

PASSAIC VALLEY WATER COMMISSION MEETING OF

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(OPEN SESSION)

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1 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Mr. Amodio we're
2 ready to begin.

3 MR. AMODIO: On the roll.

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5 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners
6 respond in the affirmative)

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8 MR. AMODIO: Time is 12:00 noon.

9 You have a quorum.

10 All of the requirements of the Open Public
11 Meetings Act have been met. Notices have been
12 furnished to all Commissioners; City Clerks of
13 Paterson, Passaic, and Clifton; North Jersey
14 Herald News; The Record - Passaic County edition
15 and the Commission's Executive Staff with a copy
16 posted at the main bulletin board at the Clifton
17 facility.

18 Will you please rise.

19 Mr. Hanley.

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21 (A moment of silence was taken for
22 Memorial Day)

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24 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: I'm going to ask for
25 a motion to dispense of the regular order of

1 business so we can accommodate our auditor who has
2 a 1:00 appointment at the County.

3 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: So moved.

4 COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: Second.

5 MR. AMODIO: On the roll.

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7 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners
8 respond in the affirmative)

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10 MR. AMODIO: Motion to suspend approved.

11 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Since we've had a
12 preview, the finance committee, I'm just going to
13 sit back and enjoy this presentation as I know
14 you, my fellow colleagues, will. So it's all
15 yours.

16 MR. WIELKOTZ: Thank you.

17 You have before you the audit of the Water
18 Commission for the year end December 31st, 2013.
19 I'm happy to report that, number one, the results
20 of operation for 2013 were strong. They were
21 stronger than they were for 2012.

22 The Commission increased its net position
23 by over \$4.9 million for the year ended
24 December 31, 2013, and that was with putting aside
25 \$4.7 million regarding the Lodi litigation. So in

1 actuality, the increase in net position would have
2 been over \$9 million had it not been for the
3 litigation of the Borough of Lodi.

4 Secondly, on the Comments and
5 Recommendations, a piece of the audit report,
6 there were four findings, two of which I believe
7 were repeats.

8 The first was the fixed assets inventory
9 which is currently underway. So that
10 recommendation will be gone for 2014.

11 There was an issue with some old New
12 Jersey environmental infrastructure trust fund
13 loans that needed to be cleaned up. That's in the
14 process.

15 As well as we speak, there was an issue
16 with the payroll system in IT that also, I met
17 with the finance committee the other day, that
18 issue is in the process as well and being
19 addressed.

20 And the last had to do with the
21 calculation of overtime for an employee check.
22 Again, that issue is well under control now.

23 And I'd just like to say that as we spoke
24 in finance the other day, this is probably the
25 earliest we've been able to report to the

1 Commissioners. On the previous years' audit, this
2 is in my view since I've been the auditor, the
3 best audit the Commission's had since I've been
4 here. And we started a number of years ago with
5 16 or 18 recommendations and findings, we're down
6 to four and I'm fairly confident that at the end
7 of this year, the ones that appear for 2013 will
8 be cleaned up, not to say something else might not
9 develop in 2014. You process a lot of
10 transactions. There's human error involved so
11 there's always going to be something, but
12 certainly none of these four findings have any
13 material impact on the financial statements of the
14 Commission.

15 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Thank you.

16 Any questions from anyone?

17 I just want --

18 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: Just a comment.

19 First of all, unfortunately, our CFO isn't
20 here and as you all know, he should be here for
21 this. But you all know when there's a mistake,
22 I'll be the first to point it out. The fact that
23 we are where we are is a combination of his
24 diligence and the planning that this Commission
25 made some years ago when we realized that there

1 was a shortage in the accounting department. We
2 remedied that issue. Yitz has taken, last year
3 when the finance committee worked very hard on the
4 audit issues, Yitz took a lead on that. The new
5 software we're currently putting in is going to
6 deal with even more of that. I think that Yitz
7 deserves a kudos that the audit was so good this
8 year. And I think that should be mentioned.

9 MR. HANLEY: I don't like to forget to
10 mention that this Commission, this local unit of
11 government is probably one of the few in the State
12 whose bond rating has actually been upgraded since
13 the great recession started. And I think that's a
14 positive reflection on your end and the financial
15 professionals who you retain.

16 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Okay. Very happy
17 that you all put that on the record.

18 Those of us that have been through the
19 trenches, who have come from the years where it
20 wasn't so good to where it comes to realize it's
21 hard work and it takes a team. It takes us, who
22 are the policymakers, working with Administration
23 and Administration delivering what we asked for
24 and that's exactly what we have.

25 I would be remiss if I didn't point out

1 that our revenue is weather driven. So we had the
2 right factors on our side, but, of course, we,
3 those of us that are policymakers, are always
4 planning for the eventuality that we may not have
5 a good year. So we're very, very careful about
6 the spending.

7 And that bond rating comes from the bond
8 people coming in looking for those earmarks and
9 making sure we're not doing things that will in
10 the long run really hurt this organization.

11 COMMISSIONER SANCHEZ: Also, I'd like to
12 make a comment.

13 While we have expanded our rates in the
14 last few years, we have kept our labor force at a
15 minimum. We decreased from 300 employees to about
16 160, 180 employees and we kept that level.

17 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: See, all these
18 committees that have been working hard and I'm
19 glad you're putting that on the record because it
20 needs to be said.

21 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: Finally, if I may?

22 The foresight that this Commission took
23 and how we dealt with the Lodi decision, to make
24 sure we have the cash put away. Fortunately, the
25 weather cooperated and allowed us the additional

1 revenue, but we were very careful to make sure
2 that the revenue was put away.

3 When the judgment was finalized and we
4 knew what we would have to pay, the money would be
5 there. We didn't have to go out and borrow it.
6 We were concerned at one point that we might have
7 to.

8 I think the Commission should be commended
9 that it had that foresight to do that. And I
10 think that also has a positive effect not only on
11 the financial results of the audit but also on our
12 bonding.

13 We're interested in our bonding for where
14 it should be, for capital projects that are
15 necessary, especially, when you have an
16 infrastructure as old as ours.

17 COMMISSIONER SANCHEZ: One more comment.

18 We have planned ourselves any future
19 investment that we might have, we are going to
20 retire some of those debts by the time we get into
21 new debts. So we are planning on future spending.

22 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Our chairman will
23 vouch for this in finance, we don't like to just
24 rest on our laurels. So our question to Mr.
25 Wielkocz was how do we get the bond rating that

1 upgraded to an even better bond rating and some of
2 the very things that you're mentioning now are
3 things that will bode well for us, although he
4 said it's very difficult. We have a good chance
5 of being able to do that if we stick to track with
6 our financial planning.

7 So you can hear why I'm enjoying just
8 sharing this, because it's a wonderful story of
9 cooperation and getting the job done for the
10 benefit of the people we serve which are the
11 people who use our water.

12 So thank you so much. You should make it
13 in plenty of time.

14 MR. AMODIO: The Resolution and the
15 affidavit.

16 MR. WIELKOTZ: Right.

17 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: So we'll do that at
18 the end of the meeting at the regular session.

19 MR. AMODIO: We could do it now.

20 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: We could do it now.

21 Okay.

22 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: I'll move it.

23 MR. AMODIO: Move by Commissioner Bazian.

24 COMMISSIONER SANCHEZ: Second.

25 MR. AMODIO: Second by Commissioner

1 Sanchez.

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3 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners
4 respond in the affirmative)

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6 MR. AMODIO: Thank you. I'll have Mr.
7 Weiss pass this around. If you please sign the
8 affidavit.

9 Thank you.

10 We have Howard Eichenbaum. Howard, if
11 you'd like to address the Board.

12 MR. EICHENBAUM: Howard Eichenbaum from
13 Gluck, Walrath. Good afternoon.

14 This is, I guess, the second or third time
15 I'm appearing before you with respect to a post
16 bond issue that the Commission will be doing for
17 various capital improvement costs.

18 The reason I'm back today is the
19 Commission's financial advisor basically solicited
20 bond insurance for the bonds. At the time we were
21 originally here, it wasn't clear whether or not
22 insurance would or would not be beneficial. It
23 was determined that it would be beneficial to get
24 savings for the Commission.

25 In order to have the insurance, it's

1 necessary to amend the bond Resolution to provide
2 certain things to the insurance company;
3 basically, where they have to get certain
4 documents. This is the bondholder in certain
5 cases, so forth. The provisions that this insurer
6 is asking for is virtually identical to what's
7 been provided to bond insurance before.

8 So, basically, you have a supplemental
9 Resolution that's basically adding provisions to
10 the Resolution for these bonds, for this bond to
11 mature.

12 Just so you know, the amount of the bond
13 financing that's projected at this point to cover
14 approximately \$22 million of costs, the
15 underwriter is projecting \$19 million and change
16 of bonds with a premium being received to cover
17 that and I believe the insurance amount was
18 somewhere around 20 or \$25,000, which is open to
19 that.

