

ATLANTIC CITY
MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

TRANSCRIPT OF REMOTE PROCEEDINGS

RE: REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
ATLANTIC CITY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

OPEN SESSION

January 18, 2023
COMMENCING AT 10:02 a.m.
VIA ZOOM VIDEOCONFERENCE

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

GARY L. HILL, Chairman
MOHAMMED DEDAR, Vice Chairman/Deputy
GLENN BANFIELD, Treasurer
INDIA STILL, Deputy Executive Director
BRUCE WARD, Solicitor
CLAUDE SMITH, Deputy Executive Director of
Engineering
JOHN ECCLES, JR.
STEPHANIE DAVIES, Alternate #1
SAYED KAUSAR, Alternate #2

ALSO PRESENT:

WASTELLA JOHNSON, Board Secretary
ANITA THAPA
WES SWAIN, City Administrator

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1 CHAIRMAN HILL: Okay. Hello and
2 welcome, everybody. Happy new year to everybody.

3 Adequate notice of this meeting has
4 been provided as required by law by mailing to The
5 Press a list of the regularly scheduled meeting,
6 January 18th, 2023, at 401 North Virginia Avenue,
7 Conference Room, Atlantic City, New Jersey. A copy
8 of said notice was sent to the City Clerk to be
9 posted. All of the aforesaid complies with Chapter
10 231 of the Laws of 1975 known as the Open Public
11 Meetings Law. That's our call to order.

12 Roll call, please.

13 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Hill?

14 CHAIRMAN HILL: Present.

15 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Dedar?

16 MR. DEDAR: Yes.

17 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Banfield is absent
18 at this time.

19 Ms. Langford is absent.

20 Mr. Eccles?

21 CHAIRMAN HILL: He's here. He just
22 stepped away, but --

23 MS. JOHNSON: Okay.

24 CHAIRMAN HILL: -- go ahead.

25 MS. JOHNSON: Ms. Davies?

1 MS. DAVIES: Yes.

2 MS. JOHNSON: And Mr. Kausar?

3 MR. KAUSAR: Yes.

4 MS. JOHNSON: Okay.

5 CHAIRMAN HILL: Very good. Could we
6 stand for the flag salute?

7 Mr. Dedar, would you do that for us,
8 please?

9 (The Pledge of Allegiance is
10 recited.)

11 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.

12 MR. DEDAR: You're welcome.

13 CHAIRMAN HILL: Okay. Ms. Johnson,
14 do we have any members of the public that possibly
15 called in or there in the office? I don't think so,
16 but...

17 MS. JOHNSON: Yes. Well, item number
18 11 1 (a), there was a payment plan for a connection
19 fee. He's supposed to be on today, but he's not
20 here at this time.

21 CHAIRMAN HILL: Okay. Maybe a little
22 bit later. If he comes, we'll just deal with it;
23 right?

24 Okay. Also --

25 MS. THAPA: I'm sorry. I did -- he

1 said he could not make it, so --

2 CHAIRMAN HILL: Okay.

3 MS. THAPA: -- you know, it's just
4 for the payment plan for 24 months.

5 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right. It's only --
6 yeah. We can still handle that. Right.

7 MS. JOHNSON: And someone is signing
8 in under LG --

9 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yeah. Who is Aristo?

10 MS. JOHNSON: And I don't know who
11 that is.

12 CHAIRMAN HILL: Maybe that's a guest,
13 LG Aristo?

14 MS. JOHNSON: Right.

15 CHAIRMAN HILL: Oh. That's
16 Stephanie.

17 MS. JOHNSON: That's Stephanie.
18 Okay.

19 CHAIRMAN HILL: Okay. Very good.
20 And there's --

21 MS. JOHNSON: And there's Mr.
22 Banfield.

23 CHAIRMAN HILL: And there's Mr. --
24 Welcome, Glenn.

25 MR. BANFIELD: Happy new year,

1 everybody.

2 CHAIRMAN HILL: Happy new year.

3 MS. JOHNSON: Happy new year.

4 CHAIRMAN HILL: Good to see you. We
5 just started.

6 MR. ECCLES: Happy new year.

7 CHAIRMAN HILL: We did the flag
8 salute.

9 So we're going to move to number 5,
10 the approval of minutes. This is the open session
11 meeting minutes for December 21st, last month,
12 Resolution 5 a (1).

13 Ms. Johnson, would you read the
14 resolution, please?

15 MS. JOHNSON: Approving open session
16 minutes of December 21st, 2022.

17 Whereas, the Atlantic City MUA held
18 their board meeting on December 21st, 2022
19 commencing at 10 a.m.

20 Now therefore be it resolved, on this
21 18th day of January 2023, that the board of
22 directors of the MUA hereby approves the
23 transcription of the open session minutes that was
24 held on December 21st, 2022.

25 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.

1 Any changes, additions?
2 Hearing none, I'll accept a motion to
3 accept.
4 MR. DEDAR: Motion.
5 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.
6 And a second?
7 MR. ECCLES: I'll second it.
8 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.
9 Roll call.
10 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Hill?
11 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yes.
12 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Dedar?
13 MR. DEDAR: Yes.
14 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Banfield?
15 CHAIRMAN HILL: You're on mute.
16 MS. JOHNSON: Where is he? Okay.
17 MR. BANFIELD: Yes.
18 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Eccles?
19 MR. ECCLES: Yes.
20 MS. JOHNSON: And Ms. Davies?
21 MS. DAVIES: Yes.
22 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.
23 And we will now follow up with 5 b
24 (1), which is our closed session meetings (sic) for
25 the board meeting of that said same month.

1 Ms. Johnson, could you read the
2 resolution?

3 MS. JOHNSON: Approving the closed
4 session minutes of December 21st, 2022.

5 Whereas, the Atlantic City MUA held
6 their regularly scheduled board meeting on December
7 21st, 2022 at 10 a.m.

8 Now therefore be it resolved, that on
9 this day, the 18th day of January '23, the board of
10 directors of the MUA hereby approves the
11 transcription of the closed session minutes that was
12 held on December 21st, 2022.

13 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right. And, of
14 course, we were to read them at the offices and sign
15 off on them. So we will move forward with that.

16 Can we have a motion?

17 MS. DAVIES: Motion.

18 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.

