

TO: Lisa Duffner, Board Secretary
Atlantic County Utilities Authority

FROM: Honorable Dennis Levinson, Atlantic County Executive

RE: Minutes of Meeting – August 15, 2024

I. The Minutes of the above referenced meeting were submitted pursuant to N.J.S.A 40:41A-37 et seq. on August 16, 2024,

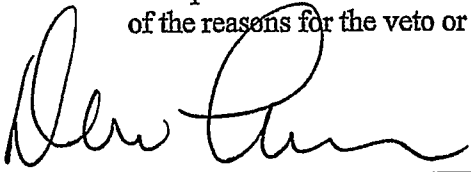
- (a) by the end of the fifth business day following the meeting.
- (b) as soon as practicable following the meeting where emergency action has been taken.
- (c) beyond the statutory period for submission.

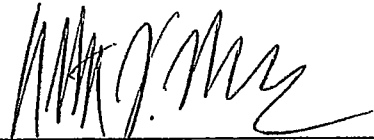
II. I hereby return the Minutes of the above referenced meeting to the Authority and to the Board of County Commissioners, on the date set forth above, which is

- (a) within ten days of delivery.
- (b) within twenty-four (24) hours of delivery where the action at the meeting was deemed by the Authority to be in response to an emergency situation.

III. The following action is taken on the Minutes:

- (a) Approved in all respects.
- (b) Vetoed in all respects. A written explanation of the reasons for the veto is attached.
- (c) Approved in part and vetoed in part.
The specific items which are vetoed and a written explanation of the reasons for the veto or vetoes is attached.


Dennis Levinson, Atlantic County Executive


N. Lynne Hughes, Deputy County Counsel
Approved as to Form and Entry

Arthur J. Murray, Assistant County Counsel

Date: 8/20/24
cc: Tara Silipena, Clerk to the Atlantic County Board of County Commissioners
ATTACHMENTS: Minutes
 Veto Message

ATLANTIC COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY
August 15, 2024 – 3:00 PM
6700 Delilah Road, Egg Harbor Township, NJ

PRESENT FOR THE AUTHORITY

Marvin Embry	Chair
Fred Akers	Member
Frank Formica	Member
Laura Pfrommer	Member
Maria Mento	Member
Matthew DeNafio	President
Joseph Pantalone	Vice President Wastewater
Gary Conover	Vice President of Solid Waste
Linda Bazemore	Vice President of Administration & Finance/CFO/Acting Board Secretary
Thomas Ganard	Chief Engineer
John Conover	Deputy Chief Engineer
Greg Seher	Director of Solid Waste Operations
Oren Thomas	Purchasing Manager
Brittany Poplawski	Senior Systems Analyst
Eric Ricacho	Database Analyst
Fredy Flores	Computer Analyst
Lisa Duffner	Executive Assistant/Board Secretary
Sonia Chowdhury	Executive Assistant/Assistant Board Secretary

ALSO PRESENT

Keith Davis, Esq.	Nehmad, Davis & Goldstein
Arthur J. Murray, Esq.	County Counsel – Zoom
James Bertino, Liaison	Atlantic County Board of Commissioners - absent

Chairman Embry called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and announced that the notice of the 2023-2024 Meeting Schedule was mailed to the Atlantic City Press, The Daily Journal, The Clerk of Atlantic County, and The Clerk of The Atlantic County Board of Commissioners on February 17, 2023, in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-6, *et seq.* and it was posted on the bulletin board of the Atlantic County Utilities Authority in the administration building and Notice of Live Streaming of this meeting was mailed to the Atlantic City Press, The Daily Journal, The Clerk of Atlantic County, and the Clerk of the Atlantic County Board of Commissioners on July 25, 2024, and both notices were posted on the bulletin board of the Atlantic County Utilities Authority in the administration building.

Flag Salute

Roll call was taken by Lisa Duffner, Board Secretary, which reflected a quorum was present.

Chairman Embry	present
Fred Akers	present
Andrew Berenato	absent
Frank Formica	present
Judy Ward	absent
Laura Pfrommer	present
Maria Mento	present

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING ON JULY 18, 2024 – voted on and approved by all members.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS: None.

PUBLIC AND BOARD COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

ALL RESOLUTIONS APPROVED.

RESOLUTION COMMENTS:

Resolution 24-8-198: Authorizing award of an Alternate Method Contract for Professional Services to ARM Group, Inc. for Consulting Engineering Services. Amount of contract is not to exceed \$47,830.00, for contract term August 1, 2024, to July 31, 2025.

Explanation: For Pinelands Park Landfill Post-Closure Activities.
Ms. Pfrommer abstained from the vote.

Resolution 24-8-199: Authorizing a Shared Services Agreement with Port Republic for Roll-Off Container Services. The initial contract term is November 1, 2024, to October 31, 2025, with automatic one-year extensions until October 31, 2029. The approximate revenue under this agreement is \$44,000.00 for pull charges, plus the associated tip fees estimated at \$53,000.00.

Chairman Embry asked if the revenue amounts listed above were for only one (1) year. Mr. Conover clarified that it was for one (1) year only and is an annual estimate.

Mrs. Pfrommer asked if this is adjusted for the cost-of-living each year. Mr. Conover replied that it is and explained how this is calculated using the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

Resolution 24-8-200: Authorizing an Agreement with the County of Atlantic to Administer the 2024 Clean Communities Program. The total grant amount is \$166,581.61. A portion of this grant, in the amount of \$15,000.00, will go to the County of Atlantic. Funds awarded to the ACUA will total \$151,581.61.

Explanation: The ACUA is administering the Clean Communities Program for the 18-month period January 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025, using grant funds awarded to Atlantic County.

Ms. Mento commented that she attended the "Clean Communities Banquet" this year, and there were many groups there that participate in this program. She said they were all so excited to be at the banquet and receive a grant from the ACUA. Ms. Mento added, "This is a great program for many people who clean up the areas that mean something to them."

Resolution 24-8-210: Authorizing payment of certain expenditures: \$8,419,872.46

Ms. Mento recused herself from the vote regarding the Retiree State Health Benefits expenses and approved all other expenditures.

Mr. Formica recused himself from the vote regarding payroll and Active State Health Benefits expenses and approved all other expenditures.

PUBLIC AND BOARD COMMENTS:

Regarding the Clean Communities Program, Chairman Embry commented that the Authority's Environmental Affairs Coordinator Rebecca Turygan received the County Coordinator Award for her many years of service in running the Clean Communities Program. Mr. Conover added that Ms. Turygan has done an excellent job with the program, and she is very busy as she also sits on many boards, which includes the State of New Jersey's Clean Communities Board, the Association of New Jersey Recyclers, and she also assists the SWANA Board. In addition, Ms. Turygan is also the Recycling Coordinator for the Authority.

Chairman Embry asked if Ms. Turygan was available to come to today's meeting. Mr. Conover responded that she was unavailable. Mr. DeNafo stated that he had a conversation with Ms. Turygan's mother at the Clean Communities Banquet, and she said that Ms. Turygan participated in a clean communities program when she was growing up and as a Girl Scout. "Rebecca has come full-circle and is now running the Authority's program," Mr. DeNafo said. "And she does a terrific job with that."

Chairman Embry asked if there were any further questions or comments. Since there were none, the meeting was adjourned at 3:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa Duffner, Board Secretary