

1 STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
2 NARRAGANSETT BAY COMMISSION

3 In Re: Monthly Board Meeting of the Commission

4 DATE: May 19, 2010
5 TIME: 11:00 a.m.
6 PLACE: Narragansett Bay Commission
Corporate Office Building
One Service Road
Providence, RI 02905

7 PRESENT:

- 8 Vincent Mesolella, Chairman
- Angelo S. Rotella, Vice Chairman
- 9 Raymond Marshall, Secretary–Executive Director
- Robert Andrade, Treasurer
- 10 Richard Brown
- Richard Burroughs
- 11 Bruce Campbell
- Mario Carlino
- 12 Joseph DeAngelis, Esquire
- Michael DiChiro
- 13 Leslie Gray, III
- Joseph Kimball
- 14 John MacQueen
- Joan P. Milas
- 15 Alan Nathan
- Al Montanari
- 16 Michael Salvatore
- Richard Worrell

17 ALSO PRESENT:

- 18 Phil Albert, NBC
- 19 Sherri Arnold, NBC
- Dennis aRusso, NBC
- 20 Richard Bernier, NBC
- Francie Brown, NBC
- 21 Tom Brueckner, NBC
- Stephen Chmura, NBC
- 22 Anamaria Clarkin, NBC
- Terry Cote, NBC
- 23 Tony Dalmazzi, NBC
- Pamela Duckworth, NBC
- 24 Manny Enos, NBC
- Harold Gadon, CAC

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- 1 ALSO PRESENT, cont.
- 2 Karen Giebink, NBC
Linda Giesinger, NBC
- 3 Jennifer Harrington, NBC
Laurie Horridge, NBC
- 4 Holly Ialongo, NBC
James Kelly, NBC
- 5 Kathryn Kelly, NBC
Stephen Lallo, NBC
- 6 Joanne Maceroni, NBC
Jose Medina, NBC
- 7 Joe Moniz, NBC
John Motta, NBC
- 8 Karen Musumeci, NBC
Livia Musumeci, NBC
- 9 Joe Pratt, Louis Berger Group
Jamie Samons, NBC
- 10 Deborah Samson, NBC
Mark Thomas, NBC
- 11 Thomas Uva, NBC
John Zuba, NBC

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1 (MONTHLY BOARD MEETING COMMENCED AT 11:04 A.M.)

2 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: We do have a quorum, so
3 recognizing a quorum, we will call the Wednesday, May
4 19th meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order at,
5 it looks like 11:04. Welcome, everyone.

6 First order of business is the approval of the
7 previous minutes of April 14, 2010. Have all of our
8 members had an opportunity to review the minutes, and if
9 so, are there any comments, questions or corrections on
10 the minutes of the previous Board meeting?

11 THE COMMISSION: (No response)

12 COMMISSIONER SALVADORE: Motion to approve,
13 Mr. Chairman.

14 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: We have a motion from
15 Commissioner Salvatore to approve the previous minutes.

16 COMMISSIONER KIMBALL: Second.

17 COMMISSIONER MONTANARI: Second.

18 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Seconded by
19 Commissioner Kimball, Commissioner Montanari. All in
20 favor of approval will say aye.

21 THE COMMISSION: Aye.
22 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Are there any opposed?
23 THE COMMISSION: (No response)
24 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: There are none opposed,
25 and that motion carries.

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1 (MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY)

2 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Moving right along,
3 Item Number 3 is Old Business. Old business to come
4 before the Commission? Do any of our members have any
5 old business?

6 THE COMMISSION: (No response)

7 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Moving right along,
8 next order of business, Item Number 4, Executive
9 Director's Report. Mr. Secretary, do you have a report?

10 RAYMOND MARSHALL: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I do.

11 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Proceed.

12 RAYMOND MARSHALL: The report that you have
13 before you, I believe is from March, and I just want to
14 point out a number of items. The flows at the two
15 treatment plants during that month, as you would
16 imagine, were significantly higher than any other on
17 record.

18 Each plant saw average daily flows in excess of 1.17

19 million gallons sustained over the course of the month,
20 and we had some records of many different types; but the
21 highest day ever recorded at Field's Point in its
22 history, as far as we know, 147.8 million gallons, when
23 we normally get about 45 million gallons a day. So,
24 again, our Operations staff did a heroic job handling
25 flows that came down the line at us, and we achieved

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1 high levels of treatment in spite of that.

2 You can see that the numbers on Page 2 there, the
3 final effluent numbers are 11 and 13 at Field's Point
4 and 19 and 10 at Bucklin Point, so great job to our
5 Operations staff.

6 The Maintenance group, by the way, also were a huge
7 part of that at both plants. When a number of problems
8 occurred during the course of those storms, they
9 responded immediately so that a small problem didn't
10 turn into a big problem which would compromise our
11 ability to meet our goals.

12 So, the tunnel was put into very good use during the
13 month of March. 215 million gallons were captured,
14 which is about three complete tunnels full, but we
15 actually pumped out of the tunnel on 22 days out of the
16 month; and we gave 86 percent of the flow that we got in

17 the tunnel, we captured in the tunnel, full secondary
18 treatment, and the rest of it we gave at least primary
19 plus chlorination.
20 Page 7 where we list all the pump stations, we had a
21 number of alarms due to high water and some pump issues
22 that were all responded to, and everything operated with
23 backup systems, if we needed them to, until we got the
24 initial alarms resolved. Again, a great job by the
25 Operations staff.

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1 In spite of all that, the Lincoln Septage Receiving
2 Station still had many, many deliveries, frequent
3 deliveries, 850,000 gallons of material came into the
4 Septage Receiving Station in Lincoln, so it was a full
5 and very busy month for the Operations Division.
6 Engineering, which starts on Page 8, they have a
7 number of projects that are ongoing, and on the Water
8 Quality Modeling project, you'll have an item before you
9 later on today, the tilt meters, as they're called, they
10 measure the direction of flow and water bodies.
11 We installed those or URI installed those in the
12 Edgewood Shoals area, which is where Port Edgewood is
13 and just north of Johnson & Wales, the shore right
14 behind me, to better monitor and get a better idea of

15 what the circulation is there as we continue to do more
16 modeling of the bay to put us in the strongest possible
17 position for regulatory agencies.
18 Phase II design work is coming to a rapid conclusion.
19 The Woonasquatucket interceptor, 100% plans have been
20 submitted. We now need to start working on our
21 easements that we'll need for that project for
22 construction.
23 We've met with the Olneyville neighborhood people,
24 the business community and some of the leading
25 representatives in that community as well as the

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1 Providence Planning Department to let them know what
2 we'll be doing in their neck of the woods over the next
3 several years. We will have more meetings as we get
4 closer to the actual start date.
5 On the Seekonk River Interceptor, we've met with the
6 DOT with regards to the bike path and the construction
7 under I-195 so that we can make sure that we're not
8 interfering with any of their activities or their new
9 facilities.
10 We have a couple of sewer separation projects that
11 are part of Phase II, and we've been in discussions with
12 the gas company about the impact our work will have on