20 If you have questions, I'll be glad to
21 answer them.

22 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Anybody have any
23 questions?

24 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: I'm sorry.

25 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: That's okay.

1 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: I just want to
2 understand what he said.

3 You said to cover \$22 million in costs;
4 approximately, \$19 million in bonds.

5 MR. EICHENBAUM: Yes.

6 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: Does that mean that
7 we're borrowing \$19 million or we're borrowing \$22
8 million and only getting \$19 million in cash?

9 MR. EICHENBAUM: You are borrowing, based
10 upon the latest numbers which will be set in stone
11 once the bonds are sold next week, the latest
12 numbers were 19.655 in bonds and about
13 \$2.7 million of original issue premium.
14 Basically, since a lot of bondholders like to have
15 slightly higher interest rates, so rather than
16 providing a bond at a low coupon that matches the
17 yield on the bond, it is common to give a higher
18 interest rate and basically, the bondholder then
19 pays a premium for that bond over the state's
20 amount.

21 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: So that's
22 \$2.7 million that we're getting.

23 MR. EICHENBAUM: That we're getting. But
24 you're not issuing that amount of debt, but you're
25 paying a higher interest rate, you know, to get

1 that premium. That's all.

2 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: If you do a
3 calculation between the premium that we are
4 receiving and the additional interest, we're going
5 to have to pay, in your opinion, does it make
6 sense to go to the premium? Does it make sense to
7 offer the higher interest rate?

8 MR. EICHENBAUM: The interest rate isn't
9 something that people generally focus on. It
10 would be the yield, basically, getting a good
11 yield for the bond issue. And, you know, the
12 coupon is not what the yield is, the yield will be
13 something less than the coupon.

14 MR. HANLEY: The coupon is the stated
15 interest rate.

16 MR. EICHENBAUM: The coupon is that stated
17 interest rate; the yield is what the effective
18 amount is that you're paying.

19 Typically, in a tax exempt rate that's
20 going to range anywhere from one percent to four
21 percent depending upon the maturity. And you're
22 asking financial questions as opposed to a legal
23 question. But typically, the financial people
24 will say, you know, you want to get the best deal
25 with the best buyers and if a buyer is willing to

1 pay a premium for a higher yield who is willing to
2 pay a premium for a higher coupon rate, you're
3 generally better off if that's what the market is
4 buying.

5 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: Thank you.

6 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Any other questions?

7 So then we will be amending that bond
8 Resolution is what you're saying?

9 MR. EICHENBAUM: Yes.

10 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: Move it.

11 COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: Second.

12 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Let's do it this way
13 and then we'll go back.

14 Go ahead.

15 MR. AMODIO: Motion by Commissioner.

16 Second by Commissioner Cleaves.

17 On the roll.

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19 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners
20 respond in the affirmative. Commissioner Vannoy
21 is out of the room)

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23 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: Yes, as explained.

24 MR. EICHENBAUM: So, you know, the
25 intended calendar right now is the bonds were

1 expected to be sold next week. The Commission
2 will be issuing its preliminary official statement
3 later today or tomorrow. Bond sale will be next
4 week. Bond closing is expected to take place,
5 approximately, June 16th at which time you get
6 money for your funding.

7 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: Any tax refunds?

8 MR. EICHENBAUM: Tax exempt bonds.

9 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: What is the coupon?

10 MR. EICHENBAUM: Once again, we'll know
11 what it is at the time. You know --

12 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: I mean, if it was
13 today, what would it be? Do you know what it is?

14 MR. EICHENBAUM: I got a copy of the last
15 numbers run that was provided a week or so ago and
16 they were projecting coupons ranging from three
17 percent to five percent, but yields, which is the
18 thing to focus upon, of .3 percent to
19 3.53 percent.

20 MR. HANLEY: Depending on maturity.

21 MR. EICHENBAUM: Depending upon the
22 maturity. The higher being the longer maturity.

23 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: How long are the
24 bonds? Ten years?

25 MR. EICHENBAUM: No, 2033.

1 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: I'm sorry, 23 years?

2 MR. EICHENBAUM: 2033.

3 So as you can see, a five percent coupon
4 in 2033 because of the premium they're paying
5 resulting in the yield of only 350.

6 Thank you very much.

7 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Thank you very much.

8 Before we close the discussion, you can
9 go, I think it will be helpful to the public if we
10 have a rundown of the projects that this bond
11 ordinance will cover. It's in our backup material
12 what's actually in this bond.

13 I don't expect you to do it off the top of
14 your head. If you need time for it later, we can
15 do it later.

16 MR. BELLA: The most important one I can
17 tell you is the cleaning lining project we're
18 doing in downtown Paterson which then sets up the
19 system to allow us to go through an even bigger
20 project which would be a rehabilitation of
21 transmission lines in Paterson. Again, because
22 it's so old. Also, cleaning and linings can be
23 done in Clifton. So that's the lion's share.

24 There's other things like the software.
25 Our evaporators down at the treatment plant.

1 Ozone that were already bid out. Between the
2 three of them, they're the largest, the bulk of
3 them.

4 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: I think the public
5 can understand that it's mostly infrastructure,
6 both outside and in the IT stuff that we're doing
7 here. And that's a big investment but one that
8 was long overdue and we're lucky because of our
9 bond rating to be able to get the kind of interest
10 rates we're going to get on the borrowing.

11 I'm sorry to blind side you on that, Mr.
12 Bella. I appreciate that.

13 All right. We'll go back to public
14 portion.

15 Mr. Linteris, you are listed number one.
16 Mr. Weinberg crossed his name out.

17 MR. WEINBERG: No, that was from this
18 morning.

19 Okay. All right.

20 MR. LINTERIS: Good morning. My name is
21 Bill Linteris. I'm President of Passaic County
22 Board of Realtors. I would like to take this
23 opportunity not only to comment on the plan to
24 drain the Great Notch, New Street, and Levine
25 Reservoirs and replace them with concrete tanks,

1 but also to thank the Passaic Valley Water
2 Commission for your consideration of off-site
3 alternatives to the Levine Reservoir and some
4 consideration of a Resolution asking the New
5 Jersey Department of Environmental Protection to
6 delay the Administrative Consent Order.

7 Passaic County Board of Realtors does
8 believe that these are positive steps by the
9 Passaic Valley Water Commission, given the
10 concerns raised by both our board, elected
11 officials in Woodland Park, and the New Jersey
12 Community Development Corporation, and most
13 importantly, the public on this issue.

14 The board believes these are beneficial
15 first steps to address the numerous concerns
16 raised with this plan. However, as you know,
17 there's still many unanswered questions.

18 First, the board does appreciate the
19 Commission considering alternative locations for
20 the Levine Reservoir that may be able to preserve
21 that location in Paterson, as well as your
22 consideration of a Resolution authorizing asking
23 for a two-month extension of the Administrative
24 Consent Order.

25 The Passaic County Board of Realtors,

1 through our state association, has also asked the
2 Department of Environmental Protection to extend
3 the Consent Order.

4 Here's a copy of that request.

5 Having said that, we do believe that the
6 Board may wish to consider amending the Resolution
7 you will be considering shortly asking that the
8 Administrative Consent Order be delayed until
9 public hearings planned by this Board specific to
10 the reservoir issue can be planned rather than
11 only asking for a two-month delay.

12 We also still believe that the Commission
13 should consider in the long-run alternatives, not
14 only for the Levine Reservoir, but for the two
15 reservoirs in Woodland Park as well.

16 I would also like to thank the Commission
17 for answering questions we submitted following
18 last month's meeting.

19 I would also like to take this time to ask
20 the following questions which we will also submit
21 in writing following this meeting for formal
22 response:

23 Number one. For the cost estimates
24 recently released by the Commission indicating
25 that there will be minimal decrease in a typical

1 water bill without the reservoirs through 2024,
2 how are these cost estimates prepared? Given that
3 135 million in bonds are slated to be paid off
4 over a 30-year period. What is the anticipated
5 effect on quarterly water bills at the end of this
6 30-year period?

7 Number two. Seeing as how plans have
8 already been approved for the reservoirs in both
9 Woodland Park and Paterson when the Commission
10 does eventually hold a specific hearing on the
11 reservoirs, would it not be worthwhile to discuss
12 all three reservoirs, even if the Levine Reservoir
13 is slated to begin work first?

14 Number three. Have the Passaic Valley
15 Water Commission scheduled or will it be
16 scheduling its own public hearings for
17 informational sessions specific to the reservoir
18 project rather than relying on outside groups,
19 such as the Paterson Historic Preservation
20 Commission or New Jersey Community Development
21 Corporation. If so, will this be done during the
22 two-month period which Passaic Valley Water
23 Commission is calling for a delay in the DEP
24 Administrative Consent Order.

25 Number four. As a public body, do you

1 believe the Commission should be responsible for
2 holding its own information sessions separate from
3 regularly scheduled meetings taking place during
4 weekdays when many are at work?

