



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 2011

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

Chairman Deborah P. Scanlon called the meeting to order at 7:12pm. Roll call showed Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella, Freeholder Linda Carter, Freeholder Angel G. Estrada, Freeholder Christopher Hudak, Freeholder Mohamed S. Jalloh, Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski, Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan and Freeholder Nancy Ward.

Also present were County Manager George W. Devanney, County Counsel Robert E. Barry, Esq. and Clerk of the Board Nicole L. DiRado.

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.

PRESENTATION FROM THE BOARD

1. A resolution will be presented to Dr. Karen Ensle, Rutgers Cooperative Extension, honoring Living Well Month.

Chairman Scanlon called on Freeholder Kowalski and Freeholder Carter to present Dr. Ensle with a Resolution honoring Living Well Month. Freeholder Kowalski read the Resolution aloud. She also thanked Dr. Ensle and everyone involved.

Dr. Ensle stated that everyone at the Rutgers Cooperative Extension appreciates the Freeholders' support over the past ten years. She was pleased to announce that the Plainfield School was one of nine schools chosen to have been awarded \$7,500 to plant a school garden that will help make it a healthy school for kids.

SUSPEND THE RULES

Chairman called for a motion to suspend the rules. On a motion made by Vice Chairman Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Jalloh, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.



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ORDINANCE FOR FINAL READING

ORDINANCE NUMBER 718-2011 (the title of the Ordinance was read by the Clerk of the Board).

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE UNION COUNTY DISTRICT SOLID WASTE PLAN TO INCLUDE FULL CIRCLE MANUFACTURING GROUP, INC., AS A CLASS D RECYCLING CENTER LOCATED IN THE CITY OF ELIZABETH.

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TO INCLUDE FULL CIRCLE MANUFACTURING GROUP, INC. AS A CLASS D RECYCLING CENTER LOCATED IN ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY AS RECOMMENDED BY THE UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Solid Waste Management Act, N.J.S.A. 13:1E-1 et seq., the County of Union is designated as a Solid Waste Management District and by law did develop and prepare a District Solid Waste Management Plan ("County Plan") that was adopted by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders on June 7, 1979, pursuant to and in accordance with the Solid Waste Management Act, N.J.S.A. 13:1E-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the County Plan was approved, with modifications, by the Department of Environmental Protection ("NJDEP") on August 13, 1980, and has since been amended and modified from time to time; and

WHEREAS, on December 11, 1986, the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders designated the Union County Utilities Authority ("UCUA") as the agency responsible for the implementation of the County Plan, as amended from time to time, and the UCUA is empowered to plan, acquire, construct, maintain and operate facilities for the processing, disposal and/or recycling of solid waste generated in the County; and

WHEREAS, the UCUA has formulated a Plan Amendment, and recommends that this Board set a public hearing for the purpose of taking public testimony on the proposed plan amendment, and review and enact said amendment that is now on file with the Clerk of this Board and available for public inspection and is made a part hereof by reference; and

WHEREAS, the subject amendment is summarized as follows:



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This Plan Amendment is prepared as a result of a determination by the UCUA to include Full Circle Manufacturing Group, Inc. into the Union County District Solid Waste Management Plan as a Class D Recycling Center.

The purpose of this Plan Amendment is to modify the County Plan to include Full Circle Manufacturing Group, Inc. ("Full Circle") as a prerequisite to securing a NJDEP Class D Recycling Center General Approval. Full Circle has proposed, and is hereby being admitted to the County Plan, to accept up to 92 tons/21,622 gallons per day (11 million gallons per year) of used antifreeze, various refined Glycols (Ethylene, Propylene and Diethylene) and used petroleum oil from within and it is assumed, from generators outside of the County, at its 534 South Front Street location in Elizabeth (Block 4, Lots 39, 1447, 1448, 1449, 1466 and 1467) via rail and road tankers and then processed through a distillation unit. The resulting end product will be marketed and then transported off site to Full Circle's customers primarily by road tankers.

Full Circle's facility is located in an industrial zone and there are no residential homes within 2000 feet of the facility. Full Circle currently holds a valid Federal and State Air Pollution Center Permits. The facility is identified as ID #NRGS5000151

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Solid Waste Management Act, the County's Solid Waste Advisory Committee ("SWAC") must be consulted with respect to amendment to the County Plan; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 17-2011, duly adopted February 9, 2011, the UCUA approved the Plan Amendment and recommended that the Plan Amendment be approved by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County, after public hearing in accordance with the Solid Waste Management Act; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Solid Waste Management Act, the Plan Amendment was presented to SWAC:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union, that:

1. The aforesaid recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. The Plan Amendment, as prepared and recommended by the Union



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County Utilities Authority, is hereby adopted as an Amendment to the Union County District Solid Waste Management Plan.

