



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

THURSDAY, JUNE 13, 2013
AGENDA SETTING MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Linda Carter called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Bruce Bergen	Freeholder	Present	
Angel G. Estrada	Freeholder	Present	
Mohamed S. Jalloh	Freeholder	Present	
Bette Jane Kowalski	Freeholder	Present	
Alexander Mirabella	Freeholder	Present	
Daniel P. Sullivan	Freeholder	Present	
Vernell Wright	Freeholder	Present	
Christopher Hudak	Vice Chairman	Late	7:13 PM
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. Pelletiere.

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.

APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

Note and File

1. Oath of Office: Air Traffic and Noise Advisory Board: William Ilaria; Construction Board of Appeals: David Maas and Richard Watkins; Senior Citizen Disabled Resident Transportation Assistance Program: Sonja A. Ash; Union County Transportation Advisory Board: Paul Baiamonte, Jeanne Kingsley and Hugh Welsh; Workforce Investment Board: Gary Pfarr.

PRESENTATIONS FROM THE BOARD

A Resolution presentation was made by Freeholders Mohamed Jalloh and Bette Jane Kowalski to Sergeant Robert Christie, on behalf of the Union Police Department, for their outstanding efforts in supporting the Union County campaign to update handicapped parking penalty signs and for their concerted efforts to stop abuse of parking placards in their community.

Chairman Carter called upon Freeholder Jalloh, Freeholder Kowalski and Freeholder Wright to present Sergeant Robert Christie with a Resolution for launching a campaign to update handicapped parking penalty signs and for their efforts to stop abuse of parking placards in their community.

Freeholder Kowalski read the Resolution aloud. She asked Charlie Newman of the Division of Disability to join them.

Sgt. Christie thanked the Board for the Resolution and the ongoing support of the Board which benefits Union Township and Union County residents. He said they are committed to enforcing handicapped parking, stating that the statistics show that more than 50% of family members and friends of those who are disabled are using the placards. He said they are requesting identification and if the placard does not belong to the individual, they will receive 2 summons totaling \$500. The placard is immediately revoked and then suspension of the placard is decided by the courts.

Freeholder Wright congratulated Sgt. Christie for all his efforts.

Director Newman congratulated Sgt. Christie and the Union Twp. Police Department for improving the parking for the disabled.

Chairman Carter extended her gratitude.

A Certificate Presentation was made by Freeholder Alexander Mirabella to Marc Avena, a senior at Arthur L. Johnson High School in Clark, congratulating him on receiving the Union County Human Relations "Unity Award of Achievement by a Student."

Chairman Carter called upon Freeholder Mirabella and Freeholder Kowalski to make the next presentation. Freeholder Mirabella called upon Marc Avina and his parents. He stated he is always happy to recognize great students and student leaders. Freeholder Mirabella stated that Marc is a senior at A. L. Johnson High School in Clark and will continue his education at Rutgers University. He said he is proud of his efforts and presented him with a Certificate.

Marc thanked the Board for their recognition and said he has been helping restore churches in El Salvador and bringing families together. He thanked his family and mentors.

Freeholder Mirabella stated that Mark's mom is a great teacher with the Union County Vocational-Technical School - AIT.

Chairman Carter stated it is nice to see youth follow their passion.

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY CLERK

JOANNE RAJOPPI, UNION COUNTY CLERK

Deputy County Clerk Nicole DiRado represented the Office.

1. Amending Resolution Number 2013-294, a contract with Royal Printing Services, Inc., West New York, New Jersey for the purpose of printing Official Ballots, Sample Ballots, Emergency Ballots, Emergency Ballot Tally Sheets, Provision Ballots and Provisional Ballot Inventory Cards for the US Senate Special Primary to be held on August 13, 2013 in the amount of \$181,205. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**

Freeholder Sullivan stated that Ms. DiRado was gracious to attend the Fiscal Committee

Meeting to speak about the Special Election. He stated that the Fiscal Committee was not opposed to costs of the Primary Election, but questioned the costs associated with the Special Election in October. He said they discussed the scheduling and the \$1.75 million cost to the County, stating that there is no guaranteed it will be reimbursed by the State.

Freeholder Sullivan asked Ms. DiRado to explain the time frame they are under.

