

MINUTES OF MEETING
NEW JERSEY PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION
November 17, 2016
10:00 a.m.
495 West State Street
Trenton, New Jersey

The meeting was called to order by Chair P. Kelly Hatfield.

Present were:

Commissioners:

John Bonanni
Paul Boudreau
John Eskilson

Also present were:

Robin T. McMahon, General Counsel
Don Horowitz, Senior Deputy General Counsel
Joseph Blaney, Deputy General Counsel
David Gambert, Deputy General Counsel
Frank Kanther, Deputy General Counsel
Christine Lucarelli-Carneiro, Deputy General Counsel
Kellie Hullfish, who acted as Stenographer

At the commencement of the meeting, Chair Hatfield, pursuant to Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, entered this announcement into the minutes of the meeting:

Adequate notice has been provided by the dissemination of a written "Annual Notice of Meeting." On December 17, 2015 a copy of such notice was:

(a) prominently posted in a public place at the offices of the Public Employment Relations Commission;

(b) sent to the business offices of the Trenton Times and the Courier Post, as well as to the State House press row addresses of 25 media outlets;

(c) copies e-mailed to the Secretary of State for filing; and

(d) posted on the agency's web site.

Furthermore on November 10, 2016, copies of an additional written "Notice of Meeting" were posted and sent in a similar manner.

The first item for consideration was the minutes of the September 22, 2016 regular meeting. A motion to adopt the minutes was made by Commissioner Eskilson and seconded by Commissioner Bonanni. The motion to adopt the minutes was unanimously approved (Chair Hatfield, Commissioners Bonanni, Boudreau and Eskilson).

The Minutes of the October 20, 2016 regular meeting are being held over to the next agenda due to the absences today and that Commissioner's Boudreau and Eskilson were not present at the October 20 meeting.

The Counsel's Office distributed a monthly report.

Chair Hatfield acknowledged Donald Barbati, Esq. from the Crivelli and Barbati law firm. Mr. Barbati is here for the draft decision in Atlantic County Sheriff's Office and PBA Local 243, Docket No. SN-2017-002. We will consider this decision first to accommodate Mr. Barbati. Commissioner Eskilson moved the draft decision and Commissioner Boudreau seconded the motion. The motion to adopt the draft decision was unanimously approved (Chair Hatfield, Commissioner Bonanni, Boudreau and Eskilson).

The next item for consideration was the draft decision in West Morris Regional High School Board of Education and West Morris Regional Education Association, Docket No. SN-2016-081. As a result of recusals and absences, a quorum of Commissioner's was not present to act on this item. This case will be considered at a future meeting.

The next item for consideration was the draft decision in City of Perth Amboy and Perth Amboy Police Benevolent Association Local 13, Docket No. CO-2015-059. As a result of recusals and absences, a quorum of Commissioner's was not present to act on this item. This case will be considered at a future meeting.

The next item for consideration was the draft decision in Township of Howell and PBA Local 228, Docket No. SN-2016-061. As a result of recusals and absences, a quorum of Commissioner's was not present to act on this item. This case will be considered at a future meeting.

The next item for consideration was the draft decision in Township of Hillside and Firemen's Mutual Benevolent Association Local 35, Docket No. CO-2014-027. Commissioner Eskilson moved the draft decision and Commissioner Boudreau seconded the motion. The motion to adopt the draft decision was not approved (Chair Hatfield, Commissioners Bonanni, Boudreau and Eskilson opposed). Commissioner Eskilson then moved to adopt the draft decision presented at the October 20, 2016 Commission meeting. Commissioner Boudreau seconded the motion. The decision was unanimously approved (Chair Hatfield, Commissioner Bonanni, Boudreau and Eskilson).

The next item for consideration was the draft decision in South Jersey Transportation Authority and IFPTE Local 196, Chapter 2, Docket No. SN-2017-010. As a result of recusals and

absences, a quorum of Commissioner's was not present to act on this item. This case will be considered at a future meeting.

The next item for consideration was the draft decision in West Orange Board of Education and West Orange Education Association, Docket No. SN-2016-073. As a result of recusals and absences, a quorum of Commissioner's was not present to act on this item. This case will be considered at a future meeting.

The next item for consideration was the draft decision in Vincent McLeod and New Jersey Department of Corrections Northern State Prison, OAL Docket No. CSR 00222-16, Agency Docket No. 2016-1999 and PERC Docket No. CI-2016-034. Commissioner Bonanni moved the draft decision and Commissioner Boudreau seconded the motion. The motion to adopt the draft decision was unanimously approved (Chair Hatfield, Commissioners Bonanni, Boudreau and Eskilson).

The next item for consideration was the draft decision in Communications Workers of America and Crissy B. Nicholson, Docket No. CI-2015-054. Commissioner Eskilson moved the draft decision and Commissioner Bonanni seconded the motion. The motion to adopt the draft decision was unanimously approved (Chair Hatfield, Commissioners Bonanni, Boudreau and Eskilson).

The final item for consideration was the Proposed Amendments-Interest Arbitration in Public Police and Fire Departments: N.J.A.C. 19:16. Chair Hatfield recommended that the

Commission propose these amendments to conform the rules to the changes in the interest arbitration law made by P.L. 2014, c.11. She noted that the proposed amendments, if adopted, would also update and formally incorporate the expedited scope of negotiations procedure used in interest arbitration cases that had previously been a pilot program. Commissioner Bonanni moved the proposal and Commissioner Boudreau seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved (Chair Hatfield, Commissioners Bonanni, Boudreau and Eskilson).

Commissioner Bonanni moved to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Eskilson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned.

The next regular meeting is scheduled to be held on Thursday, December 22, 2016.