

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2017
MINUTES OF THE AGENDA SETTING MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Bruce H. Bergen presided over the meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed Chairman Bruce H. Bergen, Vice Chairman Sergio Granados, Freeholder Linda Carter, Freeholder Angel G. Estrada, Freeholder Christopher Hudak, Freeholder Mohamed S. Jalloh, Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski, Freeholder Alexander Mirabella, and Freeholder Vernell Wright were present.

Also present were County Manager Alfred J. Faella, County Counsel Robert E. Barry, Esq., and Clerk of the Board James E. Pellettiere.

PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

The prayer and salute to the flag were led by Clerk of the Board Pellettiere.

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

The statement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act was read by Clerk of the Board Pellettiere.

APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

Note and File

Oath of Office: Emergency Management Council: Joseph Cryan, Chris Debbie, Sebastian D'Elia, Alfred Faella, Joseph Graziano, Annanelly McNair, Thomas Mineo, Andrew Moran, Grace Park and Gareth Williams; Fire Services Advisory Board: Dan Czeh, Eric Evers, Fred Fretz, Thomas McNamara, Andrew Moran, Michael Scanio, and Gary Steitz; Human Services Advisory Board: Carmen Hernandez, Stanley Neron, Florence Peterson and Ella Teal; Local Advisory Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse: Sonja Ash; Shade Tree Advisory Board: Margaret Bandrowski; Union County Air Traffic and Noise Advisory Board: Dennis Hardie; Union County Commission on the Status of Women: Lisa Bonanno, Nicole DeAugustine, Phyllis Mirabella and Michele Yamakaitis; Union County Planning Board: Steven Le and Michael De Rosa; Union County Improvement Authority: Steve Hockaday and Anthony Scutari; Union County Utilities Authority: James E. Pellettiere; Voter Accessibility Advisory Board: Aneil Badri, Dennis Kobitz, and Marie Oakie.

Chairman Bergen noted that the Board would approve the communications at the Regular Meeting later that evening.

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY CLERK

Joanne Rajoppi, County Clerk

Chairman Bergen noted that he excused County Clerk Rajoppi from attending tonight's meeting. He advised that her sole resolution is a standard annual resolution with Dominion Voting. He asked that if any members had any questions or concerns, to please reach out to the County Clerk for clarification after the meeting.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with Dominion Voting Systems, Denver, Colorado, for the purpose of providing licensing, maintenance and support for the WinEDS 4.0 voting system for the contract period April 1, 2017 through March 31, 2018, in the amount of \$32,069.69. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY SHERIFF

Joseph P. Cryan, County Sheriff

Undersheriff Amilcar Colon represented the Office.

There were no questions or comments from the Board.

1. Amending Resolution Number 2016-559, a contract with Atlantic Medical Group, Clark, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing Pre-Employment Medical Examinations and other related medical services for new Sheriff hires to increase the contract by \$925.00 for a new total amount not to exceed \$97,925.00. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY PROSECUTOR

Grace H. Park, Acting Prosecutor

First Assistant Prosecutor Tim Isenhour represented the Office.

There were no questions or comments from the Board.

1. Authorizing the County Manager through, the Office of the Union County Prosecutor's Office, to apply for and accept funding from the State Office of Victim Witness Advocacy for the STOP Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Grant Program in the amount of \$25,999, requiring a county match of \$8,666 for the period of June 16, 2017 through May 31, 2018. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Union County Prosecutor's Office, to purchase humidifiers for the UCPO Laboratory from Reiner Group, Inc. of Fair Lawn, New Jersey, in an amount not to exceed \$30,785.00. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Office of the Prosecutor's Office, to apply for and accept funding from the Division of Criminal Justice, State Office of Victim Witness Advocacy for the project entitled Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Grant Program from the period of January 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017 in the amount of \$98,544. A county match of \$24,636 is required. The total project amount is \$123,180. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Michael Yuska, Director

1. Authorizing a payment to Brown & Brown, County General Insurance Agent of Record, to renew the Livestock Mortality Policy with Great American Assurance Company, Cincinnati,

Ohio, to cover death of horses due to unforeseen circumstances from February 24, 2017 through February 23, 2018 in an amount not to exceed \$1,725.00. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

Vice Chairman Granados inquired if any horses have died while having this policy.

