

REPRESENTATIVE POLICY BOARD

FINANCE COMMITTEE

FEBRUARY 12, 2024

MEETING TRANSCRIPTION

Vin:

All right, it's five o'clock. So let's call the meeting to order and let's start with our traditional safety moment, preventing slips, trips, and falls. So if you do have a momentary lapse of judgment or attention about your walking, just be aware that this is the time of year that you're going to fall and hurt yourself. So don't do it, all right. Read your safety rule. Now, let's move on. All right, we have commercial business, long-term planning and management. First, Jennifer do we have a quorum? I should have asked that.

Jennifer:

You, Tim, Jay. So yes, you have a quorum.

Vin:

Okay. Just want to make sure before we take any votes. All right. Larry, are you going to lead us off with this?

Larry:

Yes.

Vin:

Okay. And are we going to go into executive session from the beginning of it?

Larry:

From the beginning, yes.

Vin:

So I was informed that the subject matter that we're about to discuss is of a nature that warrants an executive session in accordance with Connecticut general statute section 1-200(6)(E), and we're going to be discussing matters within the statute of 1-210(b)(5)(B). So I need a motion to go into executive session. Thank you sir. Is there a second?

Tim:

So moved.

Jay:

Second.

Vin:

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I heard a second from Jay. All right, there's been a motion and a second to go into executive session. All those in favor?

Committee:

Aye.

Speaker 3:

Jay, is that an affirmative vote I heard? I think so.

Jay:

Yes.

Vin:

The chair votes aye, so we have the two thirds go into executive session. Invited are Committee members, RPB members present, Mr. Curseaden, management, the Office of Consumer Affairs, and Ms. Slubowski.

[EXECUTIVE SESSION FROM 5:01 P.M. TO 5:37 P.M.]

Vin:

All right, let's move on to the approval of minutes of the January 8th, 2024 meeting. Is there a motion?

Tim:

So moved.

Vin:

Is there a second?

Jay:

Second.

Vin:

Thank you. Is there any discussion?

Jay:

Jay?

Vin:

Jay, did you have something to say?

Jay:

Jay, second.

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Vin:

Yes. Okay. Thank you for that. Any discussion? All right, all those in favor say aye.

Committee members:

Aye.

Vin:

Opposed?

Vin:

Abstentions. All right, it's unanimous. All right, next consider an act on the recommendation to the RPB regarding completeness, mode and date for public hearing for the Authority's application for the Lake Whitney Water Treatment Plant Chemical Improvements Project. Anyone? We have a proposed resolution. Does everyone have that in the packet?

Tim:

Yes.

Vin:

Is there a motion.

Tim:

I will move for motion.

Vin:

Okay, the resolution's been moved. Is there a second?

Jay:

I'll second the motion too, Mr. Chairman.

Vin:

Is there any discussion? Hearing none, all in favor?

Committee members:

Aye.

Vin:

Any opposed? It's unanimous. Thank you. All right, now we're going to move on to item number five, regarding member compensation. We're going to move back into executive session. We need a two-thirds vote for this.

Bob:

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Who will be present?

Vin:

Is there any reason to exclude anyone from this?

Larry:

Yes maybe. And you have an Authority member here; Kevin joined us.

Vin:

That's right.

Larry:

And you have some-

Jamie:

I'm on.

Larry:

... management's-

Vin:

All right, so if anyone who might be offended that we are saying that you're overpaid and under-worked you should leave the room.

Larry:

All right, thank you.

Jamie:

I'm fine stepping out. I'll see you guys at the next meeting. Thanks.

Vin:

Okay.

Larry:

Thank you.

Tim:

Just check back with us in like five or 10 minutes. Otherwise, is there a way to move them into another room in the Zoom work or?

Jennifer:

I don't think so.

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Larry:

No.

Stephen:

Tim, this is Steve. Would you like me to be out of the executive session?

Vin:

Yes. But it's members of the Finance Committee, Steve.

Stephen:

Okay. I can drop off. No problem. Thank you.

Larry:

[inaudible 00:02:55] Steve.

Prem:

Am I staying or am I going? Am I dropping now? Just to make sure.

Larry:

Prem, [inaudible 00:03:04].

Prem:

This is Prem. Okay. Thank you. Thank you everybody. Appreciate it.

Vin:

Do we have anyone?

Larry:

There's Charles and there's Mike.

Jeff:

I'm here too.

Larry:

We don't see you unfortunately. We don't have images of who's-

Vin:

That's Jeff. Jeff is normally present normally in the discussions-

Larry:

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He's normally present, absolutely.

Tim:

So if Mike would step out.

Jennifer:

Mike, I'm going to remove you from the meeting.

Vin:

Yes. So it should only be a Finance Committee, Jeff, and Larry and Rochelle.

Jennifer:

Yes, okay.

Vin:

Right. We're good?

Jennifer:

Okay. Let me stop the recording.

Bob:

I could leave or-

Vin:

You're the chair and ex-officio member.

Bob:

Yes.

Tim:

You're fine. You're the chair-

[EXECUTIVE SESSION FROM 5:42 P.M. TO 6:00 P.M.]

Vin:

Okay, number six, just Authority meeting attendance. Jennifer, if you could note, Mr. Clifford is going to take the April meeting, and I'll take the May meeting.

Tim:

And I'll be at the February 22nd meeting.

Vin:

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Yes. So please note, with our assignments, that we are full. And is there any new business to come before the body? Is there a motion to adjourn?

Tim:

So moved.

Jay:

Second.

Vin:

At 6:01 we're adjourned.