

**BERGEN COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY
WORK SESSION**

September 26, 2019

Monthly Work Session Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Phillips at 6:01 PM.

The Proof of Work Session Notice calling the September 26, 2019 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
Daniel Gumble, Commissioner
Thomas S. Kelley, Commissioner (Telephonically)
Peter C. Massa, Commissioner
Jon Warms, Commissioner

The meeting was opened to the public. No one from the public wished to speak.

Review of September 26, 2019 Regular Meeting Agenda

Chairman Phillips reviewed the September 26, 2019 Regular Meeting Agenda and solicited comments or questions from the Commissioners.

Chairman's Report:

Chairman Phillips acknowledged receipt of letter of resignation from Commissioner Paul A. Juliano. Chairman Phillips thanked Commissioner Juliano for his years of service and dedication to the BCUA Board of Commissioners. Chairman Phillips and Executive Director Laux recognized and presented Board approved donations to the Little Ferry First Aid Corps, Little Ferry Hook & Ladder 1, and Little Ferry Hose Company #1. Chairman Phillips thanked the Department's men and women for their professional volunteer service to the BCUA available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Finance and Legal Committee:

Vice Chairman DeLisio announced that the 2020 Budget preparation is underway and will be reviewed by the Finance Committee and a recommendation will be made for adoption at the October Board Meeting.

Personnel and Administration Committee:

Vice Chairman DeLisio also directed the Board's attention to Resolution 19-03-009 under Personnel and Administration.

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Safety Committee:

Commissioner Bentz reported progress at the Safety Committee meeting today. Commissioner Bentz also requested that the Board take into consideration the recommendation of the Executive Director for the Annual Safety Incentive Award as a result of the 2018 Safety Report Data prepared by Stephen Askew, Director of Water Pollution Control.

Strategic Planning Committee:

Commissioner Warms reported that all three Co-Generation Engines are running on digester gas as of this week.

Administrative Reports:

Executive Director Laux recommended the Board consider a net payment of \$165.00 as additional compensation for the annual Safety Incentive Program based on the results of the 2018 Safety Report prepared by Stephen Askew. A Motion to approve was made, seconded and unanimously carried. Director Laux advised that Board that he received a letter from Mayor Mauro Raguseo thanking the BCUA for support of the Little Ferry 125th Anniversary Celebration held last week. Director Laux requested the Board to conduct a Closed Session Meeting to discuss a litigation matter. Director Laux advised the Board that the Hackensack RiverKeeper annual Gala will be held on Thursday, October 17th at 6:30 PM at the Florentine Gardens in River Vale. Director Laux advised the Board that the annual Employee Appreciation Picnic will be rescheduled to mid-October subject to Board member availability.

Deputy Director Richard Wierer advised the Board that the 2019 Challenge Grant Award Ceremony will be held on October 28, 2019, at 10:00 AM at Bergen Community College. Director Wierer further relied upon his written report as submitted.

Director of Engineering Dominic DiSalvo relied upon his written report as submitted.

Director of Water Pollution Control Stephen Askew relied upon his written report as submitted.

Acting Treasurer Mathew McCarter relied upon his written report as submitted.

Security Administrator D'Arminio reported that he and Director Laux met with Dan Shultz regional Security Advisor with the Dept. Homeland Security for Region Two. Det. William Stallone from the Anti-Terrorism Unit and Critical Infra-structure Unit - Bergen County Prosecutors Office and Det. Lisa Reilly to discuss overall security at BCUA facilities.

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



Michael Henwood
Board Secretary