

**BERGEN COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY
WORK SESSION**

October 27, 2016

Monthly Work Session Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Phillips at 6:05 PM.

The Proof of Work Session Notice calling the October 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 Bentz, Commissioner
Bruce Bonaventuro, 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 October 27, 2016 Regular Meeting Agenda

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

Finance and Legal Committee

Vice Chairman DeLisio requested an overview of the proposed 2017 BCUA budget. Acting Chief Financial Officer McCarter provided a summary of both the proposed 2017 operating and capital budget. Discussion ensued with questions asked by several Commissioners and answered by Acting CFO McCarter. Executive Director Laux advised the board that Finance Committee Chairman James Cassella conducted a meeting last week to review the proposed budget. Director Laux furthered advised the board that the Finance and Legal Committee had recommended both the Water Pollution Control budget (Resolution 16-1-044) and the Solid Waste Management budget (16-1-045) be approved as presented.

Safety Committee:

Commissioner Bentz reported that she and Commissioner Warms attended the monthly Safety Committee meeting earlier in the day.

Security Committee:

Commissioner Zilocchi reported that the closed circuit security camera evaluation/study commenced last Friday. The evaluation/study is scheduled to take seven to ten days to complete.

Chairman's Report:

Chairman Phillips thanked Commissioners for attending the Challenge Grant awards ceremony held at Bergen Community College last week. Chairman Phillips reported on attendance at the WEFTEC Conference in late September. In particular, Chairman Phillips sought a demonstration of equipment that may be beneficial in the BCUA's RDI&I initiative. Chairman Phillips reported that an evaluation continues on Co-Gen engine 3 with the restart of Co-Gen engines 1 and 2 on hold pending the results of that evaluation. Chairman Phillips reported that aggressive planning and legal work is underway on the Edgewater Force Main project with an anticipated extension request being prepared for the NJ DEP.

Administrative Reports:

Director Laux advised the board that the Hackensack RiverKeeper function last month was well attended by the BCUA and that a letter of thanks has been received from the RiverKeeper organization. Director Laux thanked Director Wierer and his team for their support of public education via the Challenge Grant program. Director Laux reported that the first round of appeals is progressing with FEMA regarding mitigation funding for Superstorm Sandy. Director Laux commended Acting CFO McCarter, Director of Engineering DiSalvo and Director of Water Pollution Control Askew for their efforts in preparing the 2017 budget.

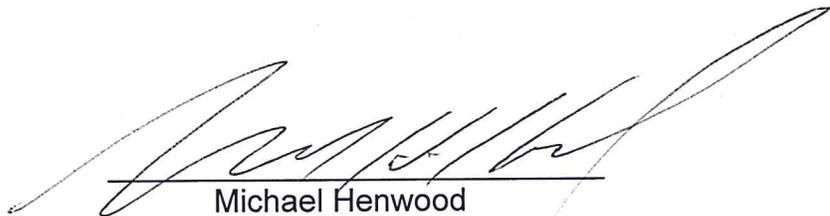
Director Wierer thanked the Commissioners for attending the Challenge Grant check presentation at Bergen Community College last week.

Director of Engineering DiSalvo advised that the transition to truck transportation of sludge will begin this weekend.

Director of WPC Askew advised that a safety meeting would be conducted tomorrow morning for all plant operation employees.

Security Administrator D'Arminio advised that he is working on an additional \$150,000 grant through the Department of Homeland Security.

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



Michael Henwood
Board Secretary