

PASSAIC VALLEY WATER COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING OF

JULY 30, 2013

(OPEN SESSION)

C O M M I S S I O N E R S P R E S E N T :

RIGO SANCHEZ, President

JEFFREY LEVINE, Vice-President

MENACHEM BAZIAN, Treasurer

GLORIA KOLODZIEJ, Secretary

THOMAS P. DeVITA

ROBERT VANNOY

CHRYSTAL A. CLEAVES (Absent)

A L S O P R E S E N T :

JOSEPH A. BELLA, Executive Director

GEORGE T. HANLEY, Counsel

JAMES J. GALLAGHER, Personnel Director

YITZ WEISS, Comptroller

LOUIS AMODIO, Administrative Secretary

1 MR. AMODIO: On the roll.

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3 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners
4 present respond in the affirmative. Commissioner
5 Levine is not present yet and Commissioner Cleaves
6 is absent)

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8 MR. AMODIO: Thank you.

9 The time is 10:11 a.m.

10 You have a quorum.

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

19 Will you please rise. Commissioner
20 Kolodziej, would you please lead us.

21 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: George, do we do this
22 in public or closed session?

23 MR. HANLEY: Well, I want to get some
24 facts first.

25 This is not a done deal, correct? We're

1 still in the process of negotiating, seeking
2 feedback from Commissioners?

3 MR. GALLAGHER: This is to get approval to
4 sign the contract.

5 MR. HANLEY: I know. But you're going to
6 go over the term. You don't have approval,
7 correct? And you might find out that some of the
8 terms may be preliminarily negotiated are not
9 acceptable to the Commission. Is that true?
10 That's a possibility, right?

11 MR. GALLAGHER: Yes.

12 MR. HANLEY: So you'll be talking about
13 the terms and conditions you're proposing and the
14 Commissioners will be asking questions about that
15 so you may or may not go back and negotiate that
16 with carriers.

17 MR. GALLAGHER: That is correct.

18 MR. HANLEY: Alan, are we getting --

19 MR. GENITEMPO: It's ripe for executive
20 session.

21 MR. HANLEY: I would say we go into
22 executive session.

23 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Move by Commissioner
24 Vannoy.

25 Second by Commissioner Bazian.

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

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

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

10 1. The public shall be excluded from
11 discussion of the hereinafter subject matters; the
12 general nature of the subject matter being:
13 Health insurance issues, and any other matter as
14 may be discussed in camera.

15 2. It is anticipated at this time that
16 the above-stated subject matters will be ratified
17 during public meeting following or as soon
18 thereafter as the reason for discussion no longer
19 exists.

20 3. This Resolution shall take effect
21 immediately.

22 On the roll.

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

1 Levine is not present yet. Commissioner Cleaves
2 is absent)

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MR. AMODIO: Time is 10:42 a.m.

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You have a quorum.

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PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: George, can you state
what we're voting on here?

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MR. HANLEY: Well, what I would do is ask
Tom to give a quick summary of what it is you're
voting.

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MR. FLETCHER: So Brown & Brown's
recommendation is that we renew with CIGNA for our
medical plan, but then also integrate the pharmacy
benefit into the CIGNA medical plan. We would be
terminating our contract with Express Scripts
effective 9/1/2013. The contract's good for a
full 12-month period. So we renew next 9/1/2014
for the benefit.

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MR. HANLEY: And the reason for that is?

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MR. FLETCHER: That we are realizing a net
savings of almost \$815,000.

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MR. HANLEY: In addition to that, you're
selecting CIGNA as against the State Health

1 Benefits Program for what reason?

2 MR. FLETCHER: Twofold reason: Our costs
3 are comparable. Also, the benefits that are
4 offered by the State Health Benefit Program are
5 not equal to or better than the current contract
6 of benefits.

7 MR. GALLAGHER: Commissioners, also, with
8 the Express Scripts side of it, in the past year,
9 particularly, Express Scripts, most of its
10 operation is out in the midwest. We've had a
11 strained relationship over the last year dealing
12 with them. I have to tell you that dealing with,
13 particularly, CIGNA in this period, they've been
14 nothing but absolutely, you know -- their Customer
15 Service has been outstanding on this.

16 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: We will continue
17 with the recommendation and continue with Delta
18 Dental, correct?

19 MR. FLETCHER: Yes.

20 My recommendation is to renew with Delta
21 Dental renewal 9/1 effective date by minus five
22 and a half percent.

23 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: That's as --

24 MR. FLETCHER: As shown.

25 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: I'll move that.

1 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Second by Commissioner
2 Vannoy.

3 MR. AMODIO: Second by Commissioner
4 Vannoy.

5 On the roll.

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

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10 COMMISSIONER DeVITA: Yes, as explained.
11 Very good job. Thank you.

12 MR. AMODIO: Motion approved.

13 Anything else?

14 COMMISSIONER BAZIAN: Motion to adjourn.

15 MR. AMODIO: By Commissioner Bazian.

16 Is there a second?

17 COMMISSIONER VANNOY: Yes.

18 MR. AMODIO: By Commissioner Vannoy.

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

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24 MR. AMODIO: Time is 10:45 a.m.

25 Next Commission meeting is Wednesday,

August 21st; 9:30.

(Proceedings concluded)

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