5 Number five. What is the position of this
6 Commission on looking at alternatives for the
7 Great Notch, New Street, and Levine Reservoirs to
8 be left as open air bodies of water and have tanks
9 located off-site, such as in the case of the
10 Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis Reservoir which has
11 been decommissioned for years, but is still an
12 open air body of water in Central Park.

13 Again, I thank you for taking time to hear
14 these concerns on behalf of the Passaic County
15 Board of Realtors and look forward to your
16 response to these questions.

17 We also would like to reiterate --

18 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Excuse me, sir, time
19 is up.

20 And I'm going to hold everybody to the
21 timeline today because our stenographer has an
22 important hearing at 1:30. We have a lot of
23 business to cover. So please know you'll be held
24 to your five minutes. Thank you for understanding
25 that we will answer these in writing, so if you

1 leave a copy with our clerk, we will make sure we
2 will do the same thing we did after the last
3 meeting.

4 MR. LINTERIS: Thank you, Commissioner
5 Kolodziej.

6 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: So I thank you for
7 your, you know, help in this. Even though they're
8 not on the record, it's, you know.

9 All right. Sharon Gardner, you're up
10 next.

11 MS. GARDNER: I just signed. I'm not
12 speaking.

13 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: All right. She's
14 not speaking. Thank you so much. We appreciate
15 you're here for moral support and you ditto the
16 remarks that's been made. Right?

17 MS. GARDNER: Yes.

18 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Joan Murko.

19 MS. MURKO: Thank you so much for the
20 opportunity to speak to the public. And I always,
21 before I get up to speak, especially, my title in
22 Woodland Park, I always remind everybody, I'm a
23 retired college professor, so watch out. I tend
24 to get -- okay.

25 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: That's all right.

1 I'm timing yours too.

2 MS. MURKO: I know you are.

3 My name is Joan Gordon Murko. I live at
4 Castle Lane in Woodland Park. I resided in
5 Woodland Park for 45 years. I moved there from
6 the City of Garfield. My family has roots in
7 Paterson. I come from a long line of what we call
8 Irish politicians. So that's the preface.

9 I've been a registered nurse in the State
10 of New Jersey for more than 55 years. I have
11 advanced degrees. I have been a nurse educator,
12 which I just mentioned. I've taken all of the
13 science courses; the AMP, the physics,
14 microbiology, et cetera, and I did very well,
15 thank you.

16 If I know anything else, it's about
17 parasites and bacteria. I know how diseases
18 spread. I know how you control it. I know how to
19 prevent it and what I don't know, I research.

20 COMMISSIONER SANCHEZ: Is this about you,
21 ma'am? I'm sorry.

22 MS. MURKO: No. Excuse me, sir. I have
23 the right to speak.

24 I am here to speak in opposition to the
25 proposal of the Passaic Valley Water Commission to

1 drain the reservoirs and replace them with
2 concrete tanks. You've heard some of what other
3 people have said, but my question is this: Since
4 the Passaic Valley Water Commissioners, and I
5 recognize you are an appointed body, the
6 freeholders are an elected body, so my disconnect
7 is: Did the Passaic Valley Water Commission speak
8 with the Passaic County Board of Freeholders when
9 the Freeholders initiated their strategic plan to
10 renovate all the county parks? Because the
11 taxpayers have to pay for this. And to my
12 knowledge, I don't think that has been done.

13 When I first learned of the Federal, State
14 and now this, you know, local plan, I found out
15 that it was to control the Cryptosporidium disease
16 caused by this little minor parasite. I believe
17 that is still the case. I'm not going to bore you
18 with all of this because, obviously, someone
19 already reminded me it shouldn't be about me. But
20 the Cryptosporidium, okay, all that's going to
21 cause unless you are immuno compromised is a
22 little bit of diarrhea; no different than E. coli,
23 no different than salmonella.

24 If you watched the News over the last few
25 days, you read about all the germs that are on the

1 airplanes, et cetera. And right now, you're all
2 sitting at public tables, sitting in public seats
3 and all these little contaminants are taking a
4 free side on us.

5 What will eventually happen, of course, is
6 that if these parasites and bacteria are all
7 around us, does somebody have a plan somewhere
8 along the way to control all public pools, lakes,
9 ponds, streams, et cetera, because that parasite
10 that the government seems to be worried about is
11 found in all those places.

12 Several years ago I made a joke about this
13 and I said: If we're going to control all these
14 contaminants floating over our water supply, we're
15 going to have to put diapers on all the birds.
16 Well, that's ludicrous, of course. It's being
17 humorous. But if you think about this...

18 So what I'm saying here is that the EPA
19 and the Passaic Valley Water Commission's plan --

20 MR. AMODIO: One minute.

21 MS. MURKO: I'm aware of that, sir.

22 Is truly ill-conceived and poorly planned.

23 My last comment, and everything is in
24 writing so you can read it yourself, is on that
25 bar graph that you posted on your website to

1 support the representative of Passaic County Board
2 of Realtors. When I looked at that, I said:
3 Well, it's going to be a 30-year bond which would
4 go to 2044, yet the graph only goes up to, what is
5 it, 2024. So I wondered what happens after that
6 period of time?

7 I've made it within my five minutes. I
8 certainly thank most of you for paying attention.

9 Thank you very much.

10 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Catherine Battisto.
11 Am I saying it wrong? From Paterson, Quartz Lane.

12 Then we're moving along. If I skip
13 anybody, then just flag me down.

14 Bruce Shapiro.

15 MR. SHAPIRO: No comments.

16 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Okay. Thank you, we
17 appreciate that.

18 MR. SHAPIRO: We'll submit it in writing.

19 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Catherine Best.

20 MS. BEST: No comment.

21 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Okay. Thank you.

22 I see you're continuing to support the
23 momentum that's going and this kind of dialogue is
24 very helpful. And the new information is helpful.
25 Any misunderstanding of previous information is

1 helpful. So we appreciate you staying on point.

2 Catherine Best.

3 MS. BEST: That's me.

4 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: I'm sorry. I did
5 that again.

6 Michelle Epstein.

7 MS. EPSTEIN: No comment.

8 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Okay. Thank you.

9 Matt Basiso.

10 Alan Weinberg.

11 MR. WEINBERG: I definitely have comments.

12 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: I know that.

13 MR. WEINBERG: Alan Weinberg, New Jersey
14 Community Development Corporation, 32 Spruce
15 Street in Paterson.

16 I may echo a couple of things that my
17 colleagues will say as well a little bit later. I
18 don't need to be repetitive.

19 I do want to talk about, and this is
20 something that my colleague will mention as well,
21 that we're very eager to have a public meeting in
22 Paterson. I know that Joe Bella has reached out
23 to us about scheduling something and wanting to
24 get the information associated with the additional
25 studies that hopefully this Board will support.

1 But I do think it is important to, nonetheless,
2 meet sort of as soon as possible.

3 And the reason I say that is because the
4 one public meeting that did take place, and it
5 wasn't really a formal public meeting, I guess the
6 Paterson Historic Preservation Committee requested
7 that the Passaic Valley Water Commission come to
8 one of its meetings and talk a little bit about
9 this project. It was a public opportunity for
10 folks to learn a little bit about it. And it was
11 at that meeting that Mr. Soo made a suggestion of
12 an alternative site. And it was also at that
13 meeting that Mayor Torres, the former and soon to
14 be incoming Mayor, reiterated that message in the
15 minutes of an alternative site, even saying on the
16 record that, you know, the Board should consider
17 condemnation in order to find an alternative site
18 because so many speakers had spoke about the
19 historic impact.

20 Don't count my five minutes. Oh, just
21 one. Sometimes it goes on for awhile.

22 But I do want to say that I do want to
23 commend the Board for two things, very briefly.

24 One is thanking you for considering this
25 Resolution pushing it back two months. And my

1 colleagues will talk about that as well. And for
2 writing to the DEP.

3 But I am also a little bit concerned about
4 costs, as I've always said. And I wanted to
5 highlight something from the report that was put
6 out recently by Daniel Van Nass (Phonetic), who is
7 a professor at Rutgers University and does water
8 infrastructure. And some of you are probably
9 familiar with that report. It was quite
10 comprehensive and just came out this past month.

11 And there's a couple of things in that
12 report that some of my colleagues will mention as
13 well. But first and foremost in the report, it
14 does talk about the fact that while in general,
15 rates at the Passaic Valley Water Commission are
16 lower than in public authorities. When you look
17 at it as a percentage of the income of folks who
18 live in a community in Paterson in the city in
19 which we are, the rate is over 1.1 percent of
20 someone's real personal income for a household.
21 And that's well above the EPA standard. And in
22 serving the 21 CSO communities, which is combined
23 sewer overflow communities, which is another EPA
24 mandate that we don't really have to get into but
25 we can talk about in a minute, it was the second

1 highest only to Camden in terms of the percentage
2 people pay out of their pocket for water.

3 So, you know, there is some concern as
4 this goes forward that it's going to cost even
5 more. And I want to read one thing from the
6 report that talks about the Passaic Valley Water
7 Commission. I'll try and read it as fast as I
8 can. This from the Van Nass report as a followup
9 to interviews.

