



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

THURSDAY, JUNE 23, 2016
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

Chairman Bruce H. Bergen presided and called the meeting to order at 7:03pm. Roll call showed Chairman Bruce H. Bergen, Freeholder Linda Carter, Freeholder Angel G. Estrada, Freeholder Hudak, Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski, Freeholder Alexander Mirabella and Freeholder Vernell Wright were in attendance, with Vice Chairman Sergio Granados and Freeholder Mohamed S. Jalloh absent.

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

The Prayer and Salute to the Flag were led by the Clerk of the Board.

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

APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

Note and File

Chairman Bergen called for a motion to approve the Communications. On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Carter, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative, with Vice Chairman Granados and Freeholder Jalloh absent.

Chairman Bergen asked the Clerk of the Board to note that Vice Chairman Granados joined the meeting (7:07pm).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. April 7, 2016 - Agenda Meeting
2. April 7, 2016 - Executive Session
3. April 14, 2016 - Regular Meeting
4. April 14, 2016 - Executive Session
5. April 21, 2016 - Agenda Meeting
6. April 21, 2016 - Executive Session
7. April 28, 2016 - Regular Meeting
8. April 28, 2016 - Executive Session

Chairman Bergen called for a motion to approve the Minutes. On a motion made by Freeholder Carter and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative for the minutes of the April 7, 2016 Agenda Meeting, with Freeholder Kowalski abstaining and Freeholder Jalloh absent; six members of the Board voted in the affirmative for the minutes of the April 7, 2016 Executive Session, with

Freeholder Kowalski and Vice Chairman Granados abstaining and Freeholder Jalloh absent; eight members of the Board voted in the affirmative for the minutes of the April 14, 2016 Regular Meeting, with Freeholder Jalloh absent; seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative for the minutes of the April 14, 2016 Executive Session, with Vice Chairman Granados abstaining and Freeholder Jalloh absent; eight members of the Board voted in the affirmative for the minutes of the April 21, 2016 Agenda Meeting and Executive Session and the April 28, 2016 Regular Meeting, with Freeholder Jalloh absent; seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative for the minutes of the April 28, 2016 Executive Session, with Freeholder Mirabella abstaining and Freeholder Jalloh absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION

The meeting is open to the public for the purpose of commenting on Resolutions being offered for adoption only.

Bruce Patterson, of Garwood, made comments and/or inquires relative to a number resolutions. Relative to Resolution No. 2016-525, he made comments relative to the Louis Berger Group's federal fines and questioned why the Board is still doing business with the company. Relative to Resolutions No. 2016-527 through 2016-529 and 2016-555, he made comments relative to political contributions. Relative to Resolution No. 2016-541, he asked what services will be provided and asked if the Board knew who the CEO was. Resolution No. 2016-545, he stated that it seemed like good news and questioned if the County is getting \$13 million this year or if it was accumulated over a number of years. Regarding to Resolution No. 2016-551, he made comments relative to "matching grants" and noted that this resolution only requires a 20% match, which he thought was more palatable than the County's 50% match requirement. Relative to Resolution No. 2016-568, he suggested the Board talk to the professors at the College, as he thinks there are major issues.

Relative to Resolution No. 2016-541, Director Guzzo stated that the funding is from the state that helps 100 parolees to integrate back into the community; noting that it is part of the Federal Second Chance Act, which is a two year demonstration grant. He advised that the CEO for Bridgeway House is Corey Storch.

Relative to Resolution No. 2016-545, Trust Fund Administrator Drake advised that the request for this resolution came from Green Acres of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. She advised they wanted an enabling resolution that superseded previous resolutions, noting that this encompasses awards that have already come to the County to match acquisitions the County has made through its Trust Fund. She added the majority of the \$13 million has already been received by the County, and through this resolution the County will be able to receive the remaining funds.

John Burry, of Kenilworth, made comments and/or inquires relative to two resolutions. Relative to Resolution No. 2016-553, asked if this is a new Lake Management Company, and asked what services will be performed. Relative to Resolution No. 2016-541, he asked what exactly being provided to the parolees and questioned the facilitation of the funds. He asked if the parolees were for Union County parolees.

