



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2011
AGENDA SETTING MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Deborah P. Scanlon called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Linda Carter	Freeholder	Present	
Angel G. Estrada	Freeholder	Present	
Christopher Hudak	Freeholder	Present	
Mohamed S. Jalloh	Freeholder	Present	
Bette Jane Kowalski	Freeholder	Present	
Daniel P. Sullivan	Freeholder	Present	
Nancy Ward	Freeholder	Late	7:18 AM
Alexander Mirabella	Vice Chairman	Present	
Deborah P. Scanlon	Chairman	Present	

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

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 led by the Clerk of the Board.

PRESENTATIONS FROM THE BOARD

1. Kids Recreation Trust Fund Grant Award presentations will be made to municipal recipients.
2. A Resolution presentation will be made to Michael Weinstein, New Jersey Affiliate Advocacy Coordinator for the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network, recognizing November as Pancreatic Awareness Month.

Freeholder Sullivan, Chairman of the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund stated it was an honor to present the municipalities with checks to improve their recreation sites. He thanked Administrator of the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Vikki Durbin-Drake and her staff for all their hard work.

The recipients that represented their municipalities expressed their gratitude to the Board and advised them of their plans.

(Freeholder Ward entered the meeting)

APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

Note and File

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

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

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Brian Riordan, Director

Resolution requests have not been submitted at this time.

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING, PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES

Joseph Graziano, Director

There were no questions.

1. Resolution granting permission to the City of Linden to close Wood Avenue from U.S. Routes 1 and 9 to Gibbons Street to hold their 61st Annual Halloween Parade to be held on Sunday, October 30, 2011 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. **(Chairman Deborah P. Scanlon)**
2. Resolution concurring with the Township of Springfield's Resolution No. 2011-183 as it pertains to deleting and adding certain bus stops within the Township of Springfield as requested by NJ Transit. Proposed Bus Stop Relocation on Mountain Avenue (CR 635), at Hillside Avenue (CR 654). **(Chairman Deborah P. Scanlon)**

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Bibi Taylor, Director

Resolution requests have not been submitted at this time.

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Frank Guzzo, Director

1. Amending Resolution Number 2008-750, an agreement with the John J. Heldrich for Workforce Development at Rutgers University, to add an account number and to add Union County College as a partner to fund a portion of the contract. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Freeholder Estrada asked if this item is to create a different account number and would it be adding funds or a credit.

Director Guzzo stated that it is a credit. He explained that steps 1 and 2 of the project are complete and this is for the 3rd step. He said the phase is not complete due to economic change. This Resolution will add an account number and Union County College as a partner. They will fund \$20,000 out of the \$50,000 contract, relieving part of the County's burden.

Freeholder Estrada asked for further explanation on this item.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND COMMUNITY RENEWALRonald Zuber, Deputy Director

There were no questions on the Resolutions.

1. Resolution amending Resolution No. 2010-791 to amend the 2010 Consolidated Action Plan to increase the "Plainfield Summer Youth Employment Program" in the amount of \$50,000.00 for a total project cost of \$110,000.00 funded by program income funds from the City of Plainfield. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**
2. Amending Resolution No. 2011-576, to amend the 2011 Consolidated Action Plan to add the following projects funded by with program income funds Community Development Income funds to the 2011 Consolidated Plan: Linden Parks Improvements - \$76,823.41; Rahway Office of Policy & Planning - \$95,000; Rahway CBD Facade Program - \$34,000; and Plainfield Office of Policy & Planning - \$130,000 **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**
3. Authorizes the County Manager through the Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs to execute any and all agreements for FY 2012 Union County History Grant Program in the amount of \$19,351 to the following: Historical Society of Plainfield - \$4,500; Plainfield Public Library - \$4,751; Union County Dept of Parks and Community Renewal - \$2,500; Union Township Historical Society - \$4,500; Merchants & Drovers Tavern - Mini-grant - \$1,275; Westfield Historical Society - Mini-Grant - \$1,025. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETYAndrew Moran, Director

Resolution requests have not been submitted at this time.

RUNNELLS SPECIALIZED HOSPITALJoan Wheeler, Administrator

1. Approving the Runnells Specialized Hospital Advisory Board of Managers Meeting Minutes of July 11, 2011. **(Freeholder Mohamed S. Jalloh)**
Freeholder Estrada asked if the Board can receive the Minutes for approval sooner. Ms. Wheeler stated that the July Minutes were submitted to the Advisory Board of Managers in the first week in October. This is the first week they were available to be presented to the Board for approval.
2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an Affiliation Agreement for two (2) years with Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Graduate School of Social Work, which provides a site for clinical rotations for the students enrolled in the Masters in Social Work Program. **(Freeholder Mohamed S. Jalloh)**
Vice Chairman Mirabella asked if there is a cost involved. Administrator Wheeler responded, no. Rutgers University contacted us for clinical rotations for an opportunity to provide their students, who will spend four or five months with the Hospital.
3. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Cream-O-Land, Florence, New Jersey for the purpose of purchasing milk and related products for the contract period October 1,

