

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2013
AGENDA SETTING MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Linda Carter called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Sergio Granados	Freeholder	Present	
Bruce H. Bergen	Freeholder	Present	
Angel G. Estrada	Freeholder	Present	
Mohamed S. Jalloh	Freeholder	Present	
Bette Jane Kowalski	Freeholder	Present	
Alexander Mirabella	Freeholder	Present	
Vernell Wright	Freeholder	Present	
Christopher Hudak	Vice Chairman	Present	
Linda Carter	Chairman	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 the Clerk of the Board.

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

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

Office of the Union County Prosecutor

Grace H. Park, Acting Prosecutor

First Assistant Tim Isenhour represented the Office. He explained that the contract on the Agenda has been the same amount for the past 10 years.

There were no questions.

1. Authorizing the County Manager through the Union County Prosecutor's Office to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners to serve as independent contractors as part of the Union County Sexual Assault Response Team for the period October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$21,198. (Grant funded)
(Linda Carter)

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Norman W. Albert, Esq., Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to retain the services of arbitrators, mediators, and fact finders through the New Jersey State Board of Mediators, New Jersey Public Employee Relation Commission Staff, Certified Panel of Interest Arbitrators or Certificate Panel of Grievance Arbitration in connection with collective negotiations and employment litigation for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 for in an amount not to exceed \$17,500 per Arbitrator and a total contract amount not to exceed \$30,000. **(Linda Carter)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to renew the New Jersey Counties Excess Joint Insurance Fund to administer and provide extra insurance for the following: Liability (other than motor vehicles), Property Damage (other than motor vehicles), Motor Vehicles, Public Officials Liability/Employment Practices Liability, and Workers Compensation. Union County's portion of the budget for period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 is \$2,464,340.00. **(Linda Carter)**

Freeholder Estrada asked about the claims and compensation in regards to item #2.

Director Albert stated that there has been a cost savings of \$300,000 since joining the Joint Insurance Fund (JIF). He said he will provide the Board with all the figures.

Chairman Carter asked how long it will take to get the figures.

Director Albert replied that he could have the information tonight.

3. Approving the list of pre-qualified Psychologists for the provision of Psychological Evaluation Services for the year 2014: Kanen Psychological Associates, Ridgewood, New Jersey; CFG Health Systems, LLC., Marlton, New Jersey; Mark Siegert & Associates, LLC., Millburn, New Jersey; and The Institute for Forensic Psychology, Oakland, New Jersey. **(Linda Carter)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract for the provision of Psychological Evaluation Services with Kanen Psychological Associates, Ridgewood, New Jersey, for the Department of Administrative Services, Department of Correctional Services and Department of Human Services in the amount of \$39,000 for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014. **(Linda Carter)**
5. Approving the 2014 list of pre-qualified vendors for the provision of Pre-Employment Medical Examinations Practice Associates Medical Group/Atlantic Health Systems, Clark, New Jersey; Complete Care, Scotch Plains, New Jersey. **(Linda Carter)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Practice Associates Medical Group, a subsidiary of Atlantic Health System, Clark, New Jersey to provide pre-employment medical examinations and other related medical services to the County of Union for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 at a cost not to exceed \$45,000. **(Linda Carter)**
7. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Complete Care, Scotch Plains, New Jersey, for the provision of Alcohol/Drug Testing Procedures for employees with Commercial Driver's Licenses (CDL's) and Pre-Employment examinations for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 at a combined cost not to exceed \$27,500. **(Linda Carter)**
8. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Intervention Strategies International Inc. , Midland Park, New Jersey, to provide a comprehensive employee assistance

program (EAP) to county employees and their families for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 at a cost not to exceed \$57,120. **(Linda Carter)**

9. Authorizing the County Manager to approve modifications to the Exclusionary Prescription and Health Benefits Program. **(Linda Carter)**

Director Albert explained #9. He stated that this item relates to the County Manager's Resolution of the passing of the contract with Council 8. It is a change for exclusionary employees. He said there will be a decrease in co-pay for generic drugs and in increase in brand name drugs.

