

SPECIAL MEETING :
: TRANSCRIPT OF RECORDED
: PROCEEDINGS

Friday, February 7, 2014
Commencing at 8:16 a.m.

BRIAN P. STACK, MAYOR
LUCIO P. FERNANDEZ, COMMISSIONER
MARYURY A. MARTINETTI, COMMISSIONER
CELIN VALDIVIA, COMMISSIONER
TILO E. RIVAS, COMMISSIONER

SONIA SHULMAN, Tax Collector

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1 MS. VANEK: This is a Special Public
2 Meeting of the Union City Board of Commissioners,
3 being held on Friday, February 7th, 2014, at eight
4 a.m., in City Hall, 3715 Palisade Avenue, 3rd
5 Floor, Union City, New Jersey.

6 Would everybody please rise for the Pledge
7 of Allegiance?

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9 (Whereupon the Pledge of Allegiance was
10 said.)

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12 MS. VANEK: This meeting has been called in
13 accordance with Chapter 231, Public Law of 1975,
14 the Open Public Meetings Act.

15 Adequate notice of this meeting has been
16 provided as follows: Notice of this meeting
17 setting forth the time, date, location, and the
18 agenda to the extent known was forwarded to The
19 Jersey Journal, The Record, and The Hudson
20 Reporter, has been posted on the bulletin board
21 in City Hall, and has been made available to the
22 public in the office of Municipal Clerk.

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24 **ROLL CALL:**

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1 MS. VANEK: Roll call for this morning's
2 meeting.

3 Commissioner Fernandez?

4 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Here.

5 MS. VANEK: Commissioner Rivas?

6 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Here.

7 MS. VANEK: Commissioner Martinetti?

8 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Here.

9 MS. VANEK: Commissioner Valdivia?

10 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Present.

11 MS. VANEK: Mayor Stack?

12 MAYOR STACK: Here.

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14 **REGULAR AGENDA:**

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16 (1) Resolution Authorizing The Tax Collector To
17 Prepare, Complete and Mail As Soon As Practicable
18 Estimated Tax Bills In Accordance With The
19 Procedures Set Forth In N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.2 and
20 Authorizing An Estimated Annual Tax Levy Pursuant
21 To N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.2

22 (2) Resolution Authorizing an Emergency
23 Contract for the Emergency Repairs to the Roof of
24 the Department of Public Works to Sparwick
25 Contracting, Inc. in Accordance with N.J.S.A.

1 40A:11-6 of the Local Public Contract Law
2 (3) Resolution Ratifying an Emergency Contract
3 for Snow Removal Services to J. Fletcher Creamer
4 and Sons, in Accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 of
5 the Local Public Contract Law

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7 MS. VANEK: The first item on the agenda is
8 Resolution Authorizing The Tax Collector To
9 Prepare, Complete and Mail As Soon As Practicable
10 Estimated Tax Bills In Accordance With The
11 Procedures Set Forth In N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.2 and
12 Authorizing An Estimated Annual Tax Levy Pursuant
13 to the same statute.

14 MAYOR STACK: I'll move it.

15 And just a comment that the bills will
16 pretty much remain stable.

17 I'll move it.

18 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.

19 MS. VANEK: Motion by Mayor Stack.

20 Second by Commissioner Martinetti.

21 Roll call.

22 Commissioner Fernandez?

23 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

24 MS. VANEK: Commissioner Rivas?

25 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.

1 MS. VANEK: Commissioner Valdivia?

2 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

3 MS. VANEK: Commissioner Martinetti?

4 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

5 MS. VANEK: Mayor Stack?

6 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

7 MS. VANEK: The second item is a Resolution
8 Authorizing an Emergency Contract for the
9 Emergency Repairs to the Roof of the Department
10 of Public Works to Sparwick Contracting, Inc. in
11 Accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 of the Local
12 Public Contract Law.

13 MAYOR STACK: I'll move it.

14 MS. VANEK: Motion by Mayor Stack.

15 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Second.

16 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

17 MS. VANEK: Second by Commissioner
18 Fernandez.

19 Roll call.

20 Commissioner Fernandez?

21 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

22 MS. VANEK: Commissioner Rivas?

23 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.