Ms. DiRado stated that the County Clerk's Office has 5 working days beginning Monday, June 21st to Friday, June 28th to mail the ballots, which have to be printed and prepared first. They have to comply with the Federal law. She said there is a quick need to put contracts and purchase orders in place.

Freeholder Jalloh asked for more of an explanation of the fees that will be incurred. Ms. DiRado stated that there are provisional ballots, vote by mail ballots for the general election which includes a lot of overtime for regular employees and there will be seasonal employees salaries as well. She said there are postage and mailing and \$25,000 for the software consultant fees, which is not part of tonight's Resolutions. She said historically, the expenses for the primary election have been \$358,000.

Freeholder Jalloh asked if there is a fee associated with the machines from October to November.

Administrator of the Board of Elections Dennis Kobitz responded. He stated that most of the fees incurred will be for employee overtime. He said they have to wait for a court order to release the machines, then there is a County-wide recount, they need to be stripped and prepared for the ensuing election. He explained that only certified individuals can handle the voting machines. He said the primary election is scheduled for October 16th, the truckers have to bring the machines within 2 days. He said his staff will be working around the clock beginning Saturday, which will incur six certified employees to earn a lot of overtime.

Freeholder Estrada stated that the Special Election will be taking place unless there is a major challenge.

Mr. Kobitz replied yes. There is currently a Bill to have the Special Election changed to November, adding that he does not believe Governor Christie will sign the Bill.

Freeholder Hudak asked about the cost to each municipality.

Ms. DiRado stated that municipalities will incur overtime costs for employees to open schools during the summer months. They bear the costs of 100% of the official ballots. She said she was on a Conference call with Bob Giles and other County Clerks and the Board of Election.

Freeholder Hudak asked how long it took to be reimbursed by for the February 2008 Presidential Primary Election, and asked if there is inventory of municipal polling place that are available due to maintenance projects that occur in schools over the summer months.

Mr. Kobitz stated that Westfield has a bond referendum to improve their schools, Winfield does not have a school available, and a school in Hillside is improving the gym, but will provide them with another room. He said most schools are available.

Mr. Kobitz said the overtime costs were over \$190,000 and it will be a lot more. The reason being that the schools are closed, and the custodians typically do not work in the summer. He said the schools will bill the election Board.

Freeholder Hudak asked if the voting machine could be turned around from October to November in time.

Mr. Kobitz stated that the machines have to be delivered twice; for the Special and the General

election. He said we have 427 districts and 500 machines, and they are programmed by the Board of Election. It is a daunting task.

County Counsel Barry stated that there are currently two items on the Agenda to be discussed during Executive Session, but there were legal issues that arose at the Fiscal Committee Meeting relative to the costs associated with the Special Election and one of the County Clerk's current Resolutions. Therefore, there will be an additional item to be discussed during Executive Session.

2. Amending Resolution Number 2013-74, an agreement with B&B Press, Lebanon, New Jersey, for the purpose of printing the vote by mail and provisional ballots for the US Senate Special Primary Election to be held on August 13, 2013 in the amount of \$107,205. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**
3. Amending Resolution Number 2013-72, an agreement with Full Service Mailers, Hackensack, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing mail fulfillment services the US Senate Special Primary to be held on August 13, 2013 in the amount of \$29,033. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY PROSECUTOR

Theodore J. Romankow, Prosecutor

Assistant Prosecutor Albert Cernadas, Jr. represented the Office.

1. Amending Resolution Number 2013-379, in order to extend the professional services contract with Elizabeth Deo, RN, for the period of June 9, 2013 through July 6, 2013 for an amount of \$2,800, total contract not to exceed \$7,000. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**

Chairman Carter asked for an explanation of items 2 and 3.

Mr. Cernadas stated that the DNA analyst in the lab is paid out of a \$2 million grant for DNA purposes and this item is to extend the contract.

Mr. Cernadas explained that item #3 is an annual contract. \$13,000 is for two salaries and the remaining is for equipment and investigative services.

County Manager Faella stated that he received the report from the Prosecutor's Office regarding the misuse of generators.

Mr. Cernadas explained that employees did use the generators during Storm Sandy, but there is no evidence to permanently keep them from the residents of Union County. Therefore, it is not a criminal matter.