Relative to Resolution No. 2016-541, Director Guzzo advised that no services will be provided by the County employees. He noted that these funds will be used towards Union County parolees who are returning to the Union County community. He advised that the

services to be provided include housing support, intensive supervision to work employment; adding that it is a wide range of assistance in helping the parolees reintegrate into the community without relapse.

Relative to Resolution No. 2016-53, Director Zuber advised the former vendor was Aquatics Technologies. He advised that this contract will allow Aquatic Analysts to provide chemical treatment to nineteen county lakes, noting that the treatment is to counter the "greening" of the lakes.

Chairman Bergen asked Director Zuber to confirm that this contract was publicly bid and that the previous company was not the lowest responsible bidder. Director Zuber confirmed as such.

RESOLUTIONS

The following Resolutions are being offered for adoption:

- 2016-523 FREEHOLDER LINDA CARTER:** Concurring with the City of Linden's Ordinance Number 60-3 prohibiting parking at all times on the following streets: North Stiles Street, South, from easterly curblineline of Amon Terrace to a point 150 feet westerly; and North Stiles Street, from the projected easterly curblineline of Amon Terrace to a point 150 feet easterly, City of Linden, County of Union, New Jersey.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-524 FREEHOLDER LINDA CARTER:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Municipal Sponsor/County Co-Sponsor Agreement, concurring with the Borough of Roselle's Resolution Number 2016-172, applying to the New Jersey Transit Corporation for the purchase and installation of three (3) bus shelters at the following locations: Chestnut Street, Northbound, at 2nd Avenue, Far Side; Chestnut Street, Southbound, at West 2nd Avenue, Far Side; and Chestnut Street, Northbound at 8th Avenue, Near Side, Borough of Roselle, County of Union, New Jersey.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-525 FREEHOLDER LINDA CARTER:** Amending Resolution Number 2010-965, a Professional Engineering Service Contract awarded through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process with The Louis Berger Group, Inc., of Morristown, New Jersey, to provide additional construction inspection and administration services associated with the Intersection Improvements at Magic Avenue and Galloping Hill Road / Lincoln Avenue, City of Elizabeth in an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$93,945.11. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2010-010)

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-526 FREEHOLDER LINDA CARTER:** Amending Resolution Number 2015-894, a Professional Service Contract awarded to Matrix New World Engineering, Inc., of Florham Park, New Jersey for LSRP Services, for additional LSRP Oversight of an Underground Storage Tank (UST) Closure Activity Services associated with the Department of Public Works Facility (DPW) located in Scotch Plains, for an additional amount of \$14,100.00 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$364,375.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2011-025)

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-527 FREEHOLDER LINDA CARTER:** 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 Design, Construction Administration and Inspection Services for the 2017 Road Resurfacing Project for an amount not to exceed \$390,084.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2016-013)

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-528 FREEHOLDER LINDA CARTER:** Authorizing the County Manager to award a Professional Architectural Service Contract, through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, to Netta Architects of Mountainside, New Jersey, to provide On Call Architectural Services for the County of Union, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00, commencing June 1, 2016 through May 31, 2017. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2016-015)

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-529 FREEHOLDER LINDA CARTER:** Authorizing the County Manager to award a Professional Engineering Service Contract, through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, to Alaimo Group of Mount Holly, New Jersey, to provide On Call MEP Engineering Services for the County of Union, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00, commencing June 1, 2016 through May 31, 2017. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2016-016)