13 their system; and we've come to an agreement with
14 National Grid that would need your approval. That will
15 come up during the CEO report.
16 Further on down on Page 9, the Johnston Facilities
17 Plan is, we're wrapping that up now, and we're going to
18 be submitting it to DEM; and I just want to point out
19 that being proactive and authorizing us to work with
20 Johnston on this project, your authorization has allowed
21 us to be in a position where we now know what's going on
22 in great detail in our system in Johnston, and that's
23 going to help us because as we indicated initially, we
24 always want to be in a position to take advantage of an
25 opportunity for more users and more user fees, should

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1 they present themselves, and we now have that
2 opportunity.
3 The Town and Resource Recovery have approached us
4 about accepting Resource Recovery's flow and having it
5 come through our system to the Field's Point Treatment
6 Plant for treatment. We've met with them on a couple of
7 occasions. We are now drafting up a memorandum of
8 agreement for your consideration at the next meeting.
9 Essentially, what it involves is, Resource Recovery
10 will build a sewer out to their facility that can flow

11 into our system at the intersection of Central Avenue
12 and Atwood Avenue, and they will send their flows to us
13 because they need to expand their capability of
14 discharging flows; and they have determined that we are
15 their best alternative. That will mean somewhere in
16 excess of \$500,000 a year in new user fees coming to the
17 Bay Commission initially with maybe as much as a million
18 dollars over the next couple of years as their
19 activities accelerate out there.

20 So, a proactive authorization by the Board has put us
21 in a position to entertain a request or a proposal of
22 this nature, and that's exactly the type of forward
23 thinking that the Chairman has promoted for many, many
24 years. So, you should all feel really good about that.

25 Moving along to Page 11, we've been doing quite a bit

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1 of work in Cumberland at the Highland Corporate Park.
2 The pump station out there is the source of some odors.
3 It's the result of some industrial flow that comes into
4 that pump station. It's causing problems for residents
5 in the Town of Cumberland, and our Engineering staff has
6 worked with the industry, which is Cintas, as well as
7 the Town, and we significantly reduced those odors. The
8 reduction has been dramatic.

9 There's more work to do. It has to do with using
10 different chemicals in their pretreatment process, and
11 the Town is going to be installing a system that will
12 even further reduce the hydrogen sulfite that's
13 generated as a result of the discharge into that pump
14 station.

15 So, we have, I believe, maintained the goodwill of
16 the Town of Cumberland, and we want to resolve that
17 problem so that the people don't have to suffer through
18 those unpleasant Monday mornings when the odors have
19 historically been really bad. So, thanks to the
20 Engineering staff for all their hard work on that.

21 Under Construction, which starts on Page 12, if you
22 were just across the street, you know there's a lot of
23 activity over there. They have excavated for the new
24 Operations building. They've been installing new water
25 lines and new ductwork for electrical duct banks, and so

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1 that project is really starting to accelerate; and one
2 of the key components of that work is coordination with
3 the Operating staff so that we don't miss our permit on
4 any day during the course of the construction.

5 The Animal Control Facility is about four weeks away
6 from being open, and the City will be moving over there.

7 There will be some type of event commemorating that. It
8 has not been scheduled yet, but it's in the process of
9 being developed; and we'll let you know when that is, in
10 case you want to participate.

11 The Tunnel Odor Control System, which is located up
12 just west of the Foundry complex, most of the equipment
13 is now in. We're waiting for the media, and that should
14 be online within the next month; so that should make
15 life a little more pleasant for the people who live up
16 in that neighborhood.

17 Page 14, Administration and Finance, Karen reported
18 at the Finance Committee that the Variable Rate Demand
19 Bonds, the letter of credit that backs those is expiring
20 in July, and our financial advisor for Southwest is
21 helping us solicit interest from other banks, that is
22 other than Citizens, in addition to the Citizens group,
23 to provide us with a subsequent letter of credit.
24 There's been strong interest, and by the way, the
25 pricing on those bonds has been excellent, somewhere in

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1 the quarter to one third of a percent range.

2 We have had some compliance filings and tariff advice
3 from the PUC, and those include a rate increase that
4 will cover some new debt service that we'll have to

5 incur; and we got approval from that just in the last
6 couple of weeks as well as some tariff advice on
7 Industrial Laundry, switching them from a commercial to
8 an industrial category.

9 Operating Budget at the bottom Page 14 has been
10 closely monitored, and we will finish under budget again
11 this year. If you want to know the details of that,
12 Karen can give you those details.

13 The Operating Budget, the FY '11 Operating Budget is
14 ready for Finance Committee review. Hopefully, you'll
15 be able to meet next week. We had to cancel the meeting
16 that was scheduled because of some last-minute changes
17 in the Committee members' schedules, so Bob will ask for
18 your input on that, if you haven't already given it to
19 Karen; so we can schedule something for next Wednesday
20 or Thursday.

21 Page 17, the Customer Service Section, we've been
22 billing monthly for the last several months, and the
23 receipts coming in are strong. In fact, in March we
24 took in nearly \$7.2 million, and a million dollars of
25 that was processed by the fiscal clerks right here in

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1 this building over the counter from the walk-in
2 business.

3 Page 20, the Accounting Section, our Comprehensive
4 Annual Financial Report has received the Government
5 Finance Officers Association Certificate of Achievement
6 for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the FY '09
7 audit. It's the eighth year in a row they received that
8 award. We will actually be presenting that to them at
9 the June Board Meeting when we give out the awards for
10 the Finance Division.

11 Policy, Planning & Regulation on Page 22, we have the
12 dates listed for the shellfish transplants. They have
13 now all occurred, so I'll just give you the summary
14 numbers. The four events we had, we had an average of
15 74 shellfishermen take part. In total, they moved 245
16 tons of shellfish to cleaner waters where they'll stay
17 for a six-month period before they can be harvested, and
18 they were paid \$77,300 to do that work.

19 So, this is a situation where the shellfishermen get
20 paid to move from the dirty water to the clean water
21 areas, and then later on they go back, and they're able
22 to harvest the shellfish out of the clean waters once
23 DEM gives the okay.

24 That money came from the State of Rhode Island and
25 the Nature Conservancy. There was a total of \$80,000

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1 that was spent, and they spent nearly all of it. It's
2 hard to get an exact, of course, but if we had another
3 event, we'd certainly exceed the amount of money that
4 was available to us. A very good job by Tom Uva's group
5 managing all of that. Even though we don't supply the
6 money, we supply all of the administrative and all of
7 the paperwork associated with it, and it works out best
8 for everyone. The shellfishermen get their money within
9 a week or so of actually doing the work.

10 Page 23, our Technical Assistance group is involved
11 in an interesting project I want to mention to you.

12 They've been visiting a couple of biodiesel
13 manufacturers. That's where they take grease from
14 restaurants, and they turn it into a fuel; so then your
15 vehicle smells like McDonald's, I guess, as you drive
16 down the road, but the by-product of that is called
17 glycerin; and it's a product that has a lot of carbon in
18 it, and our engineers are evaluating using the glycerin
19 to add to our treatment process as a carbon source in
20 the nitrogen removal process.