3. Any provision of the County Plan that is inconsistent with the Plan Amendment is hereby repealed to the extent of said inconsistency and the provisions of the Plan Amendment shall be fully effective and shall control.
4. A certified copy of this Ordinance, as finally adopted, together with the Plan Amendment, shall be forwarded to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, the County Clerk of the County of Union, and the Union County Utilities Authority.
5. The Clerk of this Board shall publish and disseminate notice of this Ordinance as provided by law.
6. The aforesaid Plan Amendment and a copy of the transcript of the public hearing to be held at such time as may be scheduled by said Board of Chosen Freeholders, and the necessary deliberations shall be submitted to the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.
7. This Ordinance shall take effect in the manner prescribed by law.

This meeting is now open to the public for purpose of
Commenting on Ordinance Number 718-2011

Mr. Robins, Counsel to Full Circle Manufacturing and Tim Gillen of CME Engineers announced that they were in attendance.

There were no comments.

Freeholder Sullivan moved Ordinance 718-2011 for Final Reading and authorized the Clerk of the Board to advertise same in accordance with the law. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Mirabella. Roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.



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APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

Chairman Scanlon called for a motion to approve the Communications. On a motion made by Vice Chairman Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

Note and File

Oaths of Office

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Scanlon called for a motion to approve the following Minutes:

1. January 20, 2011 – Executive Session Minutes
2. February 17, 2011 – Agenda Meeting Minutes
3. February 17, 2011 – Executive Session Minutes
4. February 24, 2011 – Regular Meeting Minutes
5. March 10, 2011 – Agenda Meeting Minutes

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Ward, roll call showed eight members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Kowalski abstaining from the January 20, 2011 Executive Session Minutes; nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative for the February 17, 2011 Agenda Meeting Minutes and Executive Session Minutes and the February 24, 2011 Regular Meeting Minutes and eight members of the Board voted in the affirmative for the March 10, 2011 Agenda Meeting Minutes with Freeholder Hudak absent.

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

ORDINANCE NUMBER 719-2011 (The title of the Ordinance was read by the Clerk of the Board).

BOND ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 4.P OF THE BOND ORDINANCE (ORD. NO. 536-2001) ENTITLED: “BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW ADDITIONAL FURNISHINGS AND NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT IN, BY AND FOR THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$18,065,200 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE



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ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS”, ADOPTED AUGUST 28, 2001, AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED BY THE FOLLOWING FIVE BOND ORDINANCES: ORD. NO. 543-2001 ADOPTED ON DECEMBER 13, 2001; ORD. NO. 547-2002 ADOPTED ON FEBRUARY 28, 2002; ORD. NO. 556-2002 ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 5, 2002; ORD. NO. 564-2003 ADOPTED ON FEBRUARY 13, 2003; AND ORD. NO. 575-2003 ADOPTED ON APRIL 24, 2003.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. Section 4.P of Ordinance No. 536-2001 entitled:

"BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW ADDITIONAL FURNISHINGS AND NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT IN, BY AND FOR THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$18,065,200 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS."

adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union, New Jersey (the "County") on August 28, 2001, as previously amended by the following five bond ordinances: Ord. No. 543-2001 adopted on December 13, 2001; Ord. No. 547-2002 adopted on February 28, 2002; Ord. No. 556-2002 adopted on September 5, 2002; Ord. No. 564-2003 adopted on February 13, 2003; and Ord. No. 575-2003 adopted on April 24, 2003 (collectively, the "Prior Ordinance"), is hereby amended to change the purpose authorized in clause (i) from the replacement of roofs at all campuses except Elizabeth to the acquisition of instructional and non-instructional equipment for all campuses, and shall hereafter read as follows:

"[Section 4.] P. Union County College - The acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery and the making of various improvements consisting of (i) acquisition of instructional and non-instructional equipment for all campuses, (ii) renovation of existing office space and conversion of existing store rooms to usable office space in the basement of the Humanities Building at the Cranford Campus, (iii) upgrading the information technology support infrastructure and systems at all campuses and (iv) various renovations and improvements to the Mackay Library at the Cranford Campus. It is hereby determined and stated that (A) all resolutions to be filed by the Board of Trustees of Union County College and the Board of School Estimate of Union County College in order to request the Board of Chosen Freeholders to raise funds for the aforesaid purposes have been filed; (B) no down payment is required for such purposes pursuant to the provisions of



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N.J.S.A. 18A:64A-19(2)(b); (C) Union County College has applied for debt service aid from the State of New Jersey pursuant to Chapter 12 of the Laws of 1971 of New Jersey (N.J.S.A. 18A:64A-22.1 et seq.) for all of the projects described in the preceding sentence; and (D) if such Chapter 12 State Aid is received, it shall be applied to the payment of principal and interest on bonds or notes issued by the County for such projects.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$ 3,000,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$ 3,000,000

Period of Usefulness 10 years

Section 2. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders and is available for public inspection.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

Vice Chairman Mirabella moved Ordinance 719-2011 for First Reading and authorized the Clerk of the Board to advertise same in accordance with the law. The public hearing and final reading are scheduled for Thursday, March 31, 2011. The motion was seconded by Freeholder Ward. Roll call showed eight members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada absent.

