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CITY OF NORWALK
THIRD TAXING DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 2009

ATTENDANCE: Timothy Plunkett, Chair; David Brown; Paul Kokias

STAFF: George Leary, General Manager; Ron Scofield, Assistant General Manager/District Clerk

OTHERS: Connie DiScala, Treasurer; Simon Sumberg, District Counsel; Ken Wosczyzna, AFLAC; Darek Shapiro, Architect; Chris Hodgson, Labor Attorney;

Mr. Plunkett called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

**** MR. PLUNKETT MOVED TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:02 P.M. TO DISCUSS A PERSONNEL MATTER.**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

In attendance were: Timothy Plunkett, David Brown, Paul Kokias, George Leary, Ron Scofield, Attorney Simon Sumberg, Attorney Chris Hodgson.

**** MR. BROWN MOVED TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:32 P.M.**

**** MR. PLUNKETT SECONDED**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

There was no action taken in Executive Session.

**** MR. PLUNKETT MOVED TO TAKE THE AGENDA OUT OF ORDER**

**** MR. BROWN SECONDED**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

INSURANCE PROPOSAL

Mr. Ken Wosena, representing AFLAC gave a presentation to the Commission. He explained that AFLAC is a supplemental insurance that can be made available to

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employees at their cost on a pre-tax basis. This is a group rated individually owned policies. Mr. Brown said that he wanted to be sure that this benefit is never part of the Union contract.

- ** MR. BROWN MOVED TO ALLOW AFLAC TO GIVE A PRESENTATION TO EMPLOYEES AND TO APPROVE PROVIDING PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS FOR ANY EMPLOYEES WHO CHOOSE TO ENROLL IN AFLAC**
- ** MR. PLUNKETT SECONDED**
- ** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

OFFICE RENOVATIONS

Mr. Darek Shapiro provided preliminary office renovation plans for the Commission's review. The approximate cost with furnishings is \$283,600. He explained that he specializes in energy solutions and is involved in geo thermal systems. Mr. Shapiro said that his plans can save about 75% of the energy needed to heat the building by reducing the amount of airflow.

Mr. Shapiro said that he is trying to get an answer from the City of Norwalk's Building Department about how much of the renovation would have to be ADA compliant.

Mr. Leary made recommendations for revisions to the preliminary plans.

- ** MR. BROWN MOVED TO AUTHORIZE SPENDING AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,000 FOR DESIGN DEVELOPMENT DRAWINGS TO COMPLETE THE DRAWINGS (CONTRACT DOCUMENTS)**
- ** MR. PLUNKETT SECONDED**
- ** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no members of the public present this evening.

MINUTES OF MEETINGS

- DECEMBER 1, 2008

The following corrections were made to the minutes:

Page 1 add: Assistant General Manager to Mr. Scofield's title

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CMEEC should read: CMEEC/Transco

**** MR. KOKIAS MOVED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS CORRECTED**
**** MR. BROWN SECONDED**
**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

- DECEMBER 17, 2008

The following correction was made to the minutes:

Page 1 – correct to Elizabeth Leary to Elizabeth Lyons

The Commissioners held a discussion about the format of the minutes. It was agreed that if a Commissioner wants an item to be included in the minutes, they will inform the recording secretary.

**** MR. BROWN MOVED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS CORRECTED**
**** MR. PLUNKETT SECONDED**
**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Leary reviewed his written report.

Norden:

Mr. Leary said that on Monday, he was going to go to the Chair of the DPUC to explore whether or not an accommodation could be reached. The Commissioners noted that when the time comes, they may want to ask Senator Duff to get involved. Mr. Leary will present Senator Duff with relevant information in the event his assistance is needed.

Conservation:

Mr. Leary reported that to date, 931 homes have installed compact fluorescent lamps. He said that it is a very costly program and they are \$70 – 80,000 in the hole. Marvin School cost over \$20,000.

Mr. Leary recommended that the Commissioners read the audit report.

FIREHOUSE LEASE (billing)

Mr. Plunkett reported that he e-mailed Mayor Moccia and asked for a meeting. He has not gotten a response yet.

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Mr. Leary talked about the Annual Meeting that will take place in two months. The Library will make a presentation to the Commission prior to that meeting.

Mr. Kokias asked if the Commission could recognize Mr. Terry Rooney. He said that he is a great, gracious guy. Mr. Plunkett suggested a plaque.

ADJOURN

**** MR. BROWN MOVED TO ADJOURN
** MR. KOKIAS SECONDED
** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

There was no further business and the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemarie Lombardi
Telesco Secretarial Services