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-530 FREEHOLDER LINDA CARTER:** Authorizing the County Manager to amend Reso# 2015-1089, adopted December 17, 2015 awarding the proposed contract as an

exception to bidding for Engineering, Public Works & Facilities, Division of Facilities Management: PSE&G, New Brunswick, NJ and JCP&L, Akron, OH for the purchase of commodity, delivery and transmission of service for electricity, for twelve (12) consecutive months commencing January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016, in the amount not exceed \$4,112,350.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-531 FREEHOLDER LINDA CARTER:** Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contract extension originally obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq: Department of Engineering, Public Work & Facilities, Division of Facilities Management, Core Mechanical, Inc., for the purpose of providing Air Conditioning / Refrigeration Systems Repairs, Maintenance and Installation Services, twenty-four (24) consecutive months, in an amount not exceed \$660,500.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-532 FREEHOLDER LINDA CARTER:** Amending Resolution No. 2015-539, a contract with Xerox Corp. Through State Contract No. 51145, requesting to change account numbers only; both monetary value and contract period will remain the same.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-533 FREEHOLDER LINDA CARTER:** Resolution concurring with the Township of Springfield regarding road closures for the 2016 PGA Tournament hosted by Baltusrol Golf Club; Shunpike Road from the intersection of Mountain Avenue to the intersection of Stone Hill Road, to all but emergency vehicles and local traffic, on Monday, July 25, 2016 to Sunday, July 31, 2016, with a potential of August 1, 2016 in case of rain.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-534 FREEHOLDER LINDA CARTER:** Resolution concurring with the Township of Scotch Plains to hang a banner at the intersection of Front Street and Park Avenue from August 1, 2016 to September 2, 2016 to advertise the St. Bartholomew/ UNICO Italian Festival which will be held over Labor Day weekend.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-535 FREEHOLDER ANGEL G. ESTRADA:** Authorizing the County Manager to award a Professional Services Contract, through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, to The Musial Group Architecture, Mountainside, NJ, to provide Engineering and Architectural design services for the Union County Fire Academy Burn Building Improvement Project, in an amount not to exceed \$79,310.00.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-536 FREEHOLDER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI:** Authorizing the County Manager to renew the Shared Services Agreement with the County of Mercer for the purposes of providing secure detention beds for its juvenile detention population at the Union County Juvenile Detention Center, on an as needed basis, effective for the initial period commencing upon the date on which both parties have fully executed the Agreement and concluding on August 31, 2017 at a per diem rate of \$225.00 per juvenile as specified in the Shared Services Agreement.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-537 FREEHOLDER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI:** Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Community Coordinated Child Care of Union County, Rahway, New Jersey, for the administration of the Union County Child Care Subsidy Initiative for the contract period of July 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 in the total amount not to exceed \$20,000.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-538 FREEHOLDER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI:** Amending Resolution 2006-647 to extend the Lease Agreement an additional six (6) months with Plainfield Madison Park, LLC, Plainfield, NJ, for the rental of 313-315 East Front Street, Plainfield, NJ for use by the State of New Jersey Probation Division with same terms and conditions in the amount not to exceed \$7,166.13 per month nor total of \$42,996.78 for the period of July 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-539 FREEHOLDER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI:** Approving a pre-qualified list of professional medical services for the patients of Cornerstone Behavioral Health Hospital of Union County for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-540 FREEHOLDER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI:** To amend Resolution # 2015-967 Adopted on 12/3/15 to include a new list of approved physicians that will provide necessary services to the Cornerstone Behavioral Health Hospital of Union County.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-541 FREEHOLDER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI:** Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Bridgeway Rehabilitation Services, Inc., Elizabeth, NJ, to provide support services to assist parolees returning to Union County upon release to assimilate into the community during the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2018 in the total amount not to exceed \$221,211.38.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-542 FREEHOLDER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI:** Authorizing the County Manager to award 2017 Social Services for the Homeless (SSH) subcontracts for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 in the total amount not to exceed \$826,925; further authorizing the transfer of funds among the awarded agencies during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any fails to meet its contractual obligation; and further authorizing a one-time advance payment of up to one month of the award amount to prevent undue hardship for the agencies to carry out the program activities.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed seven members voting in the affirmative, with Chairman Bergen abstaining and Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-543 FREEHOLDER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI:** Authorizing the County Manager to accept 2015 SuperNOFA Continuum of Care (CoC) competitive grant award funds in the total amount not to exceed \$3,193,775 from US Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) and to award subcontracts with varied one-year time frames as specified on the Spending Plan; further authorizing the transfer of funds among the awarded agencies during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any fails to meet its contractual obligation; and further authorizing a one-time advance payment of up to one month of the award amount to prevent undue hardship for the agencies to carry out the program activities.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed seven members voting in the affirmative, with Chairman Bergen abstaining and Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-544 FREEHOLDER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI:** Amending Resolution 2016-252, approving the amended 2016 CSBG Spending Plan, to reflect a six month grant extension through December 31, 2016, additional funding award of \$471,248 for a new grand total of \$836,593, and a shift in funds under account numbers as specified in the amended Spending Plan; with no other changes to agreement.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed seven members voting in the affirmative, with Chairman Bergen abstaining and Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-545 FREEHOLDER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI:** Authorizing the County Manager to execute a State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Enabling Resolution regarding the Union County Open Space and Recreation Plan for the provision of administrative acceptance of an additional Green Acres matching grant in the amount of \$3,975,000.00 for a total matching grant in the amount of \$13,125,000.00.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-546 FREEHOLDER ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Resolution Modifying the 2016 Union County Adopted Budget in the Amount of \$140,000 as a Result of Notification Received from the State of New Jersey Transit for a Program Entitled: NJ Job Access Reverse Commute (NJ JARC 3) Grant.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-547 FREEHOLDER ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Resolution Modifying the 2016 Union County Adopted Budget in the Amount of \$18,000 as a Result of Notification Received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services/Division on Aging Services for a Program Entitled: Division on Aging State Aid Reimbursement.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-548 FREEHOLDER ALEXANDER MIRABELLA & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Authorizing the sponsorship of New Outlook Pioneers' Music in the Park at Plainwood Square in the amount of \$4,000.00.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-549 FREEHOLDER VERNELL WRIGHT:** Appointing Vera P. Roquemore, Ph.D as a member to the Senior Citizen Disabled Resident Transportation Advisory Board for a term beginning January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2018.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-550 VICE CHAIRMAN SERGIO GRANADOS:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the New Jersey Chapter of PAR-FORE