21 There are many plants that actually have to buy an
22 expensive product to help them get down to the levels
23 that they're permitted for, and what we're thinking is
24 that we could use this product to accomplish the same
25 thing for either far less cost or no cost; and it's a

1 waste product anyway of the biodiesel process, so we'll
2 see how that works out over the next several months.

3 Page 27, Environmental Monitoring, with the very wet
4 March, we had EMDA twice do their extreme weather
5 monitoring as we designated to evaluate nitrogen loads,
6 fecal coliform loads in the bay, and we're putting
7 together the report on what the results of that are.
8 It's the results of taking over 26,000 samples just
9 during the month of March, and that's detailed on Page
10 28 and 29, how they break down, where we took the
11 samples from, and what they were for.

12 All of that resulted in the lab being very busy, and
13 on Page 32 we show that they did over 10,500 analyses in
14 the month of March. Our average month for 2009 was
15 8,500 analyses, so you can see it's a significant
16 increase; but when you have the opportunity to evaluate
17 what major events such as happened in the month of
18 March, we have seized upon that opportunity.

19 Moving along to Executive, the lien sale, which
20 actually happened in April, was very successful. We
21 originally selected 384 delinquent accounts, and in the
22 end, only 82 had to go to lien sale, actually went to
23 auction; and 78 out of the 82 were actually sold, so we
24 collected through that multi-month effort, \$676,900 of
25 user fees that were unpaid prior to the start of the

1 process. So, another successful lien sale, and thank
2 you to the Legal staff for all their great work.
3 Legal has also been very busy. On Page 39 I mention
4 or note the Buy American clause that's part of the ARRA
5 money that we received. It is a very complex
6 requirement, and we've been reading all the rulings and
7 waivers that are being given or not given as the case
8 may be, as well as attending seminars when they're made
9 available so that we can make sure that we keep track of
10 everything we're supposed to in a form that will be
11 acceptable to the regulators so that we never have to
12 give any of the money back.

13 In addition, we have good news on the Terminal Road
14 traffic signal. We supported the Port of Providence's
15 application to the DOT to make that light that is there,
16 the traffic signal that is there, permanent, and they
17 did finally approve that; so that was a very good thing.

18 Moving along to Page 42, Public Affairs has been busy
19 working with our Congressional delegation asking them to
20 support bills on a national level that NACWA, which is
21 the National Association of Clean Water Agencies, has
22 been developing with the input of organizations like
23 ours throughout the country. They've been very

24 supportive, including a Green Infrastructure bill.

25 (COMMISSIONER DiCHIRO IS NOW PRESENT)

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1 RAYMOND MARSHALL: Also, our education
2 process is in the phase of wrapping up the school year,
3 so there have been many, many activities, including the
4 field trips and poster contest, and we've worked with
5 the MET School students to get them involved in a
6 watershed activity so they understand point source and
7 non-point source pollution, and what it's all about.
8 In Government Affairs, we've spent many hours
9 reviewing legislation and working with various staff
10 members to develop position papers, attending committee
11 meetings, providing testimony, meeting with members of
12 the legislature and their staff to try to make sure that
13 we're able to help shape the legislation that will
14 ultimately affect us all.
15 And we met with the House Oversight Committee just
16 about a month ago. They had asked us to come up and
17 give them a presentation on the Narragansett Bay
18 Commission, our history, purpose, structure,
19 responsibilities, projects and results. We were there
20 for 2 1/2 hours. They had many questions, and they had
21 other material they wanted us to provide them as

22 followup. They faxed that to us, and we are now ready
23 to deliver it to them.
24 To give you an idea of the amount of material we'll
25 be bringing up there, they wanted 17 copies of

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1 everything, and each copy in whole will fill the type of
2 box that you get copy paper in. It's about the size of
3 a banker's box, whatever they call it, so 17 of those
4 will be delivered to the State House probably in the
5 next several days.

6 I asked them if they wanted it electronically, I
7 believe several times I asked them; the answer was, no,
8 each time, and so we've killed a few trees in that
9 effort; but I think it gives them an outstanding
10 opportunity, if they go through and they look at it all
11 to see what a great job our staff does here, and
12 hopefully, they won't come up with anything else that
13 they want to see, because we'll just kill a bunch more
14 trees. So, that's all I have, Mr. Chairman.

15 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Thank you, Mr.
16 Secretary. Commissioner Carlino.

17 COMMISSIONER CARLINO: If I can ask one
18 question regarding the Resource Recovery. You said that
19 we're going to get additional revenue.

20 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Commissioner, is your
21 mic on? You may want to pull it a little closer. Is
22 the green light on?

23 COMMISSIONER CARLINO: Yes. My question is,
24 on Resource Recovery, we're going to get an additional
25 half a million to a million in revenue. Is it because

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1 that industrial park is expanding? I didn't understand
2 why.

3 RAYMOND MARSHALL: In part it's because the
4 industrial park is going to be collecting more leachate
5 from their solid waste disposal system, and it's also
6 because they are going to be building a new power plant
7 out there that is going to use methane gas from the
8 landfill to generate electricity. So, it's a
9 combination of all of those factors that will be
10 increasing their flow.

11 COMMISSIONER CARLINO: We kind of went over
12 it quickly, but I think congratulations on meeting with
13 them and kind of thinking forward and getting the
14 additional revenue. It's not really easy to find
15 additional revenues.

16 RAYMOND MARSHALL: Thank you.

17 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Are there any other

18 comments or questions regarding the Executive Director's
19 Report?

20 THE COMMISSION: (No response)

21 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: On the Executive
22 Director's Report?

23 THE COMMISSION: (No response)

24 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Moving right along,
25 next order of business are Committee Reports and Action

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1 Items Resulting. I'm sorry. I am sorry. Before we
2 move on to Committee Reports, we have the Employee
3 Excellence Awards presentation for Construction and
4 Executive.

5 RAYMOND MARSHALL: So, I would like Laurie
6 to come up and give the Executive Excellence Award.

7 MS. HORRIDGE: This year's Excellence Award
8 is going to Karen Musumeci, who is embarrassed about it,
9 but that's okay.

10 Karen came to the NBC 2006, and she was in the
11 Customer Service section; and in 2008, there'd been a
12 number of personnel changes in the Executive section,
13 including Ray moving into the Executive Director
14 position at the end of 2007, and I had moved upstairs;
15 and we needed help with figuring out all the Board

16 stuff, and we got lucky because Karen came upstairs to
17 help us and never left and had 20 years in as a veteran
18 of the Zoning Board and knew everything there was to
19 know about Open Meetings Act and Secretary of State
20 filings; and it's been a smooth transition for all of
21 us, for Ray and myself.

22 And I have to tell you that I was scared to death
23 when I left Legal because I had been with my Cracker
24 Jack assistant, Gloria Borino, for 14 years, and I
25 thought, who is going to keep me on task? Anyone who's

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1 seen my desk knows that that's really a hard thing to
2 do, and I figured who's going to keep track of the
3 Budget? Who's going to tell me when I have meetings
4 that I'm late for? Who's going to keep me on deadline,
5 remind me about the monthly report, and when I get into
6 a heated discussion with Jen at 5:30 in the afternoon,
7 who's going to remind me to go pick up my kids?