10. Authorizing the County Manager to renew the agreement with the Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System under N.J.A.C. 5:30-11-1 et seq. for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 for the purpose of using any vendors of the system that would result in cost savings over a state contract if one exists or bidding ourselves. **(Linda Carter)**

11. Authorizing the County Manager to renew the Public Officials Bonds with the Hartford Fire Insurance Company for the following County employees: Erick Mesias, from August 1, 2013 through August 1, 2014 in the amount of \$400.00; Melinda Zito, from September 14, 2013 through September 14, 2014 in the amount of \$1,750; Ralph Froehlich, from December 31, 2013 through December 31, 2016 in the amount of \$520; JoAnn Schwab, from December 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014 in the amount of \$200; Julie Origliato, from November 13, 2013 through November 13, 2014 in the amount of \$350 for a total combined amount not to exceed \$3,220.00. **(Linda Carter)**

12. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an Equipment Maintenance Policy with the State National Insurance Company, Oak Creek, Wisconsin, from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$234,043. This policy provides coverage for maintenance costs for electronic office equipment due to mechanical failure. **(Linda Carter)**

13. Renewing Horse Accidental Death Policy with Great American Insurance Company, Cincinnati, Ohio, for the policy period of January 16, 2014 through January 16, 2015 for a contract amount not to exceed \$1,745.00. **(Linda Carter)**

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Brian Riordan, Director

1. Amending Resolution Number 2013-383, for an additional 6 months; to extend the contract between the County of Union and Praeses, Shreveport, Louisiana, for inmate communications consulting, contractual management, and reconciliation services pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq; which allows a contract to be awarded without competitive public bidding if the subject matter consists of an "extraordinary unspecifiable service" for the contract period of January 1, 2014 through June 30, 2014 not to exceed 9.22% of inmate telephone county commission. **(Linda Carter)**

Freeholder Estrada asked for an explanation of item #1.

Director Riordan stated that the carrier receives a "not to exceed" amount of 9.22% of the County's profit.

Chairman Carter reconfirmed that the County will give the carrier 9.22% of the County's commission. Director Riordan replied yes, that is correct.

2. To exercise the option in Resolution 2013-144, in order to renew the contract between the County of Union and Education and Health Centers of America, Inc., Wall, New Jersey, for an additional six (6) months; beginning January 1, 2014, through June 30, 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$880,000.00. Education and Health Centers of America (EHCA) will provide comprehensive Inmate Substance Abuse Treatment and Residential Correctional Facility Services. **(Linda Carter)**

Chairman Carter asked about the contract for item #2.

Director Riordan stated that they are exercising the option to extend the contract for six months with a 100% match; due to the fact that the State operates on a fiscal year budget.

Chairman Carter asked if the amount has been similar in the past.

Director Riordan explained that because the overall population at the jail is lower, the amount of eligible inmates has also decreased; so it is less than previous years.

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING, PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES

Joseph Graziano, Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to execute a Joint Funding Agreement with the U.S. Department of Interior, U.S. Geological Survey, for the operations and maintenance of a Flood Monitoring System in the Lower Rahway River Basin beginning October 1, 2013 to September 30, 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$14,720.00. **(Linda Carter)**

Freeholder Kowalski asked for more detail on item #1.

Director Graziano stated that it is a stream monitoring system. It is a shared service agreement with the USGS. They track four gauges and the County pays 2/3 of the project, which is \$14,000 out of \$22,000. It is \$900 less than last year.

Freeholder Estrada asked how item #1 benefits the County.

County Engineer Mineo stated that it is mainly used for Cranford as they monitor the water levels and determine whether the gates should be opened or closed.

Freeholder Estrada stated that it allows reaction and is monitored on-line once it hits a certain level. The Judge makes the decision to open the flood gates. He asked if any other towns benefit by the monitoring system. He said at one time, there was no charge for this service and asked why there is a charge now.

Mr. Mineo stated that Cranford specifically uses the flood monitoring system and the weather to determine if the gates should be opened or closed. He said the Core of Engineers are studying the Rahway River basin. He said this is one way we help municipalities.