ORDINANCE NUMBER 720-2011 (The title of the Ordinance was read by the Clerk of the Board).

AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES OF DEPARTMENT HEADS

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BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union as follows:

Section 1. The salaries of the following Department Heads shall be as hereinafter set forth. The same shall be effective as of appointment date.

Section 2. That this Ordinance shall take effect at the time and manner provided by law.



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Section 3. That the Clerk of this Board be and she is hereby authorized to publish a notice in the appropriate newspaper of such introduction and of a public hearing on April 14, and shall forward one certified copy of final passage, to each Clerk of all Municipalities located within the County of Union.

PROPOSED SALARY ORDINANCE

-BIBI TAYLOR, DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE \$120,000

-JOAN WHEELER, ADMINISTRATOR- RUNNELLS SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL
\$130,192

Vice Chairman Mirabella moved Ordinance 720-2011 for First Reading and authorized the Clerk of the Board to advertise same in accordance with the law. The public hearing and final reading are scheduled for Thursday, March 31, 2011. The motion was seconded by Freeholder Jalloh. Roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION

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

Dr. Patricia Castaldi, Director of Practical Nursing at Union County College and resident of Garwood, stated that she is a strong supporter of Resolution 2010-238. She said that the students will receive clinical experience, while providing health care to patients at Runnells Specialized Hospital. She said that the U.S. Department of Labor has selected Union County College to receive nearly a \$2 million grant to improve and expand their practical nursing and healthcare training.

Bruce Paterson, Garwood, asked how many students are involved in Resolution 2010-238; on Resolutions 2011-245, 2011-246 and 2011-247, he said the state funding is not mentioned on each of the Resolutions; on Resolution 2011-251, he asked why they are adding an additional acre to the Ponderosa Farm Park. Mr. Paterson asked for an explanation of Resolution 2011-252; he made comments pertaining to Resolution 2011-253 and urged the Board to use the Pay to Play process.

Mr. Paterson stated that Mr. Bury made comments relative to political contributions. He asked if the current County employees in golf maintenance will lose their jobs or will they be placed in other departments, referencing Resolution 2011-255 and he asked for an explanation of Resolution 2011-257. Mr. Paterson commented on Resolution 2011-264 and on Resolution 2011-280, he asked about Director Caroselli's position. He also asked if



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Director Caroselli will continue to be the CFO for the City of Linden. Mr. Paterson asked if the salaries mentioned in Ordinance 720-2011 will affect the taxpayers.

Edward Brewer, Councilman of Hillside, commented on Resolution 2011-250. He stated that Governor Christie's plan to discontinue the UEZ program will be in effect June 30, 2011. He urged the Board to oppose his plan. He explained that the City of Hillside has used UEZ funds to attract individuals to shop in Hillside and added that it helps businesses, road improvements, police and much more. He said it is a vital part of the Program.

Tony Rutger, Plainfield, commented on Resolution 2011-250. He said that the UEZ program in the South Avenue Corridor of Plainfield has been an asset to commuters. He said that it also helps pay for police officers who are assigned to that area and are paid for by the UEZ funds, as well as attracting individuals to businesses.

Jeffrey Dunn, Plainfield, Plainfield Chamber of Commerce, Incubator, former Workforce Investment Board members commented on Resolution 2011-250, stating that it helps with job creation and small businesses. He said the Program also supports security, economic development, job creation and workforce development. He thanked the Board for their time.

John Bury, Kenilworth, made comments pertaining to Resolution 2011-250. He asked if the employees pertaining to Resolution 2011-255 will become KemperSports employees. He asked for an explanation of Resolution 2011-275.

Tina Renna, Cranford, referenced Resolution 2011-275 asking if Jonathan Dawkins is still on a life support system.