8 But I'm happy to report that everything has stayed on
9 task, and my kids are not in DCYF custody, so
10 apparently, that's worked out well, too.

11 But on a serious note, Karen has great organizational
12 skills. She's the ultimate multi-tasker, and nothing
13 has skipped a beat in Executive. She's been responsive

14 to all the Commissioners as well as the Executive staff,
15 and the one illusive trait that Karen has that all of
16 our staff mentioned when we were talking about this was,
17 when we get off the elevator in the morning, we're
18 always greeted with a smile and a warm hello, and that
19 starts everybody's day off great, and for that, Karen,
20 we thank you. Congratulations.

21 (AWARD PRESENTATION)

22 RAYMOND MARSHALL: I think all the
23 Commissioners would agree that anytime you need anything
24 or you're looking for anything that Karen has been very
25 responsive, and we certainly know that she's the person

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1 you call as opposed to me or Laurie to get something
2 that you really want because it will be followed up on
3 immediately. So, I agree. Great work, Karen. Thank
4 you very much.

5 The next group is the Construction Division, and Rich
6 Bernier and Mark Thomas are going to come up and present
7 the award for their division.

8 MR. BERNIER: I'm going to have Mark Thomas
9 give the presentation.

10 MR. THOMAS: Good morning. Approximately 10
11 years ago, the Narragansett Bay Commission made a

12 decision to start providing resident engineering
13 construction services in-house rather than outsourcing
14 that to consulting engineers, and the reason was simple.
15 We wanted to try and save some money while maintaining
16 or even improving the quality of service that we
17 provided. That program has been very successful. In
18 those 10 years, we've monitored many projects and
19 literally saved the Commission millions and millions of
20 dollars.
21 Construction in the 21st century is not easy. We're
22 dealing with multi, multi-million dollar contractors who
23 are very sophisticated, and if we don't have our
24 administrative ducks in a row, the results could be
25 devastating.

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1 Fortunately, we recognized that right up front, and
2 we hired Linda as the Construction Office Coordinator,
3 and her primary responsibility is to ensure that the
4 administrative needs for each contract are run well, and
5 she's done a heck of a job.
6 From when we first put a contract out to bid, we go
7 through many stages to turn that into a construction
8 contract with change order requests, and change orders
9 and shop drawing logs, certified payrolls and

10 manufacturer's reports and test results and paying
11 contractors and vendors and engineers. It goes on and
12 on, and she does it all very well; and new stuff comes
13 up all the time.

14 Ray had mentioned the ARRA. We just received
15 millions of dollars from ARRA for our BNR contract.
16 Good news for the Commission. Bad news for Linda.
17 There's a price tag with that, and the price tag is a
18 mountain of administrative tasks.

19 One of those is a very detailed labor report that we
20 owe the State the beginning of every month. I got to
21 tell you, the requirements of that report just bounced
22 off my desk on their way to Linda's desk.

23 Now, as a side light, we've been together for a long
24 time, and we know each other very well. When I went
25 into her office and I gave her these regulations and

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1 explained what she had to do, that it was a monthly
2 report, that the regulations because the Regs are
3 changing all the time, from one look in her eye, I knew
4 what she was thinking. Mark, thank you, but I know it's
5 more than that. She's thinking, once again, you have
6 taken a responsibility, which is totally yours, and
7 delegated it to me. I cherish the thought of the

8 hundreds of hours that I'm going to put in to complete
9 this endeavor.

10 Perhaps, there's a slightest chance that from her
11 perspective that Leman or I actually were saying
12 something different, but I digress. The fact is, she
13 does complete that report every month. She puts it on
14 my desk before it goes out. I look at it and say, thank
15 God she's doing this and not me.

16 Linda works in a business, an environment dominated
17 by men. Sometimes the conversations aren't quite as
18 civil as they should be. She thrives in that
19 environment, partially through a sense of humor, often
20 at my expense which we should talk about, but always
21 maintaining, always maintaining the respect of both the
22 NBC staff and the contractor staff. She works
23 independently.

24 When we first started working together, I would
25 dictate many letters. Now I e-mail her a concept, and

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1 she drafts the letter; and I usually don't even have to
2 tweak it.

3 There are many of you out there who have probably
4 worked with somebody whose responsibilities are somewhat
5 similar to Linda's, but only those of you out there who

6 have worked with somebody in that position who is very,
7 very good at what they do can appreciate the value that
8 Linda brings to our team. The Narragansett Bay
9 Commission is fortunate to have Linda Giesinger as an
10 employee, and she's well-deserving of this award.

11 (AWARD PRESENTATION)

12 RAYMOND MARSHALL: Can I have you guys wait
13 here, and can I have the rest of the Construction Group
14 that's here come up here, please? We have two awards
15 that I want to make the Board aware of, and they have to
16 do with construction that we did on the CSO Phase I.
17 We received one from McGraw-Hill Division of the New
18 York Construction magazine, and we also received an
19 award, if one of you guys can hold that one, we also
20 received an award for the project from the American
21 Council of Engineering Companies, again, for CSO Phase
22 I, and these are all the individuals that, who really
23 have a lot to do with making -- plan. It's one thing to
24 get all of these ideas down, the plans, the
25 specifications that's that's all very important, but

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1 then they actually bring those plans, specs to life.

2 (AWARD PRESENTATION)

3 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Now, Item Number 6,

4 Committee Reports and Action Items Resulting.

5 Commissioner Salvadore, do you have a report from the

6 CEO Committee?

7 COMMISSIONER SALVADORE: I certainly do, Mr.

8 Chairman.

9 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Proceed.

10 COMMISSIONER SALVADORE: We met early this

11 morning, and we had three items for the Board of

12 Commissioners this morning, the first being, Review and

13 Approval of Resolution 2010:11, Authorization to Amend

14 Personal Services Agreement Number 08A-114-01-00 with

15 Chris Kincaid, and the amendment is not to exceed

16 \$32,600, and CEO recommends passage, Mr. Chairman.

17 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: We have a motion to

18 pass Resolution 2010:11, Authorization to Amend the

19 Personal Services Agreement. Is there a second?

20 Commissioner Burroughs, do you have a question or a

21 second?

22 COMMISSIONER BURROUGHS: Comment.

23 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Let me get a second,

24 first.

25 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Second.

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1 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Second, Commissioner

2 Brown. Commissioner Burroughs, a question?

3 COMMISSIONER BURROUGHS: I have to recuse
4 myself from this item.

5 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Let the record reflect
6 that Commissioner Burroughs recuses himself from this
7 vote.

8 (COMMISSIONER BURROUGHS RECUSING FROM VOTE)

9 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Is there any discussion
10 on this matter? There was a full protracted discussion
11 about the value of Professor Kincaid and the services he
12 provides for water modeling for the Narragansett Bay
13 Commission. It has been of great assistance to us in
14 making our case that our limits of 5 parts on nitrogen
15 removal is an acceptable level, and I would encourage
16 all of our members to support this Resolution.

17 Discussion on this Resolution?

18 COMMISSIONER BROWN: That issue is important
19 for more than just you, by the way.

20 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: I beg your pardon?

