

RESOLUTION

OF THE

UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Resolution No.: 7-2026
 Date: February 18, 2026

Approved as to form:

Bianka Vargas, Clerk

Approved as to sufficiency of funds:

John Cuiffa Acting Comptroller

[] YES [] NO [X] NONE REQUIRED

APPROVING THE PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 21, 2026

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 21, 2026 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 21, 2026.
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 21, 2026**

Chairman Szpond called the meeting to order at 5:30 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.

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

Absentees: Commissioner Jackus, Vice-Chairperson Scutari

Other Attendees: 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 appointed Alternate Commissioner Alma to sit in for absent Commissioner Jackus and Alternate Commissioner Scott-Bey for Vice-Chairperson Scutari

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 and Special meetings held on December 17, 2025. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Eastman and was approved by a roll call vote, with all voting in favor except for Commissioners Figueiredo, Kahn and McManus who abstained.

Commissioner Jackus joined the meeting at 5:35pm.

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 Eastman presented the Finance and Budget Committee's report and recommendations.

Commissioner Eastman moved the following resolution: 1) Approving operating, consulting, and legal vouchers for processing and payment. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kahn and was approved by a roll call vote, with all voting in favor.

b. Personnel Procurement and Insurance

Commissioner McManus presented the Personnel Procurement and Insurance Committee's report and recommendations.

Commissioner McManus moved the following resolution: 1) Approving updates to the Authority's Employee Handbook and Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rachlin and was approved by a roll call vote, with all voting in favor.

New Business – Comptroller John Cuiffo went over the tonnage numbers for the past year. Chairman Szpond congratulated the team on their hard work.

Public Comment – No members of the public were present.

Report of Committees, Staff & Counsel – Executive Session - None

Report of Committees, Staff & Counsel – Public Session II

Old/Unfinished Business – There was no unfinished business.

Public Comment by Commissioners/County Commissioner Liaison Palmieri-Mouded- There were no comments

There being no further business to come before the Authority, Commissioner Eastman 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 5:41 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Bianka Vargas

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Clerk

Ray Szpond

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Chairman

Margaret McManus

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Secretary