County Manager Devanney responded to Resolutions 2011-251, 2011-252 and 2011-253. He explained that there are two unique parcels of land that are adjacent to Ponderosa Farm Park, which can only be accessed via the park. He said that they have been interested in expanding Ponderosa Farm Park and one site has been listed for sale. He said the purchase price is based upon the value of two appraisals and then negotiations with the owner. In reference to Resolution 2011-252, he said that it is cheaper to purchase playground equipment off state contracts. In reference to Resolution 2011-253, according to the Department of Environmental Protection, the park design had to be changed and this resulted in an additional \$22,500, which ultimately saved the County \$1 million in construction costs. Resolution 2011-255 has saved the County \$500,000 per year. He said that there are twenty employees impacted and some will become KempSports employees. He said that there is at least one retiree and the others will be moved to either the Parks and Community Renewal Department or the Public Works and Facilities Department through vacancies.



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County Manager Devanney addressed Resolution 2011-257. He stated that Director Caroselli has been employed with the County for more than 35 years and will be retiring. Ms. Taylor has been hired to replace him at a reduced salary.

Dr. Castaldi responded to Mr. Paterson's question about the number of students participating in the Union County College Agreement in Resolution 2011-238. She stated that there will be 50 to 60 students.

Director Caroselli responded to questions regarding Resolution 2011-257. He said that \$600,000 has been set aside over the years to pay for accumulated sick time. He said that that account is funded with a surplus. The purpose of the Resolution is to cancel the surplus and it will be added to the 2011 Budget. In reference to Mr. Paterson's question, about the CFO of Linden, he explained that he has not been affiliated with for the last two years.

Director Guzzo responded to Resolution 2011-244. He stated that they are competitive Federal grants that results in Federal dollars. Resolutions 2011-245 and 2011-246 are State funded.

County Counsel Barry, Esq. stated that the purpose of Resolution 2011-276 is because the lead attorney with Schwartz, Simon, et al left and this is to replace him with Weber Dowd, which specializes in construction. He also stated in reference to Resolution 2011-275, to the best of his knowledge, Jonathan Dawkins is off of life support.

RESOLUTIONS

Chairman Scanlon asked for a motion to adopt Resolutions 2011-237 through 2011-300.

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS ARE BEING OFFERED FOR ADOPTION:

2011-237 **FREEHOLDER ESTRADA**, reappointing the following members to the **Union County Advisory Council on Aging** for a term commencing January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2013: **Toby Marx, Gloria Mejias, and Joe Fox.**

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2011-238 **FREEHOLDER JALLOH**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement between Runnells Specialized Hospital and **Union County College, Cranford, New Jersey**, to establish a clinical affiliation for practical nursing students for the contract period of March 1, 2011 through February 28, 2014 at no cost to the County.



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On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-239** **FREEHOLDER JALLOH**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **Holsman Healthcare, LLC, Belleville, New Jersey**, to provide occupational therapy services for the residents/patients at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of April 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012 in the amount of **\$835,125**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-240** **FREEHOLDER JALLOH**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **InterStaff, Inc., Owings Mills, Maryland**, to provide private insurance, Medicare Part A and Part B, and Medicaid physical therapy services for the residents/patients at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of April 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012 in the amount of **\$393,650**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-241** **FREEHOLDER JALLOH**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **Holsman Healthcare, LLC, Belleville, New Jersey**, to provide supplemental physical therapy services for the residents/patients at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of April 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012 in the amount of **\$22,500**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-242** **FREEHOLDER JALLOH**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **Midpoint Associated Practitioners/NJ, Inc., East Orange, New Jersey**, to provide supplemental physical therapy services for the residents/patients at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of April 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012 in the amount of **\$5,100**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-243** **FREEHOLDER JALLOH**, amending Resolution Number 2010-222, a contract with **Choice Rehab, Inc., Marlton, New Jersey**, to increase the contract amount by \$25,000 for additional hours of occupational therapy services for the patients/residents at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of April 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011 for a new total contract amount of **\$712,440**.



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On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-244** **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to accept funding from the **US Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD)** and award contracts to various agencies to assist Union County homeless persons for the 2010 McKinney-Vento Act Homeless Assistance competitive grant award in the total amount of **\$3,123,975**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-245** **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, amending Resolution Number 2010-1119, to reflect a change in the **2011 Personal Assistance Services Program (PASP)** allocation to **All About Care LLC, Brick, New Jersey** to \$220,303 (an increase of \$1) for a new total spending plan in the amount of **\$739,340**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-246** **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to execute, in accordance with the law and in acceptance of the obligations therein, grant agreement #2011-05139-0290-00 with the **New Jersey Department of Community Affairs** in the amount of **\$19,012** for the contract period of October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011 for the administration of the intake of eligibility determination of prospective beneficiaries of the **Low Income Heating and Energy Assistance Program**, including the accurate data entry of verified information in the financial accounting and management information system by staff of the Union County Division of Social Services and to authorize the County Manager to execute same in accordance with law and in acceptance of the obligations under the grant agreement.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-247** **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to execute a grant agreement #2011-05134-0233-00 with the **New Jersey Department of Community Affairs** in the amount of **\$10,237** for the contract period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011 for the administration of intake and eligibility determination of prospective beneficiaries of the **Universal Service Fund**, including the accurate input of verified client information into the family assistance management system by staff of the Union County Division of Social Services and to authorize the County Manager to execute same in accordance with law and in acceptance of the obligations under the grant agreement.