21 COMMISSIONER BROWN: And that issue is
22 important for more than just NBC.

23 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: It sure is; it sure is.
24 We don't mind if the City of East Providence uses our
25 information.

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1 COMMISSIONER BROWN: I will.

2 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: No further discussion,
3 all of those in favor will say aye.

4 THE COMMISSION: Aye.

5 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Are there any opposed?

6 THE COMMISSION: (No response)

7 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: There are none opposed,
8 and the motion carries.

9 (MOTION PASSED/RECUSAL COMMISSIONER BURROUGHS)

10 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Further report,
11 Commissioner Salvadore.

12 COMMISSIONER SALVADORE: Second item, Item
13 B, Review and Approval of Resolution 2010:12,
14 Authorization to Enter into an Agreement with National
15 Grid for Replacement of Gas Piping related to CSO
16 Phase II, OF027, Sewer Separation Contract 303.05C, with
17 an amount not to exceed \$693,000, CEO recommends
18 passage, Mr. Chairman.

19 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: We have a motion to
20 approve Resolution 2010:12. Is there a second?

21 COMMISSIONER MONTANARI: Second.

22 COMMISSIONER MacQUEEN: Second.

23 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Commissioner Montanari.
24 Commissioner MacQueen, did you second that motion?

25 COMMISSIONER MacQUEEN: Yes.

1 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Second. Others?

2 Discussion, Commissioner Carlino.

3 COMMISSIONER CARLINO: Mr. Chairman, I need
4 to recuse myself. I work for National Grid.

5 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Let the record reflect
6 that Commissioner Carlino recused himself.

7 (COMMISSIONER CARLINO RECUSING FROM VOTE)

8 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Is it required to
9 remove himself from the premises?

10 MR. DeANGELIS: No.

11 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: He can still sit as
12 long as he recused himself? I just wanted to get a
13 clarification on that. Most of the members who were
14 here during that discussion of why this is necessary,
15 this Resolution provides substantial savings over a
16 previously agreed-upon contract with the utilities, when
17 we're doing work in the area where there is significant
18 utility coverage. Many of our Commissioners have
19 already heard this. Does anyone need further
20 explanation as to why we're doing this?

21 THE COMMISSION: (No response)

22 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Okay, hearing no
23 further discussion, all of those in favor will say aye.

24 THE COMMISSION: Aye.

25 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Are there any opposed?

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1 THE COMMISSION: (No response)

2 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: There are none opposed,
3 and that motion carries.

4 (MOTION PASSED/RECUSAL COMMISSIONER CARLINO)

5 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Further report,
6 Commissioner?

7 COMMISSIONER SALVADORE: Last item, Item C,
8 Review and Approval of Resolution 2010:13, Approval of
9 Fiscal Year 2012 through 2016, Capital Improvement
10 Program, and I'll ask Sherri Arnold to please come up
11 and give her explanation.

12 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Sherri, we're going to
13 have a brief presentation, right?

14 MS. ARNOLD: Yes.

15 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: For the benefit of the
16 Commissioners, you have the CIP program packet in your
17 agenda packet. I've said this throughout the years that
18 this is, basically, this and the budget are the most
19 important documents you'll receive throughout the course
20 of the year, so please get familiar with it.

21 The projects mentioned in here are in no particular
22 order of priority, just a listing of projects that are

23 on the board for discussion by the Board. Any of these
24 projects that do move forward would ultimately require
25 the approval of the Board of Commissioners. So, having

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1 said that, Sherri, how long is your presentation?

2 MS. ARNOLD: I'm not sure, but I'll keep it
3 relatively brief, no more than 10 minutes.

4 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: I'm told that on your
5 laptops that you do have a link to access the CIP.

6 MS. ARNOLD: We would like to present to the
7 Narragansett Bay Commission Fiscal Year 2012 through
8 2016, the Capital Improvement Program, the CIP. We
9 begin here, we have the overall detail of the 5-year
10 period of 2012 to 2016, and of the 46 projects
11 identified in this year's CIP, they total approximately
12 \$451 million in that 5-year window.

13 If we move on to the Narrative, this CIP serves as a
14 planning document for NBC and identifies capital
15 improvements that are necessary for us to comply with
16 future and current regulatory requirements. It also
17 incorporates the needs identified through NBC's asset
18 Management system or program, and the development
19 incorporates Engineering and Construction staff as well
20 as Finance.

21 As I had mentioned, this year's CIP identifies 46
22 capital projects totaling \$451 million in the 5-year
23 window. If we include fiscal year 2011, the costs are
24 approximately 507 million. As you can see in fiscal
25 year 2013, the costs are a little bit higher, and

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1 approximately 68 percent of those costs are associated
2 with the Phase II construction.

3 As an enhancement to this year's documents and also
4 as a resourceful tool for those utilizing this document,
5 we have included a map and a key. This serves as a
6 guide to those looking at the document to be able to
7 view the overall location for each project, and while
8 the document does identify 46 capital projects, the map
9 only outlines 27 of those locations, that way it does
10 not overlap due to the classification of phases for
11 those projects.

12 If you look down into the bay there, there's a number
13 8. That number 8 represents the project such as the
14 River Model Development that they were speaking of this
15 morning, the model and also the Site Specific Study.

16 If you look up above Central Falls, there's a number
17 12. That is for the CSO Phase II Facilities, wetlands
18 treatment facility that will be constructed there.

19 If we move on to some of the Program Assumptions and
20 Development, the CIP serves as a comprehensive planning
21 process. There are several financial assumptions that
22 come into play. We include cost estimates and the
23 construction bids once available.

24 The overall Program Development, the CIP is the main
25 driver for NBC's long-term financing requirements. The

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1 expenditures are analyzed. There's a little schematic
2 there. We look at several items, including regulatory
3 requirements, overall program changes, funding,
4 scheduling, permitting. We assess the criticality of
5 each project. We assign priorities at which point then
6 the CIP Review Committee comprised of directors, project
7 managers and finance staff, review the proposed capital
8 projects for their inclusion in the CIP.

9 When assigning or ranking the projects according to
10 their criticality, we prioritize according to ABC, so
11 the majority of the expenditures, approximately, \$444
12 million, are ranked as an A, and those are the projects
13 that are either mandated or currently under
14 construction.

15 Those projects assigned with the B ranking represent
16 approximately \$33 million and are imperative to ongoing

17 operations, and finally, \$30 million, or 6 percent of
18 the projects, are ranked with a C; and those are
19 important, however, they're not critical to ongoing
20 operations.

21 We also classify each project, expenditures are
22 classified by phase. The planning phase includes
23 feasibility studies and mapping, design includes the
24 architectural and engineering associated with the specs
25 and plans, acquisition of easements and permitting and

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1 construction is where the actual facility improvements
2 or rehabilitation takes place.

3 As you can see in the graph on the top of the page,
4 the light green bars represent the largest amount of
5 expenditures. That is approximately 93 percent of \$472
6 million, and that is associated with the construction.

