

## PASSAIC VALLEY WATER COMMISSION MEETING OF

MAY 18, 2016

(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

GLORIA KOLODZIEJ, Vice President **(Via Telephone)**

GERALD G. FRIEND, Treasurer

CHRYSTAL A. CLEAVES, Secretary

DAVID BLUMENTHAL

JEFFREY LEVINE

ROBERT L. VANNOY **(Absent)**

## A L S O        P R E S E N T :

JOSEPH A. BELLA, Executive Director

GEORGE T. HANLEY, Counsel

YAACOV BRISMAN, Assistant Counsel

JAMES G. DUPREY, Director of Engineering

JAMES J. GALLAGHER, Personnel Director

YITZ WEISS, Comptroller

LOUIS AMODIO, Administrative Secretary

1 MR. AMODIO: Call the meeting to order.

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

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8 MR. AMODIO: The time is 12:05 p.m.

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 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Commissioner  
19 Kolodziej, how are you? I just have one question,  
20 how you doing?

21 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: I'm coming along  
22 nicely. I hope to be back at the meeting  
23 physically next month.

24 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Good for you. Thank  
25 you. I hope you come back.

1           Okay. We have members of the public.

2           Mr. Linteris.

3           MR. LINTERIS: Bill Linteris, Passaic  
4           County Board of Realtors here to just followup and  
5           see if there's any feedback on the proposal for  
6           the 106 for the historic district regarding the  
7           Levine Reservoir.

8                     Also, I see that there's a proposal, an  
9           RFP for JGSC for the New Street Reservoir in your  
10          package and then we ask up front that you contact  
11          the associated mayors and towns involved in that  
12          project early on so that they can be active and  
13          participate from an early process.

14                    We also are concerned about the lead in  
15          the water at all levels, not only here. And after  
16          speaking to Mr. Bella, I feel comfortable that  
17          you're doing everything you can at the levels that  
18          you have without the opportunity to put the  
19          phosphates in the water. So we look forward for  
20          the opportunity in the future to keep an eye on  
21          that also.

22                    Thank you very much.

23                    MR. AMODIO: Thank you.

24                    Sir, your name, please.

25                    MR. WALTERS: John Walters, Passaic County

1 Board of Realtors, again, just observing as a  
2 stakeholder.

3 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Thank you.

4 MR. AMODIO: Motion to close the public  
5 portion.

6 COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: So moved.

7 COMMISSIONER BLUMENTHAL: Second.

8 MR. AMODIO: Move by Commissioner Cleaves.

9 Second by Commissioner Blumenthal.

10 On the roll.

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12 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners  
13 present respond in the affirmative. Commissioner  
14 Levine not present yet. Commissioner Vannoy is  
15 absent)

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17 MR. AMODIO: The time is 12:07 p.m.

18 Moving onto committee reports.

19 Personnel.

20 MR. AMODIO: You want to call Jim?

21 We'll do finance in the meantime.

22 Jim, will you please get Jim Gallagher.

23 Personnel.

24 MR. BRISMAN: Committee reports for

25 personnel.

1 MR. GALLAGHER: There's one other issue  
2 which I think we should do in closed session which  
3 would be contract negotiations.

4 Three hires were interviewed. All the  
5 processes were done.

6 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Okay.

7 COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: I have a question.  
8 I don't know if it should be in closed session or  
9 open session.

10 The salary range on here, should that be  
11 in closed or open?

12 MR. BRISMAN: Yeah, it depends on the  
13 question. If there's a specific question about  
14 the employee, that would be for closed session.  
15 If you have a question in general about the  
16 process or something like that...

17 MR. GALLAGHER: If it's a question about  
18 an employee, you have to make sure the person  
19 needs to be Rice noticed.

20 MR. BRISMAN: That's why we're discussing  
21 in closed.

22 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: She has a question  
23 about the ranges, that's what she has.

24 MR. BRISMAN: Is it a general question or  
25 about an individual?

1                   COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: Specific to the  
2                   position here, the position for the new hires.

3                   MR. BRISMAN: What's the question?

4                   COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: The last laborers  
5                   that we hired range I think was in the 59  
6                   something, from 16 to 59 something, so why is it  
7                   lower now, the salary range?

8                   MR. BRISMAN: The salary range?

9                   COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: Yeah.

10                  MR. BRISMAN: I don't believe the salary  
11                  range changed, has it?

12                  MR. GALLAGHER: No.

13                  COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: But I believe the  
14                  last hires that we had last year --

15                  MR. GALLAGHER: The salary ranges are set.  
16                  I mean, it could be --

17                  PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Can you double check,  
18                  Jim? Can you double check?

19                  MR. GALLAGHER: Sure.

20                  PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Double check and come  
21                  back to us.

22                  MR. BRISMAN: It will take formal action  
23                  by this body to change that salary range. Has it  
24                  been on the agenda? I don't believe so.

25                  COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: I just want to make

1                   sure the range is correct. For some odd reason,  
2                   it's a strange number.

3                   PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: How are you going to  
4                   check, Jim? Do you have a copy of this?

5                   MR. GALLAGHER: I have a copy of it.

6                   PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Okay. So double check  
7                   and come back, please.

8                   Thank you.

9                   Any other committees?

10                  Finance.

11                  COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: Commissioner  
12                  Sanchez.

13                  Hi, how are you, Commissioner?

14                  COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: Hi. I have a  
15                  question here. At the beginning of our  
16                  organization this year we talked about really  
17                  looking at our Table of Organization and the  
18                  personnel committee really said that they would do  
19                  that.

20                  PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Commissioner, in fact,  
21                  we did and I got all the -- I got Jerry -- we sat  
22                  down and we went over, and Joe, help me out,  
23                  because we kind of organized and it's work in  
24                  progress.

25                  COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: And that's all

1 I'm looking for.

2 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: And let me tell you  
3 one thing. According to the recommendation from  
4 Jim Gallagher, we might have an issue making it  
5 formal.

