

### PUBLIC ENTITY JOINT INSURANCE FUND MEETING AGENDA July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Hampton Inn, Woodbridge, NJ - at 10:00am - Please see board in Lobby

- MEETING OF BOARD OF FUND COMMISSIONERS CALLED TO ORDER
- OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT STATEMENT
- In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting was provided by:
  - 1. Sending sufficient notice to the Fund's designated newspapers, the Newark Star Ledger and The Times of Trenton
  - 2. Filing advanced written notice of this meeting with each member municipality; and
  - 3. Posting notice of this meeting on the Public Bulletin Board of all member municipalities.
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- SWEARING IN OF FUND COMMISSIONER FOR BOROUGH OF ROSELLE
- ROLL CALL OF FUND COMMISSIONERS
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES 6/17/14 MEETING
- ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS
  - Resolution 24-14 Approving Certain Disbursements
  - Resolution 25-14 Approving Claims Payments
  - Resolution 26-14 Approving Fund Counsel

### **REPORTS**

- EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR NIP GROUP (Earl Miller)
  - o Financial Fast Track
  - East Orange
  - o 2015 Renewal (J. Hall)
  - o Prospects 1/1/15 (J. Hall)
- SAFETY DIRECTOR (D. Perillo, Sr. Risk Control Specialist, Wendy Wiebalk, Litigation Manager)
  - o DPW New PPE Procedure Implementation Damarys Gonzales/ West New York
  - o Safety Bulletin DPW Hazards and Controls, The Importance of PPE D. Perillo
  - o Risk Control Training DVD Topics Library D. Perillo
  - o Safety Reminder Subcontractor Controls D. Perillo
  - Punitive Damages in EPL Cases W. Wiebalk
- CLAIMS REPORT (Robert Persico, Vice President Claims)
  - o Relationship with Local School Boards
- TREASURER'S REPORT (Patrick DeBlasio)
- NEW BUSINESS
- ADJOURNMENT



# PUBLIC ENTITY JOINT INSURANCE FUND MEETING MINUTES June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014

# Hampton Inn Woodbridge, NJ at 10:00am

# MEETING OF THE PUBLIC ENTITY JOINT INSURANCE FUND CALLED TO ORDER AT 10:16 AM.

### ROLL CALL OF FUND COMMISSIONERS

Ricardo Fernandez – City of Passaic Jillian Barrick – City of Perth Amboy Karen Dabney – City of Plainfield Joseph DeMarco – Town of West New York

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014

MOTION: Commr. Dabney SECOND: Commr. Fernandez ABSTAIN: Commr. Barrick

### ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

### MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTIONS

o **Resolution 22-14** – Approving Disbursements totaling \$565,936.23

MOTION: Commr. DeMarco **SECOND:** Commr. Barrick

### **VOTE: ROLL CALL**

Ricardo Fernandez – City of Passaic Jillian Barrick – City of Perth Amboy Karen Dabney – City of Plainfield Joseph DeMarco – Town of West New York

o **Resolution 23-14** – Approving Claims Payments totaling \$106,838

**MOTION:** Commr. DeMarco **SECOND:** Commr. Barrick

### **VOTE: ROLL CALL**

Ricardo Fernandez – City of Passaic Jillian Barrick – City of Perth Amboy Karen Dabney – City of Plainfield Joseph DeMarco – Town of West New York



Mr. Miller wanted to take a minute to introduce Mr. William Boughton from the Township of Teaneck which was accompanied by his Risk manager Mr. Wayne Dietz of D & H. As Teaneck's risk manager, Mr. Dietz felt that it's never too early for a prospective town to come to a PEJIF meeting. Teaneck is a great candidate to join the PEJIF and tentatively might join January 2015.

### **Executive Director – NIP Management Services - E. Miller**

- Financial Fast Track –Fund continues to maintain a small YTD surplus and all claims obligations are being met.
- o **New Members -** Roselle has signed the Indemnity & Trust for an entry date of 7/1/14 and a new member orientation was held last week. East Orange is getting a new risk manager, who will work with us to bring them into the PEJIF no later than September, 2014. We have given them a 60 extension under the CivicPro Program, while we work on the transition.
- O 2015 Renewal Cycle (J. Hall) The 2015 underwriting renewal cycle has begun. The risk managers webinar, which was well-attended, reviewed the renewal requirements and process, as well as some FAQ's from the RM's. Members are asked to work closely with their risk managers to facilitate the process.