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On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-248** **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to execute any and all agreements for the year **2011 Union County Arts Grant Program**, which is fully funded by a state grant from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts in the amount of **\$58,300**, which supports arts programs which are presented by thirty-three organizations.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-249** **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, amending Resolution Number 2008-257, a contract with **Aquatic Technologies, Inc., Branchville, New Jersey**, to increase the contract amount by \$12,000 due to the addition of 7 water bodies to the lake management program for a new contract amount of **\$52,702**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-250** **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, opposing Governor Christie's recommendation to end the **UEZ Program**, a program which has helped revitalize blighted downtown areas by attracting shoppers with a 3.5% sales tax incentive. Elizabeth, Hillside, Plainfield and Roselle will be adversely affected by his recommendation.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-251** **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, authorizing the County Manager to execute and sign any and all contracts, agreements and documents for the **acquisition of approximately 1 acre, located at 1590 Cooper Road, Scotch Plains, New Jersey**, for use as open space as an expansion of the Ponderosa Farm Park, Scotch Plains and for recreational purposes, in conjunction with and for the Union County Office of Open Space, Recreation and Historical Preservation Trust Fund in an amount not to exceed **\$640,000**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-252** **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **GameTime, Spring Lake, New Jersey**, for the purchase and installation of playground and sprayground components for the Ponderosa Farm Park, 1600 Cooper Road, Scotch Plains, New Jersey. This contract is on behalf of and through the Open Space,



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Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund, in an amount not to exceed **\$330,968.96**. (This equipment is available for the purchase through the State of New Jersey, Division of Treasury.)

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-253** **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, amending Resolution Number 2009-1118, a contract with **T&M Associates, Middletown, New Jersey**, for the development of the Ponderosa Farm Park in Scotch Plains, New Jersey, for an additional amount of \$22,500. After an expanded scope of work was required due to findings by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, plans for this park development project were changed to allow for those changes and a reduced level of construction in various areas. This overall increase in engineering will result in a decrease in overall construction costs, through the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust fund for a new contract amount not to exceed **\$723,056**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-254** **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, appointing the following members to the **Union County Transportation Advisory Board** for a term commencing January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011: **Joseph Pubchara, Township of Clark; Scott Anderso, Town of Hillside; Carol Westervelt, Borough of Kenilworth; John Morgan, Township of Scotch Plains; Michael Minitelli, Township of Union; (Delegate) Diana Rodriguez, Township of Union (Alternate); and Stephen Thorpe, Township of Winfield.**

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-255** **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, authorizing the First Amendment to Management Agreement with **KemperSports Management, North Brook, Illinois**, to include Golf Maintenance Services.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-256** **VICE CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA** an amendment to the **Temporary 2011 Budget** in the amount of **\$1,094,924** as a result of notification received from the following agencies for a cumulative total of **\$227,545,288.04**:

- . State of New Jersey Division of Mental Health
“Jail Diversion Grant” – \$66,950



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- . State of New Jersey Office of Homeland Security & Preparedness
“FFY10 Emergency Operations Center Grant” (EOC) –
\$500,000 – “Match – FFY10 Emergency Operations Center
Grant” – \$166,667
- . Department of Justice
“FY10 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant” –
(JAG) \$308,957
- . Union County Department of Human Services
“Intoxicated Drivers Program Grant” – \$10,350
- . Union County Department of Human Services
“Medicaid Reimbursement (LogistiCare) Grant” – \$42,000

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2011-257 VICE CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA, authorizing the cancellation of **\$600,000** from Reserve for Accumulated Absences into Trust Fund Balance.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2011-258 VICE CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA, making available to the **Strike Merchants Scholarship Fund** the sum of **\$2,500**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2011-259 CHAIRMAN SCANLON, approving a list of pre-qualified list of vendors for the provision of **Mail Fulfillment Services** for election sample ballots for the year 2011.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2011-260 CHAIRMAN SCANLON, authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to **Full Service Mailers, Inc., Garfield, New Jersey**, for the purpose of mailing Union County sample ballots for the 2011 School Board, Primary, and General Elections and the 2012 Presidential Primary Election in an amount not to exceed **\$90,340**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.