6 Joe, can you elaborate how we're working  
7 on it?

8 MR. BELLA: We're just working on a few  
9 possible rearrangements of some of the  
10 departments, not rearrangements, but additional  
11 personnel, not much. And what we were doing is we  
12 haven't had another meeting since then, but as  
13 soon as we're done, you know, we already talked  
14 that we're going to have a meeting some time  
15 before the next meeting and then at that time  
16 we'll go through all those --

17 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Also, Commissioner,  
18 some recommendations that I comment about by  
19 taking a look at our Table, there's some  
20 recommendations from the people here that we might  
21 need to promote certain people. We need to do  
22 certain things based on the meeting that we have,  
23 is that what I recall?

24 MR. BELLA: The other thing we were  
25 talking about, Commissioner, pathways from people

1 going from Laborer to Water Repairer to Water  
2 Repairer II, Water Repairer III and having them  
3 codified to some degree like we did with the Water  
4 Treatment Plant Operators. So those are the kind  
5 of things we've been discussing.

6 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: I think part of the  
7 question is do we have a written document that  
8 says for each department how many supervisors, how  
9 many level I, how many level II, how many  
10 laborers. There should be a Table of  
11 Organization, if we have 250 employees, that shows  
12 where each of those 250 employees are assigned  
13 and, you know, who in what position. I think  
14 that's what Commissioner Kolodziej is also looking  
15 for.

16 MR. BELLA: Right. We do have that and  
17 what we're doing is talking about what changes we  
18 would make and that kind of thing.

19 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: But before you make  
20 the changes, don't you have to have the current  
21 document that shows where everything is?

22 MR. BELLA: Which we do.

23 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: Correct.

24 MR. BELLA: We do. And we went through  
25 that.

1                   PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: And now we make some  
2 changes.

3                   MR. BELLA: Now we're going to come back  
4 and recommend to the personnel committee any  
5 possible changes, any possible changes being  
6 minor, I'm sure.

7                   COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Okay. Before the  
8 personnel committee gets that recommendation for  
9 changes, will we have the document that shows  
10 where the 250 people are at this time?

11                  MR. BELLA: Sure, absolutely.

12                  COMMISSIONER FRIEND: If we can get that.

13                  MR. BELLA: No problem, we'll send that  
14 out.

15                  COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: Commissioner  
16 Sanchez, that's exactly where I was coming from  
17 and I'm glad to see you guys are committed to  
18 doing this the right way. Transparency has been  
19 our new model. We've been doing so well and  
20 certainly when it comes to employee morale, I  
21 would think that everything we do needs to be as  
22 transparent at possible.

23                  Going back to the new hires that are on  
24 for today. I have no problem because from what I  
25 gather, we have already three vacancies. These

1 three laborer positions are vacant.

2 My next question is: We worked very hard  
3 to put together a policy as to how to go ahead  
4 with the hiring of these people and if I remember  
5 correctly, the policy was that Mr. Bella would  
6 select the finalist for the position and then he  
7 would bring those people into the personnel  
8 committee so that they could meet them and weigh  
9 in. Was that policy followed?

10 MR. BELLA: Yes, I interviewed them,  
11 Commissioner.

12 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: Okay. Perfect.  
13 Did you bring them to the personnel committee?

14 MR. BELLA: The department heads --

15 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Okay.

16 MR. BELLA: -- Interviewed them.

17 The personnel committee didn't interview  
18 them. I didn't think that was part of the policy.  
19 That wasn't part of the policy that the personnel  
20 committee. Then we brought the applications in.

21 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: Mr. Amodio, if  
22 you can just give me a recopy of that policy,  
23 that's all I need.

24 In the meantime, these are three vacant  
25 positions. They've been interviewed by Mr. Bella

1 and department heads so we're good to go.

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3 (Whereupon, Commissioner Levine is present  
4 at 12:20 p.m.)

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6 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Just following up.

7 Just yesterday I had asked for, was given a copy  
8 of the Personnel Policy Procedure and Employee  
9 Handbook and I was told yesterday that this was  
10 never finalized. So I presume that there was a  
11 committee that put this together, probably with  
12 the help of the Legal Department, I don't know.  
13 But if we do have a Personnel Policy Procedure and  
14 Employee Handbook, it, you know, I think it hasn't  
15 been adopted, perhaps the Legal Department should  
16 review it and then it should be brought before the  
17 Board for --

18 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: For formal action.

19 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: For approval.

20 MR. BRISMAN: I believe that the policy  
21 for personnel and the hiring, I thought it was  
22 approved by this Board.

23 MR. AMODIO: Yes, you're correct. He's  
24 talking about the employee handbook.

25 MR. BRISMAN: Oh, the entire handbook.

1 MR. AMODIO: There was some questions Mr.  
2 Hanley had and some of the department heads. Am I  
3 correct? About the one?

4 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: As I recall, Joe --

5 MR. HANLEY: Some improvements have been  
6 made but it could use a broader review.

7 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: As I recall, didn't we  
8 consult? We were in the process of consulting  
9 with somebody to upgrade our handbooks. I think  
10 we were, right?

11 MR. BELLA: We did and that was I think  
12 the product and there were some issues with that  
13 and it was late last year and it just didn't get  
14 back to the personnel committee. That should be  
15 something that goes back to the personnel  
16 committee.

17 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Okay. Because I  
18 think the two kind of go hand in hand. Are our  
19 new employees signing off on this handbook or no  
20 because it was never adopted?

21 MR. BELLA: No.

22 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: So I think it's  
23 important that we also followup on this. And, you  
24 know, like I say, if legal has to review it and  
25 then come back to personnel.

1 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Should this go on the  
2 next personnel meeting?

3 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Yeah, fine.

4 MR. BRISMAN: I'll take a look. I have a  
5 copy of the handbook. I'll do a preliminary  
6 review and give you my recommendations.

7 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Jim, will you do me a  
8 favor, will you set up a personnel meeting as soon  
9 as possible so can we can go over the Table of  
10 Organization again?

11 MR. GALLAGHER: The personnel handbook  
12 only came out a year and a half ago. That was  
13 done by Alan Genitempo.

14 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: I'm aware of that.

15 MR. GALLAGHER: It's relatively up to date  
16 and the employees do sign for it. It's in their  
17 personnel file.

18 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Okay. From the  
19 looks on some people's faces around the table and  
20 in the room, obviously, we have to look into what  
21 transpired.

22 MR. GALLAGHER: I can tell you right now  
23 each employee does get a copy of it the day they  
24 come in. I hand it to them.

