

RESOLUTION

OF THE

UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Resolution No.: 31-2024
 Date: July 17, 2024

Approved as to form:

Branka Vargas, Clerk

Approved as to sufficiency of funds:

Johar Luffo, Acting Comptroller
 YES NO NONE REQUIRED

APPROVING THE PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES OF THE REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING HELD ON JUNE 19, 2024 AND SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES HELD ON JULY 2, 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 public meeting of June 19, 2024 and special meeting of July 2, 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 regular public meeting of June 19, 2024 and special meeting of July 2, 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
June 19, 2024

Chairman Szpond called the meeting to order at 5:30 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 Bianka Vargas, Clerk of the Authority.

Commissioners present: Commissioners Figueiredo, Holder, Jackus, Kahn, McManus, Rachlin, Alternate Commissioner Alma, Chairperson Szpond

Commissioners Absent: Commissioner Eastman, Alternate Commissioner Scott-Bey, Vice-Chairperson Scutari

Other Attendees: 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, Ed Traina, P.E.

Chairperson Szpond appointed Alternate Commissioner Alma to sit in for absent Commissioner Eastman.

Chairman Szpond led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Vargas provided Proof of Notice of the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Rachlin moved the resolution approving the Public Session Minutes of the Regular Public Meeting held on May 15, 2024. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kahn and was approved by a roll call vote, with all voting in favor, except Alternate Commissioner Alma who abstained.

Communications – There were no communications.

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

Report of Committees, Staff & Counsel- Public Session I

a. Finance and Budget Committee

Commissioner McManus gave the report of the Finance and Budget Committee. Commissioner Holder moved the following resolution: 1) Approving operating, consulting, and legal vouchers for processing and payment. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kahn and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote.

b. Personnel/Procurement/Insurance

Commissioner McManus gave the report and recommendations of the Personnel/Procurement/Insurance Committee. In line with the recommendations Commissioner Holder moved the following resolution: 1) Accepting the retirement of Albert Juanes and approving payments for unused accrued vacation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kahn and was unanimously approved by a roll call vote.

c. Solid Waste & Recycling

Commissioner McManus gave the report and recommendations of the Solid Waste & Recycling Committee. In line with the recommendations Commissioner Holder moved the following resolution: 1) Recommending an administrative action plan amendment to the Union County district solid waste management plan pertaining to Linden Renewable Energy, LLC's Class C recycling facility in the City of Linden. The motion was seconded by Alternate Commissioner Alma and was unanimously approved by a roll call vote.

New Business

Acting Executive Director Linda Stender reviewed resolution 29-2024 with the board, explaining they have received authorization from Records Management Services in the New Jersey Department of Treasury to destroy documents that have reached the end of their retention period. Alternate Commissioner Alma moved the following resolution: 1) Authorizing the disposal of certain archived Authority files. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kahn and was unanimously approved by a roll call vote.

Public Comment – No members of the public were 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 – Acting Executive Director Linda Stender discussed the recent UCUA tonnage numbers for the month of May which has been the highest for that month in the last few years. She also mentioned the auction of Authority vehicles that took place recently.

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

There being no further business to come before the Authority, Commissioner Holder moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rachlin and was unanimously ordered approved by a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 5:42 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Bianka Vargas
Clerk

Ray Szpond
Chairman

Margaret McManus
Secretary

July 2, 2024
Special Public Meeting

Chairman Szpond called the meeting to order at 12:05 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 Lisa M. da Silva, Deputy Executive Director.

Commissioners present: Commissioners Eastman, Figueiredo, Holder, Kahn, McManus, Rachlin, Alternate Commissioner Alma, Alternate Commissioner Scott-Bey, Vice-Chairperson Scutari, Chairperson Szpond

Commissioners Absent: Commissioner Jackus

Other Attendees: Acting Executive Director Linda Stender; Deputy Executive Director/Director of Administrative Services Lisa M. da Silva; Comptroller John Cuiffo; Kraig Dowd, Esq.

Chairperson Szpond appointed Alternate Commissioner Alma to sit in for absent Commissioner Jackus.

Chairman Szpond led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. da Silva provided Proof of Notice of the meeting.

Communications – There were no communications.

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

Report of Committees, Staff & Counsel- Public Session I

a. Solid Waste & Recycling

Vice-Chairperson Scutari made a motion to approve Resolution No.: 30-2024 approving and authorizing the execution of an agreement with Merck Sharp & Dohme, LLC providing for the alternate disposal of ID Type 13C and Type 27 solid waste. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus and unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Public Comment – No members of the public were present.

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

There being no further business to come before the Authority, Vice-Chairperson Scutari moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rachlin and was unanimously ordered approved by a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 12:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Bianka Vargas
Clerk

Ray Szpond
Chairman

Margaret McManus
Secretary