19 And a second?

20 MR. DEDAR: Second.

21 CHAIRMAN HILL: Okay. Roll call.

22 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Hill?

23 CHAIRMAN HILL: Abstained.

24 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Dedar?

25 MR. DEDAR: Yes.

1 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Banfield?

2 MR. BANFIELD: Abstained.

3 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Eccles?

4 MR. ECCLES: Yes.

5 MS. JOHNSON: Ms. Davies?

6 MS. DAVIES: Yes.

7 MS. JOHNSON: And I guess -- okay.

8 That's it.

9 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yeah. That's it.

10 Okay.

11 MS. JOHNSON: Thank you.

12 CHAIRMAN HILL: Very good. Thanks.

13 For the chairman's report, there's
14 just three. I should have -- it's kind of general,
15 so I just didn't want to make it an agenda item, but
16 I wanted to, first of all, wish Mr. Eccles a happy
17 birthday. This is his month of getting older. Good
18 for you.

19 MR. DEDAR: Happy birthday.

20 MR. ECCLES: Thank you.

21 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right. And --

22 MR. ECCLES: Thank you. I want to
23 thank you very much, and I also appreciate your
24 keeping -- your keeping the number a secret.

25 CHAIRMAN HILL: Exactly. Right.

1 Very good.

2 MR. ECCLES: A little bit of --

3 CHAIRMAN HILL: Happy birthday, John.

4 MR. ECCLES: A little bit of a little
5 of Jack Benny there, but --

6 CHAIRMAN HILL: Exactly.

7 MR. ECCLES: -- I'm 39.

8 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yeah, right. Uh-huh.
9 Yeah.

10 MR. DEDAR: Yeah, right.

11 MR. ECCLES: Okay. That was not
12 necessary, I don't think, but...

13 CHAIRMAN HILL: And on -- and on
14 another family, so to speak, comment, I just wanted
15 to, on behalf of the entire board, to give our
16 condolences to Mr. Armstrong. He lost his sister.
17 He's not with us today. He's handling things in the
18 south. But on behalf of the board of directors, I
19 want to make sure it's in the minutes that we do
20 extend our deepest sympathies to Mr. Armstrong and
21 his family. Okay?

22 MR. BANFIELD: Yes.

23 CHAIRMAN HILL: One other thing, we
24 can talk about it in closed session with Mr. Ward or
25 we can just make a general statement now. We had

1 a -- again, a long security assessment meeting, and
2 we are now ready to move forward with some
3 transparency to the rest of the board members and
4 staff, and I guess, why don't we just talk about
5 that in closed session? It's nothing that serious,
6 but we can move forward with that.

7 So if you don't mind, I'm going to
8 bring it to closed session, please. Okay?

9 Then we'll move on to the authority
10 with Mr. Ward. Do you have anything besides that
11 issue?

12 MR. WARD: Yes. We have a meeting
13 tomorrow with Ms. Still and Ms. Johnson. We're
14 going to go over all of the contracts and make sure
15 that we have all of our documents in place and in
16 order. We've been throughout this period revising
17 contracts to assure that we are in compliance with
18 the Local Public Contracts Law. So we're going to
19 have an assessment tomorrow of all of the
20 outstanding contracts, where they are and all of
21 that. That's tomorrow.

22 CHAIRMAN HILL: Will you be able to
23 give us a small report then next month?

24 MR. WARD: Sure. Sure. Absolutely.

25 CHAIRMAN HILL: Either you or India.

1 That would be great. Thank you. Just to see where
2 we are.

3 We have more to do today, more
4 contracts, so okay. Very good.

5 MR. WARD: Yeah.

6 CHAIRMAN HILL: We're going to jump
7 to 8, committee reports, and we have engineering.
8 We did have an engineering meeting last week with
9 Mr. Smith. I believe I can now publicly say I'm a
10 little upset. I understand and wish him well. Mr.
11 Smith will be retiring in April, for the rest of the
12 board members who wasn't at that meeting. And we
13 have a lot of work to do with him. We wish him
14 well. He's been such an amazing asset to the
15 authority.

16 But we will be working with Mr.
17 Smith -- in fact, we're going to probably be
18 doubling up our engineering meetings for the next
19 couple of months to make sure we cover some of our
20 issues and our work. And whoever's on the
21 engineering committee after next month's
22 reorganization meeting, we will need to address
23 that. So we will be doing more engineering
24 meetings.

25 Saying that, you should have

1 gotten -- Ms. Johnson sent us the engineering
2 report, the operations report and the other things,
3 so we're going to let Claude handle any major
4 issues. We had one or two things in the engineering
5 committee meeting, which will come up later on in
6 our new business that we will address.

7 Mr. Smith?

8 MR. SMITH: Yeah. Good morning,
9 everyone. Thanks for that, Gary.

10 One particular thing I definitely
11 would like to mention to the group is that we have
12 an EPA Sanitary Survey Report that needs to be
13 addressed, and it has to be completed of course
14 within 45 days of the time that they've actually
15 sent it to us.

16 We are currently working on that. As
17 a matter of fact, Mr. Johnson -- Mr. Goldsmith at
18 the water treatment plant and myself will be meeting
19 later on today to have some additional discussion in
20 regards to the report and what our obligations are
21 in terms of turning that report -- or addressing the
22 questions and inquiries that we've actually received
23 from EPA. That's something definitely of importance
24 that we definitely have to get done.

25 Now, do you want to address the --

1 well, the other stuff, Gary, we can actually --

2 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right.

3 MR. SMITH: -- go as we --

4 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right.

5 MR. SMITH: -- as we go along in
6 regards to some of the resolutions that we have
7 here --

8 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right.

9 MR. SMITH: -- that are upcoming.
10 The other stuff is ongoing. If individuals actually
11 look at the engineering report, they'll get a
12 synopsis or summary of where we are in some of these
13 particular projects.

14 If there are questions, definitely
15 they can always contact us and inquire more about
16 our -- you know, get questions on that.

17 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right. No. You're
18 right, Mr. Smith. We have a lot of those issues
19 coming up in new business.