25 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Okay.

1 MR. HANLEY: If I could just clarify.  
2 There was a fairly extensive revision Jim says a  
3 year and a half ago. That's probably accurate.  
4 As I recall off the top of my head there were some  
5 issues that remain unresolved because they were a  
6 little more difficult and we did at least  
7 instruct, and I'm sure Jim, personnel committee  
8 did make sure that those revisions were then put  
9 in that book and each employee was supposed to  
10 have signed it and acknowledge that they received  
11 it.

12 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: Wasn't it Sam Samaro  
13 that did the book?

14 MR. GALLAGHER: No, Sam did one about ten  
15 years ago.

16 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: I thought he came  
17 back and gave a price of 5,000.

18 MR. GALLAGHER: He actually turned the  
19 work down.

20 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Maybe we can get a  
21 report in terms of what the status, even if the  
22 employees are signing off on it, maybe we can get  
23 a report that whatever the issues were when this  
24 was originally done and have been incorporated  
25 and, you know, send it to the entire Board for

1 approval.

2 MR. HANLEY: Yeah, I think it should be  
3 looked at again, to be honest, because, as you  
4 know, first of all, the law changes.

5 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: I did happen to  
6 thumb through it last night because I got it  
7 yesterday afternoon at the finance committee  
8 meeting and, you know, I see most of the main  
9 issues are covered; drug policy, harassment  
10 policy, things of that nature. But, you know,  
11 let's just bring it up to date so that we're all  
12 on the same page.

13 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Okay.

14 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: I agree, because  
15 the last time that I was there, physically, we  
16 talked about whether or not we physically adopted  
17 the handbook. There was some question. So it's  
18 very easy, Mr. Amodio, for you to, you know,  
19 pinpoint the meeting that we did approve it and I  
20 think we're headed on the right track to cleanup  
21 anything that's missing at this point.

22 MR. AMODIO: Is that it for personnel  
23 committee?

24 Finance.

25 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Okay. Finance. We

1 met yesterday and, you know, I'm told we're in  
2 accordance with the budget on the items and, you  
3 know, moving along as far as that goes.

4 We discussed the fact that the Water  
5 Commission purchases short-term notes at a higher  
6 rate of interest than we could be getting at the  
7 bank and we did discuss, you know, those  
8 communities that we should be purchasing from and  
9 shouldn't be purchasing from.

10 And I had a question with reference to the  
11 bidding process because on today's agenda we have  
12 several resolutions for adoption and bids and I  
13 note that many of them are from out of state  
14 bidders and I was wondering why people in the  
15 State of New Jersey aren't bidding on our  
16 contracts because I'd rather see the money that we  
17 spend stay here in the State of New Jersey. I was  
18 given an inclination as to some of the bids, that  
19 there just aren't any companies here in the State  
20 of New Jersey that can provide the product. But I  
21 also question the cost of a bidder to submit a bid  
22 package to the Water Commission and we're going to  
23 look into that to see whether or not that's going  
24 to be revised, whether or not the cost of  
25 submitting the bid is, you know, keeping certain

1 people from submitting a bid.

2 And then, also, we're awaiting the results  
3 of the audit that was done at which point we'll  
4 get a letter from the auditor and that will be  
5 reviewed by finance and naturally the Board.

6 The other issue that I raised and it's not  
7 only with finance and personnel, but when the  
8 different committees meet, I think the minutes of  
9 those meetings or a general statement as to what  
10 took place should be presented to the entire Board  
11 and certain actions that those committees take I  
12 feel should be either ratified by the Board or at  
13 least discussed by the Board that this Board  
14 agrees with the policy that's being adopted by the  
15 committee meeting because some of them do involve  
16 legal matters and court cases and things of that  
17 nature and I think the full Board should be  
18 advised in terms of what actions, especially, in  
19 legal matters should be taken. I think the final  
20 vote there should be a Board matter, not a  
21 committee matter.

22 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: May I say,  
23 Commissioner, that the purpose of the committee is  
24 to make a recommendation to the full Board.

25 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Right.

1                   PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: I don't think we make  
2 any action that becomes binding without the full  
3 Board.

4                   COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Well, except at the  
5 last personnel meeting that we had there was a  
6 legal matter that we had concerning an employee  
7 and the Board kind of adopted a policy in terms of  
8 how that should be proceeding and I think, you  
9 know, that's what is raising the issue with me.  
10 It hasn't been reported back to the entire Board  
11 and I think it's of a nature that the Board should  
12 really make the policy decision in terms of, you  
13 know, how we proceed in that legal matter.

14                  PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Can we get Counsel  
15 involved in this?

16                  MR. HANLEY: If I could clarify that a  
17 little bit.

18                  I don't think any of these committees can  
19 make decisions.

20                  COMMISSIONER FRIEND: That's right.

21                  MR. HANLEY: So I think, you know, they  
22 can make recommendations to the full body.

23                  COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Right.

24                  MR. HANLEY: And if they don't, it's of no  
25 binding affect whatsoever.

1                   COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Okay. But by it not  
2 coming back to the Board, the matter I'm  
3 particularly referring to, it's proceeding as if  
4 the committee made the decision.

5                   MR. HANLEY: Well, I just think that's  
6 wrong. I don't think any action should be taken  
7 based on what a committee says or does. They're  
8 recommending, but that recommendation has to be  
9 made to this body with proper notice and minutes  
10 taken. Those committee meetings are not noticed  
11 and are not official meetings and they have no  
12 power to do anything except discuss things.

13                   COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Right.

14                   PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: My recollection is  
15 that we could imply for certain policy but it  
16 doesn't become binding until it comes to this full  
17 Board.

18                   MR. HANLEY: Even policies, we have  
19 policies set. I'll give you just a quick example.  
20 A long time ago we clarified the shutoff policy.  
21 But that was done in committee, I forget which  
22 one, I think it was special projects. It doesn't  
23 matter. But that had no binding affect. We bring  
24 it back here and the Board discusses it and votes  
25 it or modifies it or doesn't. And if they do vote

1 to do it, there's also supposed to be, I think in  
2 Louie's office the list of policies that have been  
3 voted on.

