§ 591. Membership, quorum, removal, funds and accounts, and eminent domain taking. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general, special or local law, or any other provision of this chapter:

1. No public officer or employee shall be ineligible for appointment as a member of the board, and any public officer or employee may accept such appointment and serve as such member without forfeiture of any other public office or position of public employment by reason thereof;

2. A majority of the whole number of the members of the board shall constitute a quorum at a meeting duly held at a time fixed by law or by any by-law duly adopted by such board, or as fixed at any previous meeting duly held, or at any meeting duly held upon reasonable notice to all of the members of such board, or at any duly adjourned meeting of any such meeting, and not less than a majority of the whole number of the members of such board may perform and exercise the powers authorized and provided in this title, and the words "whole number" shall be construed to mean the total number which such board would have were there no vacancies and were none of the members disqualified from acting, and shall mean either five or seven, depending only upon the circumstances set forth in section five hundred seventy-seven;

3. Every member of the board shall be removable by the chairman of the board of supervisors, with the consent of the supervisors, for inefficiency, neglect of duty, or misconduct in office, provided, however, that such member shall be given a copy of the charges against him and an opportunity of being heard in person, or by counsel, in his defense upon not less than ten days' notice;

4. The authority is empowered to establish such funds and accounts as it may deem necessary subject to such agreements as it shall conclude with the holders of its bonds or notes or other obligations;

5. When real property of the authority is taken in the exercise of the power of eminent domain, just compensation shall be made to the authority in the same manner, to the same extent and subject to the same limitations as though it were private property.