Freeholder Estrada stated that it is a good investment to help the communities as the Rahway River runs along many communities.

2. Amending Resolution Number 2009-1183, (BA#60) a contract through the public bidding process, with Applied Landscape Technologies, approving Change Order No. 2 (final) for the Stanford Drive Park (Snyder Avenue Park). This change order will reduce the contract amount by (\$100,943.31) for a new contract amount of \$4,424,660.54. **(Linda Carter)**

Freeholder Mirabella asked for an explanation of item #2 and asked if the \$100,000 mentioned is a deduction from the original contract.

Director Graziano explained that this is the final change order as they are closing out the project. He said as a result of the on-site and physical quantities, there is a \$100,000 deduction from the original contract, adding that this amount does not have to be paid.

Freeholder Mirabella asked if the County is reimbursed and what the original cost was.

Director Graziano stated that the original contract was in the amount of \$3.8 million. The first Change Order amount of \$676,000 was needed four years ago due to unforeseen contaminated soil.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Bibi Taylor, Director

Director Taylor stated that she will have an additional Resolution that she received by the State in the afternoon.

1. Resolution Modifying the 2013 Budget in the amount of \$39,892 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety for a Program Entitled: Child Passenger Safety Program. **(Christopher Hudak)**
2. Resolution Modifying the 2013 Budget in the amount of \$275,192 as a result of notification received from the US Department of Health and Human Services for a program Entitled: Union County Residential Services for Unaccompanied and Undocumented Children. **(Christopher Hudak)**
3. Cancelling Current Fund Budget Appropriations. **(Christopher Hudak)**
4. Cancelling various grant appropriations and receivables. **(Christopher Hudak)**

Freeholder Mirabella asked why item #4 is being cancelled.

Director Taylor stated that the grant is being cancelled based upon appropriation of the grant awards being cancelled due to dollars not being used. It is basically end of the year clean up. She explained further that they are grant awards totaling \$2.8 million back to 2009.

Freeholder Mirabella asked if this is done annually.

Director Taylor stated that item #4 is due to the passing of Senator Lautenberg. We were not billed by the State and did not know at the time how the County was being reimbursed. She explained further that the Board adopted a Resolution for \$885,000 in July, as the State advised that we were able to accept the grant as a Resolution.

5. Cancelling Capital Balances for Capital Surplus. **(Christopher Hudak)**
6. Approving Transfer of Current Fund Appropriations. **(Christopher Hudak)**
7. Authorizing the County Manager to extend a contract awarded to Pino Consulting Group, West Windsor, New Jersey, by way of Resolution Number 2011-856 for Consulting services for the preparation of Indirect Cost Plan and Medicare and Medicaid Cost Reports for Runnells Hospital for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 in the total amount of \$80,000. **(Christopher Hudak)**

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICESFrank Guzzo, Director

Freeholder Mirabella asked for an explanation of the general nature of the items listed on the Agenda.

Director Guzzo stated that the majority of the items are grants for various services that range from homeless services to the Prosecutor's Office for missing and abused children, in which we could only provide these services.

Director Guzzo explained the grants are for year to year services for existing and/or renewals, but item #2 for the Juvenile Detention Center is a Federal program. He said Union County is the only facility out of 6 within the Country that handles them. He said they had to apply per bed. It was \$224 and went up to \$301.58 per bed. He said we are paid for 10 beds, if they are used or not, and there are typically 3 kids per day.