10 "The Passaic Valley Water Commission has
11 been expended two million per year for cleaning,
12 lining and two million per year for pipe
13 replacement and expects to run pipe replacement at
14 a higher rate than cleaning and lining because
15 with increasing frequency, the latter is not
16 viable, the pipes are too damaged for repair to be
17 cost effective."

18 Here's the issue:

19 "The major issue facing Passaic Valley
20 Water Commission is how to finance both the
21 replacement of its finished water reservoirs as
22 required by law and continue replacement and
23 rehabilitation of its distribution line as
24 necessary due to the deteriorating conditions.

25 During years with high water sales,

1 Passaic Valley Water Commission directs excess
2 revenues towards planned capital projects as a way
3 of reducing impacts on rates. Rates are currently
4 competitive within the State, but could be
5 significantly affected by the upcoming capital
6 costs."

7 So this report is concerned about the
8 future in terms of fixing the existing
9 infrastructure and also doing the unfinished
10 reservoirs and does talk about how you would use
11 pay as you go methodology, literally, taking
12 stuff, either net assets that you've accumulated
13 or current funds that come in to pay for this and
14 that's a little bit of concern.

15 And as my colleague will talk a little bit
16 about later, we have to look at this project in
17 context of all the other projects that are
18 happening, particularly, in our city in Paterson
19 which we'll talk about a little bit later.

20 So thank you for the opportunity to speak
21 here today.

22 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Mr. Soo.

23 MR. SOO: Oh, me. Thank you very much.

24 David Soo, Paterson Friends of the Great Falls.

25 First, I want to thank the Commissioner

1 and Joe and everybody else who has come together
2 to look at an alternative site for Levine, or
3 alternative sites. I think this is an excellent
4 step in the right direction to consider an
5 opportunity to change the direction of what's
6 happening here, because, you know, the tanking at
7 the Levine Reservoir would be really unfortunate
8 and inappropriate because of our national park and
9 national landmark and the effort that Paterson has
10 made to get these districts in place and cease the
11 opportunity of our historic community.

12 Having said that, and complimenting on
13 that, I'm very concerned still about the Federal
14 Historic 106 Review. That review has not yet
15 begun officially. My understanding from New
16 Jersey DEP documents was that the window of time
17 that that was supposed to take place was in the
18 design phase for Levine. That phase, I guess,
19 with this two-month extension would go to, I
20 guess, September or October, but really the
21 historic reviews were supposed to start, I guess,
22 in July of 2013. And they really haven't
23 commenced yet. So I know there's been some
24 background research into archeology, but I don't
25 think archeology is the frontal issue in this

1 historic review. Historic is not always about
2 archeology. Sometimes it's what they call
3 cultural landscape, how the area and the area
4 affected. The State has said there will be an
5 adverse effect both for the removal of the
6 reservoir and the installation of tanks.

7 So it's a big mountain to climb over if
8 the tanking at Levine is considered as an option.

9 But I think what the public may need to
10 hear or want to hear at this point is that those
11 same options that are being explored at Levine are
12 going to be thoroughly explored at the other two
13 sites. You know, that we're going to look at, you
14 know, post reservoir treatment. We're going to
15 look at alternative sites for tanking. We're
16 going to look downstream maybe in other parts of
17 the system because it appears to me that the only
18 sites that were seriously considered are ones that
19 the Water Commission currently controls. And
20 there are clearly defined eminent domain powers
21 through this Commission to meet their objectives
22 providing safe and clean drinking water to the
23 public. And I think those options have to be
24 considered fully, a real comprehensive look. And
25 I would encourage that.

1 And even if at the end of that the right
2 conclusion is the tank, the reservoirs as they
3 exist, the public will at least understand the
4 perspective from which those determinations were
5 made.

6 And, you know --

7 MR. AMODIO: One minute.

8 MR. SOO: There's a lot of fear and a lot
9 of frustration and animosity and I've seen it just
10 builds and gets out of control and I would prefer
11 myself to not see that situation perpetuated in
12 the circumstance with these plans.

13 So I want to thank you very much. I hope
14 that we can encourage good dialogue going forward
15 that the public will be able to have a real sense
16 of inclusion. And the priority of clean drinking
17 water, safe water for the public will be
18 maintained but that the alternative methodology
19 and means for delivering that clean water will be
20 explored.

21 Thank you very much.

22 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Thank you.

23 Mr. Guarasci.

24 MR. GUARASCI: Good afternoon, everyone.

25 Bob Guarasci, CEO of New Jersey Community

1 Development Corporation.

2 I just this afternoon wanted to thank this
3 Board for your consideration on the alternative
4 site. I think that that makes a lot of sense.

5 I also want to thank you for the
6 Resolution that is on today's agenda to ask the
7 DEP to delay their requirement of the July 1
8 finish date for design. I think that that's wise.

9 I would echo what my friend from the Board
10 of Realtors has said in terms of if you can as
11 part of your discourse, you talked about extending
12 that beyond the two-month period. I think that
13 that would be wise.

14 One of the reasons that we very much want
15 to have hearings and as much dialogue as possible
16 is because we are learning that there are other
17 groups who are very interested in this. My
18 colleague Alan told me he was in a conference
19 yesterday and that the New Jersey Conservation
20 Foundation is involved. And so there are many
21 other groups as word gets out who want to be heard
22 on this and who I think have some valuable input
23 to add to the debate.

24 You know, the actions that this Board
25 takes will have impacts in so many ways. And I

1 remind you, the ratepayers rely on you to make
2 decisions that are going to be, not only in the
3 interest of public health, but also in terms of
4 their pocket books.

5 And so, in closing, I'll just repeat
6 myself that we want to work with you. Please
7 don't regard us as adversaries; regard us as
8 members of the public who, quite frankly, are as
9 invested stakeholders in the work of this
10 Commission as you are.

11 It is a fight that needs to be had. It is
12 a fight that needs to be had. But we want to
13 fight with you. We want to fight with you on
14 behalf of the natural environment. We want to
15 fight with you on behalf of the historic
16 preservation, but mostly, we want to fight with
17 you, not against you, but with you on behalf of
18 the ratepayers who are depending on you to do
19 what's in their interest.

20 Thank you for this opportunity.

21 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Mr. Gonzalez.

22 MR. GONZALEZ: Thank you.

23 I'm going to echo some of what you already
24 heard. That's what happens when you're further
25 down the list.

1 My name is Eddie Gonzalez and I am the
2 Director of Community Outreach for the Great Falls
3 Promise Neighborhood, the NJCDC.

4 We're a community surrounding the Great
5 Falls and Levine Reservoir here in Paterson. This
6 is now the fifth consecutive meeting which I have
7 requested the government body, this agency, to
8 hold a public information session about its plan
9 to drain the reservoir and replace it with
10 concrete tanks in our neighborhood.

11 We have written, sent e-mails, suggested
12 many dates over the past few months but there has
13 been no public meeting thus far. In your on-line
14 response to the question posed at last month's
15 meeting, you suggested a meeting will be held in
16 late May or early June. It is almost late May
17 now. I would ask each of the Commissioners this
18 question: If this was being built near your home
19 in your neighborhood and it was massive concrete
20 tanks, would you insist on a public meeting before
21 drawings were a hundred percent completed?

22 I would like to pause for one quick second
23 and let you think about that because that's what's
24 happening now in our neighborhood. We're not
25 given the opportunity to publicly give input on

1 this project.

2 I do want to thank, however, Joe Bella for
3 reaching out to my colleague this week and I
4 believe again today to inform us that a public
5 meeting will be scheduled for late June and that
6 such a public meeting has only been delayed to
7 ensure that it includes important information from
8 the study you are commissioning today.

9 I do want to commend him in answering the
10 request on alternative sites like I believe I
11 mentioned before and requesting a delay from the
12 Department of Environmental Protection. However,
13 we should not continue to wait and wait for
14 another meeting to be scheduled. Planning designs
15 has gone on for years and we are almost at a
16 hundred percent complete with the design and yet
17 there's still no meeting. Let's schedule a
18 meeting today, pinpoint a date today before we
19 leave.

20 I want to make two final points. When the
21 meeting is scheduled, it is important that it is
22 held in our neighborhood, not at the Little Falls
23 Treatment Plant. The facility is not close or
24 easy to enter and we should encourage residents to
25 participate. It took us, with only three people,

1 speaking and I apologize for this individual for
2 telling you that it's not about you, simply
3 because I encourage individuals to come out and
4 speak and you have the freedom to come and speak
5 out. Maybe your credentials intimidate some, but
6 it's very relevant to the argument.

7 MS. MURKO: Thank you so much. That was
8 very kind of you.

9 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Miss Intili.

10 MS. INTILI: I'm Celia Intili. I'm a
11 resident of Woodland Park and I'm just here to
12 support the ongoing effort to investigate these
13 tanks and I'd like to commend all of the previous
14 speakers and thank them for their research and
15 their concern.