2. Amending Resolution Number 2013-191, in order to extend the professional services contract with Cortney B. Boccardi, Richboro, Pennsylvania, for the period of June 30, 2013 through September 30, 2013 at no additional cost. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and accept funding from the NJ Division of Criminal Justice, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant, Multi-Jurisdictional Gang, Gun and Narcotics Task Force Grant Program for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 in the amount of \$174,858. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICESMatthew N. DiRado, Esq., Director

There were no questions.

1. Amending Resolution Number 2008-879, a five year term contract with Cartegraph, Inc., Dubuque, Iowa, to provide implementation services, additional licenses, and training for the upgrade and customization of the existing application to incorporate an asset management system in the amount of \$34,190.00 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$216,290. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**
2. Approving Alfred Faella's Public Official Bond with the Hartford Insurance Company, Hartford, Connecticut for the period of April 1, 2013 through April 1, 2014 in the amount of \$400.00; representing no increase from last year's policy. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**
3. Approving Bibi Taylor's Public Official Bond with the Travelers Insurance Company, Hartford, Connecticut for the period of April 15, 2013 through April 15, 2014 in the amount of \$952.00; representing no increase from last year's policy. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**
4. Renewing the Accident Policy with The Hartford Life and Accident Insurance Company, Simsbury, Connecticut, from April 1, 2013 through April 1, 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$1,955.00; representing no increase from last year's policy. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**
5. Renewing the Volunteers accident policy with the Hartford Life and Accident Insurance Company, Simsbury, Connecticut, from April 1, 2013 through April 1, 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$360.00; representing no increase from last year's policy. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**
6. Awarding the proposed new contract which is an allowable extension of a contract originally obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq: Department of Administrative Services, Division of Motor Vehicles: Preferred Petroleum, LLC, Newark, New Jersey for the purpose of providing maintenance and repair work of fuel dispensing units for a period of 24 months in an amount not to exceed \$113,000.00. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONSBrian Riordan, Director

Director Riordan explained the 3 items listed on the Agenda.

1. Amending Resolution Number 2013-89, an agreement with Luminosity, Inc., St. Petersburg, Florida, for an additional eight months in order to extend the Jail Management initiative in an additional amount of \$30,000.00 for a total amount not to exceed \$218,464.00. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**

Freeholder Mirabella stated that if the population as mentioned in item #1 is decreasing why is would the contract be extended.

Director Riordan explained that there are currently 677 prisoners in the jail. He said there have been under 700 inmates that has remained constant within the past 1.5 weeks, stating that they are extending the contract with Luminosity as they are striving to fill the Manager position at

the jail, until then, they will be utilizing Ms. Van Nostrand of Luminosity and her staff.

Freeholder Mirabella congratulated Director Riordan for the great recommendation of Luminosity. He said the money has been well spent and well advised. He said this is the lowest jail population he has seen since he has been on the Board. He stated that there are usually 900 to 1000 inmates.

2. Authorizing County Manager to enter into an agreement with Monmouth County Police Academy Freehold, New Jersey, where as, the County of Monmouth will provide basic training courses for Union County Correctional Officer Recruits in an amount not to exceed \$17,000.00. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**

Freeholder Mirabella asked if the County has worked with the Monmouth County Police Academy in the past, referring to item #2. Director Moran, replied no, this is the first time. He said we rely on the Academy that is available to conduct the training courses for the Correctional Officer Recruits. We have used Passaic and Somerset Counties in the past.

Freeholder Mirabella asked why the County's Police Academy is not utilized for the training.

Director Riordan stated that it takes 12-14 weeks to become certified. He said that he would have to contribute his personnel to train and it is cheaper to send out than loose his staff. He said the first available academy for this training will be held in September at the Monmouth County Police Academy in Freehold. He said at this point, the officers will not return until later in the year. He said he has vacancies now that need to be filled and this is the soonest academy that is available.

Freeholder Mirabella asked if the vacancies require different training.

Director Riordan stated that the basic training is a 2 week orientation then 12-14 weeks of training, and then another week of in-house training to familiarize them on the structure of the facility when they return.

