commissioner Lombardo to act for Commissioner Kahn.

Chairman Kulish noted that this was the date and time established to conduct a McEnroe Hearing as required by <u>New Jersey law.</u> He then turned the meeting over to Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams explained the purpose of the hearing. He then detailed the proposed restructuring and contracts with Covanta. He explained the benefits of the new contract to the municipalities and residents of Union County.

At the conclusion of Mr. Williams' presentation, the floor was opened to the public, for input into the proposal and for questions. It was noted that each member of the public would be allowed to speak and all questions would be answered at the conclusion of the public portion of the hearing.

The following individuals asked questions and/or made statements concerning the proposed restructuring:

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- Rich Madden, City of Summit Councilman.
- Paul Cascade, Director of Public Works City of Summit and Solid Waste Advisory Committee Chairman.
- Thomas Getzendanner, City of Summit Councilman
- Bruce Paterson, Garwood resident and a member of the Garwood Planning Board
- John Bury, Kenilworth resident. (Mr. Bury had also provided Mr. Sullivan with a letter, of several pages, raising certain issues relative to the restructuring and financing.)

There being no other members of the public wishing to speak, at the hearing, the public portion was then closed.

Mr. Williams, Mr. Enright and Mr. Conti then addressed the individual issues raised and provided answers to the individual questions asked by the members of the public.

Public Comments by Commissioners

There were no comments.

Chairman Kulish asked the Clerk to provide proof of notice of the meeting. The Clerk responded that Proof had been provided.

There being no further business to come before the Authority, Commissioner Eastman moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Erdos and was unanimously ordered approved by a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph C. Bodek Clerk John G. Kulish

James Kennedy