7 If we move down to the Strategic Plan, each project's
8 importance, there's a line to the Strategic Plan. Each
9 project has a specific goal or goals that the project
10 will address as illustrated in this chart.

11 As you can see in the bottom left-hand corner there,
12 that green slice there is the Collection System Plan,
13 and that represents approximately 26 percent of the
14 projects; and those are associated with capacity

15 management and operation and maintenance of NBC's
16 collection and treatment system. Coming in second up in
17 the diagonal in the top right-hand corner in the blue is
18 the RIPDES Permitting and Compliance and that represents
19 approximately 23 percent.

20 All of our capital projects are categorized into
21 functional areas, and those would include our Wastewater
22 Treatment Facility, Sewer System Improvements and such,
23 Improvements, depending on the type and scope of work to
24 be completed. Of the \$451 million in this year's CIP,
25 67 percent is associated with the CSO Phase II

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1 facilities.

2 If we move on to the functional areas, the comparison
3 from year to year, the percentage change overall there
4 is a 4 percent increase from the prior year's CIP. The
5 one changing difference, obviously, is the shift from
6 year to year, and we also included some design for the
7 CSO Phase III facilities in Fiscal Year 2016 this year.
8 That represents 100 percent, and the only other
9 significant change or positive change would be for the
10 CSO Phase II facilities, and those are due to some
11 revised cost estimates during preliminary design. At
12 the bottom of the page we have the CIP Cost by Type of

13 Activity, and again, construction represents
14 approximately 69 percent.
15 If we move over to our Major Initiatives, this year
16 we've have three major initiatives totaling
17 approximately -- the three major initiatives total 416
18 million or 80 percent of this year's CIP with
19 construction of the Phase II facilities representing 61
20 percent. You can see Phase II is represented there in
21 that light blue.
22 In this year's CIP, we've made some changes. For
23 Phase II, we actually assigned the separate capital
24 project numbers for the six components of the Phase II
25 facilities based on the task and estimated costs

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1 associated with those. Those are outlined here, and
2 again, those costs are 67 percent of the total window.
3 If we move on, Phase III is included this year, and
4 those costs are included, some costs for design in
5 Fiscal Year 2016. Phase III we'll construct a tunnel in
6 Pawtucket along the Seekonk and Blackstone Rivers. This
7 is the third and final phase of the federally-mandated
8 CSO Abatement Program.
9 Nitrogen Removal at both Field's Point and Bucklin
10 Point, NBC has issued the Notice to Proceed for

11 construction services at Field's Point in September of
12 '09, and there will be significant structural and
13 mechanical changes made to the plant. At Bucklin Point,
14 the draft facilities plan was conditionally approved by
15 DEM in November of 2009.

16 This year's CIP reflects a 20 million dollar
17 reduction in the cost for the Field's Point nitrogen
18 removal, and that is due to a lower construction bid
19 than estimated for the prior year; and this project also
20 qualified for federal funds through the Federal American
21 Recovery and Reinvestment Act, also known as the ARRA,
22 so we did receive principal forgiveness on that loan as
23 well.

24 Bucklin Point, as I had mentioned, we had submitted
25 the draft facilities plan that was conditionally

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1 approved. The estimates for the new and upgraded
2 facilities are \$35 million there.
3 If we move on to some of our other projects or Green
4 Technologies, a green technology is something that does
5 not adversely impact the environment or compromise the
6 ability for future generations to meet energy needs.
7 NBC presently has three projects that meet this
8 criteria, the first being the wind turbine project. We

9 are currently proposing to use up to three wind turbines
10 to convert wind energy into electricity.

11 Second, we have a biogas reuse project. We're
12 proposing to use a combined heat and power system that
13 will burn the biogas to generate both electricity and
14 heat to use at the plant.

15 And finally, the variable frequency drives or VFDs
16 being installed at the Ernest Street Pump Station will
17 help to control the rate of the flow to Field's Point
18 from both Ernest Street and the Tunnel Pump Station.

19 Some of the program changes this year, NBC always
20 continues with its commitment to annually clean and
21 inspect its interceptors, so following that, we
22 allocated 1.5 million annually to interceptor repair and
23 construction projects, and \$500,000 to interceptor
24 cleaning and inspection projects.

25 We have our list of completed projects here. Of the

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1 12 completed projects last year totaling approximately
2 114 million, you can see that the CSO Phase I facilities
3 represented approximately 87 percent of that, and that
4 was due to the final payment releases on the Phase I
5 facilities.

6 If we move over to some of our new projects, this

7 year's CIP identifies nine new capital projects, 55
8 percent of which are associated with State and Federal
9 regulatory requirements ranging from fire code
10 compliance to federal mandates, such as the CSO Phase II
11 facilities. We also have two interceptor easements
12 projects that funds were reallocated from the place
13 holder project.

14 If we go into some of the CIP Capital Funding,
15 Program Funding, NBC recognizes the importance of
16 programming its capital expenditures in the overall
17 context of financial management. This just gives us an
18 overview of, this is an overview of regulations and
19 restrictions, such as the PUC restrictions on the prior
20 use of debt service coverage allowance.

21 NBC must also consider expenditure requirements in
22 order to avoid financial penalties, and we must expend
23 and manage our resources in accordance with NBC's Trust
24 Indenture and the Thirteen Supplemental Indentures.

25 Some capital projects here, if we move on to the next

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1 section, the Impact to the Operating Budget, some
2 completed capital projects will also impact, will have
3 ongoing expenditures. This year the CIP outlines four.
4 Those are the Field's Point Nitrogen Removal Facilities,

5 the Bucklin Point Nitrogen Removal Facilities, the
6 Floatables Control Facilities, and the CSO Phase II
7 Facilities.

8 As you can see here in the top pie chart here,
9 approximately 58 percent of the impact will be
10 associated with utilities and the majority of that is
11 due to both the nitrogen at both plants and Phase II
12 Facilities. We'll also have chemical impact, and that
13 is due to the nitrogen removal, and biosolids as a
14 result of the increased flow from Phase II, and finally,
15 trash nets at about 1 percent, and that's for the
16 Floatable Control facilities.

17 The table at the bottom of the page just outlines by
18 project by expenditure type, those impacts.

19 If we move on to the Capital Project Summary, this
20 gives a full detail here; it's two pages, of the 46
21 projects summarized by functional area as well as their
22 project priority ranking. So, this just outlines the
23 cost for each of those years.

24 Following the summary are the individual project
25 detail sheets. These sheets provide a visual that

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1 reflects the work being completed within each project.

2 If you, for example, go to Page 42 under the

3 Infrastructure Management tab, we have our Capital
4 Projects 30501, and that is just a photo of our newly
5 installed barway gate as far as for access to one of our
6 easements.

7 If we then go to Page 49 which is part of the CSO
8 Phase II Facilities, we have the proposed outline for
9 the Wetlands Facility in Central Falls, and I'll show
10 you one more. This is a photo here of some rock debris
11 that was removed from one of our sewer manholes as part
12 of the inspection and cleaning process.

13 Lastly, I just wanted to go over the Overall Project
14 Schedule. This was completed by Construction and
15 Engineering staff, and this helps us to look at our
16 overall, all of the capital projects and the scheduling
17 for them all. That's it. Does anyone have any
18 questions?