4 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Well, okay. This  
5 involves a personnel matter so I don't really want  
6 to go into it right now. But after the meeting  
7 I'll make reference to the appropriate party in  
8 terms of the specific item that I'm --

9 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: And my understanding  
10 is because every committee has their own  
11 responsibility by nature, they will discuss things  
12 with personnel, finance, or legal, special  
13 projects that they don't discuss with the full  
14 Board and that particular committee will make a  
15 recommendation. It's up to either Joe or Counsel  
16 to bring it back here. It's not a binding  
17 decision if we make a recommendation.

18 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: I agree with you.

19 MR. BRISMAN: If I may, again, without  
20 knowing this specific situation, I do a lot of the  
21 personnel, labor issues. Oftentimes, if there's  
22 something that is going on, an ongoing issue and  
23 we want, you know, Board members to be aware of  
24 the specific situation, be aware of various ways  
25 that we're considering moving forward, that might



1 all of us, that's the whole purpose of the  
2 meeting. I mean, if we're doing anything beyond  
3 that, please, I'll be more than happy to...

4 So move on. Anything else?

5 MR. AMODIO: That's it for committee.

6 Okay. If you'd like, we have Howard  
7 Eichenbaum.

8 MR. EICHENBAUM: Good afternoon, how are  
9 you? I hope everybody is doing well.

10 My name is Howard Eichenbaum. I'm an  
11 attorney with Gluck, Walrath. I'm bond counsel  
12 for the Commission.

13 One of the items you have before you today  
14 is an amendment to a Resolution that was adopted  
15 at the end of 2014 with respect to a project to be  
16 financed to the New Jersey Environmental  
17 Infrastructure Trust for emergency generator.

18 The project's been delayed since last  
19 year, basically, because the EIT was offering a  
20 special program to the Commission. It's of the  
21 first ones that they were offering. Whereby  
22 instead of proceeding through the normal NJEIT  
23 Program, they were offering funds that were being  
24 provided through HUD. As part of this program,  
25 the incentives to the Commission were a larger

1 piece of principal forgiveness. In this case, it  
2 would be 25 percent. The normal DEP fees which  
3 are a total of two percent were to be waived and  
4 they were going to provide the loan as a  
5 100 percent interest free loan rather than part of  
6 a loan being interest bearing versus noninterest  
7 bearing.

8 Now, the amount of the project at this  
9 point is projected to be about 22 to \$23 million.  
10 Bids are expected in in June. So the incentives  
11 that the EIT is offering with 25 percent for  
12 business on \$23 million are waived which is close  
13 to a half million dollars plus no interest at all  
14 which depending upon the time period you're  
15 looking at could range from \$8 million to greater  
16 on a gross basis. The savings are sizable.

17 So since the initial Resolution was  
18 adopted, you know, at the end of 2014 and since  
19 the terms here are changing so dramatically, we  
20 felt it necessary to have these revisions approved  
21 by the Board.

22 Now, there will be loan agreements that  
23 will have to be executed. The EIT have not  
24 provided us with the form of loan agreements yet.  
25 The reason we're presenting this now to you is

1           because last week the EIT thought at one point  
2           they may want to close this project as early as  
3           next month. They since decided that, you know,  
4           give themselves more time to review the bids when  
5           they come in in June.

6                        So the closing will likely take place in  
7           August rather than June. But since the bids are  
8           due in June, the bids will get probably awarded in  
9           July, having an August or even potentially  
10          September closing, you know, won't delay the  
11          Commission at all with respect to proceeding with  
12          the project.

13                       Are there any questions from anybody?

14                       MR. AMODIO: We just need to adopt the  
15          Resolution. Correct?

16                       MR. EICHENBAUM: I need to adopt the  
17          Resolution? I need five affirmative votes and at  
18          least one vote from each town.

19                       MR. AMODIO: Okay. We do. We have  
20          Commissioner Kolodziej on the phone.

21                       MR. HANLEY: The reason for that, Howard,  
22          is because specifically because it's a bond.

23                       MR. EICHENBAUM: Yeah, basically, under  
24          the statute that governs the Commission there's  
25          certain requirements for adoption of a bond

1 resolution so it's different from probably  
2 everything else you need to do.

3 COMMISSIONER BLUMENTHAL: Are there any  
4 negatives to --

5 MR. EICHENBAUM: You don't get all the  
6 savings. The savings are huge.

7 COMMISSIONER BLUMENTHAL: Taking this --

8 MR. EICHENBAUM: Any negatives, no.  
9 Originally, when they proposed this, it was  
10 January of 2015. They said delay, a six-month  
11 delay. That is translated into an 18-month delay,  
12 because of the savings and the Commission and its  
13 engineers were saying: Okay. But get to this.  
14 They're finally getting to this.

15 MR. HANLEY: But the interest rate is  
16 zero.

17 MR. EICHENBAUM: The interest rate is  
18 zero.

19 MR. HANLEY: Even if the interest rates go  
20 up, we don't care on this project.

21 MR. EICHENBAUM: No.

22 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: What is going to be  
23 the cost to do this whole transaction? What is  
24 going to be the cost?

25 MR. EICHENBAUM: Well, bids are due the

1 middle of June. The engineers have estimated a  
2 maximum cost of around \$22, \$23 million. So it  
3 shouldn't be more than that.

4 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Joe, what's your take  
5 on this?

6 MR. BELLA: This is like...

7 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Tell us, motivate us.  
8 This is like when you are with a girl, you have to  
9 tell beautiful things. Tell us.

10 MR. BELLA: This is a beautiful thing.  
11 This is four generators to power the entire  
12 treatment plant when there's an outage and one in  
13 spare. We can run the whole treatment plant.  
14 Right now we can't do that. So if you recall  
15 during several of the storms, in previous  
16 discussions, we were right on the edge of, you  
17 know, failing, maybe having system wide outages.  
18 The standard modern treatment plants today is to  
19 have power for the entire plant.

20 Now, the most important thing of this is  
21 the fact that we're getting this, not interest,  
22 but principal forgiveness of four and a half  
23 million dollars. It's a huge savings.

24 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: It's a no brainer.

25 MR. BELLA: That's it. I mean, it's hard

1 to --

2 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Thank you.

3 MR. AMODIO: Do we have a motion?

4 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Moved by my fellow  
5 Commissioner of Passaic.