Freeholder Mirabella confirmed with Director Guzzo that the grant items on the Agenda are not offsetting the budget.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into contract with Trinitas Regional Medical Center, Elizabeth, New Jersey, in the amount of \$45,000.00 for the Year One, 1st quarter period of October 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013, of a three year agreement to provide case management and mental health services for juveniles in the Union County Juvenile Detention Center consistent with the federal DUCS grant agreement. **(Bette Jane Kowalski)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (USDHHS), Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR), Division of Unaccompanied Children's Service (DUCS) and accept 1st Quarter installment funding in the amount of \$275,192.00 to provide secure care and placement services to unaccompanied and undocumented children in the Union County Juvenile Detention Center by guaranteeing ten (10) secure beds at the rate of \$301.58 per bed per day for Year One, 1st Quarter funding period of October 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013 of a Three Year Agreement. **(Bette Jane Kowalski)**
3. Amending Resolution Number 2013-591, to add an additional allocation in the amount of \$387,001.00 in grant funding for the contract period of January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013 to Veolia Transportation, Inc., Lombard, Illinois, for the continued provision of the Paratransit and Route 22 Shuttle Service. **(Bette Jane Kowalski)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Lease Agreement with Morning Star Community Development Urban Renewal Corporation, Inc., Linden, New Jersey, for the purpose of leasing commercial space for Union County Division of Youth Services Bureau, 1130 East St. George's Avenue, Linden, New Jersey, on a month-to-month basis for a maximum period of six (6) months commencing January 1, 2014 and ending no later than June 30, 2014; at a rate of \$6,732.00 per month for a total amount of not-to-exceed \$40,392.00 if the entire period is utilized. **(Bette Jane Kowalski)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract pursuant to competitive contracting law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4 for the contract year January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 to Veolia Transportation Services, Inc., Lombard, Illinois, for the provision of Transportation Services in

- the form of Routing Scheduling and Dispatch and Road Operator Services for the Union County Paratransit System including the Route 22 Shuttle and the Welfare to Work Shuttle, at a cost of \$51.32 per vehicle service hour in an amount not to exceed \$4,013,937.00, pending sufficiency of funds for the program. **(Bette Jane Kowalski)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Jewish Family Services, Elizabeth, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing ongoing care management services to clients eligible for the Global Options Program (GO) for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 for the total amount not to exceed \$91,200.00. **(Bette Jane Kowalski)**
 7. Authorizing the County Manager to approve the 2014 Statewide Respite Care Spending Plan for the total amount not to exceed \$340,709.00 and entering into agreements with various agencies, pursuant to a Request for Proposal for contract year two of a three year cycle with renewal contingent upon receipt of additional grant funding from New Jersey Department of Human Services, to provide Respite Care services to unpaid caregivers of Union County senior and disabled residents for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014; further authorizing the County Manager to transfer funds among the funded agencies, during the contract period, should services needs change and/or if any of the agencies should fail to meet its contractual obligation. **(Bette Jane Kowalski)**
 8. Authorizing the County Manager to approve the 2014 Union County Youth Services Commission Spending Plan subcontracts in the total amount not to exceed \$489,920.00 to provide program services based on the Juvenile Justice Commission Points of Continuum: Prevention, Diversion, Detention, Disposition and Reentry for the grant period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014, further authorizing the transfer of funds among the agencies/municipalities during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any fails to meet its contractual obligation, upon approval by the Juvenile Justice Commission. **(Bette Jane Kowalski)**
 9. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with NJ Department of Children and Families (DCF), Division of Child Protection & Permanency (DCPP), for 2014 Human Services Advisory Council [HSAC] funding in the amount of \$318,163.00 for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 and for the County to allocate \$15,900.00 to meet the required County Match for a total project amount of \$334,063.00. **(Bette Jane Kowalski)**
 10. Authorizing the County Manager to award subcontracts in accordance with NJ Department of Children and Families, 2014 Human Services Advisory Council (HSAC) grant, in the total amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 for the continuation of the Family Support and Prevention (FSP) Grant services for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014, further authorizing a one-time advance payment of up to one month of the award amount to prevent undue hardship for the agency to carry out the program activities. **(Bette Jane Kowalski)**
 11. Authorizing the County Manager to approve the 2014 Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative (JDAI) Spending Plan in the total amount not to exceed \$114,000.00, entering into agreement with various agencies/municipalities to provide court ordered disposition program services for youth in the local juvenile justice system for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014, and further authorizing the transfer of funds among the agencies/municipalities during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any fail to meet its contractual obligation, upon approval by the Juvenile Justice Commission. **(Bette Jane Kowalski)**

12. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into contract with the Union Vicinage, Probation Services, City of Elizabeth, City of Linden and City of Plainfield Police Departments to provide Night Watch Supervision listed on the Union County Youth Services Commission Spending Plan in the total amount not to exceed \$35,000.00 for the grant period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 and further authorizing the County Manager to transfer funds among the funded agencies/municipalities during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any of the funded agencies/municipalities fails to meet its contractual obligation, upon approval by the Juvenile Justice Commission. **(Bette Jane Kowalski)**
13. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into agreements with various community based organizations to provide shelter night stays for TANF, GA, and/or Emergency Assistance recipients for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014. **(Bette Jane Kowalski)**
14. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a repayment plan with the New Jersey Department of Human Services for the Personal Attendant Services Program in monthly installments of \$10,204.13 for the period of January 1, 2014 through November 1, 2016, with a final payment of \$10,204.05 on December 1, 2016, for a total amount not to exceed \$367,348.60; payments to be made to the State's Fiscal Intermediary, Community Access Unlimited, Elizabeth, New Jersey. **(Bette Jane Kowalski)**
15. 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: Department of Human Services: Aramark Correctional Services, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, for the purpose of providing food services to the residents and staff of the Union County Juvenile Detention Center, during the twenty-four (24) month contract extension period of October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2015, in the amount of \$851,180.00. **(Bette Jane Kowalski)**

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND COMMUNITY RENEWAL

William Reyes, Deputy County Manager, Acting Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with All Covered, a division of Konica Minolta Business Solutions USA, Cherry Hill, NJ, for the purpose of providing information technical services to the County of Union the contract period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 for an amount not to exceed \$294,000.00. **(Linda Carter)**

Freeholder Granados asked about the services for item #1.

Deputy County Manager Reyes stated that the County has 90 servers are in need of monitoring and service and this contract will include technical help for two individuals for two days and one day per week for extra help.

Freeholder Estrada asked if the six month contract is for similar service.

Deputy County Manager Reyes stated that the company changed names. He said it is a six month contract with the same amount for the same service.

2. 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: Department of Parks and Community Renewal: Flanagan Contracting, Hillsborough, New Jersey, for Warinanco Stadium Upgrades at Warinanco Park, County of Union, New Jersey in

an amount not to exceed \$4,045,438.55. (BA#68-13; UC Engineering Project #2011-017)
(Linda Carter)

Freeholder Estrada asked for an explanation of item #2.

Deputy County Manager Reyes explained that item #2 is for the Warinanco Park project. He said the track is in poor condition and at one time there was a stadium. He said this project will entail a new track, a stadium, bleachers for 400 spectators, 35 parking spaces, lighting, curbing and amenities for sports including restrooms and concession stand, utilities and another road into that area. He said it is all part of the 10 year Master Plan.

3. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Town and Country Veterinary House Calls/Dr. Michael Aromando, DVM, Chester, New Jersey, to provide routine and emergency services for the horses at the Watchung Stable for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$29,000.00. **(Linda Carter)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Dr. David Foster, DVM, Morganville, New Jersey, to provide routine and emergency dental services to the horses at the Watchung Stable for the contract period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$6,500.00. **(Linda Carter)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Development Directions, Rahway, NJ, for the administration of the Union County Housing Assistance Payment Program (HAPP) (Section 8) which provides housing assistance to low income families in the amount not to exceed \$600,000.00 for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2015 with two additional 1 year extension options. **(Linda Carter)**
6. Amending Resolution Number 2011-255, an agreement with KemperSports Management, North Brook, Illinois, to include operational expenses for the management and maintenance of the golf courses as required by the contract document for the period of January 1, 2014 through June 30, 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$3,112,919.00. **(Linda Carter)**

Freeholder Granados asked about the expected revenue in item #6.

Director Sanchez stated that within the six month time frame \$3.5 million in revenue is expected.

