

Union County Utilities Authority
October 18, 2006
Regular Public Meeting

Chairman Kennedy 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 the Commissioners showed the following present: Chairman Kennedy, Vice-Chairman Kulish, Treasurer People, Secretary Wolf, Commissioners Badri, Jackus, Kahn, Lapolla. Also present were Alternate Commissioner Jorn.

Commissioners Absent: Commissioner Vollero and Alternate Commissioner Huff.

Others Present: Dr. Garg, Mr. Hummel, Mr. Neafsey, and Mr. Crane of the Authority's staff; Neil Cohen, General Counsel; Kraig Dowd of Brownstein Booth and Associates; Gina Bilangi of DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Wisler; Freeholder Liaison Chester Holmes; Deputy Clerk Lisa Miskiewicz and Clerk Joseph Bodek.

Chairman Kennedy led the Pledge of Alliance.

Mr. Bodek provided proof of notice of the meeting.

Chairman Kennedy appointed Alternate Commissioner Jorn to act for Commissioner Vollero.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Wolf moved the resolution approving the regular session and executive session minutes of the September 20, 2006 meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lapolla and approved by a voice vote, with all voting in favor except Commissioner Kulish, who abstained.

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Communications

There were no communications.

Report of Officers

There were no reports from the officers.

Reports 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 list. Commissioner Lapolla moved the following resolutions: 1) Approving operating and resource recovery facility vouchers for processing and payment; 2) Approving consulting and legal vouchers for processing and payment; The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kahn and approved unanimously by a voice vote.

Personnel/Procurement/Insurance

There was no report.

Operations

Dr. Garg reported on the Covanta Co-ordination meeting. He spoke about the amount of Type 10 waste being delivered. He noted that the numbers are running parallel to last years numbers.

Chairman Kennedy asked about the Route 1 & 9 realignment. Dr. Garg noted that the new entrance has been opened. There was still some discussion on the placement of the exits.

Mr. Crane informed the Commissioners that there were 435 solid waste inspections, during the month of September (334 type 13 and 110 type 10). Total amount of settlements collected during the month of September was \$11,212.50.

Commissioner Kahn asked about enforcement issues as they relate to Elizabeth contractors. He had heard that the contractors were not bringing waste into the Waste Management facility on Front St. Mr. Crane said that the questions should be directed to Mr. Neafsey.

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Solid Waste and Recycling

Commissioner People reported that the Solid Waste and Recycling Committee had met with the Executive Director and Counsel. The Committee discussed at length revisions to the Union County Solid Waste Management Plan. He explained what the revisions would do. Commissioner Jackus moved the resolution endorsing and recommending an amendment to the Union County Solid Waste Management Plan pertaining to the revised solid waste management strategy for the Union County solid waste management district. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kulish and approved unanimously by a voice vote.

New Business

There were no items of new business.

Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

Mr. Bodek noted that the Authority would be going into executive session to discuss matters pertaining to Contracts, Litigation and/or Personnel. Public action may be taken at the conclusion of the executive session. Commissioner Jackus moved 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 6:50 pm.

Upon motion of Commissioner Lapolla, seconded by Commissioner Kahn, and approved unanimously by a roll call vote the Authority reconvened into public session at 6:55 pm.

Report of Committees Staff & Counsel - Public Session II

There were no reports.

Unfinished Business

There were no items of unfinished business.

Public Comments by Commissioners/Freeholder Liaison Chester Holmes.

There were no comments.

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There being no further business to come before the Authority, Commissioner Kahn moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wolf, and approved unanimously by a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph C. Bodek
Clerk

James Kennedy
Chairman

William Wolf
Secretary