Director Yuska advised that no horses have died.

Director Yuska advised that at the January 29th Regular Meeting, he provided the Board with an incorrect number of exclusionary employees affected by the resolution adjusting the non-contractual salary ranges, and advised that there were 520 employees affected.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Ron Charles, Director

1. Amending Resolution Number 2016-331, in an additional amount of \$469,268.21 for the purpose of relocating approximately forty (40) Union County adult inmates to Essex County Correctional Facility during construction phase in an amount not to exceed \$1,969,268.21. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

Vice Chairman Granados inquired how long the construction phase was going to take.

Director Charles advised that they are on schedule for an April completion date.

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Amy Wagner, Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to renew a contract with All Covered, a division of Konica Minolta Business Solutions, Cherry Hill, NJ, through the competitive contracting process (RCCP 2013-2), to provide the necessary technical support for the networks, servers and computer system throughout the County of Union for the 2017 calendar year, in an amount not to exceed \$281,580. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

Freeholder Mirabella inquired as to the responsibilities/assistance this vendor would provide to the County's Bureau of Information Technology (IT).

Director Wagner advised that this firm provides 24 hour monitoring and maintenance of the 75 servers throughout Union County. She advised they also provide one on-site staff member to assist the County's IT personnel.

Freeholder Hudak inquired as to the amount of last year's contract, and if the County spent the full amount allotted.

Director Wagner advised that the amount is identical to last year's contract, and that the County utilized the full amount.

2. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to the Union County Economic Development Corporation, to provide General Economic Development Services to Private

Businesses in Union County, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

3. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to the Union County Economic Development Corporation to provide procurement training/technical assistance to private businesses within the County of Union for the period of January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

Freeholder Jalloh asked for additional information/clarification.

Director Wagner advised that this resolution would offer procurement training for those businesses wanting to do business with governments. She advised that they provided service to 89 clients and \$160 million in government contracts were awarded, noting that as a result of those contracts 440 jobs were created or retained. She added that they offer 35 different training sessions on various types of work to 2,544 participants

Freeholder Jalloh inquired if this training was for just Union County.

Director Wagner advised that the jobs were for just Union County, clarifying that the numbers stated were for only Union County businesses.

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING, PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

Joseph Graziano, Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to execute Right of Way/Agreements with various owners in association with the Gordon Street Bridge Replacement - West First Avenue to Westfield Avenue, Borough of Roselle and Roselle Park, County of Union, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$203,720.00 (Union County Engineering Project Number 2011-051) **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Freeholder Estrada asked if the \$203,720 will be covered in the agreement with the federal government.

Director Graziano advised that this amount would be covered (paid for) by the federal government. He advised they are looking to get the project out to bid in the summer.

2. Amending Resolution Number 2015-851, (BA#57-2015) a contract awarded through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq., to GPC, Inc., of Millburn, New Jersey approving Change Order Number 1 (final) for the Union County Oriscello Correctional Facility - Electrical Room Fire Suppression System, Elizabeth, County of Union, New Jersey. This change order will reduce the original contract amount by (\$15,831.12) for a new contract amount not to exceed \$52,168.88. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2010-033E) **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
3. Amending Resolution Number 2016-292, (BA#6-2016) a contract awarded through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq., to Manor II Electric, Inc., of Holmdel, New Jersey, approving Change Order Number 1 (final) for the installation of an emergency generator at the Engineering Building located in Scotch Plains, County of Union, New Jersey. This change order will reduce the

original contract amount by (\$2,527.78) for a new contract amount not to exceed \$139,772.22. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2013-012). **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

