

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Green Island Power Authority held on Wednesday, January 18, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. at the Green Island Municipal Center, 19 George Street, Green Island, New York.

Vice Chairman Cocca called the meeting to order.

Vice Chairman Cocca, Trustees Reinoehl, Greaves, McNulty-Ryan and Attorney Legnard.

Also, in attendance: David Paterniani, CFO, Kristin M. Swinton, CEO

All Present

Vice Chairman Cocca opened Public Forum No. 1 for any comments.

No comments.

Vice Chairman Cocca closed Public Forum No. 1.

Vice Chairman Cocca asked for a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel policies.

On a motion by Trustee McNulty-Ryan seconded by Trustee Reinoehl and carried, to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss personnel policies at 6:02 p.m. All ayes.

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On a motion by Trustee Reinoehl seconded by Trustee McNulty-Ryan and carried, to reconvene the meeting at 6:10 p.m. All ayes.

On a motion by Trustee McNulty-Ryan seconded by Trustee Reinoehl and carried, to accept the resignation of Chairman John J. Brown. All ayes.

On a motion by Trustee Reinoehl seconded by Trustee McNulty-Ryan and carried, to appoint a new Chair for the Green Island Power Authority Board to Trustee McNulty-Ryan. All ayes.

Vice Chairman adjourns meeting over to new Chairperson McNulty-Ryan to continue with all agenda items.

On a motion by Vice Chairman Cocca seconded by Trustee Reinoehl and carried, to adopt resolution pertaining to retirement policies stating, any officer or employee of the Green Island Power Authority (GIPA) must provide at least thirty (30) days advance notification to the Board of Trustees of his/her intention to retire from government service. Failure to provide such notification will result in the forfeiture of any payout of accumulated sick time accrued to the officer or employee. All ayes.

On a motion by Vice Chairman Cocca seconded by Trustee Reinoehl and carried, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting and annual organizational meeting held on December 19, 2011. All ayes.

No communications.

On a motion by Vice Chairman Cocca seconded by Trustee Reinoehl and carried, to approve the claims in the amount of \$44,285.38, along with the monthly Addendum in the amount of \$158,638.63. All ayes.

On a motion by Vice Chairman Cocca seconded by Trustee Reinoehl and carried, to approve the Treasurer's report as submitted. All ayes.

On a motion by Trustee Reinoehl seconded by Vice Chairman Cocca and carried, to approve the annual Lease Agreement between the Village of Green Island and the Green Island Power Authority for office space in the amount of \$700.00 per month. All ayes.

On a motion by Vice Chairman Cocca seconded by Trustee Reinoehl and carried, to approve the adjustments to the January 2012 electric billing as presented. All ayes.

Other Business – Chairperson McNulty-Ryan asked for motion to rescind all stipends to Green Island Power Authority board members.

On a motion by Trustee Reinoehl seconded by Vice Chairman Cocca and carried, to approve the rescinding of all stipends to board members. All ayes

Chairperson McNulty-Ryan opened Public Forum No. 2 for any comments.

Mr. Tom Torrisi of 103 Hudson Avenue asked that the working for nothing be explained further because he really didn't understand that.

Chairperson McNulty-Ryan stated that the board receives a stipend similar to the Village board and all the other boards. The stipend is not a huge amount, around \$2200. What they asked the board and passed was that they were no longer taking a stipend for service. They will serve for nothing.

Mr. Torrisi stated thank you.

Chairperson McNulty-Ryan responded you're welcome.

Mr. George Clough of 84 Hudson Avenue asked if the employees that didn't give 30 days notice of retirement would lose all benefits.

Chairperson McNulty-Ryan responded no, that by law the only thing we are entitled to do is enforce their sick-time payout. In other words, if they've accumulated sick-days on a

rate of \$25.00 a day or similar, they get a payout at the end, it's common practice. If they've accumulated time, they would forfeit sick-time if they did not give proper notice.

Mr. Clough then asked if this was for long-term employees as well, even if they have a sudden illness in the family or something and would have to retire.

Chairperson McNulty-Ryan responded that they wouldn't be able to retire from the retirement system in less than 30 days anyways. If a person is out on disability and decides to retire, that's not the kind of situation that we are talking about at all.

Mr. Clough then asked if this cover all employees, long-term and short-term.

Chairperson McNulty-Ryan responded yes.

Mr. Clough stated thank you.

Chairperson McNulty-Ryan responded you're welcome.

No further comments.

Chairperson McNulty-Ryan then states that next month's meeting regular night falls on a holiday and therefore the date will be set for Tuesday, February 21st, 2012 instead on Monday February 20th, 2012. The following month's meeting will be Wednesday, March 14th, 2012 due to the Chairperson being out of town.

Chairperson McNulty-Ryan closed Public Forum No. 2.

On a motion by Trustee Reinoehl seconded by Vice Chairman Cocca and carried, to adjourn the meeting at 6:18 p.m. All ayes.