16 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Thank you for being
17 here.

18 May I have a motion to close the public
19 hearing?

20 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: So moved.

21 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: Second.

22 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: All right. I don't
23 even know how to address this, Joe, because I know
24 how strongly you feel about having as much
25 information to give to the public when you're

1 holding this public hearing. So certainly, you've
2 committed to going in June. So if we don't have
3 our report back on those three alternative sites,
4 I'm assuming you're just going to be focusing on
5 this and people will not have the benefit of
6 seeing the result of that viewpoint. Am I
7 correct?

8 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: I'm sorry, point of
9 order, Madam President. There's a motion on the
10 table.

11 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: I'm sorry. I'm just
12 assuming we're all going to say yes.

13 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: I believe it would
14 be nice if we had a vote.

15 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: All right.

16 MR. AMODIO: Motion to close public
17 portion.

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19 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners
20 respond in the affirmative)

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22 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Joe, I just want the
23 public to understand that, that you can bring to
24 whatever meeting they want to set and whatever
25 meeting you set with them is fine, but just have

1 somebody who is going to be running that meeting
2 check with Joe as to what will be available in the
3 way of what's going to be able to be presented to
4 the neighborhood.

5 MR. BELLA: We'll work on it.

6 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: That's your call.

7 MR. BELLA: I'll work with them.

8 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: He's ready.

9 Mr. Soo, I'm going to let Joe speak for
10 himself, but I can speak to myself. The guarantee
11 that you're looking for, we are spending an
12 additional \$76,000 at the end of this meeting to
13 have that report fully vetted on those three
14 sites. So please know that that wasn't done
15 lightly. It's a big investment on our part. So
16 we can assure you that that will be done
17 objectively, fully vetted, and, again, when that
18 report is done, it will be made available to the
19 public.

20 Sorry. You can talk to Mr. Bella after
21 the meeting or myself, whatever you need done
22 we'll do there.

23 I guess that's about it as far as doing
24 that. Any of the questions that were given,
25 again, we'll use our website to give the answers

1 that you're looking for.

2 So thank you all for taking time from your
3 busy schedules to be here.

4 And colleagues, we really have to move
5 quickly here.

6 MR. AMODIO: Committee reports.

7 Personnel, you're up first.

8 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Those of you not
9 going, please be quiet so we can continue with our
10 meeting.

11 Commissioner Vannoy, personnel.

12 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: Personnel: Lee-Roy
13 Jones, replacement hire. I do forget the name of
14 the gentleman who he's taking his place, I really
15 wanted him to be here. He's floating around.

16 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Everybody's been
17 Rice noticed?

18 MR. AMODIO: Yes.

19 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: We're in open
20 session.

21 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: I know. That's my
22 concern. What I'm trying to say here is just
23 because they said we could discuss them --

24 MR. AMODIO: You can't mention names.

25 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: And that's my

1 concern. We have to talk about the position in
2 general, don't use any names.

3 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: If I may?

4 In terms of the specific names on the
5 Personnel agenda, that's public information. It's
6 on our agenda.

7 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: I don't want to
8 waste time here.

9 George, you want to weigh in here? Can he
10 use names in giving his report?

11 MR. HANLEY: You said Rice noticed?

12 MR. AMODIO: Yes, in closed session.

13 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Closed session, yes.

14 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: These are also some
15 new hires also.

16 MR. HANLEY: New hires.

17 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Let's err on the
18 side of caution and do this in closed session.
19 Just general, if you want to.

20 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: All right. New hire
21 for a water treatment plant operator is really not
22 a new hire. It's an assistant.

23 Permanent status from Civil Service for
24 keyboard clerk.

25 And promotion in the lab, promotion in the

1 lab.

2 And promotion -- no, I'm sorry, salary
3 range increase for general supervisor.

4 We also, the summer program. Okay. There
5 is the summer program. We'll, obviously, speak
6 about in closed.

7 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: All right. You're
8 going to want to do the summer program and the
9 internship, I'm asking you too, because that's a
10 mess right now. So we need to discuss that also
11 in closed session.

12 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: Yes.

13 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: So you guys worked
14 hard. Thank you.

15 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: We did.

16 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Thank you.

17 Finance, Mr. Chair. All good things.

18 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: We went over the
19 budget with Mr. Wielkocz.

20 We had Mr. Gullick come in and explain
21 some situations in his department with employees
22 and stuff.

23 That was about the gist.

24 And some overtime.

25 We went over the issues at the end, you

1 know, the report.

2 And that was the gist of our meeting.

3 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: I'm just going to
4 piggyback on Commissioner Levine because he set an
5 agenda for finance which is to take a look at our
6 workforce and ask each department head to come
7 back to finance with the list of what they think
8 they need in manpower, what they think they need
9 in equipment. Obviously, it will spill over the
10 personnel issue to personnel, but I think our
11 chairperson is absolutely right, we cannot budget
12 in the middle of the year for all of these
13 increases and salary adjustments, we have to know
14 where we're going.

15 So I really appreciate the fact that he
16 has made that a key to what we're going to be
17 doing in finance between now and when we present a
18 budget for them to look at. Right?

19 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: Yes.

20 MR. AMODIO: IT.

21 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: IT.

22 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: IT. Just very
23 quickly. The project to redesign the website, the
24 kickoff has already happened, Jim? Or what is
25 happening? Remind me.

1 MR. DUPREY: The kickoff is going to be
2 Tuesday.

3 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: Next Tuesday.
4 That's to redesign our website. And I for one am
5 very much looking forward to seeing the new web
6 site up.

7 I'd like to just tell everybody that we do
8 have a Facebook page, if you want to like us and
9 follow what we're doing, please look for: Passaic
10 Valley Water Commission Main Office, make sure
11 it's the Clifton. There's a second page in there.
12 We're not sure how that came about. But Passaic
13 Valley Water Commission Main Office is there. Not
14 really much happening with it yet. But keep your
15 eyes on it. I know I am because I'm expecting us
16 to be using this more and more heavily as time
17 goes by to push information out to the public.

18 Finally, we had a discussion, actually, it
19 relates back to the reservoir project, concern
20 that a lot of the information that we have on the
21 web site is somewhat technical in nature and your
22 average person might not be able to really get the
23 gist of what's going on, so we had a discussion
24 about putting together something along the lines
25 of a power point presentation that would be put up

1 on the web. You wouldn't need power point. Power
2 point is just a tool what you need to create it.
3 That would actually go through step by step in
4 English, in a user friendly manner, what the
5 project is about, why it's happening, what we're
6 doing, et cetera, et cetera, et cetera.

7 I know that Joe and company are working on
8 that and I appreciate that because I'd like to get
9 as much information out there as possible that is
10 easy to understand. And I think that's crucial.
11 Because a lot of the stuff, I've been doing this,
12 this is my fifth year, I find myself chipping my
13 teeth on some of the words because it gets very,
14 very technical.

15 Did I miss anything from IT?

16 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: No, no. I just
17 wanted to bring to the IT committee, which is
18 basically the three of us, this is a second
19 edition to the inhouse newsletter. So beautifully
20 done. It gives us a chance -- here's a health,
21 I'm listening to what professor talked to me
22 about, health is, so is our employees in a very
23 understandable language. And it also highlights
24 the good things our employees are doing. There's
25 no reason why we can't put this on the website.

1 Right? Their newsletter?

2 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: I'm sure it's in
3 electronic format.

4 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: And one of our
5 people on the committee actually is on this
6 committee. So I really would like us to look at
7 that, but this is done by our own employees. And
8 I don't think people realize what a good staff we
9 have here and what they're doing, both on the job
10 and off the job; so.

11 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: From a technical
12 reason, I can't think of --

13 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: It's just so
14 beautifully done.

15 Okay. Legal affairs.

16 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: We had a very nice
17 meeting. I had raised some questions about some
18 billings that we have received for appraisals,
19 legal fees. For those of you that may want to
20 look at these, these are the reason that we had
21 these high appraisal bills. These were for tax
22 appeals. So the reason we had that \$11,000 bill
23 was potentially to save ourselves \$360,000 in tax
24 appeals.

25 MR. HANLEY: For one year.

1 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: For one year.

2 MR. HANLEY: It's not a guarantee.

3 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: No, no.

4 MR. HANLEY: But that's a starting. And
5 every year thereafter you're saving money.

6 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Exactly.

7 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: It could be a lot of
8 money. So that was the reason for that and that
9 was explained.

10 We also discussed potentially having some
11 type of ethics training for the Commissioners to
12 know our bounds; what we can and can't do. What
13 we should and shouldn't. This may sound silly
14 after all these years, but exactly what our
15 function is, setting policies and shouldn't
16 interfere too much.

17 I don't know if George wants to look into
18 it or you want me to look into it insofar as
19 getting someone up here to speak to all of the
20 Commissioners.

