

Union County Utilities Authority  
May 18, 2005

Regular Public Meeting

Treasurer People 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 Joseph Bodek, Clerk of the Authority.

A roll Call of Commissioners showed the following present:, Secretary Wolf, Treasurer People, Commissioners Badri, Jackus, & Vollero. Commissioner Kennedy arrived at 6:45 p.m.. Also present were Alternate Commissioners Huff and Jorn.

Commissioners Absent: Chairman Kahn, Vice-Chairman Kulish, Commissioners Kennedy and Lapolla.

Others Present: Dr. Spatola, Mr. Brennan, Mr. Hummel, Mr. Neasfey, and Mr. Crane of the Authority staff; Tim Gillen of CME; Kraig Dowd of Brownstein Booth and Associates; Allan Roth, Esq.; Jonathan Williams, Esq., of DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Wisler; Dennis Enright of NW Financial; Freeholder Liaison Chester Holmes; Deputy Clerk Lisa Miskiewicz and Clerk Joseph C. Bodek.

Treasurer People led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Treasurer People appointed Alternate Commissioner Huff to act for Commissioner Kulish and Alternate Commissioner Jorn to act for Commissioner Kahn.

Mr. Bodek provided proof of notice of the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Jackus moved the resolution approving the minutes of the regular public meeting of April 20, 2005 and the executive session minutes of April 20, 2005. Commissioner Wolf seconded the motion. All voted in favor, except Commissioners Huff and Jorn, 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 and 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 bills resolutions. Commissioner Wolf then moved the following resolutions: 1) Approving consulting and legal vouchers for processing and payment; 2) Approving operating and resource recovery facility vouchers for processing and payment. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jorn and approved unanimously by a roll call vote.

Personnel/Procurement/Insurance

There was no report for public session.

Operations

Dr. Spatola informed the Commissioner that the Covanta Coordination Meeting was held on May 17, 2005. Discussed was: 1) The total amount of waste delivered and the total amount of waste processed and the amounts of waste delivered and processed under the various Authority contracts. 2) The outage for maintenance purposes was completed last week, with everything going smoothly; 3) The Route 1&9 re-alignment and its impact on the facility; 4) The silo for the dolomitic lime system has been delivered, and Covanta has begun soliciting bids for its installation; 5) Covanta's closing on the American Refuel facilities, that they purchased, is targeted for mid June. Dr. Spatola outlined Covanta's plans for managing the three plants located in New Jersey, and the three in Long Island; 6) Security issues at this plant was reviewed. Mr. Crane added that issues raised by Homeland Security were also discussed.

Dr. Spatola reported that the annual Right-to-Know submission to the State of New Jersey is due in July. CME has completed collecting the required information.

Mr. Crane provided an enforcement update to the Commissioners.

Dr. Spatola noted that the Authority must register with the state's Gov Connect Program, and designate an individual to be responsible for accessing the Gov Connect System and receiving email on behalf of the Authority. He noted that there's a resolution designating Mr. Crane as the Authority's contact. Commissioner Jackus moved the resolution appointing Charles Crane as the Authority's official to be responsible for accessing the Gov Connect system and receiving email on behalf of the

Authority. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wolf and approved unanimously by a roll call vote.

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### Solid Waste and Recycling

There was no report.

### New Business

Mr. Bodek reported that the Union County Voice and the Union County Superintendent of Schools will be sponsoring a Union County Special Events Day. On May 31, 2005. They asked for donations of food, attractions, gifts, or money. Mr. Bodek stated that the Authority had various materials promoting recycling and asked permission to turn them over to this program. There were no objections from the Commissioners.

### Public Comment

Mr. Bodek informed the members of the public the rules under which public comment would be allowed.

The first person to speak was Anthony, who is a small hauler. Anthony spoke to the Commissioners about a company called Eagle Recycling, and its taking Type 13 waste. He wanted to know if it was legal to take Union County Type 13 waste there, and being charged \$77.00 per ton. He also discussed the enforcement program. Treasurer People asked Anthony to set up a meeting with Dr. Spatola and Mr. Crane, before he left this evening, to resolve these issues.

Next to speak was Fabio, a tax payer in the County of Union. He asked if there are other transfer stations that are legal to accept Union County waste (type 13). Mr. Williams responded that there were. He then discussed the roll of materials recovery facilities (MRF). Fabio also raised the issue of Republic Industries, what they pay for disposal of waste at the resource recovery facility, and other issues related to that company. Mr. Williams recommended, through the Chair, that a meeting be scheduled with these individuals to discuss the issues raised. Fabio agreed, and in closing, raised the issue of where waste was being disposed of by the Plainfield Municipal Utilities Authority.

Mr. Crane left the room with Anthony and Fabio, to obtain their contact information so that a meeting could be scheduled. There were no further comments from the public.

Commissioner Jackus moved to go into executive session to discuss those matters pertaining to contracts, litigation, and/or personnel. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Badri, and approved unanimously by a roll call vote. The Authority convened into executive session at 7:05 pm.

Upon motion of Commissioner Jackus, seconded by Commissioner Wolf and approved unanimously by a roll call vote, the Authority reconvened into public session at 7:40 pm.

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Reports of Committees, Staff & Counsel - Public Session II

There were no reports

Unfinished Business

Mr. Bodek reminded the Commissioner that they had received a mailing from Ms. Miskiewicz, regarding the League of Municipalities convention in November. He asked that the Commissioners and staff return those forms as quickly as possible, in order to meet the League's deadlines.

Public Comments by Commissioners/Freeholder Liaison Chester Holmes

No Comments were made.

There being no further business to come before the Authority, Commissioner Badri moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jackus and approved unanimously by a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph C. Bodek  
Clerk

Edward Kahn  
Chairman

William Wolf  
Secretary