7. 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: Department of Parks and Community Renewal: Russell Reid, Inc. D/b/a Mr. John, Inc., Keasby, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing Portable Toilets Rental Service, 24 consecutive months, in the amount of \$48,846.00. (\$24,423.00 per year) **(Linda Carter)**
8. Authorizing the County Manager to exercise the twenty-four (24) month option of the awarded contract obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq: Department of Parks and Community Renewal: Aquatic Technologies, Inc., Branchville, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing Lake Management Program to commence on March 22, 2014 through March 21, 2016 in the amount of 47,594.00 (\$23,797.00 per year). **(Linda Carter)**

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Andrew Moran, Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to accept and expend \$39,982.00 for the Child Passenger Safety Program Grant from the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety for the continuation of Union County's Child Safety Seat Installation Program. **(Linda Carter)**

Freeholder Kowalski asked about the number of people using the Child Safety Seat inspection service.

Director Moran replied that there have been 1,500 inspections per year for the past 3 years.

Vice Chairman Hudak asked if item #1 is 100% funded.

Director Moran answered yes and they have received \$19,000 more this year, expanding the program for bike helmet safety. He said they are expanding the program. He said to date they have attended 23 events and the bike safety fittings is also located the Route 22 facility in Springfield.

2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Kenilworth to provide 911 Emergency Medical call screening services in an amount not to exceed \$6,500 for the first year, with a subsequent two percent (2%) increase in each additional year for the remaining two (2) years of the three (3) year term of the agreement. (Revenue Generating) **(Linda Carter)**

Freeholder Mirabella asked about the number of municipalities who have joined the dispatching shared services agreement relative to item #2.

Director Moran stated that there are now nine municipalities using different services, such as fire and first aid. He said there is one out of county and one hospital that uses the system.

3. 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: Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Services, Bureau of Domestic Preparedness, Petro Dragon LLC., West Chester, New Jersey, to purchase, through UASI Grant funding, 8" couplings and adapters for the UASI Neptune System in the amount of \$60,960.00. **(Linda Carter)**

Freeholder Estrada had questions pertaining to item #3.

Director Moran explained that the assets are owned by UASI and they are responsible for improvement, such as the items mentioned in item #3. He stated that the County is responsible for the maintenance of the equipment.

Freeholder Estrada asked how often the Neptune system is utilized, and where does the water come from to extinguish the fires.

Director Moran stated that the Neptune system was used for the Bury Biscuit fire in Elizabeth, Hurricane Sandy and the Seaside fire. The water comes from fire hydrants.

4. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with Inficon, East Syracuse, New York, for the purposes of upgrading HazMat software and training in an amount not to exceed \$58,970.44 for the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Region. **(Linda Carter)**

Freeholder Granados asked for an explanation of item #4.

Director Moran explained that it is to upgrade equipment used by the DEP. The County acts as a purchasing agent.

5. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with AristaTek, Laramie, Wyoming, for the purposes of purchasing HazMat software and databases in an amount not to exceed \$95,365 for the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Region. **(Linda Carter)**

Freeholder Granados asked for an explanation of item #5.

Director Moran stated that the item is for Hazmat equipment for our use and it has been expanded to Middlesex County, along with the rest of the UASI region.

6. Amending Resolution number 2012-1078, for the contract for per diem pathologists to perform autopsies at a rate of \$700.00 per case, external examinations at a rate of \$100.00 per case, to be on call at a rate of \$250.00 per day (when there are no autopsies or external exams) and \$600.00 per day for court testimony, for an additional amount not to exceed \$40,000 for a new sum not to exceed \$130,000.00. **(Linda Carter)**

RUNNELLS SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL

Sandra Adour, Acting Administrator

Ms. Adour explained that the items on the Agenda are all renewal contracts.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with SOS Corp., Pinehurst, North Carolina, for the license, maintenance and support of the resident/patient, financial/clinical software at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$18,919.51. **(Vernell Wright)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to renew the contract with Epicare Associates, Inc., West Caldwell, New Jersey, to provide Crisis Intervention Certification, Crisis Update, Ancillary training in Personal Protective Maneuvers and Customer Service Training for the staff at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$15,500.00. **(Vernell Wright)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to exercise option 1 to renew an agreement with Sodexo Operations, LLC, Gaithersburg, Maryland, pursuant to a competitive contracting process, for a twelve (12) month period commencing on January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 to continue to provide housekeeping and dietary services to Runnells Specialized Hospital in an amount not to exceed \$6,401,460.00. **(Vernell Wright)**

Vice Chairman Carter asked about item #3.