21 I know that Gloria, you and I have gone to
22 some. Menachem has gone to some.

23 But I think it would be helpful if all of
24 us sat down and listened to lectures. I know the
25 State has people. I think it will be interesting

1 to learn what we should and shouldn't do.

2 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: I agree.

3 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: So nobody is
4 objecting to having -- who would you prefer to do
5 the legwork to look for who would do that
6 training?

7 MR. HANLEY: I'll be happy to do it.

8 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: I'll work on it too.
9 I think it's something good for us.

10 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: You're absolutely
11 right. Some of us around this table, depending on
12 our other jobs we do, we've been through this and
13 it is a good thing, because I'm assuming that if
14 there is any stepping over the lines, it's out of
15 ignorance. If someone doesn't make it clear what
16 you can and can't do, you know. So point well
17 taken. Thank you. By the next meeting we should
18 have some direction as to what we may do. Good
19 job, everybody. Fantastic.

20 Executive Director's report.

21 MR. BELLA: I think we covered a lot of
22 what I wanted to talk about. In particular, the
23 cleaning lining project which you're about to
24 enter into is really important because it's going
25 to be big and there's going to be lots of

1 interactions with the public and that kind of
2 thing.

3 So it's really important, you know,
4 regardless of Mr. Weinberg's expertise in water
5 business, infrastructure business, you know, the
6 big question under these circumstances is can you
7 afford not to do it. Because you look at our
8 break rates, they will continue. They're
9 continuing moving up. And that adds much cost to
10 the operations and maintenance side, not the
11 capital side. So that's what we're faced with,
12 making that tradeoff between operations and
13 maintenance and capital investment.

14 Capital investment, we all know I've been
15 preaching for decades that that's the important
16 thing we really need to continue.

17 Unfortunately, our predecessors didn't do
18 the reservoirs. They tried many times to get that
19 done and we're faced with what we're left with.

20 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Okay. Somebody
21 handed me an article on the City of Newark and the
22 mess that they have because they haven't addressed
23 that, so kudos to our Commission for making it
24 known to us, the policymakers, and us to having
25 the good sense to invest in the future for every

1 single person who is going to be drinking our
2 water.

3 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: We had that big main
4 break on Allwood Road.

5 MR. BELLA: Oh, sure.

6 That main break there was just one of
7 those situations where you have a whole main and
8 it failed.

9 Our people did a fantastic job. We were
10 thinking it was going to take two or three days to
11 get that area back in service, but they were able
12 to get it done in less than 24 hours. And I drove
13 by there yesterday and it was like almost nothing
14 happened. They did fantastic. They really did a
15 good job.

16 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: One more thing. You
17 mention in your report the consultants for
18 alternative site locations. I think the question
19 was answered, but if we're looking to have a
20 meeting at the end of June, is it our hope the
21 timing --

22 MR. BELLA: They're going to need a full
23 two months to do it. What I'm trying to do is
24 kind of balance between, you know, getting input
25 and doing this, because, you know, I think it's

1 the right thing to do. I don't think, I know it's
2 the right thing to do. And having enough
3 information that we can look at that, because it
4 may change the whole dialogue by looking at these
5 alternatives. So it may change the whole
6 dialogue. So I think it's important to give us
7 enough time to start getting information back from
8 them as well as, you know, taking in the need to
9 have people.

10 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: And that's why I
11 asked that they give you an overview of specific
12 information that they think will help the
13 neighborhood understand so they can basically
14 drive the content of what they expect to be
15 presented and that's how you get positive results.
16 That's how you work together.

17 MR. BELLA: Right.

18 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: We can go in there
19 and present our own, but, no, it's important to
20 have those questions come from the people who are
21 not clear about what's going on.

22 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: And, Joe, I don't
23 know if the timing is right, will they have
24 alternative pricing for us? In other words --

25 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Eventually.

1 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: -- What it would
2 cost.

3 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Eventually, but
4 they're not going to have it ready by June.

5 MR. BELLA: Well, that's --

6 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: That's something in
7 the future.

8 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Exactly.

9 MR. BELLA: See, that's the thing, they're
10 much more better suited to actually do the
11 estimation --

12 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: Okay.

13 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: Joe, do we have an
14 alternative pricing for the quarry? That was one
15 of the suggestions.

16 MR. BELLA: That's going to be in the --

17 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: But, originally,
18 that was given --

19 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: At the presentation.

20 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Exactly. But that
21 was discarded because of the cost factor.
22 However, you're right, Commissioner. This is
23 going to be a whole new slate. They're not
24 looking at that. They're looking at --

25 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: Is the quarry ruled

1 out?

2 MR. BELLA: No.

3 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: No.

4 MR. BELLA: We're giving another look.

5 There's that property down below there that we'll
6 look at too.

7 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Everything's back to
8 square one.

9 Okay.

10 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: Two things: One.

11 With regard to the water main break, and I visited
12 the site twice. I walked in in the latter part
13 the one on Allwood Road. I was at the site twice.
14 I was impressed with the efforts and I was able to
15 get excellent information. I appreciate
16 everything they did.

17 I got a lot of questions from, you know,
18 people in my neighborhood about the brown water
19 and it really came down to how do we get
20 information out to the public fast. And I just
21 think it's an appropriate time to mention that our
22 new Customer Service application, which is
23 currently being implemented and the implementation
24 of that is being headed up by our CFO, will have
25 in it the ability to send out mass e-mails to our

1 customers. So that's one way.

2 But there was also a very strong request
3 and I think I received it from at least three or
4 four different people, that really the top
5 priority should be the text. Everybody has a cell
6 phone. Everybody can do texting. I discussed it
7 with Yitz. Yitz mentioned that it might have
8 something to do with the IVR and he's going to
9 look into that and get back to us at IT. So we
10 are to top of that.

11 Certainly, one of the reasons why I
12 trumpeted the existence of our Facebook page is,
13 again, it's another way for us to get information
14 out. Clearly, we're not yet up to date in our
15 technology on this. It's been for me four and a
16 half long years of assessing and fighting and
17 trying to get us to this point. And I think we're
18 making progress and we will get there. And I
19 think that's important for us to realize: We will
20 get there or I'll die trying.

21 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Better not.

22 Since we've had so many positive feedback
23 on that water main break, I would suggest that we
24 have a letter put in the files of the personnel
25 who worked on that, Joe. Minimal impact. It hit

1 our business district very hard. They were down
2 for one day and Mr. Bella was going from business
3 to business on a P.R. thing, which I thought was a
4 stroke of genius. So please make sure that
5 everybody that was involved in that gets a letter
6 in their file on behalf of all of us.

7 I guess, Louis.

8 MR. AMODIO: Next: We've two requests to
9 advertise contracts.

10 First contract is 14-B-27 "Analytical
11 Laboratory Services for Cryptosporidium, Giardia,
12 and E. coli."

13 14-B-28 "Support Services For Customer
14 Service and Billing."

15 Do I have a motion?

16 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: So moved.

17 MR. AMODIO: By Commissioner Vannoy.

18 Do I have a second?

19 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: Second.

20 MR. AMODIO: By Commissioner Levine.

21 On the roll.

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23 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners
24 respond in the affirmative. Commissioner Sanchez
25 is out of the room)

1 MR. AMODIO: Thank you.

2 Next we have Controller's Report.

3 MR. BELLA: This contract is part of the
4 LT2 that we're required to do. It's the same rule
5 that they're reviewing.

6 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Okay. That ties
7 into that. Thank you.

8 MR. AMODIO: The Controller's Report.

9 MR. WEISS: Cash on hand is currently
10 15.6 million.

11 Accounts receivable is at 12.8 million.
12 Our 30 days or less is at 12.1 million which is
13 just over the 95 percent.

14 And our accounts payable is at 3 million.

15 Collections are relatively strong,
16 especially, given the time of the year we're in
17 right now.

18 And our investment program is still
19 continuing and we're very happy with it.

20 That's pretty much all I have.

21 MR. AMODIO: Any questions?

22 Hearing none, do I have a motion for
23 closed session?

24 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: So moved.

25 COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: Second.

1 MR. AMODIO: WHEREAS, Section 8 of the
2 Open Public Meetings Act, permits the public from
3 meeting in certain circumstances;

4 WHEREAS, the public body is of the opinion
5 that such circumstances presently exist;

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the
7 Commissioners of Passaic Valley Water Commission:

8 1. The public shall be excluded from
9 discussion of the hereinafter subject matters; the
10 general nature of the subject matters being:
11 Financial, Insurance, Personnel, Contracts,
12 Negotiations, Security, Law. Under Law we have
13 Summary/Aging reports. Employee handbook. North
14 Arlington v. PVWC. Lodi v. PVWC. Under Personnel
15 new hire: Lee-Roy Jones - Laborer. Kenneth
16 Mamary - Assistant Water Treatment Plant Operator.
17 We have permanent status of Celenia Fernandez -
18 Keyboarding Clerk - Bilingual. Promotion of
19 Jo-Ann Browne - Senior Lab Tech - Water Analysis.
20 Charles Poyssick - Lab Tech - Water Analysis.
21 Salary Increase: Michael Marotta - General
22 Supervisor Maintenance Repairer. Annual summer
23 help program/intern program. Under Administration
24 we have Change in Scope of Professional Services
25 for Project #14-P-43 "Professional Engineering

1 Services - Emergency Backup Power and Water
2 Storage Facilities - Design, Permitting and
3 Construction Administrative Services" for the
4 Levine tanks, and any other matter as may be
5 discussed in camera.