2011 through September 30, 2012 in the amount of \$132,000. **(Freeholder Mohamed S. Jalloh)**

4. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with Care Perspectives, Inc., Phillipsburg, New Jersey to provide consultation and continuing education services to the staff at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012 in the amount of \$17,250. **(Freeholder Mohamed S. Jalloh)**
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: Runnells Specialized Hospital: Culinary Depot, Monsey, New York, for the purpose of providing a Pot & Pan Washer in the amount of \$43,350. **(Freeholder Mohamed S. Jalloh)**

Vice Chairman Mirabella asked if this is a very large washer being purchased through the capital budget. Administrator Wheeler confirmed that is true.

6. Authorizing the County Manager to amend Resolution # 2011-239 a contract with Holsman Healthcare, LLC, Belleville, New Jersey, for an additional amount of \$135,000 due to the increase of scheduled hours meeting the changes in regulatory medicare requirements supporting skilled occupational therapy services for 7 days a week for the residents/patients at Runnells Specialized Hospital for a total contract amount of \$970,125. {Fully reimbursed by medicare} **(Freeholder Mohamed S. Jalloh)**

Freeholder Jalloh asked for further explanation. Administrator Wheeler explained that over the course of this year, the regulations changed which required the County to go to a new format for reimbursement. Additionally, the County is required to provide therapy services seven days per week.

Vice Chairman Mirabella confirmed that this is fully reimbursed by Medicare.

Freeholder Jalloh asked when we will be notified about the new policy.

Administrator Wheeler stated that the Federal Budget is published at the end of September.

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

Robert E. Barry, Esq., County Counsel

Resolution requests have not been submitted at this time.

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY MANAGER

Alfred J. Faella, County Manager

Resolution requests have not been submitted at this time.

FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution recognizing George A. Castro II on being honored by the Linden Lions Club for all his successful entrepreneurial endeavors. **(Freeholder Christopher Hudak)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to encumber and expend \$1,020,850.00 through the "Kids Recreation Trust Fund" Matching Grant Program for 2011 through the Union County Open

- Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund. Authorizing the County Manager to award said funds to the municipalities in accordance with the grant criteria. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**
3. Appointing the following as members of the Advisory Board on Youth Violence / Gang Activity (Christopher's Program) for a term commencing June 1, 2011 and terminating May 31, 2012: Donald Green (Law Enforcement) and Salaam Ismial (Citizen). **(Freeholder Nancy Ward)**
 4. Resolution recognizing VFW Post 2230, Kenilworth veterans Center Post Commander Robert E. Jeans Sr., on having a park in the Borough named in his honor. **(Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
 5. Resolution recognizing the Clark Public Library as it celebrates its 50th Anniversary, October 23, 2011. **(Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
 6. Recognizing October as Domestic Violence Prevention Month and commending the organizations charged with educating the public and combating this behavior in our communities. **(Chairman Scanlon and the Entire Board)**
 7. Congratulating the following honorees of the Rahway Branch of the NAACP Annual Freedom Fund Awards Banquet: Quality of Life Awards - Dolores Ann Franklin (Ebenezer AME Church), Audrey F. Applewhite (Progressive Baptist Church), Marion Patricia Calland (Second Baptist Church), John W. Crews, Jr. (Friendship Missionary Baptist Church), Elder Gilbert Joseph Grant (Agape Family Worship Center); Community Service Awards: Hilda M. Judah, William R. Taylor and Jerry Wilson; and Armed Services Award: Arthur J. Matthews. **(Chairman Scanlon and the Entire Board)**
 8. Resolution declaring the month of November "Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month" in Union County. **(Chairman Deborah P. Scanlon)**

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 PM.

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

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 9, 2011 at 12:00pm
Assignment Judge Karen M. Cassidy's Courtroom, 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ

AGENDA SETTING MEETINGSREGULAR MEETINGS

January 20, 2011

January 27, 2011

February 3, 2011

February 10, 2011

February 17, 2011

February 24, 2011

March 10, 2011

March 17, 2011

March 24, 2011

March 31, 2011

April 7, 2011

April 14, 2011

April 21, 2011

April 28, 2011

May 5, 2011

May 12, 2011

May 19, 2011

May 19, 2011

June 9, 2011

June 9, 2011

June 23, 2011

June 23, 2011

July 21, 2011

July 28, 2011

August 11, 2011

August 25, 2011

September 8, 2011

September 15, 2011

September 22, 2011

Tues. September 27, 2011

October 6, 2011

October 13, 2011

October 20, 2011

October 20, 2011

November 10, 2011


November 10, 2011

December 1, 2011

December 1, 2011

December 15, 2011

December 15, 2011



Nicole L. DiRado, CMC, MPA
 Clerk of the Board

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