Ms. Adour explained that there has been a 1.2% increase that has been divided into dietary and environmental services through negotiations they lowered the dietary part of the contract.

Vice Chairman Hudak asked about the satisfactory level of the services.

Ms. Adour stated that they are satisfied with the dietary and they have been responsive to special diets.

Freeholder Estrada asked about the services provided in the contract.

Ms. Adour stated that the dietary includes meals, snacks, costly thicken liquids, special diets and salaries. The environmental is for cleaning, side loading dock, wheel chair cleaning, staffing, and products delivered to floors.

County Counsel Barry clarified that the items on the Agenda are typically done at year end for the beginning of the new year and is done via an RFP or RFQ.

4. Authorizing the County Manager to certify to the NJ Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health Services that there have been no changes to the plan for the delivery of mental health services and that the County will continue to operate a psychiatric facility during calendar year 2014. **(Vernell Wright)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with U.S. Post Acute Services Solutions (USPASS), Union, New Jersey, for the period January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2015 in an amount not to exceed \$47,688.00. **(Vernell Wright)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to renew the contract with Mobilex, Horsham, Pennsylvania, for the Provision of X-Ray, EKG, Doppler Studies, Holter Monitoring and Ultrasonography services for the patients and residents of Runnells Specialized Hospital for the period January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$55,000.00. RFP was posted October 29, 2013; proposals were received on November 14, 2013. **(Vernell Wright)**
7. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with W.W. Grainger, Lake Forest, Illinois, for the purchase of maintenance & repair materials and tools for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00. **(Vernell Wright)**
8. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Patterson Medical, Bolingbrook, Illinois, for the purchase of therapy and medical supplies for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$14,000.00. **(Vernell Wright)**
9. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Penn Jersey Paper Co., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, for the purchase of plastic bags for garbage and soiled laundry and laundry detergent through NJHA Group Purchasing for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$31,000.00. **(Vernell Wright)**
10. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with McKesson Medical/Surgical, Golden Valley, Minnesota, for the purchase of supplies for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$668,200.00. **(Vernell Wright)**
11. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Standard Textile, Cincinnati, Ohio, for the provision of linens and uniforms for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$75,500.00. **(Vernell Wright)**
12. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Direct Supply, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, for a variety of materials and equipment for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$43,000.00. **(Vernell Wright)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

Robert E. Barry, Esq., County Counsel

1. A Resolution appointing John R. Boles as the Public Agency's Compliance Officer (P.A.C.O.) for a term effective January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014. **(Linda Carter)**

2. A Resolution appointing and designating Special Counsels for the Union County Solid Waste Management District. **(Linda Carter)**
3. A Resolution approving a list of Qualified Shorthand Reporters for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014. **(Linda Carter)**
4. A Resolution approving a list of Qualified Labor/Personnel Counsel for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014. **(Linda Carter)**
5. A Resolution approving a list of Qualified Litigation Defense Counsel for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014. **(Linda Carter)**
6. Amending Resolution Number 2013-930, to increase the appropriation to Bauch Zucker Hatfield, LLC of Springfield, New Jersey, in the matter entitled Beverly Figueroa v. UC, et als. in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 for a sum not to exceed \$105,000.00. **(Linda Carter)**
7. Amending Resolution Number 2013-701, to increase the appropriation to Weber Dowd Law of Woodland Park, New Jersey, in the matter entitled Beverly Figueroa v. UC, et als. in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 for a sum not to exceed \$55,000.00. **(Linda Carter)**
8. A Resolution approving the settlement of pending litigation entitled Gerald & Laura Hatton v. UC, et als, Docket No. UNN-L-000084-12, in an amount not to exceed \$175,000.00. **(Linda Carter)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY MANAGER

Alfred J. Faella, County Manager

1. Authorizing the County Manager to sign any and all documents necessary to enter into a Collective Bargaining Agreement with Council No. 8 effective January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014. **(Linda Carter)**

County Manager Faella stated that item #1 is in line with previous approved contracts of 2% increases and health care benefit contributions.