6 Second by Commissioner Levine.

7 MR. AMODIO: On the roll.

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

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13 MR. AMODIO: Motion approved.

14 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: I'm sorry, we made you  
15 work hard for it, Howard.

16 MR. EICHENBAUM: This is as much as a  
17 sweetheart deal with the EIT that I've seen in ten  
18 years.

19 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: I see Joe make a  
20 struggle there and I say you know what... Thank  
21 you, Howard. Thank you.

22 MR. EICHENBAUM: Thank you.

23 MR. AMODIO: Move onto the Executive  
24 Director's report.

25 MR. BELLA: The use of Point View

1           Reservoir by Passaic County Police. We've been  
2           doing that for years. They use our parking lot  
3           out there because there's never anybody in there  
4           for training.

5                        Second thing is the advertisement for  
6           professional service coordination of  
7           communications facilities. One of the big issues  
8           we have, and it's an issue with many utilities now  
9           is getting the kind of communications we need to  
10          move data around our system so we can operate the  
11          system efficiently and make it more efficiently  
12          and safely. And the old style type of  
13          communications are becoming outmoded. In other  
14          words, copper lines. And also it's expensive.

15                       So what we want to do is have somebody  
16          come. We're going to issue an RFP to do a study  
17          how the best way to move our data from a different  
18          pump station.

19                       PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Within our facility or  
20          just --

21                       MR. BELLA: Within our utility.

22                       PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Okay.

23                       MR. BELLA: Because we use, I mean, we use  
24          a tremendous amount of data. We move a lot of  
25          data around the system, you know, from outlining

1 the pump stations and control pumps and pressures  
2 and watch flows and that kind of thing. And  
3 that's only going to get bigger and bigger. So  
4 what we want to do is, we want to come up with  
5 sort of like a master plan how to do that so as we  
6 start adding more and more to the system, more  
7 data collection, we'll have a plan to go forward  
8 so that all that works together and integrated  
9 with the computer system and that type of stuff.

10 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: I just want to say, I  
11 guess I've been here longer than some of my  
12 colleagues. It's amazing how this utility, this  
13 entity has changed. Like, we have so many broader  
14 issues. It's fascinating how technology is  
15 changing the way we're operating and the need for  
16 different things. And to keep up with technology  
17 is amazing. It's amazing.

18 MR. BELLA: Even for somebody that has  
19 been around.

20 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: When I came here, Joe  
21 used to answer the phone himself. There was only  
22 one phone line.

23 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: I have a question.  
24 You know, I bring it up at every meeting, you  
25 know, like there's a five percent, you know, what

1           you call lost in calls or affect customers calls  
2           that were abandoned and, you know.

3                   MR. BELLA: Well, we're making some  
4           changes. Five percent is actually, if you look at  
5           the industry norms, it's actually very good. Our  
6           goal is to get it down to about three percent.  
7           Three percent of the calls you're going to lose no  
8           matter what. People are going to pick up the  
9           phone, the minute they don't hear a person,  
10          they're going to drop the line.

11                   And then, you know, during some times  
12          there's peaks that you just can't get to. So one  
13          of the things that we talk, we're sort of  
14          reorganizing in the back there so that we have a  
15          better, you know, sort of more efficient way of  
16          getting the calls.

17                   The other thing we're looking into it and  
18          part of this is look into how to get overflow  
19          calls when let's say you have a main break in the  
20          area and then all of a sudden you get 300 calls a  
21          minute, how to deal with that in a more efficient  
22          way. And that will all figure into that.

23                   PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Joe, can I interrupt  
24          you? The new company, they have callback systems  
25          automatically. Let's say you get a call, you

1 don't answer that call. If you leave your number  
2 in the system, as soon as somebody is available  
3 that system will call you back automatically.  
4 Because when it comes to water, we should look  
5 into that.

6 MR. BELLA: Yes.

7 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: That might be a good  
8 thing to have.

9 MR. BELLA: We are looking into it. In  
10 fact, we were just talking about that the other  
11 day. We recognize, you say what your number is  
12 and it will recognize those numbers. And then  
13 you'll get a printout and actually in the form of  
14 a work order so they get a call back. That's one  
15 of the issues that we're looking at.

16 The other thing is we're increasing and it  
17 goes into communication, we're increasing our work  
18 order system, not increasing, we're enhancing it  
19 so that everything is done on tablets so that they  
20 get the orders to work, track better where they're  
21 at, what time, how long they're at a particular  
22 place. So we're actually in the process of  
23 developing and getting that running, up and  
24 running and that really seemed to have been a  
25 really good management tool for us. It really

1 has.

2 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: So do we have an IT  
3 consulting firm that we --

4 MR. BELLA: We do have one.

5 MR. AMODIO: Integrated.

6 MR. BELLA: When you talk about  
7 communications, the GIS system we're integrating  
8 it with our maps are all part of the communication  
9 plan and how we communicate data out in the  
10 system.

11 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: Are all the lots and  
12 blocks done for the GIS?

13 MR. BELLA: They're all done.

14 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Do we have any type  
15 of a reverse call system, like, if there's a water  
16 break in a particular area rather than the  
17 customer calling us and saying: Hey, I don't have  
18 water or it's brown, that we can designate a  
19 particular area to call the people and tell them  
20 what's going on?

21 MR. BELLA: What we're doing is we're  
22 using social media instead of that because it's  
23 not that efficient because we were using the  
24 county's -- the problem was, you know, people were  
25 getting calls that weren't in the area. It's very

1 hard to maintain all those phone numbers and  
2 stuff. So what we've been doing is, we have a  
3 program now where we're collecting e-mail  
4 addresses or Twitter addresses, you know, the  
5 Instagram and everything so that way when we do  
6 have a problem, our new GIS system it will all be  
7 attached to the GIS. When we have a problem in  
8 the area, those accounts and that kind of thing  
9 will come out and say: Okay. These are the  
10 people we can notify in that area. So that's one  
11 of the issues. Now, that's not exactly right  
12 around the corner, but within the next year, year  
13 and a half we should be much better at that.

14 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Okay. What else?