19 COMMISSIONER SALVADORE: Any questions for
20 Sherri?

21 THE COMMISSION: (No response)

22 COMMISSIONER SALVADORE: Thank you, Sherri,
23 for a great presentation and explanation. Mr. Chairman,
24 CEO recommends approval of Resolution 2010:13.

25 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: We have a motion to

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1 approve Resolution 2010:13, which is the approval of the
2 Capital Improvement Program for FY 2012 through 2016.

3 VICE CHAIRMAN ROTELLA: Second.

4 COMMISSIONER MacQUEEN: Second.

5 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Second.

6 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Seconded by

7 Commissioner Rotella and Commissioner MacQueen and

8 Commissioner Brown. Sherri, that was a great

9 presentation. Thank you very much. It was very

10 informative. Before we move on and take this vote, do

11 any of our members have any questions regarding the

12 Capital Improvement Program for FY 2012 to 2016?

13 THE COMMISSION: (No response)

14 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: I would just like to

15 emphasize once again that while you are approving this

16 Capital Improvement Program, all of the individual

17 projects that you either heard about or will read about

18 need to come before this Board before they're approved

19 for construction, so this is just, basically, approval

20 of the Capital Improvement Program. I hope everyone

21 understands that. We have a motion, and we have a

22 second to approve Resolution 2010:13. All of those that

23 are in favor will say aye.

24 THE COMMISSION: Aye.

25 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Are there any opposed?

1 THE COMMISSION: (No response)

2 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: There are none opposed,
3 and the motion carries.

4 (MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY)

5 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Further report?

6 COMMISSIONER SALVADORE: That concludes our
7 report, Mr. Chairman.

8 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Thank you very much.
9 Next committee reporting would be the Finance Committee.
10 Commissioner Andrade, a report for us today?

11 COMMISSIONER ANDRADE: Yes, I have a report,
12 Mr. Chairman, on three items that were approved by the
13 Joint Long Range Planning and Finance Committee. The
14 first is Resolution 2010:14, the Resolution Authorizing
15 the Narragansett Bay Commission to Extend or Substitute
16 the Credit Facility Supporting the Commission's
17 Wastewater System Revenue Refunding Bonds, 2008 Series
18 A, and I move approval of that Resolution.

19 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: We have a motion to
20 approve Resolution 2010:14. Do we have a second?

21 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Second.

22 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Second, Commissioner
23 Brown. Discussion. I believe a lot of the members were
24 here for the discussion regarding this resolution. I
25 think it's pretty self-explanatory, or is there

1 discussion?

2 THE COMMISSION: (No response)

3 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Hearing none, all of
4 those that are in favor will say aye.

5 THE COMMISSION: Aye.

6 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Are there any opposed?

7 THE COMMISSION: (No response)

8 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: There are none opposed,
9 and the motion carries.

10 (MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY)

11 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Further report.

12 COMMISSIONER ANDRADE: Yes, Mr. Chairman.

13 The next Resolution 2010:15 is a Recommendation for Use
14 of Environmental Enforcement Funds, and I think the
15 Executive Director wanted to at least explain. I move
16 approval.

17 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: We have a motion
18 subject to discussion to approve Resolution 2010:15.

19 Second?

20 COMMISSIONER MILAS: Second.

21 VICE CHAIRMAN ROTELLA: Second.

22 COMMISSIONER SALVADORE: Second.

23 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Commissioner Milas,

24 Commissioner Rotella, Commissioner Salvatore. Proceed.

25 RAYMOND MARSHALL: This is a request by the

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1 Rhode Island Shellfishermen Association to use some of
2 the unused funds that were originally allocated for our
3 shellfish transplanting for a shellfish seeding program.

4 They want to buy 680,000 quahog seeds, cultivate
5 them, and then grow them and then deposit them in the
6 bay and in the salt ponds so that they can grow and
7 become legal for harvesting.

8 The \$3,875 that you would be allowing them to use
9 would be combined with a private donation of \$3,000 to
10 make this project happen. It's a very good project and
11 very consistent with all the support we've given to the
12 Shellfishermen Association and that industry over the
13 years.

14 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Comments, questions
15 discussion?

16 THE COMMISSION: (No response)

17 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Hearing none, all of
18 those that are in favor of Resolution 2010:15 will say
19 aye.

20 THE COMMISSION: Aye.

21 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Are there any opposed?

22 THE COMMISSION: (No response)

23 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: There are none opposed,
24 and that motion carries.

25 (MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY)

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1 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Further report?

2 COMMISSIONER ANDRADE: Yes, Mr. Chairman.

3 The next Resolution 2010:16 is an additional
4 Recommendation for Use of Environmental Enforcement
5 Funds, and I move approval of that Resolution.

6 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: I have a motion to
7 approve Resolution 2010:16, Use of Environmental
8 Enforcement Funds. Is there a second?

9 COMMISSIONER MONTANARI: Second.

10 VICE CHAIRMAN ROTELLA: Second.

11 COMMISSIONER SALVADORE: Second.

12 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Commissioner Montanari,
13 Commissioner Rotella, Commissioner Salvatore.
14 Discussion on the matter.

15 THE COMMISSION: (No response)

16 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Is there an explanation
17 required?

18 RAYMOND MARSHALL: The request is for \$2,500
19 from the EEF to be donated to the Leonard Walker

20 Memorial Scholarship Fund, which supports graduates at
21 the MET School here in Providence as they pursue their
22 college education.
23 Commissioner Walker is a former NBC Commissioner here
24 and also a strong proponent of the MET School in his
25 years that he was on the Board, so we ask for your

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1 continued support for this very worthwhile program.

2 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Discussion.

3 THE COMMISSION: (No response)

4 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Hearing none, all of
5 those that are in favor will say aye.

6 THE COMMISSION: Aye.

7 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Are there any opposed?

8 THE COMMISSION: (No response)

9 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: There are none opposed,
10 and that motion carries.

11 (MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY)

12 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Does that conclude your
13 report?

14 COMMISSIONER ANDRADE: One additional item,
15 Mr. Chairman.

16 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Proceed.

17 COMMISSIONER ANDRADE: The members of the

18 Finance Committee who are here, if we could take a quick
19 survey and let Karen know, we need to have our meeting
20 to approve the Budget, to have the Budget presentation.
21 It was postponed once.
22 The two dates that are available are next Wednesday
23 the 26th and Thursday the 27th at 8:30 a.m., so if those
24 of you who are on the Finance Committee would let Karen
25 know. I'm available either day, Karen, so we can set

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1 that up. That notice does have to be given out, a
2 public notice. I also want to mention that all members
3 of the Board of Commissioners are invited to attend
4 these meetings. It's not just the Finance Committee.

5 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: I've been following the
6 E-mail trail on this. We have, I know some of the
7 members have already responded. Do we have a quorum for
8 one of those days yet?

9 MS. MUSUMECI: No.

10 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Not yet?

11 MS. MUSUMECI: No.

12 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Well, that's an
13 important meeting, so if members of the Finance
14 Committee would take a look at their schedules in the
15 next day or so and get back to Karen, great.

