

Union County Utilities Authority
June 21, 2006
Regular Public Meeting

Chairman Kennedy called the meeting to order at 6:32 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 the Commissioners showed the following present: Vice-Chairman Kulish, Treasurer People, Secretary Wolf, Commissioners Badri, and Jackus. Alternate Commissioner Huff was also present. Alternate Commissioner Jorn arrived at 6:37 pm.

Commissioners Absent: Chairman Kennedy, Commissioners Kahn, Lapolla and Vollero.

Others Present: Dr. Garg, Mr. Brennan, Mr. Hummel, Mr. Neafsey, and Mr. Crane of the Authority's staff; General Counsel Neil Cohen; Ed Trainia of CME; Kraig Dowd of Brownstein Booth and Associates; Alan Roth, Esq.; Deputy Clerk Lisa Miskiewicz and Clerk Joseph Bodek.

Vice-Chairman Kulish led the Pledge of Alliance.

Mr. Bodek provided proof of notice of the meeting.

Vice-Chairman Kulish appointed Alternate Commissioner Huff to act for Commissioner Kennedy.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Jackus moved the resolution approving the regular session and executive session minutes of May 17, 2006. The motion was seconded by Commissioner People and approved with all voting in favor, except Commissioner Kulish and Commissioner Huff, 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 Jackus reported that the Finance and Budget Committee had met, and recommended approval of the bill lists. Commissioner Jackus 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 Wolf and approved unanimously by a roll call vote.

Personnel/Procurement/Insurance

Commissioner Jackus moved the resolution authorizing the appointment of the Open Public Records Act custodian. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wolf and approved unanimously by a roll call vote.

Vice-Chairman Kulish noted that alternate Commissioner Jorn had arrived, and appointed him to act for Commissioner Lapolla.

Operations:

Dr. Garg reported on the monthly Covanta Coordination meeting. He noted that there were no deviations from the last few years of data, and that the Authority was on track for meetings its delivery requirements. Also discussed was the Route 1 & 9 realignment. The project is moving along according to schedule. He noted that the State DOT was discussing an alternate paving schedule for the project. He informed the Commissioner as the impact this would have on the facility.

Mr. Crane informed the Commissioners that there were 475 solid waste flow inspections/investigations during the month of May. Total fines collected for the month of May was \$11,700.00.

Solid Waste & Recycling

Dr. Garg reported that the Committee appointed last month to update the County's Solid Waste Management Plan had its first meeting. Mr. Brennan informed the Commissioners as to who was present at the meeting. He noted that the Committee reviewed the State requirements for the plan update, and had also began collecting information to address those issues. It was his hope to have a draft report for the next meeting.

New Business

There were no items of new business.

Public Comment

There were no members of the public present.

Mr. Bodek noted that the Authority would be going into executive session to discuss matters pertaining to Contracts, Litigation and or Personnel. Commissioner Jackus move to go into executive session to discuss matters previously noted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wolf and approved unanimously by a roll call vote. The Authority convened into executive session at 6:40 pm.

Upon motion of Commissioner Huff, seconded by Commissioner Wolf the Authority reconvened into public session at 6:44 pm.

Report of Committees Staff & Counsel - Public Session II

There were no reports

Unfinished Business

Commissioner People asked about enforcement efforts in regards to municipal recycling. Dr. Garg responded explaining that municipal recycling did not fall under the Authority, but under the County. He did note that the State is looking for a more robust recycling effort.

There were no items of unfinished business.

Public Comments by Commissioners/Freeholder Liaison Chester Holmes

There being no further business to come before the Authority, Commissioner Jackus moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wolf, and approved unanimously by a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 6:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph C. Bodek
Clerk

James Kennedy
Chairman

William Wolf
Secretary