24 MS. VANEK: Commissioner Valdivia?

25 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

1 MS. VANEK: Commissioner Martinetti?

2 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

3 MS. VANEK: Mayor Stack?

4 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

5 MS. VANEK: The third item is a Resolution
6 Ratifying an Emergency Contract for Snow Removal
7 Services to J. Fletcher Creamer and Sons, in
8 Accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 of the Local
9 Public Contract Law.

10 MAYOR STACK: Just for the benefit of the
11 public, on January 22nd we had that major
12 snowfall; we really never had to go out for
13 private services for snow removal before. It was
14 necessary in this instance because we had five or
15 six pieces of equipment go down.

16 The equipment at DPW is quite old.
17 Hopefully we'll be able to get some newer
18 equipment in the future. We service it the best
19 we can. Most of this equipment goes back to the
20 90's.

21 So we did have to go out for this. It's
22 about \$7,000.00 that we had to spend on this;
23 although I don't like going out to private
24 contractors really for anything but especially
25 snow removal, this was necessary.

1 Since then our equipment -- we have several
2 pieces of equipment that are still out but we've
3 been able to handle the job we've been doing,
4 which I credit to the Department of Public Works
5 led by Commissioner Rivas; and Henry Munker and
6 Kathy and the entire Department has done a great
7 job.

8 I'll move it.

9 MS. VANEK: Motion by Mayor Stack.

10 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Second.

11 MS. VANEK: Second by Commissioner
12 Fernandez.

13 Roll call.

14 Commissioner Fernandez?

15 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

16 MS. VANEK: Commissioner Rivas?

17 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.

18 MS. VANEK: Commissioner Valdivia?

19 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

20 MS. VANEK: Commissioner Martinetti?

21 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

22 MS. VANEK: Mayor Stack?

23 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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25 **OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:**

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2 MS. VANEK: Mayor, would you like to take
3 public comment?

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MAYOR STACK: Sure.

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6 Anyone wishing to comment at this time,
7 please step forward, state your name and address
8 for the record.

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Seeing none.

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MS. VANEK: Is there a motion --

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MAYOR STACK: It was necessary to hold a
11 meeting also at this time --

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Christine, if you just want to explain
13 that; why we had to hold it at this time.

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We usually hold our meetings at seven
15 o'clock at night.

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Maybe you want to explain that, Christine?

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MS. VANEK: Well, there were three
18 emergency items that we had to take care of this
19 morning and we needed to give 48 hours notice
20 under the Open Public Meetings Act. So this was
21 the first opportunity that we had to hold the
22 meeting.

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MAYOR STACK: Thank you very much.

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MS. VANEK: Is there a motion to close the
25 public comment portion of the meeting?

1 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Motion.

2 CHAIRPERSON MARTINETTI: Second.

3 MS. VANEK: Seconded by Commissioner
4 Martinetti.

5 Roll call.

6 Commissioner Fernandez?

7 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

8 MS. VANEK: Commissioner Rivas?

9 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.

10 MS. VANEK: Commissioner Martinetti?

11 CHAIRPERSON MARTINETTI: Yes.

12 MS. VANEK: Commissioner Valdivia?

13 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

14 MS. VANEK: Mayor Stack?

15 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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17 **ADJOURNMENT:**

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19 MS. VANEK: Is there a motion to adjourn?

20 MAYOR STACK: Motion.

21 CHAIRPERSON MARTINETTI: Motion.

22 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Second.

23 MAYOR STACK: Thank you, Commissioners.

24 MS. VANEK: All in favor?

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1 (Whereupon, there was a chorus of ayes.)

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3 (Whereupon, the proceedings were concluded

4 at 8:20 a.m.)

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4	_____	Celin Valdivia
5	_____	Tilo E. Rivas

6 **Board of Commissioners**

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8 **Attest:**

9 **Dominick Cantatore**

10 **Deputy City Clerk**

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3 COUNTY OF ESSEX :

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5 I, KAREN A. MARINO, assigned transcriber,
6 do hereby affirm that the foregoing is a true and
7 accurate transcript in the matter of the SPECIAL
8 MEETING of the UNION CITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS,
9 held on Friday, February 7, 2014, and digitally
10 recorded.

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