

**BERGEN COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY
WORK SESSION**

September 25, 2014

Monthly Work Session Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Vaccaro at 6:07 PM.

The Proof of Work Session Notice calling the September 25, 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
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 September 25, 2014 Regular Meeting Agenda

Chairman Vaccaro reviewed the September 2014 Regular Meeting Agenda and solicited comments or questions from the Commissioners. Vice Chairman Phillips advised the Commissioners that the BCUA received considerable revenue from PSE&G for effluent reuse.

Construction and Engineering Committee:

Vice Chairman Phillips advised the Commissioners that progress has been made on several issues of importance during the past two months. Vice Chairman Phillips noted that he attended several meetings regarding the DCO CoGen project. Project design is 100% complete. There are certain air quality permitting issues that still need to be resolved regarding the project. The Edgewater Outfall project continues to move forward. Vice Chairman Phillips advised the Commissioners that the BCUA continues to work with the NJDEP regarding the ACO required for the Outfall project and that several meetings were held with engineering consultants regarding the Outfall RFP. The BCUA appraisal for the permanent easement for a high voltage underground PSE&G transmission line through the BCUA Little Ferry facility was higher than the PSE&G appraisal and a meeting between the appraisers will be conducted to determine the discrepancy. Construction on the easement will not commence until summer of 2015. Vice Chairman Phillips noted that the force main study will commence in October. Commissioner Zilocchi asked if the BCUA has had any progress regarding FEMA funding since the last update. Vice Chairman Phillips noted that Construction and Engineering Committee members have discussed the FEMA funding issue and if

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the BCUA should settle for the current FEMA funding or continue to work with FEMA. This issue will be discussed at the October 2014 regular work session. Vice Chairman Phillips advised the Commissioners that an engineering proposal for the evaluation of the pipe hammer/pump check valve issue at the Harrington Park main pump station will be considered at the October 2014 regular meeting.

Security and Safety Committee:

Vice Chairman Phillips advised the Commissioners that there was an attempt by two individuals to breach the BCUA security. The attempt was thwarted by BCUA security personnel. There have been some lost time injuries in the past two months. The BCUA is reviewing the light duty policy with the BCUA's risk managers.

Administration Reports:

Executive Director Laux advised the Commissioners of the October 3rd Environmental Challenge Grant program presentation ceremony and the October 7th Riverkeeper annual award celebration. It is anticipated that the draft 2015 budget will be distributed to the Commissioners on or before October 10th. Keith Furlough distributed the 2012/2013 annual report and thanked Commissioner Zilocchi for his input. Director Laux noted that the BCUA's bond ratings have been reaffirmed. The BCUA had two meetings during the past month with representatives from American Dream regarding the sewer connection fee. Director Laux advised the Commissioners that the Commissioner anti-harassment training will take place on October 23rd at 5:00 PM. In addition, Director Laux noted that the BCUA's 9/11 ceremony was well received by the BCUA employees.

Director of Solid Waste and Information Technology Systems Wierer's monthly report was accepted as submitted. Director Wierer advised the Commissioners that the Borough of Hilldale has joined the solid waste cooperative.

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.



Richard Wierer
Acting Authority Secretary