

CUMBERLAND COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, November 20, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 4:08 p.m. by Vice Chairman Nedohon. The public meeting announcement was read by Vice Chairman Nedohon.

Roll call of Board members for the Improvement Authority was taken. Mr. Olivio-present; Mr. Nedohon-present; Mr. Velez-present; Mr. Jones- absent; Chairman Kelly-absent. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion to approve the agenda was made and seconded. All voted in favor. Approval of the minutes for the October 23, 2013 Regular Meeting made by Mr. Velez and seconded by Mr. Olivio. All voted in favor.

Mr. Velazquez gave a management report. It was noted that his report was on file in written form. Mr. Velazquez noted several items from his report. He noted that the CWED project bids had been received and evaluated and they were slightly higher than anticipated and the Authority was reviewing a possible slight change in the scope of the project. Mr. Velazquez further noted with regard to the project that the CCIA would own the properties rather than turn them back to the County. The Authority would have the lease and bond guarantee from the County to cover debt service and operational costs.

Mr. Velazquez noted that all projects were moving forward, including the Board of Social Services and the Bridgeton Downtown Project. Mr. Velazquez further noted that negotiations were ongoing concerning the Vo-Tech school and that a bonding application was completed. Progress was made with the owner for a private sale for adjacent property for the Vo-Tech project. Mr. Velazquez further provided an update on the MURC project, as well as Bridgeton City Hall.

Mr. Velazquez further noted that discussions were held with the Personnel Committee concerning an implementation of the dental plan for staff. The concept was approved and bids from insurance brokers would be evaluated to determine the best solution for the Authority. Recommendations would later be shared with the entire Board. Mr. Velazquez noted various energy initiatives and the significant savings to the Improvement Authority. He further noted monthly staff meetings were held for CCIA Operations and provided an update on the gas expansion and rain cover projects. Professional Services RFQs had been submitted and the Personnel Committee and Mr. Velazquez reviewed and evaluated the responses. Summaries were attached and these were to be voted on at the meeting.

A motion was made to go into Executive Session at approximately 4:25 p.m. The motion made by Mr. Velez and seconded by Mr. Olivio. All voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned to Executive Session.

The Board reconvened from Executive Session at approximately 5:05 p.m. The motion made by Mr. Velez and seconded by Mr. Olivio to return from Executive Session. All voted in favor.

Vice Chairman Nedohon called for a motion to open the meeting up to public. Motion by Velez, seconded by Olivio. All voted in favor. The meeting was open to the public. Dean Hawk inquired about the dental plan for employees. His question was answered. Hearing no further public, Mr. Nedohon called for a motion to close public portion. Motion made and seconded. All voted in favor.

Mr. Nedohon turned the resolution portion of the agenda over to Solicitor Saponaro. Solicitor Saponaro called for a motion to proceed by consent agenda, noting that Mr. Nedohon would be abstaining from Resolution 2013-147. Motion made by Velez, seconded by Olivio to proceed by way of consent agenda on Resolutions 2013-138 through 2013-163. All voted in favor. Solicitor Saponaro read the Resolutions 2013-138 through 2013-163 by title. Solicitor Saponaro called for a motion to approve and ratify the consent agenda. Motion by Velez, seconded by Olivio. All voted in favor. Resolution 2013-138 through 2013-163 all approved.

Mary Triboletti read the Treasurer's Report, included in the package. She made various notations concerning the Report for the month. Mr. Nedohon noted all Staff Reports contained in the Board package. Brief notations were made concerning the same. Mr. Nedohon inquired as to any old business, there was none. New business, there was none. Freeholder Derella briefly noted that the Freeholders would be moving forward with several items per their relation to the Improvement Authority, as anticipated at the next meeting. The meeting was open to the public by Mr. Nedohon. Nancy Ridgeway, Upper Deerfield, asked whether the dental plan would apply to all employees, including the shared service employees. She sought clarification on Mr. Hawk's earlier comments during the public portion as it related to the agenda. Mr. Velazquez responded to her question and answered it to her satisfaction. Hearing no further public, Mr. Nedohon asked for a motion to close Public Session. Motion made and seconded. All voted in favor.

Motion made by Mr. Velez and seconded by Mr. Olivio to adjourn. All voted in favor. The meeting adjourned.

Submitted by George R. Saponaro, Esquire

Saponaro & Sitzler, Solicitor