

# RESOLUTION OF THE UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Resolution No.: 6-2024  
Date: February 21, 2024

Approved as to form:

*Bianka Vargas*, Clerk

Approved as to sufficiency of funds:

*John Cuffo*, Acting Comptroller  
 YES  NO  NONE REQUIRED

### APPROVING THE PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 17, 2024

**WHEREAS**, the County of Union, New Jersey has previously developed the Union County District Solid Waste Management Plan in accordance with the New Jersey Solid Waste Management Act for the purpose of managing the disposal and/or recycling of solid waste generated in Union County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners has designated the Union County Utilities Authority (the "Authority"), in accordance with the Solid Waste Management Act, as the implementing agency for its Solid Waste Management Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, et seq., the Authority is permitted to exclude the public from that portion of its regular monthly meetings and/or special meetings in order to discuss certain matters including, but not limited, to contracts, anticipated or pending litigation and personnel issues; and

**WHEREAS**, the Clerk of the Authority separately maintains minutes of those portions of the meetings during which the public is excluded to memorialize the discussions that take place during these executive sessions from the discussions during the portions of the meetings open to the public; and

**WHEREAS**, the minutes for the regular monthly meeting held on January 17, 2024 have been reviewed by the Commissioners of the Authority for approval.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Union County Utilities Authority as follows:

1. The governing body of the Union County Utilities Authority has reviewed and hereby approves the public session meeting minutes of the Authority's January 17, 2024.
2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

	PRESENT	ABSENT	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	MOTION	SECOND
<i>Eastman</i>	✓		✓				✓
<i>Figueiredo</i>	✓		✓				
<i>Holder</i>	✓		✓				
<i>Jackus</i>	✓		✓				
<i>Kahn</i>	✓		✓				
<i>McManus</i>	✓		✓				
<i>Rachlin</i>	✓		✓				
<i>Scutari</i>	✓		✓			✓	
<i>Szpond</i>	✓		✓				
<i>Alma, Alternate No. 1</i>	✓						
<i>Scott-Bey, Alternate No. 2</i>	✓						

**Union County Utilities Authority  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
January 17, 2024**

Chairman Szpond called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m., by way of the Union County Utilities Authority, 1499 Routes 1 & 9 North, Rahway, New Jersey. The meeting was held electronically via Zoom's virtual meeting online platform.

Notice of Compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act was read by Bianka Vargas, Clerk of the Authority

A roll call of the Commissioners showed the following present: Commissioners Eastman, Figueiredo, Jackus, Holder, Kahn, McManus, Rachlin, Vice-Chair Scutari, Chairperson Szpond, Alternate Commissioner Alma.

Commissioners Absent: Alternate Commissioner Scott-Bey

Others Present: Acting Executive Director Linda Stender; Deputy Executive Director/Director of Administrative Services Lisa M. Da Silva; Comptroller John Cuiffo; Kraig Dowd, Esq., Clerk Bianka Vargas.

Chairman Szpond led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Vargas provided Proof of Notice of the meeting.

**Approval of Minutes**

Commissioner Eastman moved for approval of the Public Session Minutes of Special Meeting held on December 11, 2023, and the Annual Special and Regular Meetings on December 20, 2023. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chair Scutari. The December 11, 2023, Special Meeting was approved by all, except for Commissioners Jackus, Holder, Kahn and McManus who abstained. The December 20, 2023, Annual Special and Regular Meetings were approved by all, except for Commissioner Rachlin who abstained.

**Communications** - There were no communications.

**Report of Officers** - There were no reports from the officers.

**Finance and Budget Committee**

Commissioner Eastman gave the report of the Finance and Budget Committee. The Committee recommended approval of the bill list. Commissioner McManus moved the following resolution: 1) Approving, operating, consulting and legal vouchers for processing and payment. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chair Scutari and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote.

**Personnel/Procurement/Insurance**

Commissioner McManus gave the report and recommendations of the Personnel/Procurement/Insurance Committee. In line with the recommendations Commissioner McManus moved the following resolutions: 1) Awarding a contract for the provision of uniform rental and cleaning services; 2) Authorizing the reappointment of Bianka Vargas as Clerk of the Authority. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rachlin and was approved by a roll call vote, with all voting in favor.

**New Business** – No new business to discuss.

**Public Comment** – No members of the public present.

**Report of Committees, Staff & Counsel – Executive Session**

There were no items for discussion in Executive Session.

**Report of Committees, Staff & Counsel – Public Session II**

**Old/Unfinished Business** - There was no unfinished business.

**Public Comment by Commissioners/County Commissioner Liaison Granados**-There were no comments.

There being no further business to come before the Authority, Commissioner Kahn moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rachlin and was unanimously approved by a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Bianka Vargas  
Clerk

Ray Szpond  
Chairman

Margaret McManus  
Secretary