



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

THURSDAY, JUNE 14, 2012
AGENDA SETTING MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Alexander Mirabella called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Angel G. Estrada	Freeholder	Present	
Christopher Hudak	Freeholder	Present	
Mohamed S. Jalloh	Freeholder	Absent	
Bette Jane Kowalski	Freeholder	Present	
Deborah P. Scanlon	Freeholder	Present	
Daniel P. Sullivan	Freeholder	Present	
Vernell Wright	Freeholder	Present	
Linda Carter	Vice Chairman	Present	
Alexander Mirabella	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 lead 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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Thursday, May 03, 2012
2. Thursday, May 03, 2012
3. Thursday, May 17, 2012
4. Thursday, May 17, 2012
5. Thursday, May 31, 2012

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY PROSECUTOR

Theodore Romankow, Union County Prosecutor

First Assistant Prosecutor Albert Cernadas, Jr. represented the Office.

There were no questions.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a professional services agreement with Trinitas Hospital, Elizabeth, New Jersey, to provide individual therapy session to victims of sexual assault for the period January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012 in an amount not to exceed \$9,000.00. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
2. Amending Resolution Number 2011-586, in order to extend the contract with Trinitas Hospital, Elizabeth, New Jersey, through December 31, 2012 and increase the amount of the contract by \$20,250 for a new total amount of \$56,250. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
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 to be used towards the salaries, fringe benefits, overtime costs, cell phone service and equipment for the Union County Guns, Gangs, Drugs and Violent Crimes Task Force for the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013 in the amount of \$188,475. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Matthew N. DiRado, Esq., Acting Director / Director, Division of Personnel

There were no questions.

1. Amending Resolution Number 2012-15, a contract with Bauch, Zucker, Hatfield, LLC, Springfield, New Jersey, special counsel for labor negotiations and personnel affairs to increase the cap for legal services in an amount not to exceed \$75,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$170,000. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
2. Amending Resolution Number 2012-88, increasing the cap for Arbitrator/Mediator and Fact Finder Services in the amount of \$12,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$24,000. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Brian Riordan, Director

Resolution requests have not been submitted.

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING, PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES

Joseph Graziano, Director

County Engineer, Thomas Mineo represented the Department.

1. Resolution concurring with the Township of Springfield granting permission to the Springfield Community Partnership (Business Improvement District) to hang a banner across Mountain Avenue between Caldwell Place and Morris Avenue from June 28th through July 12, 2012. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
2. Amending Resolution Number 2011-528, (BA#39-2011), a contract (through the public bidding process) with Navka Construction Company, Newark, New Jersey, approving Change Order No. 1 (final) for Union County Dam Repairs in an amount not to exceed \$107,895.00 for a new total contract amount of \$494,520.00. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
3. Resolution authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contract obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Laws, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq: Division of Public Works, Department of Parks & Community Renewal; Louis Barbato Landscaping, Holbrook, New York to furnish, deliver and install trees at various locations throughout Union County, for a contract period of twelve (12) consecutive months in the amount of \$236,456.00. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
4. Resolution ratifying the permission granted and concurred by the Borough of Roselle Park, for the hanging of a banner across Chestnut Street in Roselle Park, from May 21, 2012 to June 11, 2012 to advertise St. Anthony's feast, which was held by the Church of the Assumption. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
5. Resolution concurring with the City of Summit granting permission to Overlook Foundation to close Broad Street from Summit Avenue to Maple Street between 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., for their 5K Run scheduled for Tuesday evening June 26, 2012. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
6. 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, 2012 to September 4, 2012 for the Annual St. Bartholomew's Labor Day Italian Festival which will be held August 31, 2012 through September 3, 2012. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
7. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Shared Service Agreement between the County of Union and the City of Plainfield for the resurfacing of Park Avenue (from East Ninth Street to East Front Street), City of Plainfield, New Jersey. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**

Chairman Mirabella asked if the amount mentioned in item #7 is solely for resurfacing.

Mr. Mineo stated that it is for resurfacing Park Avenue from the border of South Plainfield to East Ninth Street, and they asked if we could pave from East Ninth Street to East Front Street.

Chairman Mirabella asked if we are helping the City of Plainfield. Mr. Mineo replied, yes.

