

**BERGEN COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY
WORK SESSION**

July 27, 2016

Monthly Work Session Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Phillips at 6:08 PM.

The Proof of Work Session Notice calling the July 27, 2016 Work Session was read into the record by Michael Henwood, Board Secretary.

BEFORE: The Honorable Commissioners of the Authority
Ronald Phillips, Chairman
Louis J. DeLisio, Vice Chairman
Catherine T. Bentz, Commissioner
Bruce Bonaventuro, Commissioner
James L. Cassella, Commissioner
Paul A. Juliano, Commissioner
Thomas S. Kelley, Commissioner
Jon Warms, 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 July 27, 2016 Regular Meeting Agenda

Chairman Phillips reviewed the July 27, 2016 Regular Meeting Agenda and solicited comments or questions from the Commissioners.

Finance and Legal Committee

Commissioner Cassella discussed various and ongoing projects that will need to be funded in the future. Chairman Phillips reported on funding objectives via grants and other financing vehicles. Director Laux explained that additional financing programs are available which will be identified and presented to the Board. Commissioner Juliano inquired as to the status of the Edgewater Force Main project's funding. Chairman Phillips and Director Laux both responded to Commissioner Juliano's inquiry. Commissioner Cassella discussed the \$25 million HUD grant and acknowledged the contribution of David Pascrell in obtaining the grant. Both Chairman Phillips and Director Laux offered additional comments on the preliminary approval of the HUD grant. Acting Treasurer Mathew McCarter provided an update on the recently completed audit of the BCUA.

Construction and Engineering Committee

Commissioner Bonaventuro reported that meetings were held on the Edgewater Force Main Project. Director Laux advised that a Construction and Engineering Committee meeting will be scheduled to discuss all future projects. Chairman Phillips reported that a meeting was held regarding the Co-Gen Engines and that Engines 1 & 2 will be restarted earlier than

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scheduled. Chairman Phillips reported that Engine 3 is experiencing start up difficulties and that he will report additional information at next month's Commissioner Meeting.

Personnel and Administration Committee

Vice Chairman DeLisio reported that a Personnel Meeting was held last week to discuss overall BCUA staffing.

Safety Committee:

Commissioner Bentz reported that she and Commissioner Warms attended the Safety meeting today. No lost time accidents were reported to date for July. Director Laux requested a consensus by the Commissioners for an award amount for the annual Safety Incentive Bonus. A motion for a \$125.00 bonus was made by Commissioner Warms and seconded by Commissioner Bentz. Motion was unanimously approved.

Security Committee:

Commissioner Zilocchi provided status update on several Security Committee initiatives. Commissioner Zilocchi reported that the next Security Committee will be held on Thursday, August 18, 2016 at 10:00AM.

Chairman's Report:

Chairman Phillips offered his congratulations on the successful audit report. Chairman Phillips also offered his thanks to BCUA staff and David Pascrell for securing the \$25 million HUD grant.

Administrative Reports:

Director Laux provided to the Board a status report on the FEMA/Super Storm Sandy application. Director Laux reported that a Capital Planning meeting was held last week and provided an update to the Board. Director Laux advised that the employee Summer Hot Dog Social held last week was a huge success. Director Laux requested approval of the annual BCUA picnic. A motion to approve the picnic was made by Commissioner Zilocchi and seconded by Commissioner Kelley. Motion was unanimously approved.

Director Wierer announced that this year's Challenge Grants will be awarded on October 8, 2016. Director Wierer also advised that last week's Household Hazardous Waste Collection was well attended and successful.

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



Michael Henwood
Board Secretary