20 And for the board members, especially
21 not on engineering, those packets that Mr. Smith
22 puts together are very, very interesting, and I
23 applaud him again for doing that because it keeps us
24 abreast, as well as staff, on -- on the issues,
25 where we are as far as completion, who we're using,

1 companies, so forth, numbers. So it's a good -- it
2 doesn't mean it's a hundred percent correct all the
3 time because it's an ongoing document, especially
4 with our projects.

5 But it's a good way -- when you're
6 bored and you want something to read, read one of
7 his reports. Then you'll understand how busy and
8 how vital the MUA really is for the citizens of
9 Atlantic City. So we'll go -- we'll address some of
10 those things a little bit later.

11 We're going to go to b., personnel
12 committee. I believe you had one new -- without
13 mentioning a name maybe, new hiree.

14 Do you want to talk about that,
15 either Mr. Dedar or Ms. Still?

16 MR. DEDAR: I'd like to do Ms.
17 India. She can brief because Mike is not in here,
18 so...

19 CHAIRMAN HILL: Okay.

20 MR. DEDAR: Ms. India, can you brief
21 a little? Thank you.

22 MS. STILL: Yes. We onboarded a -- a
23 new person at the front desk, clerk position,
24 cashier position by the name of Brian Mobley.

25 CHAIRMAN HILL: Okay.

1 MS. STILL: And he joined us just in
2 the last two weeks.

3 CHAIRMAN HILL: Ms. Still, question.
4 I should have asked this last week. Is Ms. Upshall
5 up and running?

6 MS. STILL: Not yet.

7 CHAIRMAN HILL: Okay. All right.
8 Thank you. Okay.

9 MS. STILL: Anita, did you want to
10 say something? Is that -- I saw your mic go off.

11 MS. THAPA: Oh, no. We do have one
12 laborer, as well. I don't know if it needs to be
13 mentioned, but...

14 MS. STILL: Oh, I'm sorry. That's --
15 okay. That's -- that's -- we had one and one we
16 lost in the same day.

17 CHAIRMAN HILL: Okay.

18 MS. STILL: And then an additional
19 one was just started this week.

20 MR. DEDAR: And replaced.

21 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right. Okay. So we
22 replaced him?

23 MR. DEDAR: Yep.

24 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right.

25 MR. DEDAR: One joined. One left.

1 MR. SMITH: Actually, he was on the
2 list for -- for a hiree -- for hiring, as well, too,
3 so you actually still lost some -- lost one -- one
4 person.

5 CHAIRMAN HILL: I know.

6 MR. SMITH: Yeah. We still have more
7 openings of laborers that we need to fill in regards
8 to the authority and our functionality.

9 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right. Okay.

10 We're going to move on to 9,
11 executive director. Our deputy director will fill
12 in for Mr. Armstrong.

13 The personnel matters of course we'll
14 talk about in executive session.

15 MR. SMITH: Right.

16 CHAIRMAN HILL: An organizational
17 chart. I know that this is an ongoing process. We
18 keep playing around with it and looking and tweaking
19 it and editing it.

20 Ms. Still, would you like to speak
21 about that at this point?

22 MS. STILL: Sure. For this part of
23 the meeting, Mr. Armstrong really just had two items
24 that he wanted to talk about, and that was the --
25 getting permission of the board to do the annual

1 appointment of professional service contracts. So
2 that would be the first.

3 The other part, the organizational
4 chart is, again, like you said, it's a
5 work-in-progress. I think we're going to speak more
6 on that once we go in executive session. Some of it
7 pertains to -- or is related to the res --
8 retirement -- excuse me -- of Mr. Smith.

9 CHAIRMAN HILL: Okay. Right. So
10 what do you need for the first item?

11 MS. STILL: So I guess for the
12 permission of the board for the approval for annual
13 appointment of professional contracts. I think you
14 just do the authorization. You don't need -- you
15 haven't done a formal resolution for that, just an
16 authorization.

17 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yeah. Yeah.

18 MS. THAPA: I think we had done back
19 in November or October, is that correct, Ms.
20 Johnson, Stella?

21 MS. JOHNSON: Well, we appointed
22 March of last year.

23 MS. THAPA: No. I mean to go out for
24 the professional, for the RFPs.

25 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right. It's an RFP

1 for -- yeah.

2 MS. JOHNSON: Yes, to go out. Yes.

3 CHAIRMAN HILL: So we just want a
4 general -- not a resolution. We want a motion
5 that --

6 MS. JOHNSON: A motion.

7 CHAIRMAN HILL: -- to go out for RFPs
8 for professional services?

9 MS. JOHNSON: Yes.

10 CHAIRMAN HILL: Okay. Very good.
11 I'll move that.

12 Can I have a second?

13 MR. ECCLES: I'll second.

14 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.

15 And roll call, please. It's not a
16 resolution, I don't think, but...

17 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. -- I'm sorry.

18 CHAIRMAN HILL: Go ahead.

19 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Hill?

20 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yes.

21 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Dedar?

22 MR. DEDAR: Yes.

23 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Banfield?

24 MR. BANFIELD: Yes.

25 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Eccles?

1 MR. ECCLES: Yes.

2 MS. JOHNSON: Ms. Davies?

3 Okay. Then I'll go to the next
4 person.

5 Mr. Kausar? Mr. --

6 MR. KAUSAR: Yes.

7 MS. JOHNSON: Okay. Thank you.

8 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you. There we
9 go. Okay.

10 Then we're going to move on to the --
11 well, the engineering report, which -- and the
12 operations report is attached. We mentioned them
13 before. I don't think we need to go through that
14 because we can all read, and a lot of the items
15 we'll be discussing in new business. Unless there's
16 anybody that has a question for Mr. Smith, or Mr.
17 Smith, if you remembered something you think we
18 should discuss. We've already done this, so...

19 Anything special, Mr. Smith?

20 MR. SMITH: No. I don't think
21 there's anything special at this particular time,
22 no.

23 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right. Okay. Very
24 good.

25 We're going to move on to d., which

1 is our financial report, and of course we always --
2 every month we go through the finance reports, cash
3 management, balance adjustments, if needed, and
4 shutoffs. That's an annual report.

5 Ms. Thapa, would you like to discuss
6 anything for the new year or for this?

7 MS. THAPA: Yes. Just to give an
8 update, the financial reports are for the month of
9 November.

10 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right.