3. Amending Resolution 2013-144, to renew the contract between County of Union and Education and Health Centers of America, Inc., Wall, New Jersey, to provide comprehensive inmate substance abuse treatment/residential correction facility services to the inmates of the Union County Jail for the period of July 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013 in an amount not to exceed \$1,250,000.00. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**

Freeholder Estrada asked for last year's contract amount in item #3.

Director Riordan stated that they spent \$2,139,000 in 2012. He said the amount has been reduced. He said last year they used 164 beds at Delaney Hall, now there are 52 beds. He said there is really no way to predict how many they will need.

Freeholder Estrada asked about the net/net amount.

Director Riordan stated that there are 677 inmates in-house; 52 at Delaney Hall, 47 in Hudson County and 12 at the Ann Klein Psychiatric Hospital, which totals about 800. He said this is a record low, stating that the since he took the position in 2008, there has always been around 1,200 inmates in-house.

Freeholder Estrada congratulated Director Riordan and his staff on recommending Luminosity to the Board.

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING, PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES

Joseph Graziano, Director

Engineer Thomas Mineo represented the Department.

1. Concurring with the City of Summit's Ordinance No. 13-3006, "Turn Prohibitions; No Turns On to Briant Pkwy Between 7-9am & 4-6pm." **(Chairman Linda Carter)**
2. Amending Resolution Number 2011-1066, (BA#100) a contract through the public bidding process with Jogi Construction of Edison, New Jersey, approving Change Order No. 1 (final) for the Replacement of Prospect Street Culvert, City of Summit, New Jersey; reducing the original contract amount by \$28,473.03, for a new total contract amount of \$733,526.97. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**
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 Engineering, Public Works & Facilities: CV Electrical Contractors, Inc., Linden, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing New Fire Alarm System at Church Store Building, Township of Berkeley Heights, New Jersey, time of completion will be Ninety (90) calendar days from the notice to proceed in the amount of \$68,000.00. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**
4. 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 Engineering, Public Works & Facilities: CV Electrical Contractors, Inc., Linden, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing fire protection at various Park Maintenance Buildings, County of Union, New Jersey, time of completion will be ninety (90) calendar days from the date of the notice to proceed in the amount of \$224,000.00. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**

Freeholder Jalloh asked for an explanation of item #4.

Mr. Mineo stated that the contract is for various fire protection for various park maintenance building required by code.

Freeholder Jalloh asked about the funding for last year.

Mr. Mineo stated it is a separate project, on an as-needed basis. He said they just finished one at Watchung Stables. He has been working with Steve Caruso who has been communicating with Public Safety.

Freeholder Estrada asked Mr. Mineo to update the Board as to how many more facilities need to be done.

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: Department of Engineering, Public Works & Facilities: Ralph Checchio, Inc., Scotch Plains, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing various asphalt overlay for Park Maintenance, to be completed by September 27, 2013 in the amount of \$280,714.00. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**
6. Amending Resolution Number 2011-633, (BA#40) a contract through the public bidding process with GPC, Inc., Millburn, New Jersey, approving Change Order No. 1 for the Union County Justice Complex Renovations, Phase II Project in an amount not to exceed

\$2,186,787.63 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$13,181,787.63. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**

Freeholder Sullivan asked for an explanation of the Change Order mentioned in item #6.

Director Guzzo explained that the Change Order is being added to the existing jail renovations. It was also part of the Hudson County Agreement to allow us to clear the pods that needed much work since it was built in 1989. He said the only work that has been done to the jail since then was the recent renovation of the kitchen. He said windows are in desperate need of refitting and caulking on the exterior, painting and refitting of doors need to be done. He said that is \$887,000 worth of the Change Order amount. He explained that no other improvements have been made to the jail since 1989 and since the pods are being vacated, now is the time to get this done.

Director Riordan stated that the contract has certified that the work needs to be done and it will provide a better environment for individuals who are in our care. The jail was built to accommodate approximately 500 inmates and it has been accommodating 1,200 inmates, resulting in much wear and tear.

Freeholder Sullivan asked how long it will take to complete the work.

Bob Pasquale, President of Pinnacle stated that there is 18 months remaining. There are a total of 10 pods and each pod will take 1.5 months to complete, which will bring it to October 2014. He said the costs are inclusive of the changes. Then they will begin with Phase 3, which is replacing the control center.