15 MR. AMODIO: Any further questions?

16 We'll move on. We have two requests.

17 First request is use of the Point View Reservoir:  
18 Passaic County Police Academy. A hold harmless  
19 certificate is on file as well as an insurance  
20 certificate.

21 And the next is Request to Advertise RFP  
22 for Project #16-P-64 "Professional Services" --

23 MR. GALLAGHER: Commissioner Kolodziej  
24 just called. She got knocked off. She would like  
25 you to reestablish.

1 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: Sorry about that.

2 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Counsel Hanley needs  
3 to step out. He has an issue that he needs to  
4 deal with. So if anybody has a question for him  
5 now, otherwise, we have the second best highest  
6 paid counsel here.

7 MR. HANLEY: I apologize, I have to speak  
8 at a bar panel but you're in good hands with  
9 Yaacov, I assure you. I don't think we have much.  
10 All the resolutions and contracts I've already  
11 signed off on. I apologize.

12 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Thank you, George.  
13 Good luck.

14 MR. AMODIO: Going back we have Requests:  
15 Use of Point View Reservoir Passaic County Police  
16 Academy and we have Request to Advertise RFP for  
17 Project #16-P-64 "Professional Services for a  
18 Coordination Study of PVWC's Communications  
19 Facilities and Projects".

20 Do I have a motion?

21 COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: So moved.

22 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Second.

23 MR. AMODIO: Motion by Commission Cleaves.

24 Second by Commissioner Friend.

25 On the roll.

1 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners  
2 present respond in the affirmative. Commissioner  
3 Vannoy is absent)  
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5 MR. AMODIO: Thank you. Approved.

6 Move onto Controller's report.

7 MR. WEISS: Cash on hand is 8.5 million.

8 Our reserves are fully funded.

9 Our accounts receivable is at  
10 15.9 million.

11 30 days or less accounts receivable is  
12 14.8 million which is 93 percent. That's good.

13 Accounts payable is 3.4 million.

14 Just to piggyback on what Commissioner  
15 Friend was saying a couple of other things that  
16 were discussed at our finance committee. We  
17 discussed the fact that our regular annual audit  
18 has begun. The auditors are here. We talked  
19 about some potential, the effect of switching our  
20 billing system to a new system is going to have on  
21 that audit and some of what we're expecting in  
22 terms of that.

23 We also, just to kind of elaborate a  
24 little bit, last year the Board looked into hiring  
25 an outside accounting firm to do a payroll

1 personnel audit just to kind of make sure  
2 everything was working the way it was supposed to  
3 be working. The Board determined it should not go  
4 to the personnel committee but to the finance  
5 committee. We got proposals for auditors and we  
6 brought in an audit firm. They finished with the  
7 fieldwork. They have not come back to us yet with  
8 a draft statement. We're expecting to get a draft  
9 statement back from them probably in two weeks.  
10 That's what they said the expected time range is.  
11 Once it comes back, it's going to be reviewed by  
12 the Finance Department and then, obviously, it  
13 will be brought to the full Board for approval.

14 There were questions about the methods  
15 that the auditors were using to go through the  
16 personnel and the payroll audit and the discussion  
17 was, the reason why we had brought in outside  
18 auditors to begin with was to make sure that they  
19 were the ones who were determining the methodology  
20 to be used to be sure that there were no issues  
21 with payroll personnel, the figures, et cetera,  
22 and making sure that things were being processed  
23 the way they should be.

24 I just wanted to make sure that that was  
25 clear to the entire Board.

1 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Thank you.

2 MR. AMODIO: Any questions?

3 Hearing none.

4 Do I have a motion for closed?

5 COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: So moved.

6 MR. AMODIO: Motion by Commissioner

7 Cleaves.

8 COMMISSIONER BLUMENTHAL: Second.

9 MR. AMODIO: Second by Commissioner

10 Blumenthal.

11 WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public  
12 Meetings Act permits the exclusion of the public  
13 from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

14 WHEREAS, the public body is of the opinion  
15 that such circumstances presently exist;

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the  
17 Commissioners of the Passaic Valley Water  
18 Commission:

19 1. The public shall be excluded from the  
20 discussion of the hereinafter specified subject  
21 matters; the general nature of the subject matters  
22 being: Financial, Insurance, Personnel,  
23 Contracts, Negotiations, Security, and Law.

24 2. It is anticipated at this time that  
25 the above-stated subject matters will be ratified

1 during public meetings following or soon  
2 thereafter as reason for discussion no longer  
3 exists.

4 3. This Resolution shall take effect  
5 immediately.

6 On the roll.

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8 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners  
9 present respond in the affirmative. Commissioner  
10 Vannoy is absent)

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MR. AMODIO: Roll call.

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(Roll call was taken, all Commissioners  
respond in the affirmative. Commissioner Vannoy  
18 is on the phone)

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COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: My concern here  
21 is whether our policy --

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MR. AMODIO: We're doing roll call,  
Commissioner.

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COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: I'm sorry, we're  
on roll call. The answer is no.

1 MR. BRISMAN: No, no, for open session  
2 roll call.

3 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: Excuse me?

4 MR. BRISMAN: This is a roll call vote to  
5 go back into open session.

6 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: I'm sorry, yes.

7 MR. AMODIO: The time is 1:08 p.m.

8 Okay. We're going to vote on the  
9 Personnel issues from closed session. We have  
10 three new hires: Jose Lopez, Andre Beltre, and  
11 Derel Bueno; three laborers with the salary of  
12 \$32,000.00 and a range of \$16,307.20 to  
13 \$58,531.20.

14 Motion.

15 COMMISSIONER BLUMENTHAL: Motion.

16 MR. AMODIO: By Commissioner Blumenthal.  
17 Do I have a second?

18 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: I'll second.

19 MR. AMODIO: Second by Commissioner  
20 Levine.

21 Any questions? Comments?

22 On the roll.

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

1 Vannoy responds in the affirmative via telephone.  
2 Commissioner Cleaves responds in the negative.  
3 President Sanchez abstains)

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5 COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: No.

6 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: I just want a  
7 clarification whether policy has been followed.  
8 Until I have that answer, I'm going to vote  
9 excused.

10 MR. BELLA: Commissioner, it's Joe Bella.  
11 We went through the whole process just like we had  
12 originally planned and I think the Commission has  
13 voted. We went through the entire interview  
14 process. The department heads interviewed them.  
15 They all seemed like really eager to work, let's  
16 put it that way.