11 MS. THAPA: As of November, we -- our
12 revenue is about 17.1 million, and the expenses,
13 including the interest, bond interest is about 8.7
14 million and giving us the net revenue of 8.3
15 million.

16 Our capital expenditure as of
17 November again is 2.6 million. And as far as the
18 cash -- the receivable collection, we collected
19 or -- about 19.2 million, which includes the 823,000
20 connection fee, and also, it also includes the --
21 the lien water payment from the city of 507,000.

22 This -- this year is really great
23 because we haven't done the lien sales -- water lien
24 sales for quite -- two years since COVID started.
25 So that's about the financial report.

1 As far as the cash management, the
2 interest rates on our money markets are averaging
3 about 2.6 percent, which is good, so that's the cash
4 management.

5 And then as Mr. Hill suggested,
6 balance adjustments are just for the report for the
7 board members to review. Obviously there will be no
8 shutoff, but it will tell us the delinquent --
9 delinquent reports are attached that tells us our
10 outstanding customer balances for cycle 4 and 5 I
11 believe.

12 CHAIRMAN HILL: Okay.

13 MS. THAPA: As for 2021 audit, we
14 provided the draft. It's not final. We're still
15 waiting for some of the legal updates on the audit.
16 Once it's finalized, we will send the final audit to
17 the board.

18 The board members are required to
19 review the annual audit, especially the section --
20 section which is on page 67 or 68 or page 73 and 74
21 on PDF. The section is called comments and
22 recommendation. Again, this is not finalized. We
23 don't expect any more -- any bigger changes. If
24 there is changes, it's probably some grammatical and
25 some -- a little bit number here and there.

1 We will present this -- the
2 resolution in February board, but we -- we may -- we
3 will provide the audit, if it's finalized, before --
4 before, you know, February board because it -- the
5 audit is about 78 pages, so...

6 CHAIRMAN HILL: Could you repeat
7 those pages? We -- it's --

8 MS. THAPA: Right now it's -- yeah.
9 60 -- if you just look at the auditor report, then
10 it's page 67 and 68.

11 CHAIRMAN HILL: Okay.

12 MS. THAPA: Or it's -- on the PDF
13 version, it's 73 and 74.

14 And usually the recommendation --
15 comments and recommendation are none, so -- which
16 means our audit is good for 2021.

17 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right. Right. Very
18 good.

19 Anybody have a question for Ms. Thapa
20 financially?

21 Again, great job. Thank you.

22 Moving on to old business, 10 a.,
23 accepting a request for qualification/proposals.
24 This is for municipal advisory services. This is
25 resolution 10 a (1). And this is standard.

1 So we'll read the resolution, please.

2 MS. JOHNSON: Municipal advisory
3 services, Phoenix Advisors, LLC.

4 Whereas, there exists a need by the
5 MUA for municipal advisory services to perform -- to
6 perform services for a 12-month period from January
7 18th, 2023 through January 17th, 2024.

8 Whereas, Phoenix Advisors provides
9 such professional services. Their compensation is
10 not to exceed \$50,000.

11 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right. And we've
12 been using Phoenix for quite a while. They do a
13 very good job.

14 Does anybody have a question,
15 comment?

16 Hearing none, I'll accept a motion.

17 MR. BANFIELD: Motion.

18 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.

19 And a second?

20 MR. DEDAR: Second.

21 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.

22 Roll call.

23 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Hill?

24 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yes.

25 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Dedar?

1 MR. DEDAR: Yes.

2 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Banfield?

3 MR. BANFIELD: Yes.

4 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Eccles?

5 MR. ECCLES: Yes.

6 MS. JOHNSON: Ms. Davies?

7 MS. DAVIES: Yes.

8 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.

9 Moving on to new business, our -- our
10 monthly abatements. These are unnecessary to
11 appear. The resolutions are as follow. It's going
12 to be 11 a (1), 11 a (2), 11 a (3), 11 a (4), 11
13 a (5).

14 Again, we advise -- excuse me -- if
15 there's anybody that has a conflict with any one of
16 those, then just abstain from voting on that one
17 resolution. Otherwise, we can put them together.
18 We don't need to go through all of them, but we'll
19 do the name, address for each one, Ms. Johnson,
20 please.

21 MS. JOHNSON: Yes. Bralin Holdings,
22 LLC, 905 Keener Avenue in the amount of \$768.25. In
23 addition, there will be a delay in paying the
24 service that we're approving, the outstanding
25 balance of \$762, and they'll be making a monthly

1 payment, 6 equal payments of \$127.04.

2 Coastal Bay Condo Association,
3 property address 440 North Trenton Avenue in the
4 amount of \$1,287.31. They also made a request for
5 delay in service for \$1,334.64 with 12 equal
6 payments of \$222.44 cents.

7 Alberto Gonzalez, property 38
8 Anchorage Court in the amount of \$741.53.

9 2 South Bartram Realty, LLC, property
10 23 North Boston Avenue in the amount of \$739.16.
11 They're also requesting a delay in paying the
12 outstanding balance of \$781.16 over 6 equal payments
13 of \$130.19.

14 Mesut Yildiz, property 12 South
15 Elberon Avenue in the amount of \$971.10.

16 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you. And of
17 course, the delay means we do get our money. It's
18 just that they have it stretched out --

19 MS. JOHNSON: Yes.

20 CHAIRMAN HILL: -- obviously. That's
21 what that means.

22 MS. JOHNSON: Yes. Yes.

23 CHAIRMAN HILL: So does anybody have
24 a question or comment on the abatements?

25 Hearing none, I'll move them.

1 Can I have a second?
2 MR. ECCLES: Second.
3 MS. DAVIES: Second.
4 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.
5 Roll call.
6 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Hill?
7 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yes.
8 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Dedar?
9 MR. DEDAR: Yes.
10 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Banfield?
11 MR. BANFIELD: Yes.
12 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Eccles?
13 MR. ECCLES: Yes.
14 MS. JOHNSON: Ms. Davies?
15 MS. DAVIES: Yes.
16 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you. Starting
17 with 11 b, a number of these items were discussed in
18 the engineering committee and is in reports, so
19 that's what we were talking about earlier. We're
20 going to go to the New Jersey Water Association
21 Apprentice Program.
22 Apprentice programs are becoming very
23 popular throughout the State of New Jersey, and I'm
24 glad we're participating. This is for licensed
25 water operators, which we desperately need, as well.

