

Reading Municipal Light Board of Commissioners
Executive Session
230 Ash Street
Reading, MA 01867
May 26, 2004

Start Time of Executive Session: 10:00 p.m.
End Time of Executive Session: 10:20 p.m.

Attendees:

Commissioners: Pacino, Soli, Herlihy and Kearns
RMLD Staff: Mr. Cameron and Ms. Antonio

Minutes

January 28, 2004, February 18, 2004, March 10, 2004, April 21, 2004

The Commission deferred vote on the Executive Session meeting minutes until the next meeting.

Update on Union Negotiations

Mr. Cameron and Ms. Antonio updated the Commission on the status of the Line-Meter-Station unit negotiations. The negotiations were completed with the next step being ratification of the contract. However, once the contract was taken to the membership for vote, it failed ratification by a wide margin. Ms. Antonio mentioned the various probabilities of why the contract was not ratified.

Ms. Antonio noted that they have subsequently met with the union and have agreed to meet after hours.

Ms. Kearns suggested some strategies for further negotiations with the union. Discussion ensued relative to the strategies recommended by Commissioner Kearns.

The issue of voiding retroactivity of this contract was discussed, given the delays in reaching agreement.

The Commissioners wished to record their displeasure with the negative results of the vote on ratification of a contract agreed to and bargained by union leadership.

Ms. Antonio noted they would take the suggestions made under consideration.

Motion to Adjourn

At 10:20 p.m. Mr. Soli made a motion seconded by Mr. Herlihy to return to Regular Session for the sole purpose of adjournment.

Motion carried 4:0:0.

Mr. Pacino called for a poll of the vote:

Mr. Soli Aye; Mr. Herlihy, Aye; Ms. Kearns, Aye; Mr. Pacino, Aye.

A true copy of the RMLD Board of Commissioners minutes as approved by
a majority of the Commission.

Andrew K. Herlihy, Secretary Pro Tem
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