6 2. It is anticipated at this time that
7 the above-stated subject matters will be ratified
8 during public meeting following or as soon
9 thereafter as the reason for the discussion no
10 longer exists.

11 3. This Resolution shall take effect
12 immediately.

13 Second by Commissioner Cleaves.

14 On the roll.

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16 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners
17 respond in the affirmative. Commissioner Sanchez
18 is absent)

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22 MR. AMODIO: Time is 1:29.

23 You have a quorum.

24 We'll go to Consent Agenda.

25 Minutes from Passaic Valley Water

1 April 16, 2014, in camera and Regular Session
2 Meeting.

3 Do I have a motion?

4 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: So moved.

5 MR. AMODIO: By Commissioner Vannoy.

6 COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: Second.

7 MR. AMODIO: By Commissioner Cleaves.

8 On the roll.

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10 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners
11 present respond in the affirmative. Commissioner
12 Sanchez is absent and Commissioner Bazian is out
13 of the room)

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15 MR. AMODIO: Thank you.

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17 Does the Chair accept, receive, and file
18 Miscellaneous Purchase Orders Placed by Purchasing
19 Director, Linda Beckering, for the period of
20 April 7, 2014, to May 4th, 2014?

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Madam Chair?

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PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Yes.

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MR. AMODIO: Thank you.

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Requests For Actions. We'd like to do
25 that all in one vote.

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PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Please.

1 MR. AMODIO: Let me...

2 MR. HANLEY: You should recite.

3 MR. AMODIO: I'll recite.

4 Contract #14-B-16 "Furnish and Deliver No
5 Lead Type Brass Service Line Fittings"
6 Recommendation to award a two-year contract to HD
7 Supply Waterworks, LTD, of Edison, New Jersey for
8 items 1 through 38 in the amount of \$141,632.50
9 and Capitol Supply Construction Products of
10 Denville, New Jersey, for items 39 through 149 in
11 the amount of \$52,050.40.

12 Next: Contract #14-B-17 "Furnish and
13 Install Tube Settler Bypass Piping and
14 Appurtenances" Recommendations to award a
15 six-month contract to Fred Devens Construction
16 Company of Sussex, New Jersey, in the amount of
17 \$179,500.

18 Next: Contract #14-B-18 (Rebid) "Furnish
19 and Deliver Mobile Column Truck Lift System"
20 Recommendations to award a six-month contract to
21 Hoffman Services, Inc. of Newark, New Jersey in
22 the amount of \$58,463.

23 Next: We have Contract #14-B-21 (Rebid)
24 "Furnish and Deliver Trailer-Mounted Vacuum
25 Excavating Equipment and Appurtenances"

1 Recommendations to award a six-month contract to
2 R.J. Sherman & Associates doing business as
3 Vermeer North Atlantic of Lumberton, New Jersey in
4 the amount of \$108,855.

5 Next is Contract #14-B-22 "Furnish and
6 Deliver Portable Corrosion Inhibitor System"
7 Recommendations to award a six-month contract to
8 Aries Chemicals, Incorporated of Beaver Falls, New
9 Jersey in the amount of \$201,599.

10 Contract #14-B-25 "Water Main Cleaning and
11 Lining - Clifton and Paterson, New Jersey"
12 Recommendations to award a one-year contract to
13 Metra Industries, Incorporated of Little Falls,
14 New Jersey, in the amount of \$4,297,540.

15 Next: We have a Resolution - State
16 Contract Procurement of Two Vehicles for the
17 Maintenance Department. We have two 2014 Chevy
18 Express Rear Wheel Drive Van-Cargo from Mall Chevy
19 of Cherry Hill, New Jersey at a unit cost \$20,875
20 for a total of 41,750.

21 Resolution of Passaic Valley Water
22 Commission Authorizing the Issuance of a Letter
23 from PVWC's Executive Director to New Jersey
24 Department of Environmental Protection requesting
25 a two-month extension for the submission of the

1 final design documents to the NJDEP for the Levine
2 Tanks.

3 Do I have a motion?

4 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: So moved.

5 MR. AMODIO: By Commissioner Vannoy.

6 COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: Second.

7 MR. AMODIO: By Commissioner Cleaves.

8 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: Question, please.

9 I'm sorry.

10 On the last one with the two-month
11 extension, do you want to say request a minimum of
12 two months?

13 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: I would rather do a
14 minimum. I don't think two months is going to be
15 enough.

16 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: That's what I'm
17 saying.

18 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: Should we even say
19 two months? Maybe ask for six months. If we get
20 two months, we get two months.

21 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: I think the point
22 here is, you realize that the State could just say
23 no to our request. So let's start with reasonable
24 and then if our information comes back that this
25 is the way to go, you can go back to them and say:

1 Look, based on the facts we have here, we're
2 headed in this direction and we're going to ask
3 for three more months or four months or six months
4 or whatever it is.

5 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: I'd like to put in
6 the word "minimum". I like Mr. DeVita, you know,
7 "minimum".

8 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: Minimum two months.

9 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: At least you're
10 opening the door for more down the line.

11 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: Maybe they'll give
12 us six months off the minimum.

13 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: You got it. You
14 also realize that they can just say no right off
15 the bat.

16 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: Madam President,
17 just to offer a different viewpoint. The issue we
18 run into is that we have a date certain. When we
19 talk about a minimum two months, we are now asking
20 the State for an open checkbook in effect on time.
21 I don't see them going for that.

22 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: And they will tell
23 us that. They will tell us that. They will say
24 the most you're going to get is one month. We're
25 not even entertaining this.

1 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: Or here's six
2 months. Who knows.

3 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: But the bottom line
4 is, you're just inserting one word. We expect
5 these reports to be back in two months, so we'll
6 have something to go back to the State historical
7 people and the DEP.

8 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: I like the
9 extension, I just hope that adding the word
10 "minimum" doesn't cost us.

11 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: If it does, so be
12 it.

13 MR. AMODIO: Any further questions?

14 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: None.

15 MR. AMODIO: Hearing none. On the roll.

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17 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners
18 present respond in the affirmative. Commissioner
19 Sanchez is absent)

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21 MR. AMODIO: Motion approved.

22 Moving on. New Business: Summary of
23 Disbursements and Payrolls through May 21st, 2014,
24 in the amount of \$8,103,711.43.

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Do I have a motion?

1 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: So moved.

2 MR. AMODIO: Motion by Commissioner
3 DeVita.

4 Second?

5 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: Second.

6 MR. AMODIO: Second by Commissioner
7 Vannoy.

8 On the roll.

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10 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners
11 present respond in the affirmative. Commissioner
12 Sanchez is absent)

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14 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: Abstain on American
15 Hose; Damico, Del Sardo; and Elevator Maintenance.

16 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: Abstain on Dell and
17 abstain on APB.

18 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: Abstain on Rachles
19 Michele.

20 MR. AMODIO: That's it.

21 We'll take the least controversial. We
22 have the two Changes in Scope of Professional
23 Services For Project #12-P-43.

24 Do I have a motion as discussed in camera?

25 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: So moved.

1 MR. AMODIO: Motion by Commissioner
2 Vannoy.

3 COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: Second.

4 MR. AMODIO: By Commissioner Cleaves.

5 On the roll.

6 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners
7 present respond in the affirmative. Commissioner
8 Sanchez is absent)

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10 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: Yes. As explained.

11 MR. AMODIO: Thank you.

12 We have Personnel.

13 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: We'll take each one
14 separately, I suppose. Can we group some of them
15 together? How do you guys want to do this?

16 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: May I respectfully
17 suggest that we have one vote on items 1, 2, 3, 4,
18 and 5. Shall we note that number 7 will be
19 tabled?

20 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: No, I want to do
21 each one individually.

22 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: But if the consensus
23 is --

24 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: I'm not a consensus
25 on certain things.

1 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: All right. Let's do
2 it individually.

3 Number 1.

4 MR. AMODIO: Okay. First we have new
5 hire: Lee-Roy Jones - Laborer/TA. Proposed
6 salary of \$32,000 with a proposed range of \$16,315
7 to \$56,285.

8 Do I have a motion?

9 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: So moved.

10 MR. AMODIO: By Commissioner Vannoy.

11 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: Second.

12 MR. AMODIO: By Commissioner Levine.

13 On the roll.

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15 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners
16 present respond in the affirmative. Commissioner
17 Sanchez is absent)

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19 MR. AMODIO: Next we have -- are we
20 calling him a new hire?

21 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: You have to call it
22 a new hire. It's the only way he can keep his
23 job.