1 Let's read the resolution first.
2 Then we can discuss.

3 MS. JOHNSON: Participation in the
4 New Jersey Water Association Apprenticeship Program
5 for water operations specialists.

6 Pursuant to regulation of the NJDEP,
7 the MUA is required to employ appropriately trained
8 and licensed personnel in the water treatment and
9 water distribution system.

10 The MUA's operation has been impacted
11 by the current labor market conditions, including
12 the loss of personnel to competitors, water
13 utilities, and the need to offer increased overtime
14 to compensate for insufficient staffing.

15 Whereas, the New Jersey Water
16 Association, in response to the national shortage of
17 licensed water operators, has established a
18 federally approved water operations apprenticeship
19 program.

20 The authority's in-house
21 apprenticeship program is not yielding sufficient
22 candidates to fulfill its urgent need, and becoming
23 a participant in the New Jersey Water Association
24 Program will create new recruitment opportunity.

25 Whereas, for its commitment to supply

1 the requisite supervision, on the -- on-the-job
2 training, and incremental wage increases over the
3 course of the apprenticeship, the authority will
4 receive up to a maximum of \$8,000 per apprentice to
5 help offset the cost of training.

6 Be it resolved, that the salary
7 schedule governing the apprentice agreement will be
8 made in consultation with the assistant director of
9 the finance department.

10 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right. So this is
11 something -- a step we're trying to take to help
12 solve our shortage. I know Ms. Still has been very
13 involved in apprentice programs and employee
14 opportunities.

15 Did you want to mention -- say any
16 statement, Ms. Still, for this?

17 MS. STILL: Not really. I think
18 you've covered --

19 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yeah.

20 MS. STILL: -- most of it. You know,
21 we've been looking at this for some time.

22 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right. Very good.

23 Anybody else have a question or
24 comment? This is to accept the apprentice program
25 for us.

1 So I'll be looking for -- this is
2 11 b (1). Could I have a motion?
3 MR. BANFIELD: Motion.
4 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.
5 A second?
6 MR. DEDAR: Second.
7 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. --
8 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.
9 Roll call.
10 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Hill?
11 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yes.
12 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Dedar?
13 MR. DEDAR: Yes.
14 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Banfield?
15 MR. BANFIELD: Yes.
16 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Eccles?
17 MR. ECCLES: Yes.
18 MS. JOHNSON: And Ms. Davies?
19 Okay. I'll go to --
20 MS. DAVIES: Yes.
21 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you. Okay. I
22 think that's it.
23 Emergency repairs. This is
24 finalizing something that we've been -- we've done
25 with the South Jersey Transportation Authority. We

1 talked about this in engineering.

2 Ms. Johnson, could we read, please,
3 11 c (1)?

4 MS. JOHNSON: Yes. Emergency water
5 main break - Huron Avenue (Route 87) between
6 Brigantine Boulevard (Route 187) and Route 30. On
7 January 26th, the MUA experienced a 12-inch water
8 main break.

9 Whereas, South Jersey Transportation
10 has jurisdiction over the maintenance and operation
11 of Huron Avenue on Route 87.

12 Whereas, the cost and work performed
13 by South State Inc. contractor, Remington & Vernick
14 engineers, as well as South Jersey Transportation
15 Authority are in the amount of \$94,031.29.

16 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right. Any
17 questions, comments?

18 Okay. Hearing none, I'll accept a
19 motion.

20 MS. DAVIES: Motion.

21 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.

22 And a second?

23 MR. DEDAR: Second.

24 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you. Roll
25 call.

1 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Hill?

2 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yes.

3 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Dedar?

4 MR. DEDAR: Yes.

5 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Banfield?

6 MR. BANFIELD: Yes.

7 MS. JOHNSON: Ms. -- Mr. Eccles?

8 MR. ECCLES: Yes.

9 MS. JOHNSON: And Ms. Davies?

10 MS. DAVIES: Yes.

11 CHAIRMAN HILL: The next couple of
12 resolutions you're going to see Remington & Vernick
13 here because they're one of ours -- as we know, one
14 of our engineering people that we use. They have
15 bigger resources, and they're specific in some of
16 the work that they're doing, and we've been using --
17 we will be using them quite a bit here for some of
18 these things you see on the agenda. So I just
19 wanted to make sure everybody understood that, that
20 they do -- they are under contract with us.

21 Okay. We're going to do the
22 rehabilitation of Doughty Pond Dam. This is --
23 again was discussed in engineering. Let's read it
24 first, and then I'm going to ask Mr. Smith just to
25 give us an update. Okay.

1 MS. JOHNSON: Rehabilitation of
2 Doughty Pond Dam Sluice Gate.

3 Whereas, there is a need to evaluate
4 and coordinate the work of the Atlantic City MUA for
5 the rehabbing of the Doughty Pond Dam sluice gate.

6 Be it resolved, by the board of
7 directors that the proposal received from Remington
8 & Vernick for rehabbing of Doughty Pond Dam sluice
9 gate is hereby accepted in the amount not to exceed
10 \$56,500.

11 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right. Some -- Mr.
12 Smith, would you like to just comment on this, on
13 the --

14 MR. SMITH: Yeah. Yes. This is one
15 of the action items --

16 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yes.

17 MR. SMITH: -- for the critical
18 infrastructure assessment that was actually done by
19 H2M, as well as in the long-term assessment that was
20 actually done, as well, too. This also somewhat --
21 it -- it coincides with the PFAS that we have been
22 going through in regards to some of the treatment
23 processes that we have accomplished so far.

24 But with this particular project,
25 which will probably be an ongoing project because it

1 doesn't end with this engineering portion of the
2 study, is to actually install a new gate valve or a
3 new gate valve -- control valve, I should say, which
4 is downstream of the intake structure up at the
5 lower reservoir, which is Doughty Pond Dam.

6 So it -- it does entail some
7 initial -- initial investigation in regards to the
8 size of the piping, of course the existing valve
9 that's at that particular location, and this
10 particular work we'll do so of course ongoing. Then
11 we will have to install a new valve or new control
12 valve at that location so we can actually make the
13 repairs to the sluice gate and continue to operate
14 in terms of utilizing service water as a part of our
15 treatment process, as well, too.