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2011-261 CHAIRMAN SCANLON, authorizing the County Manager through the Union County Prosecutor's Office to enter into a contract with **Mack Camera & Video Service, Springfield, New Jersey**, to provide a video and audio interview system for the Union County Child Advocacy Center in the amount of **\$24,161**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2011-262 CHAIRMAN SCANLON, authorizing the County Manager through the Union County Prosecutor's Office to apply for and accept grant funding in the amount of **\$12,577** from the **New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice Police Training Commission** to be used to purchase equipment, audio/visual training aids, physical training equipment, training aids for instructors and advanced professional instruction and material for the Basic Recruit and In-Service Training Programs at the John H. Stamler Police Academy. There is no County match required.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2011-263 CHAIRMAN SCANLON, authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contracts obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the **Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq**:

- a. Department of Parks & Community Renewal, Division of Golf Operations: Partac Peat Corporation, Great Meadows, New Jersey, to furnish and deliver top dressing material to Galloping Hill Golf Course and Ash Brook Golf Course at \$60.49/ton for a period of 12 consecutive months in the amount of **\$54,441**.
- b. Department of Parks & Community Renewal, Division of Information Technologies: Ditto Copy Systems, Linden, New Jersey, to repair various makes and models of printers throughout the County not under warranty for a period of 24 consecutive months in an amount not to exceed **\$27,100**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2011-264 CHAIRMAN SCANLON, amending Resolution Number 2002-980, to add **Birdsall Services Group, Cranford, New Jersey**, as an online vendor.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.



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2011-265 **CHAIRMAN SCANLON**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into an Inter-Governmental Agreement with the **County of Essex, Department of Corrections, Newark, New Jersey**, for the purpose of providing security and supervision for the Union County inmates housed in the Secure Medical Unit located in East Orange General Hospital for the contract period of March 1, 2011 through February 29, 2012 in an amount not to exceed **\$95,000** with the same terms and conditions and will remain in effect and will automatically be renewed for 2 one-year periods from March 1, 2012 through February 28, 2013 and March 1, 2013 through February 28, 2014.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2011-266 **CHAIRMAN SCANLON**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **TJA Use of Force Training, Inc., Cape Coral, Florida**, to provide educational training for correctional tactical training for the Department of Correctional Services, Special Operations Unit focusing on the use of force pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(g) in an amount not to exceed **\$20,330**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2011-267 **CHAIRMAN SCANLON**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Luminosity, Inc., St. Petersburg, Florida**, for an assessment on the jail population and local criminal justice system in order to identify potential areas of improvement in efficiency and/or effectiveness in system operations, case processing, and alternatives to incarceration that may reduce unnecessary detention while maintaining public safety and the integrity of the judicial process for the contract period of March 15, 2011 through December 31, 2011 in an amount not to exceed **\$55,704**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2011-268 **CHAIRMAN SCANLON**, concurring with the **City of Linden's Ordinance Number 55-09** pertaining to deleting a Handicapped Parking Space, located on Roselle Street, a County Road.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2011-269 **CHAIRMAN SCANLON**, concurring with the **Township of Springfield**, granting permission to the **St. James the Apostle Parish, Springfield, New Jersey**, to hang a banner across Mountain Avenue and Shunpike Road and South Springfield Avenue,



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Springfield, New Jersey from May 3, 2011 to May 7, 2011 to advertise their Annual Festival; also closing South Springfield Avenue from Mountain Avenue to Shunpike Road, Springfield, New Jersey on May 3, 4, 5, and 6 between the hours of 6:00pm to 10:00pm and May 7, 2011 between the hours of 2:00pm to 10:00pm.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-270** **CHAIRMAN SCANLON**, concurring with the **Township of Scotch Plains**, granting permission to the **Fanwood-Scotch Plains YMCA, Scotch Plains, New Jersey**, to close portions of Martine Avenue, Raritan Road and Terrill Road on April 16, 2011 from 9:15am to approximately 9:45am for the YMCA'S 5K Charity Race.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-271** **CHAIRMAN SCANLON**, concurring with the **Township of Berkeley Heights**, granting permission to the **Berkeley Heights Rescue Squad, Berkeley, Heights, New Jersey**, to hang a banner across Springfield Avenue from April 1, 2011 through April 10, 2011 to advertise their "Annual Membership and Blood Drive."

