



OFFICIAL MINUTES OF:

Meeting of:	Rules & Regulations Committee
Date:	November 17, 2004
Time:	9:45 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Vincent J. Mesolella, Chairman
Paul Pinault
Al Montanari
Hon. Thomas Lazieh

MEMBERS ABSENT

STAFF AND GUESTS PRESENT

Joanne Maceroni, NBC
Laurie Horridge, Esq., NBC
Karen Giebink, NBC
Leah Foster, NBC
Sam Celone, NBC
Cecille Antonelli, NBC
Pat Dodd, PUC

Jean-Marie Grossi, NBC
Kerry Britt, NBC
Jillian Colby, NBC
Jo-Ann Ragosta, NBC
Raymond Marshall, NBC
Thomas Uva, NBC
Annette Jacques, NBC

1. Call to Order

Due to the fact that the former Rules and Regulations Committee Chair Moretti was recently replaced on the Board and a new Chair of the Committee has not yet been appointed, Chairman Mesolella chaired the November 17, 2004 Rules and Regulations Committee meeting. Recognizing a quorum was present, Chairman Mesolella called the November 17, 2004 Rules and Regulations Committee meeting to order at 9:57 a.m.

2. Approval of Minutes – September 29, 2004

Chairman Mesolella asked if all Committee members have had a chance to review the minutes of the September 29, 2004 Rules & Regulations Committee meeting. Commissioner Lazieh motioned to approve the minutes of the September 29, 2004 Rules & Regulations Committee as written. Commissioner Montanari seconded the motion, and the vote taken by the Committee was unanimous. The motion carries.

3. Items for Action:

A. Review and Approval of Resolution 2004:35, Approval of NBC Procurement Rules and Regulations

Ms. Jillian Colby stated that she came before this Committee on September 29, 2004 to present the proposed revisions to the Purchasing Rules and Regulations, of which the majority are minor re-organizational changes that are intended to clarify NBC procedures already in place and modify those Rules and Regulations which have been amended by RI General Laws. She noted that on October 5, 2004 an advertisement was placed in the Providence Journal Bulletin notifying the public of the NBC's intent to promulgate the proposed Purchase Rules and Regulations. In addition, the advertisement invited the public to comment at a public hearing on November 4, 2004 at 5:30 p.m. and advised the public of the opportunity to submit their written comments regarding the proposed revised Procurement Rules and Regulations by November 8. The Procurement Rules and Regulations were then presented at a Public Hearing on November 4 at 5:30 p.m. and no members of the public attended. At this time having received no other outside comments, questions, or revisions since this Committee last met, it is Legal Counsel's recommendation to approve Resolution 2004:35, Approval of NBC Procurement Rules and Regulations.

With no comments, Commissioner Montanari motioned to approve Resolution 2004:35, Approval of NBC Procurement Rules and Regulations. Commissioner Lazieh seconded the motion, and the vote taken by the Rules and Regulations Committee was unanimous. The motion carries.

B. Review and Approval of Resolution 2004:36, Revised Rules and Regulations for Use of Wastewater Treatment Facilities Within the NBC District

Ms. Annette Jacques of NBC's Legal Section stated that she came before this Committee on September 29, 2004, with draft revisions to our Rules and Regulations for the Use of Wastewater Treatment Facilities Within the NBC District. The Rules and Regulations had not been revised since 1994 when the NBC acquired the Blackstone Valley District Commission. Since that time, we advertised the revisions in the Providence Journal Bulletin, once again holding a public hearing on November 4, 2004, and advising the public that they could submit any written comments or questions through November 8. No comments or questions were received from the public. The public hearing was held on November 4, but no members of the public were in attendance.

Ms. Jacques noted that with these particular Rules and Regulations, we also submitted a request to the RI Department of Environmental Management (RI DEM) that they review the proposed regulations and determine that they are a non-substantial modification to our Industrial Pretreatment Program. Our Pretreatment Manager heard back from the RI DEM that they do in fact agree with us that they are non-substantial modifications. As such, the proposed revisions to the Rules and Regulations received by this Committee on September 29, 2004 remain the same. No changes or revisions have been made since that version. Therefore, it requested that this Committee approve Resolution 2004:36.

With no discussion, Commissioner Lazieh motioned to approve Resolution 2004:36, Revised Rules and Regulations for Use of Wastewater Treatment Facilities Within the NBC District. Commissioner Montanari seconded the motion, and the vote taken by the Committee was unanimous. The motion carries.

4. Other Business

None to report.

5. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Committee, Commissioner Montanari motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Lazieh seconded the motion, and the vote taken was unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 10:03 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul Pinault".

Paul Pinault, *Secretary*