# SAFETY DIRECTOR - Anthony Ven Graitis, Vice President Risk Control & Wendy Wiebalk, Litigation Manager, Debbie Perillo, Sr. Risk Control Specialist)

- Debbie Perillo was unable to attend the PEJIF meeting. Anthony Ven Graitis will briefly discuss her topics.
  - o **Safety Updates A. Ven Graitis** –available training including SERVE on line driver training for emergency responders, In2vate on line training for PEOSH required and Police/EMT professional training, live training from a risk control professional, and EPL training.
  - o **Emergency Management & Preparedness A. Ven Gratis -** The summit was a success with representatives from the NJ State Police, former JCPL executive, professional firm Response Law, Agility Recovery, and risk control professionals from member municipalities, PMA and NIP. Members from the GSMJIF and PEJIF participated in the round table discussion and feedback was positive. Takeaways included the need to form Mutual Aid agreements with private firms at the corporate level, creating agreements in writing with the public entities, declaring who will be responsible for what including costs, need to perform table top emergency response meetings and case examples.
  - Member Updates D. Perillo –PEJIF member safety meetings and recent training was discussed. Members briefed committee members on new initiatives and feedback on Emergency Management & Preparedness Summit.
  - O Safety Topics Safety Committee/Summer Programs/Liability Exposures/Fireworks Display Safety Procedures D. Perillo –Bulletins on topics will be sent out. Liability issues with each were briefly discussed including need to transfer risk to fireworks vendors, ensure vendor is responsible for cleanup and inspection prior and post event, emergency preparation (table top) meetings are held prior, proper training for temporary staff hired for summer camps is



provided and staff have background checks performed, procedures and policies are in place to prohibit any time alone with minors, etc.

- Monthly safety Bulletin: How to best Implement New Safety Initiatives Effectively D. Perillo
   A need for management and employee accountability for safety was discussed.
- The Rights of Employees to Social Media, Internet Privacy, and Document Retention in the Workplace – W. Wiebalk - Wendy spoke about employees' rights in the workplace in regard to various Internet and employer/employee communication issues

## CLAIMS REPORT - Robert Persico, Vice President Claims James Renner AVP, Claims Director

**Sidewalk Liability Claims (J. Renner)** - Jim provided a presentation on claims against public entities alleging a dangerous condition of public property and specifically sidewalk liability claims. A review of the appropriate Title 59 defenses and immunities were discussed as well as the proper investigation of these claims

Treasurer's Report – Patrick DeBlasio - Mr. DeBlasio reviewed the monthly treasurer's report
and cash management account and advised that the Fund has met all outstanding obligations and
its financial position is secure.

MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION, NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(B), TO DISCUSS PENDING OR ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (CLAIMS)

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**NEW BUSINESS** 

**OPEN FORUM** 

### **MOTION TO ADJOURN - COMPLETED**

Commissioner Fernandez made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:17am and Commissioner DeMarco second the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Prepared by E. Miller	r.
	Earl Miller
	Ricardo Fernandez

ALSO PRESENT: Below needs to be updated

Earl Miller – NIP Madeline Delgado – NIP



Patrick DeBlasio – Treasurer

Robert Persico - NIP

James Renner - NIP

Jonathan Hall – NIP

Anthony Ven Graitis - NIP

Wendy Wiebalk – NIP

Brian Erlandsen - BGIA

Mike O'Connell- Pringle, Quinn, Anzano

Francis O'Kelly – BGIA

Rob Smith - NIP

Steve Edwards - BGIA

George Crosby - BGIA

Tom Fragoso - Sirocco

Matt Baron

Kathleen Guze – D & H Alternative

William Boughton – Township of Teaneck

Wayne Dietz – D & H Alternative

Patrick DeBlasio - Treasurer

Kathy Martin - City of Passaic

Lindsay Klein - Reliance Insurance

Larry Graham - Fairview Insurance

# **Public Entity Joint Insurance Fund Monthly Status Report**



July 15, 2014

MEMO TO: INSURANCE FUND CHAIRMAN FERNANDEZ

FROM: PATRICK J. DEBLASIO, CPA, CMFO, CGFM, -FUND TREASURER

Please be advised that the following is an update of the status of the Public Entity

Joint Insurance Fund:

Joint Insurance	r unu.		May <u>2014</u>		June <u>2014</u>	
Beginning Cash Balance	Operating Account-Bank of America Claims Fiduciary Account-Bank of America	\$	289,730.06 9,027.19	\$	756,208.14 9,027.19	
	Total Balance	\$	298,757.25	\$	765,235.33	
Receipts:						Totals YTD
Interest Income		\$	-	\$	-	\$ -
Operating Account-Ba Claims Fiduciary Acco		\$ \$	474,094.30 5,653.68		156,977.25 2,963.35	
Total Receipts		\$	479,747.98	\$	159,940.60	-
Disbursements:						
Operating Account-Ba Claims Fiduciary Acco		\$ \$	7,616.22 5,653.68	\$ \$	569,873.10 2,963.35	
Total Disbursements		\$	13,269.90	\$	572,836.45	-
Ending Cash Balance		\$	765,235.33	\$	352,339.48	