17 MR. BRISMAN: Mr. Gallagher --

18 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: I understand, we  
19 shouldn't be having this discussion. I'm going to  
20 vote yes then based on that explanation.

21 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: I'm going to vote  
22 yes, but, you know, I feel like there needs to be  
23 an issue or a question that has to be responded to  
24 in terms of whether or not the policy was  
25 followed. First of all, what the policy is and

1           then whether or not it was followed. And on the  
2           basis that there are going to be other laborer  
3           positions becoming open and if this individual, if  
4           there was an individual that fell through the  
5           cracks for some reason or other, and I'm not aware  
6           of it because I wasn't on the Board at the time he  
7           apparently made his application, that he would be  
8           given the first opportunity for the next position.  
9           So on that basis, I'll vote yes.

10           MR. AMODIO: Thank you.

11           PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: I'm going to say, I'm  
12           Chair on this committee. I was not aware of this  
13           situation with Commissioner Cleaves, so because  
14           I'm not aware of the situation, I'm going to  
15           abstain on this.

16           MR. AMODIO: Motion approved. Five yays,  
17           one nay, one abstention.

18           Next we have the annual summer program and  
19           the only change from last year to this year is  
20           that each Commissioner and the Executive Director  
21           shall be entitled to select up to three students  
22           for summer employment. Everything else stays the  
23           same.

24           Do I have a motion?

25           COMMISSIONER LEVINE: Motion.

1 MR. AMODIO: By Commissioner Levine.

2 COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: Second.

3 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: Clarification,  
4 Mr. Amodio?

5 MR. AMODIO: Yes.

6 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: On the intern  
7 program, our policy is very specific, college  
8 intern program. We worked very carefully to have  
9 that caveat put in there. I'm just asking Mr.  
10 Bella to honor that.

11 MR. BELLA: I absolutely will.

12 MR. AMODIO: That's the intern. This is  
13 the summer program.

14 So I have a motion and second.

15 On the roll.

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

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21 MR. AMODIO: Motion approved.

22 COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: This was summer  
23 help.

24 MR. AMODIO: Summer help, not the intern  
25 program.

1 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: That's fine.

2 MR. AMODIO: Does the Chair accept,  
3 receive, and file miscellaneous purchase orders?

4 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: I do.

5 MR. AMODIO: We have minutes of Passaic  
6 Valley Water in camera and regular public meeting  
7 held on April 20, 2016.

8 Do I have a motion?

9 By Commissioner Cleaves.

10 Do I have a second?

11 By Commissioner Levine.

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13 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners  
14 present respond in the affirmative. Commissioner  
15 Blumenthal abstains. Commissioner Vannoy is  
16 absent)

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18 COMMISSIONER BLUMENTHAL: Abstain.

19 MR. AMODIO: Next we'll go through the  
20 Resolutions, if you'd like. We'll do them all as  
21 one.

22 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: What about the  
23 fishing?

24 MR. AMODIO: We don't have anything for  
25 fishing. It was meant for discussion.

1 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Don't we have a policy  
2 from last year? We did something last year, can  
3 we do it again?

4 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: I'd like to do what  
5 we did last year.

6 MR. BELLA: We did once a month.

7 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Can we do it?

8 Yeah, Commissioner Kolodziej, I have a  
9 quick question. On the fishing program we did  
10 something last year which my understanding worked  
11 pretty well, it was like every Friday or every  
12 third Friday, I think it was.

13 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: No, one Sunday or --

14 MR. AMODIO: It was a Saturday and Sunday.

15 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: We did that at  
16 finance, we put that together last year. And if  
17 you look at the numbers, it went up. We didn't  
18 have enough time to get the word out to people.

19 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: Commissioner  
20 Levine, I just want to say that I think we should  
21 do the program like we did exactly last year.

22 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: That's what I said.  
23 That's what I said, exactly like last year.

24 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: Yes, but if you  
25 remember correctly, from that finance committee

1 meeting that we wound up with a lot of people that  
2 were out of the three owner cities.

3 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: Yes.

4 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: I don't know if  
5 we should be running a program for other  
6 communities. I could see Paterson, Passaic, and  
7 Clifton. So I would recommend that we leave the  
8 program like it is. Monitor it another year.  
9 Then we can have a good comparison between last  
10 year and this year. And I would move that we do  
11 exactly what we did last year.

12 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: That's what I said.  
13 Last year we didn't have enough time to get the  
14 fliers out.

15 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: I think every  
16 Commissioner here should make sure that their  
17 communities, fire department, police department,  
18 school boards, kids, they all get tickets.

19 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: Last year we didn't  
20 approve it until July or something or a week  
21 before. Now we have time.

22 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Now we have time to do  
23 it, otherwise, go out and distribute it to the  
24 right people.

25 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: I'd like to keep

1 everything the same exact way like Commissioner  
2 Kolodziej said and review it. If we approve it  
3 this meeting, we have two months to actually get  
4 it out or a month and a half to get the word out.

5 MR. AMODIO: So the motion will be to  
6 continue the fishing program with no changes from  
7 2015.

8 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: Yeah, exactly like  
9 last year.

10 MR. AMODIO: Do I have a motion?

11 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: Move.

12 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Do I have a second.

13 COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: I second.

14 MR. AMODIO: By Commissioner Cleaves.

15 On the roll.

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

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21 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: I think Jim should  
22 actually keep track of it again. I like how he  
23 told us how many people from Paterson, how many  
24 people from Clifton, so he can get a good  
25 evaluation. I don't know where the people from

1 the other counties found -- the numbers went up  
2 consistently. But they were from a different  
3 county.

4 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: People used to call  
5 and say -- I don't know.

6 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: That's really weird.  
7 The numbers went up, so more people were finding  
8 out every week. But like Commissioner Kolodziej  
9 said, they were from other towns and counties. I  
10 don't know how that happened.

11 COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: Considering we had  
12 passes.

13 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: Considering we had  
14 passes, right.

15 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Let's get it down.

16 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: Really weird.

17 MR. AMODIO: There is one change on the  
18 agenda, item (g) should read a three-year contract  
19 in the amount of a \$1,162,800.00 per year for a  
20 three year total of \$3,488,400.00. That was the  
21 one change.