16 RAYMOND MARSHALL: We need to post those
17 meetings on the Secretary of State's website, and make
18 sure you have all of the necessary information.

19 COMMISSIONER ANDRADE: That concludes my
20 report.

21 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Thank you very much.
22 The next committee reporting would be Personnel. No
23 report, I don't believe.

24 RAYMOND MARSHALL: No report.

25 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: No report. Rules and

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1 Regulations.

2 RAYMOND MARSHALL: No report.

3 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: There's no report.

4 Long Range Planning. I don't believe there was any
5 report. Harold, our Citizens Advisory Committee. Do
6 you have a report for us today, Harold?

7 MR. GADON: Our CAC meeting was held
8 Wednesday, May 12th with a quorum present. The feature
9 of the meeting was an excellent presentation by Francie
10 Brown from Finance which brought forth some very
11 interesting points to the Committee.

12 The debt service for 2010 will be 47 percent of the
13 Operating Budget. The class of industrial users now

14 numbers less than 1 percent, actual 7/10 of 1 percent.
15 It would be interesting to note what percent of cost
16 they contribute. They actually contribute 2 percent of
17 revenue.

18 One of our members, Howard Schacter, received a great
19 deal of publicity in the Providence Journal involving
20 his company, Plasticycle, which recycles plastic
21 beverage containers.

22 One member, Chris Hamilton, from a quasi-state
23 housing agency informed us that the state administration
24 is looking to meet the budget, is looking for available
25 money in quasi-state agencies, and her agency ended up

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1 buying a building for \$6 million in the ACI Pastore
2 complex. We hope that NBC is not being pressured in the
3 same way.

4 Jamie reported that the education program involving
5 the schools conducted by her and Cynthia Morrisette
6 involves over 500 students. Tomorrow at Goddard Park
7 she's having a function with 500 students attending, and
8 she said she has it under full control. This concludes
9 my report. Our next meeting will be held before the
10 summer break on June 16th. Thank you.

11 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Thank you, Harold.

12 Yes, I don't know how many of the Commissioners actually
13 read that story about Howard Schacter. It was very
14 interesting. It's a bottle and plastic recycling
15 operation, and it looks like it's going to be a pretty
16 successful operation.

17 The Executive Committee did not meet. The Ad Hoc
18 Committee on Compensation did not meet. On the Ad Hoc
19 Committee on Internal Ethics, no meeting.

20 COMMISSIONER DiCHIRO: No meeting, Mr.
21 Chairman.

22 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Legislative report.
23 There she is. Joanne, what's going on up at the State
24 House? Enlighten us.

25 MS. MACERONI: I have no formal report, Mr.

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1 Chairman. The report that I issued last month lists the
2 bills that we're continuing to monitor and work on, and
3 it's a work in progress, that's all I can say. Rumor
4 has it that they're going to be adjourning in June, but
5 I'll believe it when I see it.

6 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: What do you have to say
7 about that, Mr. Speaker?

8 MR. DeANGELIS: They always say they're
9 going to adjourn in June.

10 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: I know. It is strictly
11 a rumor. Thank you, Joe. Chairman's Report, a couple
12 of things. First of all with regard to the photo op
13 today with the Commissioners, thank you very much. I
14 can't tell you how thrilled I am to see this building
15 starting to come together. It's really historical for
16 the Narragansett Bay Commission. Please keep your
17 helmets, hardhats as a momento.

18 I understand there is some interest in the shovel. I
19 didn't contemplate, anticipate that, but we have, I
20 think there's 10 left. We'll make certain that those
21 who want a shovel get them. So, all we need to know is
22 who's going to take them; and who didn't receive one,
23 and we'll have the balance available at the next Board
24 meeting.

25 We had 12, so we'll need about 8 more, and we'll have

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1 them. So, whoever gets these, those who didn't receive
2 one, let us know, and we'll have them here for the next
3 meeting.

4 I would like to say that the Board has shown extreme
5 foresight when we talked several months ago about
6 expanding our system and looking at future sources of
7 revenue, and I can't tell you how thrilled to death that

8 I am that we're working with the Town of Johnston at
9 this point; and we will expand our system, and not only
10 will we be recognizing revenues directly from the
11 Resource Recovery, but future expansion in that area of
12 Johnston which is not yet sewerred, hopefully will be
13 tying into our system; and this is additional revenues
14 and another means of us maintaining our rates.

15 This Board through its foresight authorized that kind
16 of a discussion to occur 8 months ago or maybe longer
17 when we started talking with various cities and towns
18 about expanding our system into areas that look like
19 they had development potential, and this is really a
20 significant amount of revenue that we will be
21 recognizing now and into the future; and I'm so excited
22 about it.

23 We did appear, as the Executive Director said, before
24 the House Oversight Committee last month. I think it's
25 safe to say that the Committee was impressed with the

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1 Commission's activities and the Commission's
2 accomplishments over the years. I didn't hear any
3 adverse comments.

4 As the Executive Director told you, we have been
5 requested to provide very voluminous documents. I hope

6 they're going to read all of it. We did provide that to
7 the Blue Ribbon Commission of the Senate about -- I
8 don't know, Joanne, how long ago was that?

9 MS. MACERONI: That was a while ago.

10 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: And we actually had to
11 wheel them in on hand trucks, and I know that they read
12 every single word and understood it because we never
13 heard a word back. So, we're going to provide all the
14 information that's required by the Oversight Committee.

15 I think it's a worthwhile endeavor by both the Senate
16 and the House, and we're happy to comply. It is
17 expensive, and it is time consuming; but fortunately,
18 Narragansett Bay Commission is always prepared to
19 provide that kind of information.

20 So, having said that, that completes the Chairman's
21 Report. Our next Board Meeting is June 23, so please
22 make a note of that; and that completes the Chairman's
23 Report.

24 Moving right along, then, is Item Number 7, which is
25 New Business. Do any of our members have any new

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1 business to come before the Commission?

2 THE COMMISSION: (No response)

3 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: New business. Other

4 business of any kind, any member?

5 THE COMMISSION: (No response)

6 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: No. Commissioner

7 Rotella.

8 VICE CHAIRMAN ROTELLA: Move adjournment.

9 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: We have a motion to

10 adjourn.

11 COMMISSIONER WORRELL: Second.

12 COMMISSIONER KIMBALL: Second.

13 COMMISSIONER SALVADORE: Second.

14 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Seconded by

15 Commissioner Worrell, Kimball, Salvadore. All in favor

16 will say aye.

17 THE COMMISSION: Aye.

18 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Are there any opposed?

19 THE COMMISSION: (No response)

20 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: There are none opposed,

21 and the motion carries.

22 (MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY)

23 CHAIRMAN MESOLELLA: Thank you very much for

24 coming.

25 (MONTHLY BOARD MEETING ADJOURNED AT 12:15 P.M.)

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I, Heather Marie Finger, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, accurate, and complete transcript of my notes taken at the above-entitled hearing.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 3rd day of June 2010.

HEATHER MARIE FINGER, CSR, NOTARY PUBLIC
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 4/02/12

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