



UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY

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Union County Utilities Authority September 17, 2008 Regular Public Meeting

Chairman Kahn called the meeting to order at 6:30 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 Joseph C. Bodek, Clerk of the Authority.

A roll call of the Commissioners showed the following present: Chairman Kahn, Treasurer People, Secretary Wolf, Commissioners Badri, Erdos, Huff, and Kennedy. Also present were Alternate Commissioners Jorn and Lombardo.

Commissioners Absent: Vice-Chairman Kulish and Commissioner Jackus.

Others Present: Dr. Garg, Tom Brennan, Bill Neafsey, Jeff Hummel and Ms. Santiago of the Authority's staff; Ed Trainia of CME; Jonathan Williams of DeCotiis Fitzpatrick, et. al; Kraig Dowd of G. Weber Law; Vijant Pawar of Vijayant Pawar Law; Freeholder Chester Holmes; Deputy Clerk Lisa Miskiewicz; and Clerk Joseph C. Bodek.

Chairman Kahn led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Bodek provided proof of notice of the meeting.

Chairman Kahn appointed Alternate Commissioner Jorn to act for Commissioner Kulish and Alternate Commissioner Lombardo to act for Commissioner Jackus.

Minutes

Commissioner Badri moved the resolution approving the regular session and executive session minutes of the regular public meeting of August 20, 2008. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Huff and approved by a roll call vote, with all voting in favor except Commissioner Badri who abstained.

Communications

There were no communications.

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 Kennedy reported that the Finance and Budget Committee had met and recommended approval of the bill list. Commissioner Wolf then 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 People and approved unanimously by a roll call vote.

Personnel/Procurement/Insurance

There was no report from the Committee.

Operations:

Mr. Hummel advised the Commissioners that there were 410 solid waste flow inspections/investigations conducted during the month of August, 2008 (356 Type 13, 54 Type 10). He also reported that the compliance staff has been conducting a vigorous investigation into the MRF facilities operating within and outside of Union County. He provided some outcomes of that investigation. He detailed some of the data being collected from the MRF.

Ms. Santiago informed the Commissioners that \$6,500.00 was collected for waste flow violations. She noted that a check in the amount of \$24,500.00 was received from the County for EFQOF to be utilized for reimbursement for waste flow fines that were sent over to the County.

Solid Waste & Recycling

There were no reports from the Committee.

New Business

Commissioner Badri moved the resolution authorizing the disposal of certain archived authority files. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Huff and approved unanimously by a roll call vote.

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Mr. Bodek explained the need to change the date of the November meeting from November 26 to another date. After a brief discussion it was determined that the meeting should be moved to November 12, 2008. Commissioner Huff moved the resolution authorizing an amendment to the annual meeting schedule to change the date of the November meeting to November 12, 2008. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lombardo and approved unanimously by a roll call vote.

Public Comment

There were no members of the Public present.

Report of Committees, Staff & Counsel – Executive Session

Commissioner Erdos moved to go into executive session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Badri.

Mr. Bodek read the following statement:

In accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act, in the State of New Jersey, the Authority is entering into executive session to discuss items concerning contracts, litigation and/or personnel. The Authority may take official action on items discussed in executive session once the Authority returns to public session.

The motion to go into executive session was unanimously approved by a roll call vote. The Authority convened into executive session at 6:42 pm.

Upon motion of Commissioner Lombardo, seconded by Commissioner People, and approved unanimously by a roll call vote, the Authority returned to public session at 7:10 p.m.

Report of Committees Staff & Counsel – Public Session II

Commissioner Erdos moved the resolution appointing Kraig M. Dowd, Esq. of the firm Weber Dowd Law, LLC as interim general counsel and authorizing the execution of amendments to the current contract for professional legal services with G. Weber Law, LLC. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kennedy and approved unanimously by a roll call vote.

Unfinished Business

There were no items of unfinished business.

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UCUA Public Comments by Commissioners/Freeholder Liaison Chester Holmes

There were no comments.

There being no further business to come before the Authority, Commissioner Erdos moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Badri, and unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Joseph C. Bodek
Clerk

Edward J. Kahn
Chairman

William Wolf
Secretary