22 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Which item was that?

23 MR. AMODIO: That was (g). That was a  
24 three year contract. Each year is \$1,162,800.00.  
25 So the three year total is \$3,488,400.00. Okay.

1 Is that correct, Mr. Duprey?

2 MR. DUPREY: That's correct. And it's  
3 reflected in the Resolution and in the financial  
4 certification sheet that's attached to it.

5 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Is that pretty much  
6 what we've paid in the past?

7 MR. DUPREY: It went up a total of two  
8 percent and that's over a three-year period.

9 MR. BELLA: The Shared Services Agreement  
10 with Passaic Valley Sewerage.

11 MR. AMODIO: Any other questions?

12 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Can you do them all  
13 one at a time?

14 MR. AMODIO: Yes.

15 Item (a) Project No. 16-P-60 "Professional  
16 Services For Public Outreach and Participation for  
17 the New Street Reservoir Water Storage  
18 Improvements" Recommendation to award to JGSC  
19 Group, LLC of Merchantville, New Jersey in the  
20 amount not-to-exceed \$140,000.00.

21 Item (b) Contract #16-B-5 "Pavement And  
22 Sidewalk Replacement" Recommendation to award a  
23 two-year contract to Reivax Contracting Corp., of  
24 Newark, New Jersey in the amount of \$2,461,350.00.

25 (c) Contract #16-B-19 "Furnish and Deliver

1 Water Meter and Appurtenances" Recommendation to  
2 award a two-year contract to Neptune Technology  
3 Group, Inc., of Tallassee, Alabama in the amount  
4 of \$142,844.03.

5 (d) Contract #16-B-21 "Printing and  
6 Mailing Services" Recommendation to award a  
7 two-year contract to Matrix Imaging Solutions,  
8 Incorporated of Sanborn, New York in the amount of  
9 \$281,356.90.00.

10 (e) Contract #16-B-23 "Polyaluminum  
11 Chloride" Recommendation to award two-year  
12 contract to USALCO, LLC, of Baltimore, Maryland in  
13 the amount of \$296,960.00.

14 Item (f) Resolution authorizing Shared  
15 Services Agreement with the Borough of North  
16 Arlington for Fire High Testing and Inspection  
17 Services for the Water Distribution System.

18 (g) Resolution authoring a Shared Service  
19 Agreement with Passaic Valley Sewerage Authority  
20 for Receiving and Disposing of PVWC's liquid  
21 residuals, a three-year contract in the amount of  
22 \$1,162,800.00 per year for a three year total of  
23 \$3,488,400.00.

24 (h) Contract #16-B-17 Rebid. "Furnish and  
25 Deliver Water Meter Repair Parts" Recommendation

1 to award a two-year contract to Neptune Technology  
2 Group in the amount \$155,359.50.

3 Question?

4 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: I got a question.

5 Joe, (g), the Shared Service Agreement  
6 with Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission, don't  
7 some people pay the opposite way? They dispose of  
8 the materials. Correct?

9 MR. BELLA: They dispose. What happens is  
10 we thicken it, it comes off the process about a  
11 half percent. We thicken it to five percent, four  
12 percent, and then we truck it down to Passaic  
13 Valley Sewerage and they make it solid.

14 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: Isn't there people  
15 that pay us the opposite?

16 MR. BELLA: No, no. Years ago we did when  
17 we had our own system, but it never paid.

18 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: I thought that's  
19 what we did.

20 MR. BELLA: We've done several studies,  
21 we've had consultants study it and this is the  
22 cheapest. In fact, it's a pretty growing  
23 business. They do some of that for like New York  
24 City and other utilities.

25 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: I thought it was the

1 other way.

2 MR. BELLA: It used to be, but our old  
3 thickening process was old and outdated and very  
4 inefficient.

5 MR. AMODIO: Do I have a motion?

6 By Commissioner Cleaves.

7 COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: Yes.

8 COMMISSIONER BLUMENTHAL: Second.

9 MR. AMODIO: By Commissioner Blumenthal.  
10 On the roll.

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12 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners  
13 present respond in the affirmative. Commissioner  
14 Vannoy is absent)

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16 MR. AMODIO: Thank you.

17 We'll move onto New Business.

18 We have Summary of Disbursements and  
19 Payrolls through May 18th, 2016 in the amount of  
20 \$6,621,258.26.

21 Do I have a motion?

22 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Move it.

23 MR. AMODIO: Motion by Commissioner  
24 Friend.

25 COMMISSIONER CLEAVES: Second.

1 MR. AMODIO: Second by Commissioner  
2 Cleaves.

3 On the roll.

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

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9 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Abstain on Montana.

10 MR. AMODIO: Thank you.

11 We have two items for Good and Welfare.  
12 One is we received the proposals for the RFPs for  
13 the pay-to-plays. They are in my office if  
14 anybody would like to go through.

15 MR. BELLA: Fair and open process.

16 MR. AMODIO: Fair and open process, excuse  
17 me. If anybody would like to see them, we do have  
18 to schedule a meeting date to award those  
19 projects.

20 COMMISSIONER LEVINE: You want to do it  
21 before the other meeting like we usually do?

22 MR. AMODIO: Last year we did it before  
23 the June meeting.

24 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Can we come in an hour  
25 before that?

1 MR. AMODIO: You want to come in at 11:00?

2 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: That way we don't have  
3 to make two trips.

4 MR. AMODIO: All right. I will post that  
5 11:00 a.m. on June 15th, Wednesday, to do the fair  
6 and open process awards.

7 And the second thing is, Commissioner  
8 Kolodziej, her family welcomed two new additions  
9 the other day, her son Joe's wife had twin boys.

10 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: We're very  
11 excited. That's where I'm headed next.

12 MR. AMODIO: You enjoy your family,  
13 Commissioner.

14 That's it.

15 Is there anything else?

16 Hearing nothing else, a motion to close.

17 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: So moved.

18 MR. AMODIO: By Commissioner Friend.

19 Second by Commissioner Levine.

20 On the roll.

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

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MR. AMODIO: Thank you, everyone.  
The time is 1:23.  
Have a happy Memorial Day weekend.

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