16 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right. So we're just
17 accepting this now?

18 MR. SMITH: That's correct. This is
19 the engineering portion of it, not the construction.

20 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right. Right. Yeah.
21 So this -- this will come back again. You'll see
22 this -- we'll see the next to follow up a little bit
23 later.

24 MR. SMITH: Right.

25 CHAIRMAN HILL: Okay. Anybody else

1 have a question, comment?

2 Hearing none, I'll accept a motion.

3 MR. DEDAR: Motion.

4 MR. SMITH: Do you want Stella to

5 read it first?

6 CHAIRMAN HILL: She did.

7 MS. JOHNSON: I did.

8 MR. SMITH: Oh, okay.

9 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thanks. We had a

10 first.

11 Who was second? A second, please?

12 MS. DAVIES: Second.

13 MR. ECCLES: I'll second it.

14 CHAIRMAN HILL: Okay. Thank you.

15 Roll call.

16 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Hill?

17 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yes.

18 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Dedar?

19 MR. DEDAR: Yes.

20 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Banfield? Where is

21 he at? Okay. We lost him.

22 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yeah.

23 MS. JOHNSON: Okay. So we'll go to

24 Mr. Eccles?

25 MR. ECCLES: Yes.

1 MS. JOHNSON: Ms. Davies?

2 MS. DAVIES: Yes.

3 MS. JOHNSON: And Mr. Kausar?

4 MR. KAUSAR: Yes.

5 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you very much.

6 The I-Bank here is very important for the next item
7 here. Some good news, I guess. Hopefully, we -- we
8 have -- again, this was discussed in engineering.
9 We have --

10 MS. STILL: It's not public yet.

11 CHAIRMAN HILL: Oh, it isn't? Okay.
12 Then we're not going to mention that. Let's just
13 read the resolution.

14 Thank you for stopping me on that.

15 Go ahead.

16 MR. ECCLES: Good save.

17 CHAIRMAN HILL: Good save, right.

18 Thank you, India. Go ahead.

19 MS. JOHNSON: Lead service line
20 replacement program for New Jersey Infrastructure
21 Bank Funding Application.

22 Whereas, the Atlantic City MUA owns
23 and operates the water department in the City of
24 Atlantic City.

25 Whereas, in July of 2021, P.L. 2021

1 Chapter 183 (Law) was enacted in New Jersey
2 requiring all community water service to replace
3 lead service lines in their service's area within 10
4 years.

5 Whereas, the Atlantic City MUA has
6 identified lead service lines within our community
7 water system.

8 Whereas, the authority's pursuing
9 funding through the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank,
10 a/k/a New Jersey Water Bank.

11 Whereas, the N -- New Jersey Water
12 Bank's engineering review augmentation program has
13 identified the authority as a potential candidate
14 for the augmentation program.

15 The authority must have in place an
16 executed design service agreement for the lead
17 service line replacement project by February 28,
18 2023.

19 Whereas, the authority has selected
20 their consulting engineering company Remington &
21 Vernick to provide the authority with a proposal to
22 provide engineering services for the lead service
23 line replacement program for a lump sum of \$315,000.

24 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right. So this
25 is what we need to put the application in for us

1 hopefully to receive some funding from I-Bank. So
2 this is just the application. We're accepting
3 Remington & Vernick, and then we put the application
4 into the I-Bank. Correct?

5 I think I said that right. Okay.
6 So we'll look for a motion.

7 MR. BANFIELD: Motion.

8 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.

9 MR. DEDAR: Second.

10 CHAIRMAN HILL: And a second. There
11 we go.

12 And we're going to do a roll call.

13 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Hill?

14 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yes.

15 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Dedar?

16 MR. DEDAR: Yes.

17 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Banfield?

18 MR. BANFIELD: Yes.

19 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Eccles?

20 MR. ECCLES: Yes.

21 MS. JOHNSON: Ms. Davies?

22 MS. DAVIES: Yes.

23 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you. The
24 cooperative pricing agreement for the County of
25 Atlantic. I know -- I believe Mr. Ward might have a

1 comment on this.

2 Let's read the resolution first,
3 11 f (1).

4 MS. JOHNSON: Yes. Authorizing the
5 Atlantic City MUA to enter into a cooperative
6 pricing agreement.

7 Whereas N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)
8 specifically authorizes two or more contracting
9 units to enter into a cooperative pricing agreement
10 for the purchase of work, materials, and supplies.

11 Whereas, the County of Atlantic is
12 conducting a voluntary cooperative pricing system
13 with other authorized contracting units within the
14 County of Atlantic, utilizing administrative
15 purchasing services and facilities of the County of
16 Atlantic.

17 Whereas, this cooperative pricing
18 agreement is to effect substantial economics --
19 economies in the purchase of work, material, and
20 supplies.

21 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right.

22 MS. JOHNSON: Whereas, it is desirous
23 of all parties to enter such agreement.

24 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right. This is just
25 an agreement to work with the county, correct,

1 Bruce?

2 MR. WARD: Yes. What it does, it
3 provides for pricing as a result of a number of
4 municipalities joining in with the county, and of
5 course, the price of these goods can be negotiated,
6 especially when there is a larger volume being
7 purchased.

8 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right.

9 MR. WARD: So instead of us
10 purchasing, you know, 10 units, the county will
11 purchase 500 units, and we --

12 CHAIRMAN HILL: Get a better price.

13 MR. WARD: -- get in at a discounted
14 price.

15 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yeah. It's a good
16 thing.

17 Okay. Anybody else have a question?
18 Okay. Hearing none, we'll accept a
19 motion.

20 MS. DAVIES: Motion.

21 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.

22 And a second?

23 MR. DEDAR: Second.

24 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you. Roll
25 call.

1 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Hill?

2 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yes.

3 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Dedar?

4 MR. DEDAR: Yes.

5 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Banfield?

6 MR. BANFIELD: Yes.

7 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Eccles?

8 MR. ECCLES: Yes.

9 MS. JOHNSON: Ms. Davies?

10 MS. DAVIES: Yes.

11 CHAIRMAN HILL: This next item is
12 very important, so we need to listen to this. It's
13 going to be expensive. It's going to be a project,
14 but we really want to move forward. This can help
15 us hopefully in the future with some of our labor
16 issues, as well.