8. Resolution granting the Borough of New Providence permission to close South Street from Gales Drive to Springfield Avenue on Tuesday, July 3, 2012 from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. for the "Downtown Fireworks Spectacular." Also, granting permission to close South Street from Gales Drive to Springfield Avenue on Sunday, September 9, 2012 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. for the Annual Street Fair. The Borough also requests approval to hang banners with dates and time to follow for the upcoming events for the year 2012: New Providence Business and Professional Association 5K Race; Summer Concert Series & Centennial Park Anniversary; Independence Day; Farmers Market; Street Fair; NP Alliance – Red Ribbon Week and the New Providence Downtown Improvement District Christmas Walk. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**

9. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for a NJDEP Recycling Enhancement Grant in the amount of \$298,100, to execute all necessary documents and adopt the proposed spending plan. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**

Freeholder Hudak asked about the funding for the Program for this year and next year.

JoAnn Gemenden, Bureau of Environmental Conservation stated that are using 2011 Grant dollars, and they will be receiving additional grant dollars in the fall. Funds were cut by 55% in 2010, but that was the most they have ever received. She said every County in the State was cut by Governor Christie.

Freeholder Hudak asked if the services will be able to be maintained at the same level. Ms. Gemenden stated that she expects to receive the same amount as in 2010, which was \$600,000.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Bibi Taylor, Director

There were no questions.

1. Resolution Adopting the Annual Budget of the County of Union for the Fiscal Year 2012 as amended. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Frank Guzzo, Director

There were no questions.

1. Amending Resolution Number 2011-1031, to reflect the correct account breakdown for the 2012 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Spending Plan. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
2. Approving the 2012-2013 Peer Grouping Spending Renewal Plan in the total amount of \$335,000 for subcontracted services to be provided during the period of June 1, 2012 through May 31, 2013 as approved by the Human Services Advisory Council (HSAC) on June 6, 2012 and to further authorize the County Manager to transfer funds among agencies during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any of the agencies fails to meet its contractual obligation. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
3. Authorizing the utilization of \$1,271,243 in Federal Workforce Investment Act Grant dollars from the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development in the form of Individual Training Contracts as stipulated in the grant agreement for the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
4. Amending Resolution Number 2011-607, to authorize valid Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Individual Training PY 2010 Contracts to be re-set using Federal Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Adult and Dislocated Worker PY 2011 Grant dollars in an amount not to exceed \$70,000. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND COMMUNITY RENEWALRonald Zuber, Director

1. Amending Resolution Number 2012-432, authorizing the County Manager to execute any and all agreements as part of the ROID Grant application and upon receipt of the fully executed agreement from the NJ Department of Community Affairs, does further authorize the expenditure of funds. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**

Freeholder Sullivan asked for an explanation of ROID, as mentioned in item #1.

Director Zuber stated that ROID stands for Recreational Opportunities for Individuals with Disabilities. The grant funding is \$35,000 and the County match is \$7,000, for a total of \$42,000.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETYAndrew Moran, Director

1. 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: Xybix Systems, Inc. Littleton, Colorado, to manufacture and install furniture for the alterations and renovations of the Shared Services Dispatch Center, located at the Ralph G. Froehlich Public Safety Building in the amount of \$141,260.40. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
2. Amending Resolution Number 2011-92, to reflect an increase in the 2010 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant Award in the amount of \$345,000.00 for a total grant in the amount of \$2,041,348.00. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**

Freeholder Sullivan mentioned the \$345,000 increase in item #2, and asked how the monies will be used.

Director Moran stated that it is for eight municipalities for automated license plate readers that will be installed, and will be part of a National and State database.

Freeholder Sullivan asked if all the municipalities will participate. Director Moran stated that this is for eight municipalities being: Berkeley Heights, Cranford, Roselle, Roselle Park, Elizabeth, Plainfield and Garwood...need one more

In 2011 UASI funds were provided to: Clark, Linden, Scotch Plains, Union, Summit, Springfield, Westfield and Union County.

Freeholder Sullivan asked if the municipalities apply through the Union County's Department of Public Safety. Director Moran replied, yes.

Freeholder Estrada asked about the five remaining municipalities, are they not interested, or did they not apply.

Director Moran stated that he was uncertain, but will provide the Board with the information.

Chairman Mirabella asked why there was an increase in grant dollars. Director Moran stated it is a UASI project.

Chairman Mirabella said that we were already allocated \$7,000, and asked if these are additional dollars. Director Moran replied, yes.