**BANK RECONCILIATION** ACCT.NAME **Bank of America** BANK/ACCT# Claims Fiduciary Acct -3810-3273-1969 From То 06/01/14 06/30/14 DATE **BOOK BALANCE AS OF** 06/01/14 \$ 9,027.19 ADD DEPOSITS (PER BANK LEDGER) 2,963.35 SUBTRACT: DISBURSEMENTS (PER BANK LEDGER) 2,963.35 **BOOK BALANCE AS OF** 06/30/14 \$ 9,027.19 **BALANCE PER BANK STATEMENT** 06/30/14 \$9,027.19 **ADD: DEPOSIT IN TRANSIT** DATE AMOUNT **TOTAL** 0.00 0.00 SUBTRACT: CHECKS OUTSTANDING **AMOUNT** DATE CHECK#

	TOTAL	0.00	-	0.00
LIST ITEMS IN LEDGER NOT	ON STATEMENT			
DATE AMOUNT				
	TOTAL	\$		0.00
LIST ITEMS ON STATEMENT DATE	NOT IN LEDGER AMOUNT			
	TOTAL			0.00
ADJUSTED BANK BALANCE	E(BOOK BAL)AS OF	06/30/14		9,027.19
			Difference	0.00

**REVIEWED BY** Mary Foulks

PREPARED BY

Patrick J. DeBlasio, CPA

### **BANK RECONCILIATION**

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**BOOK BALANCE AS OF** 

ADD DEPOSITS (PER BANK LEDGER)

ACCT.NAME Bank of America

BANK/ACCT# Claims/Operating Account -3810-3273-1969
From To

DATE 06/01/14 06/30/14
06/01/14 \$ 756,208.14
156,977.25

SUBTRACT: DISBURSEMENTS (PER BANK LEDGER) 569,873.10

BOOK BALANCE AS OF 06/30/14 \$ 343,312.29

BALANCE PER BANK STATEMENT 06/30/14 \$343,312.29

ADD: DEPOSIT IN TRANSIT DATE AMOUNT

TOTAL 0.00 0.00

SUBTRACT: CHECKS OUTSTANDING

DATE CHECK# AMOUNT

TOTAL 0.00 0.00 LIST ITEMS IN LEDGER NOT ON STATEMENT DATE **AMOUNT TOTAL** \$ 0.00 LIST ITEMS ON STATEMENT NOT IN LEDGER DATE **AMOUNT** TOTAL 0.00 ADJUSTED BANK BALANCE(BOOK BAL)AS OF 06/30/14 343,312.29 Difference 0.00 PREPARED BY Patrick J. DeBlasio, CPA **REVIEWED BY** Mary Foulks

# July 17th, 2014- PEJIF Commissioners Meeting Bills List

Date: 7.1.14 Invoice #: 07



Notes	<u>Description</u>	COMMENTS	Check #/WT	Invoice Amt.
	The NJ Times	June Meeting Notice	#127	\$4.64
	Patrick DeBlasio	Treasurer Services May	#128	\$416.67
	Pringle Quinn Anzano	Invoices #36780-\$589 & #36603-\$403 Fund Attny Services	#129	\$992.00
	Scirocco Financial Group	RM Fee 2 of 2 for 2014	#130	\$20,438.50
		Total in Checks \$21,851.81		
		WIRE TRANSFERS	WT	
	BGIA	Invoice #198685 Public Entity JIF UW Fee 2 of 2 for 2014		39,238.71
	BGIA	Invoice #200117 Travelers equipment breakdown endorsement 2 adding Roselle 7/1/14		483.00
	BGIA	Invoice 200112 Caitlin Policy XSC-680102- 0115 endorsement 7 adding Roselle effective 7/1/14		3,243.00
	BGIA	Invoice #200189 Travelers Property Endors. Adding Roselle		11,828.00
		Total WT/BGIA \$54,792.71		
			Subtotal	\$ 76,644.52
			Total	\$ 76.644.52

Total **\$ 76,644.52** 



# **RESOLUTION NO. 24-14**

### PUBLIC ENTITY JOINT INSURANCE FUND

(Hereinafter the "FUND")

### APPROVING CERTAIN DISBURSEMENTS

**WHEREAS,** the Bylaws of the PEJIF require that the Fund Commissioners approve all disbursements by a majority vote, and

WHEREAS, the attached bill of items sets forth certain bills or demands for monies;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** by the FUND's Board of Fund Commissioners that the attached bill of items totaling \$76,644.52 payment.