17 So let's read the resolution first,
18 and then I'm going to ask Mr. Smith just to comment
19 on this.

20 MS. JOHNSON: Okay. Request --

21 CHAIRMAN HILL: Ms. Johnson?

22 MS. JOHNSON: Request for
23 qualifications for upgrading of SCADA system.

24 Be it resolved, by the board of
25 directors of the MUA that the request for

1 qualifications for upgrading of SCADA system is
2 hereby given to the authority executive director to
3 advertise for such statement of qualifications and
4 experience in the form of an advertisement at a
5 meeting of the purchasing board to be held Tuesday,
6 March 7th, 2023 at 11 -- I'm sorry. That should be
7 11 a.m.

8 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right. This -- and
9 I'm going to make sure I'm correct again because it
10 all blends.

11 We discussed this at engineering, as
12 well. We're going out for an expert to write the
13 RFP for the SCADA system because -- and I know,
14 India, you spoke about this, as well -- it's very
15 complicated. It's detailed. It's specific. We --
16 we -- we have to go out because of the number we
17 know it's going to be, and we've -- we -- the last
18 time we did this, which was a number of years ago,
19 we had two people that applied. We're going to, of
20 course, reach out to them again, but we are going to
21 be -- this is just to get an expert to put in the
22 RFPs for us. I think I said that right.

23 India or Claude, would you like to
24 speak on it?

25 MR. SMITH: I'll let India actually

1 speak on this. It does entail the qualification
2 process that we're going to be going through --

3 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yep.

4 MR. SMITH: -- in terms of vetting
5 for establishing the -- a design work for this
6 particular project.

7 The only thing I'll probably -- one
8 of the things I do say is that this is a very
9 intricate part of the operations -- operations of
10 the treatment plant for the City of Atlantic City.
11 It does not only entail the -- the parameters of the
12 treatment process plant that's in Pleasantville, but
13 it extends all the way back over to Egg Harbor
14 Township where you do have your wells, as well, too,
15 so any particular type of technicality in terms of
16 electronics and so forth is part of the treatment
17 process and the control of the treatment process.

18 The OIT, or operator interface
19 terminals, which is also part of us having better
20 control and eyes on in regards to what is happening
21 at the plant overall is something that we definitely
22 need to have occur.

23 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right.

24 MR. SMITH: This is definitely --
25 like I said, it's an important part of our -- our

1 future moving forward and the processes that we have
2 to accomplish in regards to the treatment process of
3 our treatment plant and our water distribution
4 system.

5 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right. This is step
6 one. We have a couple steps.

7 Okay. Ms. Still?

8 MR. SMITH: India?

9 MS. STILL: Yeah. I really don't
10 have anything to add. I think you covered it,
11 Claude. And --

12 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yeah.

13 MS. STILL: And as did the chairman.

14 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right. Very good.
15 Okay. So this is, again, step one of a very big
16 process, an important process.

17 So this is going to -- we're going to
18 be moving on the RQP for the SCADA system. So the
19 upgradation -- upgrading -- excuse me -- resolution
20 g (1).

21 Do I have a motion?

22 MR. DEDAR: Motion.

23 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.

24 And a second?

25 MS. DAVIES: Second.

1 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.
2 Roll call.
3 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Hill?
4 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yes.
5 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Dedar?
6 MR. DEDAR: Yes.
7 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Banfield?
8 MR. BANFIELD: Yes.
9 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Eccles?
10 MR. ECCLES: Yes.
11 MS. JOHNSON: Ms. Davies?
12 MS. DAVIES: Yes.
13 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.
14 Emergency repair, the water mains.
15 This is -- Garrison Enterprise we've used for many
16 of these things. They're -- they're very good and
17 competent. So this was on North Ohio and Huron.
18 This would be -- let me see -- 11 h (1), I guess.
19 Yeah.
20 Could we read that, please?
21 MS. JOHNSON: Garrison Enterprises,
22 Inc., emergency six-inch water main break.
23 Whereas, the Atlantic City MUA owns
24 and operates its own water department.
25 And whereas, a water main break

1 occurred at the intersection of North Ohio Avenue
2 and Huron Avenue on or about September of 2022.

3 Whereas, the six-inch water main
4 required a complete shutdown in order to perform
5 repairs at the break.

6 To provide labor, material, and
7 equipment for the installation of the one six-inch
8 Insta-Valve on an existing six-inch CI water main in
9 the amount of -- the total cost of \$8,984.

10 CHAIRMAN HILL: Very good.

11 Questions?

12 Hearing none, I'll accept a motion.

13 MR. ECCLES: I'll -- I'll make the
14 motion.

15 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.

16 MR. DEDAR: Second.

17 MS. DAVIES: Second.

18 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.

19 Roll call.

20 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Hill?

21 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yes.

22 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Dedar?

23 MR. DEDAR: Yes.

24 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Banfield?

25 MR. BANFIELD: Yes.

1 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Eccles?

2 MR. ECCLES: Yes.

3 MS. JOHNSON: Ms. Davies?

4 MS. DAVIES: Yes.

5 CHAIRMAN HILL: And the last item
6 under new business is 11 i, and I think we discussed
7 this before, but now it's going to be in a
8 resolution.

9 Let's read the resolution first, and
10 then we'll ask Anita to comment.

11 MS. JOHNSON: Okay. 24-month payment
12 plan on property owned by Anup Chowdhury located at
13 2502 Fairmount Avenue.

14 Whereas, the Atlantic City MUA has
15 maintained service fees for all new accounts.

16 Whereas, a request has been made by
17 Mr. Chowdhury, owner of the property located at 2502
18 Fairmount Avenue, for delay in paying the service
19 fees of \$5,651.70.

20 Whereas, the MUA has offered this
21 service to other new connections to the potable
22 water system of the authority.

23 Now therefore be it resolved, that an
24 installment plan be established for a 2-year period
25 interest free, provided that 24 equal payments of

1 \$235.49 totaling \$5,651.70 is paid every -- is paid
2 prior to the last day of each month beginning in --
3 correction -- February 2023.

4 CHAIRMAN HILL: Okay. Thank you. I
5 guess I have one question, Anita. This was an
6 individual resolution. Is it because of the -- the
7 amount is bigger than the other ones prior that we
8 discussed and approved? I'm assuming.