in establishing an occupational therapy golf program at Galloping Hill Golf Course to promote occupational therapy golf and to provide education, character development and life enhancing values through the game of golf to Union County Youth.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-551 VICE CHAIRMAN SERGIO GRANADOS:** Authorizing an application to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs-Grant Development Unit for a Recreation Opportunities for Individuals with Disabilities Program Grant in the amount of \$35,000.00 and authorize a County cash match of \$7,000.00 as specified by the grant requirements; and to further authorize the County Manager to do all things necessary to execute an agreement with the State of New Jersey should a grant be awarded.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-552 VICE CHAIRMAN SERGIO GRANADOS:** Amending Resolution Number 2015-712 (BA#33-2015), a contract awarded through advertised public bidding process in accordance with Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 et seq., to JC Landscape Construction and Management Company, Inc., of Pequannock, New Jersey for Improvements to the Watchung Stable Equestrian Center, approving Change Order No. 1 for additional improvements in an amount not to exceed \$53,725.00 for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$2,291,638.30. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2010-020)

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-553 VICE CHAIRMAN SERGIO GRANADOS:** 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 Recreation: Aquatic Analysts, Inc of Middleville, NJ, for the purpose of providing Lake Management Program (BA#30-2016) for a period of signing of contract until December 31, 2017 in an amount not to exceed \$175,960.00.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-554 CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Authorizing the County Manager, through the Union County Prosecutor's Office, to enter into an agreement with Porter Lee Corporation, Schaumburg, Illinois, for the purpose of providing annual support services, supplies and upgrades for the Barcode, Evidence Analysis, Statistics and Tracking (BEAST) evidence logging system for the period of January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 in an amount not to exceed \$7,700.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-555 CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Approving the purchase of a Medical Malpractice insurance policy for Cornerstone staff, through Brown & Brown Metro Inc., with Princeton Insurance Company, Princeton, New Jersey, from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 in the amount of \$13,642.68.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-556 CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Discovery Benefits, Fargo, North Dakota, to provide Retiree Benefit Billing Services and COBRA Administration Services from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 in an amount of not to exceed \$36,000.00 through the recommendation of our contracted insurance broker.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-557 CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Awarding a stop/loss insurance contract to Horizon BCBS, Newark, NJ as recommended by our contracted insurance broker BGIA and Administrative Services in the not to exceed amount of \$1,950,000 for 12 consecutive months.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-558 CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Approving Claims Payment Authorization for Employee Health and Prescription Self-Insurance Program to Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of Newark, New Jersey; the contracted Third Party Administrator.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-559 CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Amending Resolution 2015-1071, a contract with Atlantic Medical Group, Clark, NJ for the purpose of providing Pre-Employment Medical Examinations and other related medical services for new Sheriff hires to increase the contract by \$12,000 for a new total amount not to exceed \$97,000.00.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-560 CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Awarding a contract to Horizon BCBS of NJ, Newark, NJ to perform the function of third party administrator under the terms of