RUNNELLS SPECIALIZED HOSPITALJoan Wheeler, Administrator

There were no questions.

1. Amending Resolution Number 2011-405, to reflect an extension to the contract awarded to Jack & Jill Ice Cream Company, Moorestown, New Jersey, through August 31, 2012 in an additional amount of \$5,000 for a new total contract amount of \$30,000.00 to continue to provide ice cream products to Runnells Specialized Hospital. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Zimmet Healthcare Services Group, LLC, Morganville, New Jersey, to provide Medicare and Insurance Billing Reimbursement, Compliance and Long Term Care Medicaid Case Mix Consulting Services in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 for the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with Healthcare Quality Strategies, Inc., (HQSI) East Brunswick, New Jersey, as required by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSELRobert E. Barry, Esq., County Counsel

There were no questions.

1. Amending Resolution Number 2011-1002, to increase the appropriation to Palumbo & Renaud, Cranford, New Jersey in the matter entitled Jonathan Dawkins v. UC, et als in an additional amount of \$10,000.00 for a total amount of \$70,000.00. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
2. Amending Resolution Number 2012-324, to increase the appropriation to Bauch, Zucker, Hatfield LLC, Springfield, New Jersey, in the matter entitled Stephen McGuire v. UC, et als in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 for a new total amount of \$85,000.00. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY MANAGERAlfred J. Faella, County Manager

Resolution requests have not been submitted.

FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

Freeholder Sullivan stated that he will have an additional Resolution for the next meeting pertaining to an appointment to the Union County Transportation Advisory Board.

1. Appointing Elaine Haith and Deborah M. Mathis to the Advisory Council on Aging for a term commencing January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014. **(Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**

2. Recognizing Elizabeth Garcia who is being honored as the Person of the Year at the 11th Annual Linden Chamber of Commerce Scholarship and Business Dinner. **(Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**
3. Appointing Doreen Yanik to the Mental Health Advisory Board for a term commencing January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014. **(Freeholder Christopher Hudak)**
4. Resolution sponsoring the Township of Cranford's Fourth of July Fireworks in the amount of \$4,000.00. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**
5. Appointing Marconi Gapas as a Delegate member to the Union County Air Traffic & Noise Advisory Board for a two year term commencing January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013; and Gasper LaRocca as an Alternate member for a one year term commencing January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**
6. Congratulating the Tri-City NAACP and their honorees at the chapter's annual Freedom fund Banquet, Sunday June 17,2012. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**
7. Congratulating the New Jersey Black Issues Convention as they celebrate their 30th Anniversary. **(Vice Chairman Linda Carter)**
8. Congratulating the Plainfield High School Alumni Association Hall of Fame Class of 2012. **(Vice Chairman Linda Carter)**
9. Congratulating Ennio J. Viglianti of Westfield, New Jersey on being awarded the Bronze Star Medal for faithful and dedicated service to our Nation. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**

Chairman Mirabella announced that the Amendment to the Budget will be open for public comments at the Regular Meeting.

Chairman Mirabella stated that there will be a five minute recess prior to the commencement of the Regular Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 PM.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]; MOVER: Deborah P. Scanlon, Freeholder;
SECONDER: Linda Carter, Vice Chairman; **AYES:** Freeholder Estrada, Freeholder Hudak, Freeholder Kowalski, Freeholder Scanlon, Freeholder Sullivan, Freeholder Wright, Vice Chairman Carter, Chairman Mirabella; **ABSENT:** Freeholder Jalloh;

 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 9, 2012

February 16, 2012

February 23, 2012

March 1, 2012

March 8, 2012

March 15, 2012

March 22, 2012

April 5, 2012

April 19, 2012

April 26, 2012

April 26, 2012

May 3, 2012

May 3, 2012

May 17, 2012

May 31, 2012

June 14, 2012

June 14, 2012

June 28, 2012

June 28, 2012

July 12, 2012

July 19, 2012

August 9, 2012

August 16, 2012

September 6, 2012

September 13, 2012

September 20, 2012

September 27, 2012

October 4, 2012

October 11, 2012

October 18, 2012

October 18, 2012

November 8, 2012

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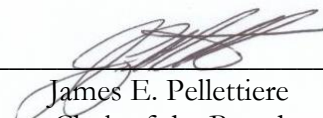
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December 6, 2012

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December 20, 2012

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James E. Pelletiere
Clerk of the Board

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