



UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY

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**Union County Utilities Authority
April 21, 2010
Regular Public Meeting**

Chairman Kulish called the meeting to order at 6:37 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 Lisa M. Miskiewicz, Deputy Clerk of the Authority.

A roll call of the Commissioners showed the following present: Chairman Kulish, Vice-Chairman Jackus, Treasurer People, Secretary Rachlin, Commissioners Badri, Erdos, Huff and Kennedy. Also present was Alternate Commissioners Lombardo. Commissioner Kahn arrived at 6:41 pm.

Commissioners Absent: Alternate Commissioner Jorn

Others Present: Sunil Garg; Jeff Hummel; Thomas Brennan; and Denise Santiago of the Authority's staff; Jonathon Williams and Gina Bilangi of DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick and Cole; Kraig Dowd of Weber Dowd Law; Freeholder Chairman Daniel Sullivan and Deputy Clerk Lisa Miskiewicz

Chairman Kulish led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Miskiewicz provided Proof of Notice of the meeting.

Minutes

Commissioner Badri moved the resolution approving the regular session and executive session minutes of the regular meeting of March 17, 2010. The motion was seconded by Commissioner People. By a roll call vote all voted in favor except Secretary Rachlin who abstained.

Communications

Dr. Garg read an email from the Brian Lefke of the Atlantic County Utilities Authority (ACUA). The ACUA is considering reinstating waste flow, and their need to develop an enforcement plan. The Department of Environmental Protection indicated the Union County Utilities Authority has one of the better Enforcement Divisions in the state. Mr. Lefke asked if the Authority would share guidelines and procedures to help them start their own enforcement unit.

Dr. Garg also noted that next week a group of second graders would be touring this facility. He noted the excitement over this tour.

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 Jackus reported that the Finance and Budget Committee had met and recommended approval of the payment of the bills. Commissioner Badri 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 Erdos and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote.

Personnel/Procurement/Insurance

There was no report

Operations:

Mr. Hummel reported that there were 371 solid waste flow inspections/investigations during the month of March 2010 (313 type 13 and 58 type 10). He noted that a majority of the cases instituted during the month of March are presently active and still undergoing the inspectional process. He also noted that a notice was sent out to all Union County haulers that effective May 10, 2010, BFI can no longer accept Union County waste. Dr. Garg indicated that the Authority will be filing a complaint against Eagle Hauling.

Dr. Garg and Mr. Brennan noted that on the quarterly report the amount of Type 10 waste is up almost 800 tons over last year. Type 13 waste is still down, but only by about 2,200.00 tons.

Solid Waste and Recycling

There was no report.

New Business

Dr. Garg noted that the Authority was featured on News 12's Garden State Green on Tuesday, April 20th. A link would be sent to commissioners to see the segment.

Dr. Garg also noted that the second grade class from Frank K. Hehly School in Clark would be visiting the facility on May 5th. Commissioners Huff's daughter is a student in the class and all Commissioners are invited to attend the visit.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Report of Committees, Staff & Counsel – Executive Session I

Deputy Clerk Lisa M. Miskiewicz read the following statement:

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WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., permits the exclusion of the public from a public body meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Union County Utilities Authority Board of Commissioners is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners wishes to discuss the following issues:

- 1) *Contracts – Covanta project team update.*

WHEREAS, minutes will be kept of the executive session and once the matter above no longer requires confidentiality, the minutes, or appropriate portions thereof, of the executive session will be made available to the public; and

Now therefore be it resolved by the Union County Utilities Authority Board of Commissioners that the public be excluded from this meeting.

Commissioner Badri moved the above resolution. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Huff and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote. The Authority convened into executive session at 6:48 p.m.

Upon motion of Commissioner Erdos, seconded by Commissioner Kennedy, and unanimously ordered approved by a voice vote, the Authority reconvened into public session at 6:53 p.m.

Report of Committees Staff & Counsel – Public Session II

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

Public Comments by Commissioners/Freeholder Liaison Daniel Sullivan

Freeholder Chairman Sullivan spoke about the appreciation of the Freeholders for all of the efforts of the Authority.

There being no further business to come before the Authority, Commissioner Badri moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Erdos and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote. The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa M. Miskiewicz
Deputy Clerk

John Kulish
Chairman

Robert Rachlin
Secretary