Freeholder Sullivan asked if Phase 3 is part of the contract and if they could expect any other Change Orders.

Mr. Pasquale stated that it is not part of this contract and there should not be another Change Order.

Director Riordan said that there has been some work done as part of Phase 3, while the pods are vacant, like replacing some of the electrical equipment to bring it up to date. He said if it is not done while the pods are empty, it will cost more to empty the pods again.

Freeholder Jalloh asked why the repairs were not anticipated prior to vacating the pods.

Director Riordan stated that he was not employed by the County when the scope was originally done. It has deteriorated since that time. He said the ventilation system, duct work, motors, belts and design of the doors leading to the showers all need to be replaced.

Mr. Pasquale stated that when the original scope was done in 2002, areas increased in interior design and being that the pods were not vacant, it made it difficult to see all the work that needed to be done.

7. Amending Resolution Number 2012-107, a professional engineering contract with Birdsall Services Group, Cranford, New Jersey; rescinding the services for the Bid Phase, the Design Services during Construction Phase and the Construction Administration and Inspection Services in the amount of \$57,498.00 for the Summer Street Bridge (EL4) Bridge Deck Replacement Project, City of Summit, New Jersey. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**
8. 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: Engineering, Public Works & Facilities: Smith Sondy, Wallington, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing 2013 Road Resurfacing Project, Time of Completion: One Hundred and Twenty

(120) calendar days from the date of the notice to proceed, in the amount of \$6,013,529.22.
(Chairman Linda Carter)

9. 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 Engineering, Public Works & Facilities; Division of Facilities Management and Runnells Specialized Hospital: Electrical Application, Inc, Roselle Park, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing electrical systems repairs, maintenance and installation services, for a period of twenty-four (24) consecutive months term in the amount of \$233,410.00. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**
10. 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; Engineering, Public Works & Facilities; Division of Facilities Management, Positive Attitude, Marlboro, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing chemicals - janitorial maintenance, for a period of twenty-four (24) consecutive months in the amount of \$388,882.50. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**
11. Resolution granting permission to the Township of Scotch Plains to hang a banner across Park Avenue at the intersection of Front Street and Park Avenue from August 1, 2013 to September 3, 2013 for the Annual St. Bartholomew's Labor Day Italian Festival which will be held August 30, 2013 through September 2, 2013. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Bibi Taylor, Director

1. Resolution Modifying the 2013 Budget in the amount of \$29,920 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey for a Program Entitled: Global Options. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**
2. Resolution Modifying the 2013 Budget in the amount of \$3,085 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey for a Program Entitled: Jersey Assistance for Community Caregivers - JACC. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**
3. Resolution Modifying the 2013 Budget in the amount of \$125,000 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Children and Families for a Program Entitled: Human Services Advisory Council. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**
4. Resolution Modifying the 2013 Budget in the amount of \$12,000 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Military and Veterans Affairs for a Program Entitled: Veterans Paratransit. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**
5. Resolution Modifying the 2013 Budget in the amount of \$10,480 as a result of notification received from the Department of Human Services for a Program Entitled: Intoxicated Drivers Resource Center - IDRC. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**
6. Resolution Modifying the 2013 Budget in the amount of \$65,292 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services for a Program Entitled: Transportation Block Grant TANF. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**

7. Resolution Modifying the 2013 Budget in the amount of \$53,821 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection for a Program Entitled: Clean Communities. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**
8. Resolution Modifying the 2013 Budget in the amount of \$1,527,955 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Labor and Workforce Development for a Program Entitled: Workforce Investment Act Dislocated Worker Grant. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**

Freeholder Kowalski asked if the grants are the same for the items listed on the agenda.

Director Taylor stated the following:

Item #1 was reduced by \$27,000; Item #2 is a flat renewal; Item #3 is increased by \$100,000; Item #4 ,5 ,6 and 7 are flat renewals; Item #8 has been increased by \$23,000 and Items #9 and 10 are flat with minor changes.