the original contract awarded by Resolution 2015-477 and exercising the first 12 month option to extend said contract in an amount of not to exceed \$1,800,000.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-561 CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Authorizing the County Manager to amend Resolution No. 2015-827, a resolution authorizing the utilization of Federal Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act Grant funding in the form of Individual Training Contracts, to extend the period from June 30, 2016 to June 30, 2017. Furthermore, authorizing the transfer of expiring grant accounts to current grant year and increasing the PY 2015 funding allocation for Individual Training Contracts (ITAs) to an amount not to exceed \$332,000.00 in total for both WIOA Adults and Dislocated Workers.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-562 FREEHOLDER ANGEL G. ESTRADA:** Authorizing the County Manager to apply for funding under the FY 2017 Subregional Transportation Planning Program (STP) of the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA) for \$172,277.50. The Subregional Transportation Planning Program is an ongoing annual federal program administered through the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA) and covers a twelve month period from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-563 CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Authorizing the County Manager to amend Resolution No. 2015-423, approving the 2015 – 2016 (Year 41) Annual Consolidated Action Plan, to increase Community Development Block Grant funding to the FISH Hospitality Program in the amount of \$8,000.00 for a new amount of \$17,000.00.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-564 CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** A resolution approving a list of Pre-Qualified Appraisers for the period of January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-565 CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Amending Resolution 2016-12 dated January 3, 2016 for reimbursement of expenses to Weber Dowd Law of Woodland Park, NJ in connection with credit and collections services at Cornerstone Behavioral Health Hospital in an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-566 CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** A Resolution to approve the settlement of pending litigation entitled Ronald Allen, et al v. Union County, et al in the amount of \$2,675,000 plus Counsel Fees (Union County to pay \$889,025.97 and remainder of settlement and counsel fees to be paid by AIG Insurance Company.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-567 CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** A Resolution approving the settlement of pending litigation entitled Parvin Remolina, et al v. Union County, et al , Docket No. UNN-L-4237-11 in the amount of \$500,000.00 (the County of Union to pay an amount not to exceed \$229,097.50 and Insurance to pay remainder of settlement.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-568 CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN, FREEHOLDER MOHAMED S. JALLOH & FREEHOLDER ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Appointing Cherron Rountree as a member to the Union County College Board of Trustees for a four year term beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2020.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-569 CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Authorizing the County Manger to award a contract as an exception to bidding as per N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., to Purple Forge, Ontario, Canada, to develop, maintain and support a mobile application for smart phones as a way of imparting important county information to residents in the amount of \$30,000.00, with a software maintenance agreement in the amount of \$5,000.00, for a total amount of \$35,000.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-570 CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Urging the State's US Senate and the County's US Congressional delegation to support gun legislation aimed at barring those on federal terror watch lists from obtaining firearms and further mandating background checks for sales at gun shows and over the internet.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-571 CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Urges the State Senate to override Governor Christie's conditional veto of Senate Bill S805; legislation aimed at keeping firearms out of the hands of perpetrators of domestic violence.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