4. Amending Resolution Number 2015-325, (BA#10-2015) a contract awarded through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq., to Schifano Construction Corporation of Middlesex, New Jersey, approving Change Order Number 1 (final) for 2015 Road Resurfacing Project, Various Municipalities, County of Union, New Jersey. This change order will reduce the original contract amount by (\$275,755.51) for a new contract amount not to exceed \$4,799,830.49. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2014-038) **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contract obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq., to Tony & Son, Inc., of Colonia, New Jersey, for the Rehabilitation of Springfield Avenue Bridge (Be19), Township of Berkeley Heights, New Jersey, County of Union, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$782,909.00. (BA#31-2016; Union County Engineering Project Number 2013-010) **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to award a Professional Engineering Service Contract, through a Request for Proposal, (RFP) process, to Remington & Vernick Engineers, of Secaucus, New Jersey, to provide Engineering Design Services, Construction Administration and Inspection Services for the Replacement of Stelle Avenue over Cedar Brook Bridge, PI01, City of Plainfield, County of Union, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$144,184.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2016-028) **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
7. Authorizing the County Manager to award a Professional Architectural Service Contract, through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, to USA Architects, of Somerville, New Jersey, to provide Architectural Design Services, Construction Administration and Inspection Services for Kitchen Hoods for Union County Administration Building and New Courthouse Annex Building, located in Elizabeth, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2016-039) **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
8. Authorizing the County Manager to award a Professional Engineering Service Contract, through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, to Alaimo Group Consulting Engineers, of Mt. Holly, New Jersey, to provide Design and Construction Administration and Inspection Services for the Replacement of Watchung Avenue over Stream 10-7-22 Minor Bridge, PI08, City of Plainfield, County of Union, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$214,270.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2016-040) **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
9. Authorizing the County Manager to award a Professional Engineering Service Contract, through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, to Neglia Engineering Associates of Clark, New Jersey, to provide Design Services, and Construction Administration and Inspection Services for the Replacement of Shunpike Road over Stream 10-35 Minor Bridge (Su53) in the City of Summit, County of Union, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$124,828.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2016-041) **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

10. Authorizing the County Manager to award a Professional Engineering Service Contract, through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, to Remington & Vernick Engineers of Secaucus, New Jersey to provide Engineering Design Services, Construction Administration and Inspection Services for the Replacement of Lawrence Avenue Minor Bridge, Mo-03, Borough of Mountainside, County of Union, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$121,469.04. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2016-042) **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Ronald Zuber, Director

Freeholder Estrada inquired what the costs were for the County to provide the services outlined in Resolutions #1 through #3.

Golf Operations Director Armando Sanchez advised the primary cost to the County is the cost of staffing, he noted that the PGA professionals donate their time. He added that the County waives the access fee of the driving range as well.

Freeholder Estrada inquired as to the number of youths participating in these programs last year.

Golf Operations Director Armando Sanchez advised that a little over 1,100 youths participated in the various programs.

Freeholder Estrada commented on the benefits of this program.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the First Tee of America Raritan Valley Chapter to allow access and use at the Galloping Hill Golf Course and Learning Center to develop community outreach programs for the County's youth from January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017. **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**

Freeholder Mirabella made comments relative to his appreciation for the First Tee's successes in introducing young people to golf, and that he was glad to continue this partnership.

2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Girls for Golf Program, Daytona, Florida to allow access and use at the Galloping Hill Golf Course and Learning Center to develop community outreach programs for the County's youth from January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017. **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**

Freeholder Jalloh inquired how they decided on a vendor from Florida to provide this service.

Golf Operations Director Armando Sanchez advised that their headquarters is based out of Florida along with the PGA and LPGA, but the County deals with the local chapter.

3. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the NJ Golf Foundation to allow access and use at the Galloping Hill Golf Course and Learning Center to develop community outreach programs for the County's youth from January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017. **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**

4. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Renaissance Jr. Golf, Inc., of Vauxhall, NJ to allow access and use at the Galloping Hill Golf Course and Learning Center to develop community outreach programs for the County's youth from January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017. **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**
5. Amending Resolution Number 2015-869, (BA#59-2015) a contract awarded through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq., to J.A. Alexander, Inc., of Bloomfield, New Jersey, approving Change Order Number 1 (final) for the Galloping Hill Golf Cart Path Improvement Project, County of Union, New Jersey. This Change Order will reduce the original contract amount by (\$4,468.05) for a new contract amount not to exceed \$1,085,931.95. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2015-014) **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Andrew Moran, Director

There were no questions or comments from the Board.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to accept and expend the 2016 Emergency Management Agency Assistance Grant from the NJ State Police Office of Emergency Management in an amount not to exceed \$110,000 (\$55,000 grant/\$55,000 in-kind match.) **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with LPP Consulting, Ardsley, NY, to provide technical support and ensure HSEEP compliance for the 2017 UASI Metro USAR Full Scale Exercise for the UASI Region. This is funded through the 2015 UASI Grant program, in an amount not to exceed \$29,500. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with LPP Consulting, Ardsley, NY to provide technical support and ensure HSEEP compliance for a Full Scale Exercise involving several hospitals in the UASI Region. This is funded through the 2015 UASI Grant program, in an amount not to exceed \$20,000. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

Robert E. Barry, Esq., County Counsel

There were no questions or comments from the Board.

1. A Resolution appointing Genova Burns, LLC of Newark, NJ as special counsel to represent Officer Damien Johnson in the matter entitled Jamil Hearn v. Officer Damien Johnson in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

1. Congratulating Alexis Morrast of Plainfield upon winning first place in the nationally televised "Showtime at the Apollo." **(Freeholder Carter)**
2. Extending the Board's deepest condolences to the family of Police Officer Michael Novak upon his passing. **(Freeholder Hudak & The Entire Board)**

3. Congratulating Daniel Anthony Luppino of Boy Scout Troop 75, Cranford, upon attaining the rank of Eagle Scout. **(Freeholder Hudak & Freeholder Kowalski)**
4. Resolution offering this Board's deepest sympathies to the family of former Freeholder Frank Lehr, during their time of sorrow. **(Freeholder Mirabella & The Entire Board)**
5. Sponsoring the Friends of NJ Legacy Foundation's Black History Program entitled "Middle Passage" to be held on February 11, 2017 in the amount of \$1,200.00. **(Freeholder Mirabella & The Entire Board)**
6. Re-appointing the following members to the Senior Citizen Disabled Resident Transportation Advisory Board for a two year term beginning January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018. Kevin Illing (Disabled); William Totten (Disabled/Senior) Patricia Rufolo (Senior); Stephen E. Thorpe (Senior) and Rosemary Coppola (Disabled/Senior). **(Freeholder Wright)**
7. Proclaiming the month of February as Black History Month throughout the County of Union. **(Vice Chairman Granados)**
8. Supporting the extension of the Urban Enterprise Zone (UEZ) program across the State of New Jersey. **(Vice Chairman Granados)**
9. Proclaiming February 2017 as Career and Technical Education Month throughout the County of Union. **(Chairman Bergen, Freeholders Carter & Mirabella)**
10. Proclaiming the week of February 18-25, 2017 as The National FFA Organization Week throughout the County of Union. **(Chairman Bergen, Freeholders Carter & Mirabella)**
11. Congratulating and commending the efforts of the Weissberg Family (Team Weissberg) for their efforts in supporting and raising awareness for Dup15q Syndrome (a rare genetic disorder) and wishing them success with their 2nd "Hope for Holden to benefit the Dup15q Alliance" fundraiser. **(Chairman Bergen)**
12. Extending the Board's deepest condolences to the family of Caren Franzini, former Chief of the State Economic Development Authority upon her passing. **(Chairman Bergen & The Entire Board)**
13. Extending the Board's deepest condolences to the family of Susan Hudak upon her sudden passing. **(Chairman Bergen & The Entire Board)**
14. Congratulating Sharon Robinson-Briggs upon being awarded the "Outstanding 2017 Valentine" by the Robinson Family Coalition on February 10, 2017. **(Chairman Bergen, Vice Chairman Granados)**
15. Congratulating Union County Undersheriff Gerald Green, Jr. upon his retirement from the Union County Sheriff's Office. **(Freeholder Kowalski, And The Entire Board)**