9. Resolution Modifying the 2013 Budget in the amount of \$1,133,144 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Labor and Workforce Development for a Program Entitled: Workforce Investment Act Adult Grant. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**
10. Resolution Modifying the 2013 Budget in the amount of \$1,105,340 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Labor and Workforce Development for a Program Entitled: Workforce Investment Act Youth Grant. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**
11. Resolution Modifying the 2013 Budget in the amount of \$4,000 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Children and Families for a program Entitled: Sexual Assault and Rape Care (SAARC). **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**
12. Request for a waiver of the County's residency requirement for Mr. Erick Mesias to serve as the Division Director for the Division of the Comptroller, Department of Finance. **(Freeholder Mohamed S. Jalloh)**
13. Authorizing an Emergency Appropriation in the amount of \$1,750,000 for the Special Elections for the United States Senate. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**

Freeholder Sullivan asked where the dollars are coming from in item #13.

Director Taylor stated that the Special Election was unforeseen and it is funded out of surplus then will be in next year's budget.

Freeholder Sullivan stated that there has been no affirmative communication from the State that the County will be reimbursed. Director Taylor confirmed that he was correct.

Freeholder Hudak asked when the County received full reimbursement by the State for the last election.

Director Taylor stated that they received reimbursement seven months after the election in 2008. She said the County operated on a cash basis and there was no guarantee in surplus dollars.

Freeholder Hudak stated that this covers two election years, not involving weather events.

Director Taylor stated that there are unforeseen seasonal circumstances, overtime of staff, publishing costs, printing costs and mailings.

Freeholder Hudak asked how much of the cost was due to the storm on overtime costs and costs pertaining to the ballots in 2012.

Director Taylor stated that the bulk of the expenses were in overtime and mailings. She said she will provide the Board with the figures.

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Frank Guzzo, Director

1. Amending Resolution Number 2012-936, to increase the agreement with Direct Supply, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, through Healthcare Group Purchasing, in the amount of \$6,532.84, for a revised total not to exceed \$50,532.84, and to revise the accounts for payment of these funds for the procurement and installation of equipment for examinations and patient support at the Immunization Clinic for the Division of Social Services, Elizabeth, New Jersey. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Chairman Carter asked for an explanation of item #1.

Director Guzzo stated that it is to install a new immunization clinic on Parker Road. He said the program has increased in five years and they moved to larger space. The smaller space resulted in clients were waiting outdoors. He said the new clinic will have 2 examining rooms and they are in need of examining tables. This space allows for an array of services for kids.

2. Authorizing the County Manager to renew the agreement with Social Solutions, Baltimore, Maryland, for the annual license renewal plus component modification fee to provide cloud-based Efforts-to-Outcomes (ETO) Software and training services for the Division of Youth Services' personnel in an amount not to exceed \$22,000.00 for the period of July 1, 2013 through July 1, 2014 with the option to renew in 2014. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND COMMUNITY RENEWAL

Ronald Zuber, Director

Cherron Rountree represented the Department.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to renew the shared services agreement for use of the Union County Print Shop with all 21 municipalities and other schools and non-profit agencies who utilize this shared service. This is a renewal of the service that is the result of the Xerox 5 year Print Shop contract (revenue generating). **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**
2. Amending Resolution 2013-413, to reflect the correct project name for the City of Elizabeth's Parkers Walk Project. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Shared Service agreement with the Township of Cranford in conjunction with grant monies received from USDA (to Cranford - \$300,000) for Emergency Watershed Protection for obtaining permits, engineering and tree removal for the improvement of the Rahway River in Cranford and to further authorize the allocation of \$100,000 towards this project. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Union County College for the provision of Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) testing services for WorkFirst New Jersey

applicants and clients, for a contract period of May 20, 2013 through June 30, 2013 and in an amount not to exceed \$22,000.00. The award is to fund four-hundred forty (440) TABE tests at \$50 per test. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**

Chairman Carter asked for an explanation of item #4.

Deputy Director Rountree stated it is an Agreement with Union County College for Workforce NJ clients. They have to be tested for level of education to be placed in appropriate jobs.