- 2016-572 FREEHOLDER LINDA CARTER:** Congratulating the eight Plainfield High Alumni inductees on their election to the Plainfield High School Alumni Association Hall of Fame at their 11th Annual Plainfield High School Hall of Fame Induction Luncheon on June 25, 2016.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-573 FREEHOLDER CHRISTOPHER HUDAK:** Extending the Board's deepest condolences to the family of Maryann Vinso upon her passing.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-574 FREEHOLDER MOHAMED S. JALLOH:** Laudatory resolution congratulating Joseph E. Petrosky on his 40 years as a coach with the Roselle Park Youth Baseball and Softball League.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-575 FREEHOLDER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI:** Extending the Board's deepest condolences to the family of James Clarke upon his sudden passing.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

- 2016-576 CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Resolution extending the Board's deepest sympathies to the family of Daniel Triano, student at the Union County Vocational-Technical School, during their time of sorrow.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

Chairman Bergen called for a motion to suspend the rules for the purpose of consideration and vote of Resolutions from the Floor. On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella, seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, a roll call vote showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION

The meeting is open to the public for the purpose of commenting on Resolutions being offered from the floor for adoption only.

Bruce Patterson, of Garwood, made comments and/or inquires relative to the two resolutions from the floor. Relative to Resolution No. 2016-577, he stated that he was in favor of the resolution but questioned why it was being voted on separately from the rest of the agenda. Relative to Resolution No. 2016-578, he inquired where the \$21 million in funding is coming from, and inquired if in fact it is related to the new bail reform costs.

Chairman Bergen advised that both resolutions are coming from the floor as a result of them not being mentioned at the Agenda Setting Session the previous week, noting that both resolutions involve deadlines that could not wait until the next set of Freeholder Meetings.

Chairman Bergen advised that Resolution No. 2016-578 supports a pending bill that supplies state funding to help cover the \$1.8 million dollars in bail reform costs, noting that the State Budget is scheduled to be adopted by July 1, 2016.

RESOLUTIONS FROM THE FLOOR

The following Resolutions are being offered from the floor for adoption:

- 2016-577 CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Resolution supporting the Township of Scotch Plains' submission of a grant application for the "Safe Routes to School Program" within the New Jersey Department of Transportation.
- 2016-578 CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Resolution supporting NJ Senate Budget Resolution 4287, sponsored by Senator Steven Oroho (R-24), establishing a new line-item in the amount of \$21 million to support county implementation of criminal justice reforms.

On a motion made by Freeholder Carter and seconded by Freeholder Wright, roll call showed eight members voting in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION

This meeting is open to the public for the purposes of commenting on any governmental issue that a member of the public feels may be of concern to the residents of the county.

Bruce Patterson, of Garwood, thanked Chairman Bergen and County Manager Faella for attending the Garwood Ceremony of the dedication of the plaques, noting that high ranking officials lend to the decorum of the celebration. He made comments regarding the resolutions from the floor. He inquired as to the opinion rendered if there was any conflict of interests with the Scotch Plains BA overseeing the County budget. He made comments relative to his disapproval of 100% matching grants; suggesting the Board switch to 25% matching requirement.

FREEHOLDER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Freeholder Kowalski stated that she was joined by Chairman Bergen and the County Engineer to participate in a meeting with the Army Corps of Engineers on the Rahway River Flood Control Project, noting that the Army Corps of Engineers announced the tentatively selected plan. She stated that funding has been obtained for the study and preparations of the project for the next two years.

Freeholder Kowalski made comments relative to the opening of the Union County Senior Art Exhibit, noting that it included work from 157 artists.

Freeholder Kowalski made comments relative to New Jersey's Tall Ship, the A.J. Meerwald, which will be docked at the Elizabeth Waterfront pier. She stated that this allows residents to participate in a unique maritime experience that integrates history, geography and the environment along the Arthur Kill waterway, noting that this program is made available through the Elizabeth Destination Marketing organization and the County Office of Cultural & Heritage Affairs.

Freeholder Kowalski made comments relative to the County's co-sponsorship of the Alexander Hamilton event being held at the Snyder Academy in Elizabeth, noting that Union County native and Broadway actor, Jon Rua, will be on hand to discuss his experiences as a member of the ensemble cast of the hit Broadway musical "Hamilton".