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-272** **CHAIRMAN SCANLON**, amending Resolution Number 2011-162, a contract with **Comprehensive Psychological Services, PA, Clark, New Jersey**, to correctly reflect the fees for services as follows: Pre-employment Psychological Screening at a rate of \$425 per candidate; Fitness for Duty Psychological Evaluation at a rate of \$825 per candidate; Critical Incident Debriefing at a rate of \$350 per candidate, and for Appearance and testimony before the Medical Review Board Defending Department's rejection of candidate based on Pre-employment Psychological evaluation at a rate of \$800 per candidate for a total amount not to exceed **\$9,000**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-273** **CHAIRMAN SCANLON**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Funeral Services of New Jersey, Inc., Hillside, New Jersey**, to provide funeral home livery services for the Union County Medical Examiner's Office for autopsy and/or external examination for the contract period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 in an amount not to exceed **\$75,000**.



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On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-274** CHAIRMAN SCANLON, supporting the involuntary application for disability retirement of **Union County Police Officer Thomas Rickey** from the Police and Firemen's Retirement System.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-275** CHAIRMAN SCANLON, amending Resolution 2010-257, to increase the appropriation to **Edward Kologi, Esq., Linden, New Jersey**, special counsel in the matter entitled **Jonathan Dawkins v. UC, et als** for an additional sum of \$10,000 in an amount not to exceed **\$40,000**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-276** CHAIRMAN SCANLON, replacing Schwartz, Simon, Edelstein, Celso & Kessler, LLC, Morristown, New Jersey, with **Weber Dowd, Woodland Park, New Jersey**, in the matter entitled **Aspen Landscaping Contracting** in an amount not to exceed **\$10,000**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-277** CHAIRMAN SCANLON, authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement relating to and consenting to the installation of a **Traffic Control Monitoring System** (red light cameras) with the **Town of Roselle Park** at the intersection of Westfield Avenue (Route 28) and Locust Street.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-278** CHAIRMAN SCANLON, amending Resolution Number 2010-1177, a collective bargaining agreement with **PBA 199 Union County Correction Officers**, to reflect the revision made to the Memorandum of Agreement reflecting the correct timing.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-279** CHAIRMAN SCANLON, appointing **County Manager, George W. Devanney**, as **Commissioner to the County Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund** and **Matthew N. DiRado, Esq.** as an **Alternate**.



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On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-280** **CHAIRMAN SCANLON**, requesting a residency waiver for **Ms. Bibi Taylor, to serve as Director, Department of Finance.**

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS ARE LAUDATORY IN CONTENT:

- 2011-281** **FREEHOLDER CARTER**, congratulating **Annie R. Lucas, Speech/Language Pathologist**, on the occasion of her retirement from the Scotch Plains-Fanwood School District after 33 years of service.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-282** **FREEHOLDER CARTER**, congratulating **Dawud Hicks of Plainfield High School** for becoming the school's All-Time Career Wins Leader as a member of the Wrestling Team.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-283** **FREEHOLDER ESTRADA**, congratulating **Evangelist Deborah Belin** upon the celebration of her 75th Birthday.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-284** **FREEHOLDER HUDAK**, congratulating **Austin Frank of Linden High School**, Captain of the school wrestling team who became the first Linden High School wrestler to win 100 matches.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-285** **FREEHOLDER JALLOH**, congratulating **Jalil Muhammad** on receiving the Woodrow Wilson-Rockefeller Brothers Fund Fellowship for Aspiring Teachers of Color.



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On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-286** **FREEHOLDER JALLOH**, proclaiming the month of March, 2011 as **“National Nutrition Month”** in Union County.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-287** **FREEHOLDER JALLOH**, proclaiming the month of March, 2011 as **“Professional Social Work Month”** in Union County.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-288** **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, designating the month of March, 2011 as **“Family and Community Health Sciences-Living Well Month”** in Union County.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-289** **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, offering the Board’s sincerest condolences to the family of **Ethel Heim, Cranford, New Jersey**, in their time of sorrow.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-290** **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, congratulating **Mary Sue Sweeney Price** on receiving the American History Award from the Daughters of American Revolution.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-291** **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI AND FREEHOLDER HUDAK**, congratulating **Elias Howard**, Boy Scout Troop 80 on attaining his Eagle Scout Award, the highest honor in scouting.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2011-292** **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI AND FREEHOLDER HUDAK**, congratulating **Kevin Swan**, Boy Scout Troop 75 on attaining his Eagle Scout Award, the highest honor in scouting.