Adopted: this day by the Board of Fund Commissioners			
	July 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2014		
Chairman	Date		
Secretary	July 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2014 Date		



# **RESOLUTION NO. 25-14**

### PUBLIC ENTITY JOINT INSURANCE FUND

(Hereinafter referred to as the "FUND")

### APPROVING CLAIMS PAYMENTS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Fund Commissioners of the Public Entity Joint Insurance Fund, that confirmation and authorization approval is made in issuance of the attached claims payments totaling \$92,230 against the fund.

ADOPTED:	this day before	the Board of Fui	nd Commis	ssioners:
		-	Date	July 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2014
Secretary			Date	July 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2014



### **RESOLUTION NO. 26-14**

# RESOLUTION APPOINTING APPROVED COUNSEL FOR THE PUBLIC ENTITY JOINT INSURANCE FUND

**WHEREAS**, the Public Entity Joint Insurance Fund is responsible for providing a defense to certain claims brought against its members in accordance with the Fund's coverage documents; and

**WHEREAS,** in order to appoint defense counsel, a law firm must be on the approved counsel list of the Public Entity Joint Insurance Fund to defend any members of the Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, the law firms shown in this resolution have been proposed as Counsel for the Public Entity Joint Insurance Fund for the year 2014;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Board of Fund Commissioners of the Public Entity Joint Insurance Fund that the law firms named in this resolution be and the same are hereby appointed as an approved counsel for the Public Entity Joint Insurance Fund for the year 2014:

### O'Donnell, McCord, P.C.

15 Mount Kemble Avenue Morristown, NJ 07960 973.538.1230100 phone 973.538.3301 fax

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chairman of the Public Entity Joint Insurance Fund is hereby authorized to execute this resolution;

### PUBLIC ENTITY JOINT INSURANCE FUND

	July 15, 2014
Chairman	Date
	July 15, 2014
Secretary	Date

### **PEJIF MONTHLY PAYMENTS**

2014

**PEJIF Total for the month** 

MONTH JUNE

D&H -	Amount
PASSAIC	
WC	27,945
LIABILITY, PROP & APD	19,785
PERTH AMBOY	
WC	3,779
LIABILITY & PROP	4,230
Inservco -	
PLAINFIELD	
WC	29,552
LIABILITY & PROP	3,316
CCMSI -	
WNY	
WC	2,911
LIABILITY & PROP	712
Total Paid	

92,230

	I			PUBLIC ENTITY JOINT INSURANCE FUND CERTIFICATES ISSUED 3/7/2014 to 4/8/2014				
JIF Member	ISSUED	CERT HOLDER	COVERAGE	HOLDER DESCRIPTION				
City of Plainfield	6/25/2014	County of Union Administration Building	2014 GL/AL/WC	The County of Union, its Board of Chosen Freeholders, officers, employees, agents and servants are included as additional insured (Premises Owner) as respects the City of Plainfield's use of Cedar Brook Park for their 2014 Fireworks Celebration on 7/5/14 rain date 7/6/14. *				
City of Plainfield	6/26/2014	Neighborhood Health Services Corporation	2014 GL/AL/WC	Evidence of Insurance as respects the City of Plainfield's placement of 6 participants in the Summer Youth Employment Program at the Health Center worksite from 7/7/14 through 8/29/14. Youths to work as clerical support at the health center.				
City of Passaic	6/30/2014	Preakness Valley Golf Course	2014 GL	Evidence of insurance as respects the City of Passaic's rental of four golf carts from the certificate holder from July 3rd to July 6th.				
City of Passaic	6/20/2014	City of Paterson Dept. of Health & Human Service	2014 GL/AL/WC	City of Paterson is included as an additional insured (Grantor) as respects the City of Passaic providing support services for the Ryan White/HOPWA Program. Services include case management, rental assistance, utility assistance and security deposits.*				
Town of West New York	6/26/2014	Wells Fargo Equipment Finance	2014 GL/AL/WC/ APD	Wells Fargo Equipment Finance is included as an additional insured (Lessor) on liability and loss payee as respects the Town of West New York's lease of a 2013 Braun Ford E-350 Type II Ambulance VIN 1FDWE3FS6DDA62275 total cost new \$140,507.00. *				