

WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION MEETING

Wednesday, September 29, 2010
Laurel, Maryland

Chair Antonio Jones called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m. in the Commissioners' Conference Room of the Richard G. Hocevar Building, 14501 Sweitzer Lane, Laurel, MD 20707, with due notice having been given to all members of the Commission and the public. Vice Chair Dr. Roscoe M. Moore, Jr., Commissioners Prem P. Agarwal, Adrienne A. Mandel, were present at the meeting by telephone while Commissioner Starks originally joined by telephone then arrived in person at 9:50 a.m. Also, present were General Manager Jerry Johnson, Deputy General Manager Teresa Daniell, Corporate Secretary Charlett Bundy, and General Counsel Jerry Blask. Commissioner Gene W. Counihan was unable to attend.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Commissioner Mandel moved to approve the agenda for Wednesday September 29, 2010 with three items: CIP transmittal; legislative proposal for collecting deposits on certain residential accounts; and the approval of the strategic plan brochure. Commissioner Agarwal seconded the motion. During the discussion it was determined that a fourth item from Human Resources on providing WSSC benefits to WSSC employees' domestic partners needed to be moved to the October 20th meeting as the meeting packet for this meeting was not delivered until late on Tuesday, September 28th thereby depriving Commissioners of sufficient time to review the matter or receive answers to their several substantive questions on the domestic partner benefit plan. The vote on the motion to approve the revised agenda was called by Chair Jones. The motion carried with five affirmative votes.

Finance

FY 2012-2017 CIP. Ms. Sheila Cohen advised the Commissioners that no additional comments had been received on the CIP budget since the delivery of the meeting packets. Commissioner Agarwal then moved to approve transmittal of the Capital Improvements Program for WSSC fiscal years 2012 through 2017. Commissioner Mandel seconded the motion. The motion carried with five affirmative votes.

Intergovernmental Relations Office

Legislative Proposal - Residential account deposits. Mr. Wineland offered a legislative proposal that would allow WSSC to collect deposits for residential accounts where an account owner has a history of delinquencies. Commissioner Mandel moved to approve the legislative proposal seeking deposits from certain residential customers with a poor payment history. Commissioner Moore seconded the motion. The motion carried with five affirmative votes.

Strategic Systems Management Office

Strategic Plan Brochure. Ms. Crystal Knight-Lee presented the brochure which Commissioners had approved at a workshop. Commissioner Mandel moved that the Commissioners approve a revised strategic plan brochure with three changes: change the paragraph Financial Stability to read, "reasonable cost with affordable rates" (delete and); use "to address" rather than "in addressing" in paragraph three of Our Motto; and delete "which" from the Procurement paragraph leaving the phrase "enhances the community we serve." Commissioner Agarwal seconded the motion. The motion carried with five aye votes.

Adjournment

Before Commissioners could officially move to adjourn the meeting, the telephone connection broke thereby also breaking the quorum. The connection could not be re-established so the meeting adjourned by default at 10:28 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlett Bundy
Corporate Secretary