5. Authorizing the County Manger to enter into a contract with the Elizabeth Development Company, Elizabeth, New Jersey, to provide On-the-Job Training services for Union County for the operational period June 1, 2013 through April 30, 2014, in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00. The On-the-Job Training Program will coordinate with area employers to place Union County Workforce Investment Act eligible adults and dislocated workers in On-the-Job Training opportunities. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**
6. 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: Country Feed & Grain, LLC., Haskell, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing horse feed for a period of twenty-four (24) consecutive months in an amount not to exceed \$117,950.00 (\$58,975.00 per year). **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**
7. Amending Resolution No. 2012-815, an amendment to a contract through the bidding process (BA#87-2009/Resolution No. 2009-880) with Lew Corporation, Mountainside, New Jersey to provide Asbestos Abatement at the Galloping Hill Service Yard; approving Change Order #2 (final) to correct a typographical error by increasing the agreement \$180.00 for a new amount of \$16,970.00 for a new total contract amount of \$69,030.00. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**

Freeholder Mirabella asked for an explanation of item #7.

Deputy Director Rountree explained that the original Change Order was stated as \$16,790. He said it was a typographical error, the digits 7 and 9 were transposed. As a result, the amount has to be increased \$180.00.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Andrew Moran, Director

There were no questions.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contracts 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 Hazardous Materials: A&K Equipment Company, Rahway, New Jersey, to purchase, through UASI Grant funding, a Custom HazMat Truck Body in the amount of \$22,845.00. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**
2. Request for a waiver of the County's residency requirement for Ms. Roberta Milano to continue to serve as the LINCS Coordinator for the Department of Public Safety. **(Freeholder Mohamed S. Jalloh)**

RUNNELLS SPECIALIZED HOSPITALSusan Palma, MS, RN, Administrator

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with JoAnn Muir, RRT, Florham Park, New Jersey, to provide respiratory therapy services to the patients/residents and to provide educational services for respiratory therapy to medical and nursing staff at Runnells Specialized Hospital to maintain standards for the State Department of Health during the period of August 1, 2013 through July 31, 2014 at a rate of \$1,140.00 each month in an amount not to exceed \$13,680.00. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an Agreement with Jacqueline Napper, PsyD, PsyPharm, Plainfield, New Jersey, to provide psychological services to the patients/residents of Runnells Specialized Hospital for the period of August 1, 2013 through July 31, 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$4,200. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with Zimmet Healthcare Services Group, LLC, Morganville, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing Medicare and Insurance Billing Reimbursement, Compliance and Long Term Care Medicaid Case Mix Consulting Services for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 in the amount of \$24,000.00 plus \$1,000.00 for out of pocket expenses, for a total not to exceed \$25,000.00. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**

Chairman Carter asked about item #3.

Ms. Palma stated it provides consultation reimbursement for unique services. It helps maximize their services, assists with CSI, education, monitoring and reviewing.

Chairman asked if we had this contract before.

Ms. Palma stated yes, it is the most cost effective group to hire.

FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

Freeholder Bergen asked to be added to item #2.

Freeholder Mirabella asked if item #2 could be sponsored by the entire Board.

Freeholder Mirabella stated that a presentation of the Union County College project was slated for this evening, but it was cancelled and is rescheduled in two weeks.

County Counsel Barry stated that Chairman of the Fiscal Committee, Freeholder Sullivan will have a Resolution next week relative to the Special and General Elections.

Freeholder Sullivan confirmed Mr. Barry's statement.

1. Congratulating Scott Anderson, Superintendent of Public Works, Township of Hillside, on his retirement after 39 years of public service. **(Freeholder Jalloh, Mr. Board)**
2. Resolution congratulating the Cranford High School Cougars for winning the State Group 3 Baseball State Title; the second consecutive State title and third in four years. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