24 MR. AMODIO: New hire: Kenneth Mamary -
25 Assistant Water Treatment Plant Operator/TA with a

1 proposed salary of \$37,565 and proposed range of
2 \$17,809 to \$61,755.

3 Do I have a motion?

4 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: So moved.

5 MR. AMODIO: By Commissioner Vannoy.

6 Do I have a second?

7 COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: Second.

8 MR. AMODIO: By Commissioner Cleaves.

9 On the roll.

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11 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners
12 present respond in the affirmative. Commissioner
13 Bazian abstains and Commissioner Sanchez is
14 absent)

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16 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: Yes. Based on the
17 salary being the same. There's no current salary
18 but Jim said it was the same, so based on the
19 current salary as being the same as proposed, yes.

20 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: For the concerns I
21 mentioned in closed session, I will abstain on
22 this.

23 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: For the record, I
24 have a guarantee from Personnel that in the future
25 they will give every single veteran in our file at

1 least a look. That's part of our policy, folks,
2 that you give them a courtesy interview. They may
3 not be qualified and they may not be hired --

4 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: Can I make another
5 point too?

6 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: No, no, I'm voting.
7 You're out of order.

8 I'm going to vote yes based on your --

9 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: We weren't told this
10 was a new hire.

11 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: All right.

12 MR. AMODIO: Next we have permanent status
13 of Celenia Fernandez - Keyboarding Clerk -
14 Bilingual. No change in salary.

15 Do I have a motion?

16 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: Motion.

17 MR. AMODIO: By Commissioner Levine.

18 Do I have a second?

19 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: Second.

20 MR. AMODIO: By Commissioner Vannoy.

21 On the roll.

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23 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners
24 present respond in the affirmative. Commissioner
25 Sanchez is absent)

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MR. AMODIO: Thank you.

Next we have Jo-Ann Browne - Senior Lab Technician - Water Analysis.

Proposed salary \$59,500 with a proposed range of \$18,357 to \$63,846.

Do I have a motion?

COMMISSIONER VANNOY: So moved.

MR. AMODIO: By Commissioner Vannoy.

Do I have a second?

COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: Second.

MR. AMODIO: By Commissioner Cleaves.

On the roll.

(Roll call was taken, Commissioner DeVita responds in the affirmative. Commissioners Vannoy, Levine, Bazian, and Kolodziej respond in the negative. Commissioner Cleaves abstains. Commissioner Sanchez is absent)

COMMISSIONER VANNOY: No. Based on the fact that my fellow Commissioners would like to look into budgets or make sure that money is available.

COMMISSIONER LEVINE: No.

1 COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: Abstain.

2 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: I'm going to vote no
3 for the same reason.

4 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: Yes.

5 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: You mean to tell me
6 Personnel allowed something to be put on this
7 budget without checking if it's in the budget --
8 I'm sorry, you're right. You're right.
9 Parliamentary. I'm going to have to vote no also
10 then.

11 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: Madam President, on
12 that basis, I would like to make a motion that
13 items 5 and 6 be tabled because they fall into the
14 same category.

15 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: All right. We have
16 to be consistent.

17 Thank you.

18 MR. AMODIO: Motion by Commissioner Bazian
19 to table 5 and 6.

20 Do I have a second?

21 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: Second.

22 MR. AMODIO: On the roll to table 5 and 6.

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24 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners
25 respond in the affirmative. Commissioner Levine

1 responds in the negative. Commissioner Sanchez is
2 absent)

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4 MR. AMODIO: Motion approved.

5 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: Question.

6 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Yes. Question.

7 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: Can we go back to
8 number 4? She was denied for the same reason
9 you're tabling 5 and 6?

10 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: They're all in the
11 same.

12 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: She was already
13 turned down --

14 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: I need Commissioner
15 Cleaves, you know when she speaks, you guys better
16 listen.

17 COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: We just failed her
18 motion and we tabled the other two following her.

19 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: They should all be
20 failed.

21 COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: Right. Because she
22 was a motion on the floor, so now do we need to go
23 back and make another motion regarding just her
24 because --

25 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: I was going to make

1 a motion for reconsideration.

2 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: All right.

3 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: Which is allowed.

4 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Can you please let
5 her get the rest of her statement out.

6 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: I'm sorry.

7 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: I don't want him
8 stealing your thunder. That's exactly where she
9 was going. You have to listen.

10 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: You're right. I
11 apologize.

12 COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: I'll move that we
13 reconsider number 4 to table her with 5 and 6.

14 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: Second.

15 MR. AMODIO: Motion by Commissioner
16 Cleaves.

17 Second by Commissioner Bazian.

18 On the roll.

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20 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners
21 present respond in the affirmative. Commissioner
22 Sanchez is absent)

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24 MR. AMODIO: Item number 4 tabled along
25 with item number 5.

1 I have nothing else.

2 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: I have one item
3 under Good and Welfare because I promised.

4 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: Summer help.

5 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: We're going to
6 continue. Get your two names in now. You're
7 going to bring it back to us next month. If we
8 have the money to maybe do four, but right now we
9 don't want to hold up the kids we know we have
10 money for because we budgeted for it, by the way.

11 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: Question: The two,
12 how does that tie into interns?

13 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Well, that program
14 you're going to have to look at it, because we
15 don't have enough money in our budget to pay for
16 the six that we have on now. So before you think
17 in terms of an intern, don't think that way.
18 Worry about the two summer help. Your committee
19 will have plenty of time to work on this well
20 within the constraints of the budget that we
21 already approved.

22 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: Two issues: My
23 understanding is that I think the intern program
24 will be out of money before the next meeting.

25 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Yes. They're going

1 to need to know that.

2 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: But it would seem to
3 me that a co-op program is only when the school is
4 in session. Do we have enough money to cover the
5 school year which ends some time this month?

6 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Those are the
7 questions they better be addressing.

8 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: The other question
9 is: I don't know if we have to do this in open
10 session; we discussed it in closed session. But
11 referring the competitive compensation analysis to
12 the finance.

13 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Well, why don't we
14 just do it now as my taking your suggestion and
15 referring it to that committee. Some of us have
16 been asking for this for months. If you don't
17 feel that's the way to go, fine. Make sure you
18 vet it totally. Okay.

19 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: You're asking me to
20 vote now?

21 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: No, no. Committee.
22 I'm sending it back to committee. Your agenda is
23 going to be long. You're never going to get out
24 of here.

25 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: I'm sorry, which

1 committee?

2 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: I'm going to refer
3 it to them right now because it's more of a
4 personnel issue.

5 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: It's more of a
6 finance issue.

7 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: You know what, it
8 doesn't mean that we can't put it on our agenda.
9 So two committees looking at it is better than
10 one.

11 And then the other thing is being taken
12 care of. Mr. Hanley is going to get things about
13 the ethics.

14 And I promised Commissioner Levine after
15 last meeting in shooting it down: Is there enough
16 consensus here to resurrect the fishing program?
17 He wants to know that. He wants to know that from
18 us. Is there any support here?

19 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: Yes.

20 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: Yes.

21 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: All right. One,
22 two, three.

23 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: We have to discuss
24 it first. It has to be done properly with the
25 appropriate cost. I'm not willing to resurrect it

1 today.

2 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Folks, folks, folks.
3 We're not going to do that today. We're going to
4 bring it back to the agenda next month. So we're
5 going to have somebody in Administration costing
6 out, I'm hearing one day a week? One day a month?
7 Why don't you give us some scenarios? Once a
8 month. Twice a month. And what days.

9 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: Who is in charge?
10 You, Joe?

11 MR. BELLA: Yes.

12 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Right now we're
13 going to have two scenarios, folks. If you come
14 up with a third one next month, God Bless You.
15 Right now we'll have information back for vote for
16 next meeting based on the numbers that
17 Administration is coming up.

18 All right. Motion to adjourn?

19 No, no. Right. Right. That came out of
20 the closed session. The extra work.

21 We need a motion.

22 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: Move it.

23 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: Second.

24 MR. AMODIO: Motion by Commissioner
25 Bazian.

1 Second by Commissioner Vannoy.

2 On the roll.

3 MR. HANLEY: And the motion was what?

4 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: To go out to bid for
5 special services on the extra. You want to word
6 this Mr. IT guy? Professional services on the --

7 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: It's a motion to go
8 out to bid for implementation services for the
9 software for the Customer Service systems.

10 PRESIDENT KOLODZIEJ: Good enough.

11 MR. AMODIO: Motion by Commissioner
12 Bazian.

13 Second by Commissioner Vannoy.

14 On the roll.

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16 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners
17 respond in the affirmative)

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19 MR. AMODIO: Nothing further.

20 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: Move.

21 MR. AMODIO: Second by Commissioner
22 Levine.

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24 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners
25 present respond in the affirmative. Commissioner

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MR. AMODIO: Time is 1:49.

Next meeting is June 18th, Wednesday, at
12:00 noon.

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