

the powers conferred by the provisions of this subtitle shall be deemed and held to be the performance of essential governmental functions. The Authority shall consist of five (5) members, appointed by the Secretary of Economic and Community Development, with the approval of the Governor, for a period of five (5) years, as herein provided.

(c) *Annual appointments.*—During the month of June, 1966, and during the month of June annually thereafter, the Secretary of Economic and Community Development, with the approval of the Governor, shall appoint a member to succeed the member whose term will then next expire to serve for a term of five (5) years commencing on the first day of July then next following, and until his successor is appointed and qualified. A member shall be eligible to succeed himself.

(d) *Vacancy; removal; chairman, treasurer and secretary; quorum; expenses.*—A vacancy in the office of a member, other than by expiration, shall be filled in like manner as an original appointment, but only for the remainder of the term of the retiring member. Members may be removed by the Governor for cause. The Authority shall elect one of its members as chairman, one as vice-chairman, one as treasurer, and shall employ a manager, who shall be secretary. The secretary and treasurer shall, upon entering the performance of their duties, be covered by a surety bond in accordance with the provisions of Sections 46 through 50 of Article 78A of this Code. Three (3) members of the Authority shall constitute a quorum, but in no case shall any action taken by the Authority be taken by an affirmative vote of less than three (3) members. No vacancy in the membership of the Authority or disqualification of a member under Section 266AA hereof impairs the right of the quorum to exercise all rights and perform all the duties of the Authority. All members of the Authority shall be reimbursed for their actual expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

(e) *Ex officio member.*—The Governor shall appoint either the State Treasurer or the State Comptroller as an ex officio member of the Authority. The Secretary of Economic and Community Development or his designee shall also be an ex officio member of the Authority.

#### 266N. Manager.

(a) *Appointment; term; member of unclassified service.*—The manager shall be appointed by the Authority, subject to the approval of the Secretary of Economic and Community Development, and his tenure of office shall be at the pleasure of the Authority, subject to the concurrence of the Secretary of Economic and Community Development. He shall be in the unclassified service.

(b) *Chief administrative officer for Authority; duties.*—The manager shall be the chief administrative officer for the Authority and as such shall direct and supervise the administrative affairs and technical activities of the Authority in accordance with rules, regulations, and policies as set forth by the Authority. It is the duty of the manager among other things

(1) To attend all meetings of the Authority, and to act as its secretary and keep minutes of all its proceedings.