

**BERGEN COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY  
WORK SESSION**

**March 25, 2021**

**Monthly Work Session Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Phillips at 12:07 PM.

The Proof of Work Session Notice calling the March 25, 2021 Work Session was read into the record by Michael Henwood, Board Secretary.

BEFORE: The Honorable Commissioners of the Authority  
Ronald Phillips, Chairman  
Louis DeLisio, Vice Chairman (Telephonically)  
Bruce Bonaventuro, Commissioner (Telephonically)  
Thomas S. Kelley, Commissioner (Telephonically)  
Peter C. Massa, Commissioner (Telephonically)  
Diane T. Testa, Commissioner (Telephonically)  
Jon Warms, Commissioner (Telephonically)

*The March 25, 2021 BCUA Work Session and Regular Board Meeting are being conducted telephonically due to Emergency Measures required during the current COVID 19 Health Crisis. In addition, the published start time of 6:00 PM has been changed to 12:00 PM. Public Notice of time change was posted on the BCUA Website according to current NJ Public Notice guidelines. The Executive Director, Deputy Director, Director of Engineering, Director of Water Pollution Control, Director of Strategic Planning, Acting Treasurer, and Board Secretary attended and conducted the meeting on-site at the Little Ferry Facility. It is necessary and appropriate for the Authority to take action against this public health hazard consistent with Executive Order 103 and Executive Order 107 in order to protect and maintain the health, safety, and welfare of the Authority's employees and Bergen County residents and visitors. Public access to both the Work Session and the Regular Board Meeting has been made available via an 800 call-in number that was posted at both entrances to the BCUA Little Ferry facility and communicated on the BCUA Website.*

The meeting was opened to the public. Ms. Catherine Mallon from Arcadis U.S, Inc. thanked the Board of Commissioner's for the 2021 contract award as the Authority's Special Environmental Engineer.

Review of March 25, 2021 Regular Meeting Agenda

Chairman Phillips reviewed the March 25, 2021 Regular Meeting Agenda and solicited comments or questions from the Commissioners.

PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Vice Chairman DeLisio welcomed Lori Zoklu, the Authority's newly appointed Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer.

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CONSTRUCTION AND ENGINEERING COMMITTEE

Commissioner Kelley advised the Board that the Construction and Engineering Committee will meet tomorrow to review status of all current and scheduled capital construction projects.

Chairman's Report:

Chairman Phillips reported progress on a number of key projects and initiatives.

Administrative Reports:

Executive Director Laux provided an update on Plant Operations specific to the current Covid-19 conditions. Director Laux referred the Board to Resolution 21-2-025 regarding the treatment and management of Mehrhof Pond water quality. Director Laux advised that the BCUA will continue to seek Grant funding regarding this effort. Director Laux advised the Board that the Finance and Legal Committee will meet prior to April's Board meeting to discuss funding for Capital Projects. At the one-year anniversary of the start of the Covid-19 Pandemic emergency, Director Laux thanked BCUA Employees and Board Members for their outstanding efforts and professionalism during this difficult period.

Deputy Director Wierer relied upon his written report as submitted.

Director of Engineering Dominic DiSalvo provided an update on the Columbia University Wastewater Study. Director DiSalvo further relied upon his written report as submitted.

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

Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer Lori Zoklu relied upon her written report as submitted.

Security Administrator D'Arminio provided update on several security matters.

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



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Michael Henwood  
Board Secretary