TOWN OF BROOKHAVEN
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
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December 21, 2021
10:07 a.m.

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

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APPEARANCES:

MEMBERS:
FREDERICK C. BRAUN, III
MARTIN G. CALLAHAN
FELIX J. GRUCCI, JR.
LENORE PAPROCKY
GARY POLLAKUSKY
ANN-MARIE SCHEIDT

ALSO PRESENT:
LISA M.G. MULLIGAN, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
LORI J. LapONTE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
JOCELYN LINSE, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
ANNETTE EADERESTO, ESQ., AGENCY COUNSEL
WILLIAM F. WEIR, ESQ., NIXON PEABODY

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MR. BRAUN: It's 10:07 on Tuesday, December . . . what's today's date?

MS. MULLIGAN: Twenty-first.

MS. EADERESTO: Twenty-first.

MR. BRAUN: Twenty-first; thank you everybody.

MR. CALLAHAN: First day of winter.

MS. MULLIGAN: Yes.

MS. SCHEIDT: Winter solstice, out of sight.

MR. BRAUN: This is a meeting of the Governance Committee of the Town of Brookhaven Industrial Development Agency. A quorum is present.

Lisa.

MS. MULLIGAN: Today's meeting has been convened in accordance with Chapter 417 of the laws of 2021 effective September 2, 2021 through January 15, 2022 permitting local governments to hold public meetings by telephone and videoconference.

Okay. So our agenda is relatively brief.

The first item on the agenda is our
ethics policy, which was included in your packets.

As per our ethics policy, it's supposed to be reviewed annually by our Governance Committee, so we wanted to take this opportunity to see if anyone had any edits or concerns or comments to it. We will officially adopt it in January like we do every year, but I just wanted to give everyone a chance to review it.

Does anyone have any comments or questions or concerns?

MS. SCHEIDT: It looks comprehensive.

MR. GRUCCI: I have none.

MR. WEIR: I have none.

MS. SCHEIDT: Nothing to add.

MR. BRAUN: Do we need a resolution to recommend it to the full board or is just a consensus sufficient?

MR. WEIR: You can do a resolution to recommend it to the full board.

MR. GRUCCI: I move it.

MR. POLLAKUSKY: So moved.

MR. BRAUN: Somebody care to move it,
please?

MS. SCHEIDT: Felix and Gary have already taken care of that.

MR. BRAUN: Thank you very much.

Mr. Callahan?

MR. CALLAHAN: Yes.

MR. BRAUN: Mr. Grucci?

MR. GRUCCI: Yes.

MR. BRAUN: Mr. Pollakusky?

MR. POLLAKUSKY: Yes.

MR. BRAUN: Ms. Paprocky?

MS. PAPROCKY: Yes.

MR. BRAUN: Ms. Scheidt?

MS. SCHEIDT: Yes.

MR. BRAUN: Mr. Braun votes yes.

The motion is carried. Thank you.

MS. LaPONTE: Included in the package is the annual questionnaire that will be sent out in accordance with the ethics policy also for your review.

Any questions on that?

Similar to the one in the prior year.

Okay.

MR. BRAUN: Are there any updates to
that that have been recommended, either by the ABO or anybody else?

MS. LaPONTE: Not at this point.

MS. MULLIGAN: No.

MS. LaPONTE: We monitor the ABO, anything that comes out we monitor, anything that comes out with the OSC, so we haven't received anything.

MR. BRAUN: Okay.

MS. LaPONTE: So we continue to monitor it annually. Well, not even annually, throughout the year.

MS. MULLIGAN: Yeah.

MR. BRAUN: Okay.

MS. LaPONTE: Lastly on the agenda, I did want to make everyone aware of there's an ethics inquiry, so I'm actually pulling together a report and investigation about that and I will get back to you if any questions.

MR. BRAUN: But it is not as yet complete; is that correct?

MS. LaPONTE: No, no, no.

MS. MULLIGAN: But we just wanted you to know that there was an inquiry and that it
is being looked into.

MR. GRUCCI: When it gets looked into, is it looked into in-house or do we have somebody external that reviews it?

MS. LaPONTE: So I review it in accordance with the policy and if I need be, I can go elsewhere and I will discuss it amongst the board, amongst our attorneys, amongst anybody that I feel fit in any circumstances.

MR. BRAUN: Felix, Lori is the IDA's ethics officer.

MS. MULLIGAN: Yes.

MR. GRUCCI: No, I understand that. I didn't know if she brought an outside agency in to review it along with her.

MS. LaPONTE: No.

MS. MULLIGAN: Our policy gives her latitude to handle it as she feels it's appropriate.

MR. GRUCCI: Great. Thank you.

MS. LaPONTE: And that's all I had at this time.

MS. MULLIGAN: Okay.

MR. BRAUN: Are there any other
questions?

MS. SCHEIDT: Are we taking minutes of this meeting or are we just reporting the recommendation?

MS. MULLIGAN: So this meeting is recorded, it will be live streamed on our website and then we will have a transcript of this discussion put together, done.

MR. BRAUN: Lisa, do you have any anything else? Lori?

MS. LaPONTE: No, this is just part of our ongoing, we need the governance at least once, two times a year, so --

MS. MULLIGAN: Yeah. So this was just our second Governance Committee meeting of this year.

MR. BRAUN: Bill or Annette, anything else to bring up?

MR. WEIR: I'm not aware of anything else that needs to be brought up at this time.

MR. BRAUN: If not, I'll entertain a motion to adjourn the meeting.

MR. CALLAHAN: So moved.

MR. WEIR: Annette, you don't have
anything else to bring up, do you?

MS. EADERESTO: I do not.

MR. WEIR: Okay.

MS. EADERESTO: I do not.

MR. WEIR: Sorry, Mr. Chairman.

MR. BRAUN: I asked for a resolution on

the table; is there a second?

MS. SCHEIDT: Second.

MR. BRAUN: Thank you.

On the vote, Mr. Callahan?

MR. CALLAHAN: Yes.

MR. BRAUN: Mr. Grucci?

MR. GRUCCI: Yes.

MR. BRAUN: Ms. Paprocky?

MS. PAPROCKY: Yes.

MR. BRAUN: Mr. Pollakusky?

MR. POLLAKUSKY: Yes.

MR. BRAUN: Ms. Scheidt?

MS. SCHEIDT: Yes.

MR. BRAUN: Mr. Braun votes yes.

Motion carried and we are adjourned.

MS. MULLIGAN: Yeah. Our next meeting

is January 12th.
I, JOANN O'LOUGHLIN, a Notary Public for and within the State of New York, do hereby certify that the above is a correct transcription of my stenographic notes.

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JOANN O'LOUGHLIN

(Time noted: 10:12 a.m.)