

# MORRIS COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY

MINUTES of the Board Meeting held on October 15, 2014, at 6:00 p.m.,  
Knox Conference Room #525, Morris County  
Administration and Records Building, Morristown, New Jersey

At 6:00 p.m., John Bonanni, Chairman to the Morris County Improvement Authority called the meeting to order. The following persons were in attendance:

John Bonanni, Chairman  
Scott Gallopo, Commissioner  
Joseph Kovalcik, Commissioner  
Ellen Sandman, Commissioner  
Stephen B. Pearlman, Esq., Pearlman & Miranda, LLC  
Noreen White, Acacia Financial  
Heather Litzebauer, NW Financial  
Joseph Santaiti, Gabel Associates  
Kathy DeFillippo, Morris County Freeholder

Commissioner Bonanni asked for the reading of the public statement in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act which was then read by recording secretary Cynthia Rueter.

Commissioner Bonanni asked for “roll call” for the Authority. Four (4) of the five (5) Commissioners were in attendance, Mr. Scott Gallopo, Mr. Joseph Kovalcik, Ms. Ellen Sandman, and Mr. John Bonanni. Ms. Christina Ramirez was excused. A quorum was established.

Approval of the September 24, 2014 regular and executive session minutes were considered, Commissioner Gallopo made a motion to accept the minutes of the September 24<sup>th</sup> meeting. Commissioner Kovalcik seconded the motion; all others were in favor to accept the minutes of September 24<sup>th</sup>.

The public portion of the meeting was opened. – Commissioner Bonanni mentioned that the November Improvement Authority Meeting is scheduled on the same date as the League of Municipalities in Atlantic City. Commissioner Bonanni suggested re-scheduling the meeting for Monday, November 17<sup>th</sup>. All Commissioners were in agreement.

Commissioner Bonanni inquired about the RFP (Request for Proposal) for Auditing Services to the Authority. Commissioner Kovalcik reported that the RFP has not been posted. Commissioner Kovalcik is currently working with the Morris County Purchasing Agent and anticipates the RFP will be posted soon. The Auditing Services RFP review committee consists of Commissioners Kovalcik, Sandman and Gallopo.

Commissioner Bonanni suggested inviting former Commissioners Roe and Pinto to the November Improvement Authority meeting and acknowledge them for their years of service and dedication to the Improvement Authority by presenting each of them with a Resolution.

**Agenda item 6(i)** was discussed – Resolution authorizing the Improvement Authority to participate in Mediation relating to the Solar II Renewable Energy Program and approval of the Authority’s share of payment of fees in the amount of \$1,438.00. Commissioner Kovalcik made a motion to adopt this resolution; Commissioner Sandman seconded the motion. Roll was called. The resolution was approved unanimously. The motion carried and Resolution No. 14-35 “RESOLUTION OF THE MORRIS COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN MEDIATION AND THE PAYMENT OF MEDIATION FEES IN CONNECTION WITH TRANCHE II OF THE AUTHORITY’S RENEWABLE ENERGY PROGRAM” (NO. 14-35) was adopted.

**Agenda item 6(ii)** was discussed – Resolution introducing and approving the 2015 Improvement Authority Budget. Commissioner Gallopo made a motion to adopt this resolution, Commissioner Sandman seconded the motion. Roll was called. The resolution was approved unanimously. The motion carried and Resolution No. 14-36 “RESOLUTION INTRODUCING AND APPROVING THE 2015 AUTHORITY BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2015 AND ENDING, DECEMBER 31, 2015” (NO. 14-36) was adopted.

**Agenda item 6(iii)** was discussed – Resolution approving the payment of bills as listed on the Schedule of Warrants. Commissioner Sandman made a motion to adopt this resolution, Commissioner Kovalcik seconded the motion. Roll was called. The resolution was approved unanimously. The motion carried and Resolution No. 14-37 “Bill List” (NO. 14-37) was adopted.

**Executive Session** - Commissioner Sandman made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 6:25 p.m. to discuss ongoing litigation, contract negotiations and regular Authority business. Commissioner Gallopo seconded the motion.

**Other Items** – Arising out of Executive session: Stephen Pearlman, Counsel for the Authority, proposed that the Commissioners authorize payment to the Trustee from Solar I in the amount of \$14,383.57 prior to the November Authority Meeting. All Commissioners agreed that once the invoice is received, Commissioner Kovalcik will review the invoice and submit for payment.

At 6:50 p.m. Commissioner Gallopo made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Commissioner Sandman seconded the motion.

Commissioner Sandman made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Gallopo seconded the motion. All Commissioners were in favor to adjourn the meeting. The September 24, 2014 meeting of the Morris County Improvement Authority was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Rueter  
Recording Secretary