Freeholder Bergen asked which employees are covered.

County Manager Faella responded that it is the clerical that Council 8 represents.

FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

Vice Chairman Hudak stated that as a result of the Fiscal Committee Meeting, there will be a Resolution at the next Freeholder Meeting pertaining to position controls.

1. Congratulating the congregation of Our Lady of Fatima Church, Elizabeth, New Jersey on their 40th Anniversary celebration. **(Sergio Granados)**
2. Congratulating the Hillside, New Jersey Pop Warner Jr. Midgets Cheerleading Squad on winning the National Championship for Pop Warner Cheerleading. **(Sergio Granados)**
3. Appointing James Horne to the Human Services Advisory Council for a term commencing January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2016 and reappointing Pamela Capaci for a term beginning January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014; and reappointing Cathy Chin, Charles

Gillon, Frank Guzzo, Jim Harrington, Phyllis Monguso, Debbie Morgan, Holly Phillips and Bill Webb for a term commencing January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2016. **(Bette Jane Kowalski)**

4. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with T&M Associates, Middletown, New Jersey for the purpose of providing continued services pertaining to the remedial process at the following addresses: 370 Madison Hill Road, Clark, New Jersey; 675 Madison Hill Road, Clark, New Jersey; and 951-959 Leland Avenue, Plainfield, New Jersey in an amount not to exceed \$44,500.00. This service is deemed necessary by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, and is conducted through the Licensed Site Remedial Professional (LSRP) program. This action is anticipated to provide closure to active cases. **(Alexander Mirabella)**
5. Congratulating Lathey Wirkus for serving as the Fire Mutual Aid Coordinator for the County of Union since 2005. **(Alexander Mirabella)**
6. Extending the Board's deepest sympathy to the family of Michael Murray of Westfield, New Jersey, former Union County Office of Public Information Director, former Union County Alliance Director, and former Sports Editor of the Elizabeth Daily Journal, in this their time of sorrow. **(Linda Carter, & The The Board)**

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 PM.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]; MOVER: Christopher Hudak, Vice Chairman; **SECONDER:** Alexander Mirabella, Freeholder; **AYES:** Freeholder Granados, Freeholder Bergen, Freeholder Estrada, Freeholder Jalloh, Freeholder Kowalski, Freeholder Mirabella, Freeholder Wright, Vice Chairman Hudak, Chairman Carter;

Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders 2013 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 7:00pm 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 6, 2013 at 12:00pm

Assignment Judge Karen M. Cassidy's Courtroom, 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ

Agenda Setting Meetings

Regular Meetings

January 17, 2013

January 24, 2013

February 7, 2013
February 28, 2013

February 21, 2013
February 28, 2013

March 7, 2013
March 21, 2013

March 14, 2013
March 28, 2013

April 4, 2013
April 18, 2013

April 11, 2013
April 25, 2013

May 2, 2013
May 30, 2013

May 16, 2013
May 30, 2013

June 13, 2013
June 27, 2013

June 13, 2013
June 27, 2013

July 18, 2013

July 25, 2013

August 8, 2013

August 22, 2013

September 12, 2013
September 26, 2013

September 19, 2013
September 26, 2013

October 3, 2013
October 17, 2013

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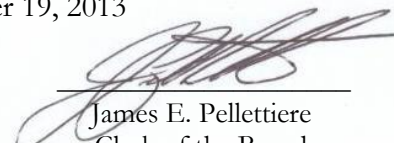
November 7, 2013
Tues., November 26, 2013

November 14, 2013
Tues. November 26, 2013

December 5, 2013
December 19, 2013

December 5, 2013
December 19, 2013

* Special Meeting: April 18, 2013 at 6:30pm



James E. Pellettiere
Clerk of the Board

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