

**BERGEN COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY  
WORK SESSION**

**December 18, 2014**

**Monthly Work Session Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Vaccaro at 6:00 PM.

The Proof of Work Session Notice calling the December 18, 2014 Work Session was read into the record by Richard Wierer, Acting Authority Secretary.

BEFORE: The Honorable Commissioners of the Authority  
Andrew "Chuck" Vaccaro, Chairman  
Ronald Phillips, Vice Chairman  
Catherine T. Bentz, Commissioner  
James L. Cassella, Commissioner  
Louis J. DeLisio, Commissioner  
Paul A. Juliano, Commissioner  
David J. Lorenzo, Commissioner  
Richard D. Schooler, Commissioner  
George P. Zilocchi, Commissioner

The meeting was opened to the public. No members of the public wished to speak. The meeting was closed to the public.

Review of December 18, 2014 Regular Meeting Agenda

Chairman Vaccaro reviewed the December 2014 Regular Meeting Agenda and solicited comments or questions from the Commissioners. Vice Chairman Phillips noted that the PSE&G final easement agreement was on the agenda for consideration. Construction within the easement will commence in January 2015. Commissioner Cassella questioned the need for resolution 14-1-061. Executive Director advised the Commissioners that the resolution was a statutory requirement.

Construction and Engineering Committee:

Vice Chairman Phillips noted the CoGen Expansion project continues to move forward. There are certain air quality permitting issues that still need to be resolved regarding the project. The project continues to be on schedule to be completed by April 2015. The Edgewater Pump Station/Force Main project continues to move forward. Resolution 14-2-063 is for the award of a contract for surveying services regarding the proposed force main for the project.

Security and Safety Committee:

Vice Chairman Phillips advised the Commissioners that he and Commissioner Bentz attended the December 18, 2014 safety committee meeting. Vice Chairman Phillips noted that although lost time accidents will continue to be monitored, preventing the number of accidents will be emphasized in the coming year.

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Administration Reports:

Executive Director Laux advised the Commissioners that the 2015 Authority budget and rate hearing was conducted prior to the work session. The New Jersey Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) has approved the budget and commended the Authority on the completeness and clarity of the budget and the Authority's website. Director Laux thanked Lerch, Vinci and Higgins and Authority staff for their efforts in preparing and completing the budget. Director Laux advised the Commissioners that resolution 14-1-067 is for the PSE&G easement and thanked General Counsel and Special Counsel Stephen Sinisi for their efforts in regards to this project. Director Laux noted that Keith Furlough has been working with staff in preparing press releases and media outreach regarding the historic success of the 2014 household hazardous waste and special waste programs. Director Laux thanked the Commissioners and the Authority employees for another successful holiday toy drive. Director Laux requested approval from the Commissioners to continue prior consideration of providing employees a half day on December 24, 2014. A motion was made by Commissioner Zilocchi and seconded by Commissioner Lorenzo and unanimously approved. Commissioner Zilocchi noted the success of the Authority's household hazardous waste program.

Director of Solid Waste and Information Technology Systems Wierer's monthly report was accepted as submitted.

Director of WPC/Chief Engineer Andersen's monthly report was accepted as submitted.

Acting Treasurer McCarter's monthly report was accepted as submitted.

Security Administrator D'Arminio's monthly report was accepted as submitted.

Motion to adjourn the Work Session meeting was made, seconded and unanimously carried.

  
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Richard Wierer  
Acting Authority Secretary