Freeholder Carter made comments relative to a number of free outdoor events offered by the County. She stated that the Summer Concert Series will kick off with the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra, noting that they will play classical pieces as well as selections from Star Wars, Ghostbusters, the Wizard of Oz and Beauty and the Beast. She made comments relative to the County's Family Flix outdoor movie series, noting that they begin on July 12th. She stated that the County will be celebrating its 2nd season of "Shakespeare in the Park" by the Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey's Next Stage ensemble, noting that this year the County will be offering the production of "The Twelfth Night".

Freeholder Carter encouraged residents to check on their senior neighbors during the hot summer months. She congratulated all County youth on their graduations.

Freeholder Wright made comments relative to the American Cancer Society Relay for Life of Union event. She stated that as a resident of Union, a former teacher and administrator of the township school district for 36 years, an elected member of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, and a cancer survivor, she was honored to participate in the event in joining hundreds of Union County residents in the fight to end cancer. She thanked the Union Relay

for Life Committee and all those who participated in the event, noting that with each step around the track, there is hope to save lives. She offered inspirational comments relative to her fight with breast cancer, some 13 years ago.

Freeholder Estrada made comments relative to a speaker's comments regarding Dr. McMenammin and the Union County College staff. He spoke to the many accomplishments of Dr. McMenammin, the UCC staff and the students attending UCC. He stated that there hasn't been anyone as committed to the institution as Dr. McMenammin has during her tenure. He stated that he, and his colleagues on the Board, fully support her, stating that he knows she will continue to do an outstanding job.

Freeholder Mirabella echoed Freeholder Carter's congratulations to all the graduates in 2016, including his daughter Micayla who graduated from High School.

Freeholder Mirabella made comments relative to the Union County Paper-Shredding Event at the Union County Vocational Technical School on June 26, 2016 from 9am to 1pm.

Chairman Bergen provided additional comments relative to the Army Corps of Engineers project, as previously noted by Freeholder Kowalski. He stated that the project is moving forward, and noted that the project has had the support from the Union County Congressional delegation.

Chairman Bergen announced a new loan program, as part of his 2016 Chairman Initiatives, offering women business owners access to zero percent working capital financing. He noted that the zero interest loans are for an amount of up to \$25,000 over five years, and are made possible by grants made by Investors Bank, Tory Burch Foundation Capital Program and the Bank of America. He provided details of the eligibility requirements. He advised of other available loans through the Union County Economic Development Corporation.

Chairman Bergen noted that "niche.com", which reviews neighborhoods and schools, had rated six Union County municipalities among the top 100 places within New Jersey to raise a family; New Providence (#11), Fanwood (#18), Summit (#25), Westfield (#33), Cranford (#55) and Berkeley Heights (#85). He stated that much of what is pointed out as affirmative quality of life, is as a direct result of things this Board has done countywide.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Bergen asked for a motion to Adjourn. On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Carter, a voice vote showed eight members of the Board voted in the affirmative, with Freeholder Jalloh absent. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS 2016 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.

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REORGANIZATION MEETING - SUNDAY, JANUARY 3, 2016 at 12:00 pm Assignment Judge Karen M. Cassidy's Courtroom, 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ

2016 MEETING SCHEDULE

AGENDA SETTING SESSION

January 14, 2016

February 4, 2016
February 18, 2016

March 3, 2016
March 17, 2016

April 7, 2016
April 21, 2016

May 5, 2016
May 26, 2016*

June 2, 2016
June 16, 2016

July 14, 2016

August 11, 2016

September 8, 2016
September 22, 2016

October 6, 2016
October 20, 2016

November 10, 2016

December 1, 2016
December 15, 2016

REGULAR MEETINGS

January 21, 2016

February 11, 2016
February 18, 2016

March 10, 2016
March 31, 2016

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August 18, 2016

September 15, 2016
September 29, 2016

October 13, 2016
October 20, 2016

November 22, 2016 (Tuesday)

December 8, 2016
December 22, 2016

* As per Resolution Number 2016-372, the May 19, 2016 Agenda Setting Session was rescheduled to be held on May 26, 2016 at 7:00pm.


James E. Pelletiere, RMC
Clerk of the Board