16. Resolution offering this Board's deepest sympathies to former County Director of Finance Lawrence Caroselli, and his family, on the passing of his mother, Margaret Caroselli. **(Chairman Bergen & The Entire Board)**
17. Congratulating the 2017 Union County Baseball Hall of Fame Inductees - Ed Grzybowski, Mark Teutsch and Greg Randazza at their 81st Annual Hot Stove Dinner on February 12, 2017. **(Chairman Bergen & The Entire Board)**
18. Congratulating Sydney McLaughlin upon being the recipient of the Lombardi Memorial Award for Outstanding Female Athlete of Union County and Taylor McLaughlin upon being the recipient of the Chris Zusi Award for Outstanding Male Athlete of Union County by the Union County Baseball Association. **(Chairman Bergen & The Entire Board)**

Freeholder Wright asked to join Vice Chairman Granados as a co-sponsor for Resolution No. 7.

Freeholder Carter asked to join Vice Chairman Granados as a co-sponsor for Resolution No. 7.

Chairman Bergen asked that Resolution No. 7 be from the Entire Board.

Freeholder Hudak asked to join Vice Chairman Granados as a co-sponsor for Resolution No. 8.

Freeholder Carter asked to join Vice Chairman Granados as a co-sponsor for Resolution No. 8.

Chairman Bergen asked that Resolution No. 8 be from the Entire Board.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Bergen asked for a motion to adjourn. On a motion made by Freeholder Carter and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, a voice vote showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative. The meeting was adjourned at 7:16pm.

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS 2017 MEETING SCHEDULE

Please note that meetings are regularly held on Thursday evenings. Agenda Setting Sessions and Regular Meetings are held at 7:00pm in the Freeholders' Meeting Room, Administration Building, 10 Elizabethtown Plaza, 6th Floor, Elizabeth, New Jersey, unless otherwise specified. In the event an Agenda Setting Session and Regular Meeting are held on the same night, the Agenda Setting Session will commence at 7:00 pm and the Regular Meeting will commence as soon as possible after the Agenda Setting Session.

Persons requiring a sign language interpreter should contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at 908-527-4140.

REORGANIZATION MEETING - SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 2017 at 12:00 pm
Assignment Judge Karen M. Cassidy's Courtroom, 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ

2017 MEETING SCHEDULE

AGENDA SETTING SESSION

REGULAR MEETINGS

January 19, 2017

January 26, 2017

February 2, 2017

February 9, 2017

February 23, 2017

February 23, 2017

March 2, 2017

March 9, 2017

March 16, 2017

March 23, 2017

April 6, 2017

April 13, 2017

April 20, 2017

April 27, 2017

May 4, 2017

May 18, 2017

May 25, 2017

May 25, 2017

June 1, 2017

June 8, 2017

June 15, 2017

June 22, 2017

July 13, 2017

July 20, 2017

August 10, 2017

August 17, 2017

September 7, 2017

September 14, 2017

September 28, 2017

September 28, 2017

October 5, 2017

October 12, 2017

October 19, 2017

October 26, 2017

November 9, 2017

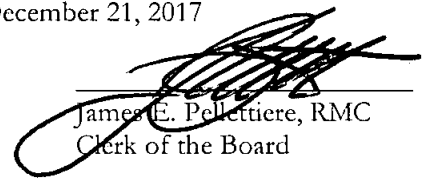
November 21, 2017 (Tuesday)

November 30, 2017

December 7, 2017

December 14, 2017

December 21, 2017


James E. Pelletiere, RMC
Clerk of the Board