9 MS. THAPA: The prior one was
10 abatement. This one is for the connection fee.

11 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yep. But they
12 still -- this is just for connection, but they did
13 ask for delays in payments.

14 MS. THAPA: Uh-huh. Yeah.
15 Obviously, the customer was asking for, you know,
16 the help, you know, as much help we could provide.

17 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right.

18 MS. THAPA: Obviously we could not do
19 anything with the, you know, connection fee.

20 CHAIRMAN HILL: No.

21 MS. THAPA: But all we could offer is
22 the installment plan.

23 CHAIRMAN HILL: Okay. And we've done
24 this before?

25 MS. THAPA: Yes. I think last time

1 we did it is even -- yeah, probably around 24 months
2 we did do it --

3 CHAIRMAN HILL: Right.

4 MS. THAPA: -- before. Yeah.

5 CHAIRMAN HILL: Okay. Anybody else
6 have a question?

7 Hearing none, I'll accept a motion.

8 MR. DEDAR: Motion.

9 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.
10 And a second?

11 MR. BANFIELD: Second.

12 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.
13 Roll call.

14 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Hill?

15 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yes.

16 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Dedar?

17 MR. DEDAR: Yes.

18 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Banfield?

19 MR. BANFIELD: Yes.

20 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Eccles?

21 MR. ECCLES: Yes.

22 MS. JOHNSON: Ms. Davies?

23 MS. DAVIES: Yes.

24 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you. And
25 attached to your emails was the monthly bills, a

1 list of them. We of course do this every month,
2 have to pay the bills. This is resolution 12. I --
3 yeah, resolution 12.

4 Do you want to read that, please, Ms.
5 Johnson?

6 MS. JOHNSON: Approving monthly
7 bills.

8 Whereas, the Atlantic City MUA has
9 indebtedness to the following companies for services
10 rendered in the amount of \$1,168,971.50.

11 CHAIRMAN HILL: And you have a list
12 there. You can see what we're paying.

13 Anybody have a question on the bills?

14 Hearing none, I'll move that.

15 Can I have a second?

16 MR. DEDAR: Second.

17 MR. ECCLES: I'll second.

18 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.

19 Roll call.

20 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Hill?

21 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yes.

22 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Dedar?

23 MR. DEDAR: Yes.

24 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Banfield?

25 MR. BANFIELD: Yes.

1 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Eccles?

2 MR. ECCLES: Yes.

3 MS. JOHNSON: Ms. Davies?

4 MS. DAVIES: Yes.

5 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you. We're now
6 going to enter into executive session to discuss
7 labor contract negotiations, security issues, and
8 personnel issues. I believe that's it.

9 So can I have a -- could we read the
10 resolution to move, please?

11 MS. JOHNSON: Approving to enter into
12 closed session.

13 CHAIRMAN HILL: There we go. Easy.

14 MR. BANFIELD: I'll make a motion.

15 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.

16 And a second?

17 MR. ECCLES: I'll second.

18 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.

19 And roll call.

20 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Hill?

21 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yes.

22 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Dedar?

23 MR. DEDAR: Yes.

24 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Banfield?

25 MR. BANFIELD: Yes.

1 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Eccles?
2 MR. ECCLES: Yes.
3 MS. JOHNSON: Ms. Davies?
4 MS. DAVIES: Yes.
5 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.
6 Anita, thank you. We'll see you
7 later.
8 MS. THAPA: Thank you. Have a good
9 day.
10 CHAIRMAN HILL: And then we'll all
11 stay on and go into executive. Thanks.
12 MS. THAPA: Okay. Bye.
13 - - -
14 (Whereupon, the closed session was
15 excerpted.
16 - - -
17 AUTOMATED VOICE: Recording in
18 progress.
19 CHAIRMAN HILL: Okay. I think we
20 have everybody. Mr. Dedar. Yeah.
21 Are we okay, Ms. Johnson? I think
22 so.
23 MS. JOHNSON: Yes. Steph. There's
24 Steph, Eccles, Dedar, and Kausar. Yes.
25 CHAIRMAN HILL: Okay. Very good.

1 Thanks.

2 We just finished up closed session.
3 So I'm going to look for a motion to go into -- to
4 go back into open session, please.

5 MR. BANFIELD: Motion.

6 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.

7 And a second?

8 MR. ECCLES: I'll second.

9 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.

10 Roll call.

11 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Hill?

12 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yes.

13 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Dedar?

14 MR. DEDAR: Yes.

15 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Banfield?

16 MR. BANFIELD: Yes.

17 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Eccles?

18 MR. ECCLES: Yes.

19 MS. JOHNSON: And Ms. Davies?

20 MS. DAVIES: Yes.

21 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.

22 Just for the public record, we did
23 meet in a closed session. We discussed two
24 personnel issues, also the security issues
25 assessment reports, and we did have -- we did not

1 have a report on labor negotiations. They're
2 ongoing.

3 Other than that, there is no -- there
4 is no movement for open session we need to complete.

5 Anybody have a question or a comment
6 before we close?

7 Hearing none, I'll accept a motion to
8 close the public meeting.

9 MR. ECCLES: I'll make a motion to
10 close the public meeting.

11 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.

12 Second?

13 MS. DAVIES: Second.

14 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you.

15 Roll call.

16 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Hill?

17 CHAIRMAN HILL: Yes.

18 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Dedar?

19 MR. DEDAR: Yes.

20 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Banfield?

21 MR. BANFIELD: Yes.

22 MS. JOHNSON: Mr. Eccles?

23 MR. ECCLES: Yes.

24 MS. JOHNSON: And Ms. Davies?

25 MS. DAVIES: Yes.

1 CHAIRMAN HILL: Thank you all for
2 attending. Happy new year. We'll see a
3 reorganization in February. Thank you.

4 MS. DAVIES: Thank you.

5 MR. SMITH: Have a good day.

6 MR. BANFIELD: Have a good day.

7 MR. ECCLES: Goodbye, everybody.

8 Happy new year.

9 MS. STILL: Happy new year.

10 MR. KAUSAR: Happy new year.

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12 (Whereupon, the regular monthly
13 meeting concluded at approximately 11:05 a.m.)

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