3. Congratulating Kevin Sheridan of Boy Scout Troop 73, Clark, New Jersey on attaining the rank of Eagle Scout. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
4. Recognizing the Union Police Department and Sergeant Robert J. Christie, Union Police Department Traffic Bureau Supervisor, for their support of the Union County campaign to update handicapped parking penalty signs. **(Kowalski, Jalloh, Wright)**
5. Resolution providing the Consent of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union to the issuance by the Union County Improvement Authority of its Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2013 (Union County College Cranford Facility Project) in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$15,000,000.00 for the Union County College Cranford Campus Facility Project (The "Project"). **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**
6. Expressing the Board's sincere wishes for a happy 100th birthday to John R. Hayes, Sr., as he celebrates with family and friends on June 22, 2013. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**
7. Recognizing the Plainfield High School Alumni Association Hall of Fame Class of 2013 who will be inducted at the 8th Annual Induction Luncheon on June 15, 2013. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**
8. Congratulating Joseph P. Bowe on his retirement after 38 years of service to the residents of Union County on September 1, 2013. **(Chairman Carter, Mr. Board)**
9. Congratulating Frank W. Padusniak Jr on his retirement after 30 years of dedicated service to the residents of Union County on July 1, 2013. **(Chairman Carter, Mr. Board)**
10. Resolution expressing the Board's sincere condolences to the family of Carmela Colosimo in this their time of sorrow. **(Chairman Carter, Mr. Board)**
11. Resolution opposing the Governor Chris Christie's, Governor of New Jersey, Writ of Election directing a special General Election to be held on October 16, 2013. **(Chairman Linda Carter)**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

To the extent known, the following items will be discussed in executive session:

- 1) Discussions relative to personnel matters and attorney Client privilege communication.
- 2) Attorney Client privilege communication and contract negotiations relative to the County's Health Insurance provider.
- 3) B&B Press and Royal Printing Services for the US Senate Special Primary Election

County Counsel Barry stated that pursuant to provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act a public body may enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing certain enumerated subjects. This Board will now enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing relative to personnel matters and attorney Client privilege communication, Attorney Client privilege communication and contract negotiations relative to the County's Health Insurance provider and B&B Press and Royal Printing Services for the US Senate Special Primary Election.

The minutes of the Executive Session shall be separated from the minutes of the Open Public Session. The minutes of the Executive Session, redacted as appropriate and necessary, shall be available in approximately 30 days. The Clerk of the Board shall retain the original minutes until such time as the confidential limitations have been removed, at which time they shall be made available.

Upon the Board's return, it will not take any formal action on the matters discussed as this is an Agenda setting session, but it is possible at the Regular Freeholder Meeting following the Agenda Meeting.

Upon a majority vote of the members present, the Board may now retire to Executive Session.

Motion to enter Executive Session.

RESULT: ADOPTED [8 TO 0]; MOVER: Mohamed S. Jalloh, Freeholder; **SECONDER:** Alexander Mirabella, Freeholder; **AYES:** Freeholder Bergen, Freeholder Estrada, Freeholder Jalloh, Freeholder Kowalski, Freeholder Mirabella, Freeholder Sullivan, Freeholder Wright, Chairman Carter; **ABSTAIN:** Vice Chairman Hudak;

Motion to return from Executive Session.

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

County Counsel Barry stated that as a result of discussions made during Executive Session, a modification is needed to the Resolution to the Emergency Appropriations reduced to \$885,000 addressing the Special Primary Elections and relative thereto and another Resolution regarding the Union County Health Insurance Prescription Drug Plan being awarded to Horizon Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Jersey for a contract date from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 will be on for the next meeting.

Chairman Carter asked County Manager Faella to make a statement regarding the Prosecutors report pertaining to the use of generators.

County Manager Faella stated that he received the report from the Prosecutor's Office. Based upon completion of his review, it will be handled as a personnel matter and will adhere to the normal procedures according to the Administrative Code. Adding, that it will be done as quickly as possible.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:56 PM.

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

2012 UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS' 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 8, 2012 at 12:00pm
 Assignment Judge Karen M. Cassidy's Courtroom, 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ

AGENDA SETTING MEETINGS

REGULAR MEETINGS

January 19, 2012

January 26, 2012

February 2, 2012
 February 16, 2012

February 9, 2012
 February 23, 2012

March 1, 2012
 March 15, 2012

March 8, 2012
 March 22, 2012

April 5, 2012
 April 26, 2012

April 19, 2012
 April 26, 2012

May 3, 2012
 May 17, 2012

May 3, 2012
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 June 28, 2012

July 12, 2012

July 19, 2012

August 9, 2012

August 16, 2012

September 6, 2012
 September 20, 2012

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 September 27, 2012

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 October 18, 2012

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 Tues., November 20, 2012

November 8, 2012
 November 29, 2012

December 6, 2012
 December 20, 2012

December 6, 2012
 December 20, 2012



James E. Pellettiere
 Clerk of the Board

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