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On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2011-293 FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI AND FREEHOLDER HUDAK, congratulating **Kyle Shupp**, Boy Scout Troop 75 on attaining his Eagle Scout Award, the highest honor in scouting.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2011-294 FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI AND VICE CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA, offering the Board's sincerest condolences to the family of **James T. Heller, former Fire Chief of Rahway**, in their time of sorrow.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2011-295 VICE CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA, congratulating the **27th Annual Awards Night Celebration** honorees from Community Access Unlimited for their event on April 13, 2011:

- . **Kiana Lawhorn, Educator of the Year Award**
- . **Donna Kennedy, Youth Advocate of the Year Award**
- . **Renee Davidson, Distinguished Social Service Award**
- . **Gale Young-Jackmin, Distinguished Service Award**
- . **Frank Guzzo, Community Partnership Award**
- . **Bridgeway Rehabilitation Services, Distinguished Community Service Award**
- . **Dr. Muiyiwa Akin Okuribido, DPM, Health Care Professional of the Year Award**
- . **Susan Ucci, Elizabeth HOME Improvement Program, Supportive Housing Service Award**
- . **Pearl Elias, CEP Member of the Year**
- . **Judith Goldberg, CSP Member of the Year**
- . **Reginald Payne, Recreation Member of the Year**
- . **Daryl Nelson, SAP Member of the Year**
- . **Joseph Notaroberto, SLAP Member of the Year**
- . **Roberto Chaj-Ordonez, Youth Services Member of the Year**

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.



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2011-296 VICE CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA, congratulating the **Westfield Symphony Orchestra Fundraising Gala** to be held Saturday, March 26, 2011 at the Plainfield Country Club.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2011-297 CHAIRMAN SCANLON, congratulating **Charles Mancuso**, who is being honored by the **Greater Elizabeth Chamber of Commerce** for over 50 years of service in Public Service, Educational Leadership and Banking.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2011-298 CHAIRMAN SCANLON, congratulating the following men and women who will be honored at the **18th Annual History Issues Convention** to be held Friday, March 25, 2011 at the New Jersey State Museum in Trenton: **Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski, Governmental Leadership Award, Bonita Craft Grant, Lifetime Achievement Award, Karl Niederer, President Award, David Messineo, Dwyer Award, Joseph Da Rold, and Gail F. Stern Award.**

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2011-299 CHAIRMAN SCANLON, recognizing the honorees at the Annual **Boys and Girls Clubs of Union County "Youth of the Year"** recognition dinner and awards ceremony to be held March 22, 2011.

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2011-300 CHAIRMAN SCANLON AND VICE CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA, congratulating the following **Union County Athletes** for placing among the winners in the **2011 High School Wrestling Championships: Christian Barber of Westfield, Devin Geoghan of Kenilworth, Brendan Calas of Clark, James Fox of Plainfield, Zac Troutman of New Providence, Vic Poszonyi and Connor Gabriel of Roselle Park, Dawud Hicks of Plainfield and Anthony Pafumi of Westfield.**

On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.



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PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION

The meeting is now open to the public for the purpose of commenting on any matter.

John Bury, Kenilworth, commented on the golf budget and its revenue. He said that he performed a study and most people contribute to the Democratic Party. He commented on the budget, stating that there is a 6% increase this year. He said that there were phony figures mentioned in the Budget and commented on the Renewal Energy program. He also commented on DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Esq., et al and the PMK Group.

Eddie Smith, Rahway, commented on the garbage incinerator in Rahway and said that he resides nearby. He said that he has been to many Union County Utilities Authority Meetings and the public is not allowed to speak. He said that the incinerator has had an adverse affect on property values and the only good thing out of it is that the City of Rahway has a Host Agreement contract. He questions the Union County Improvement Authority's procedures.

Tina Renna, Cranford, said that she appreciates Mr. Smith's comments. She said that the Open Public Meetings Act laws needs to be updated and should include a requirement of public speaking at Agenda Meetings. She said that she is still waiting for an answer about the \$250,000 cash received for parking at MusicFest. She said that the Office of the Prosecutor received \$191,000 in raises. Ms. Renna stated that Richard Childs recently retired and she made comments about his positions and his pension. She commented on overtime for the Corrections Officers and said that there has been a decrease of \$1.2 million dollars from 2007 to 2010 and asked how County Manager Devanney received the figures.

Mary Ellen Taylor, Berkeley Heights, made comments to the salary increases in the Prosecutor's Office, stating that they are not within their salary grades. She commented on guardianship, elder and advocacy abuse for the disabled.

Bruce Paterson, Garwood, commented about the budget and the website. He urged the Fiscal Committee to make cuts to decrease taxes. He also stated that that Freeholder should be elected by districts, rather than at-large. He said that user fees for municipalities should be initiated by the County.

J. Christian Bollwage, Mayor of the City of Elizabeth, thanked the Board, especially Freeholder Sullivan and Freeholder Estrada for their support to keep the UEZ program in place. He stated that the UEZ program has assisted with the parking deck on Elizabethtown Plaza, the downtown business district in Elizabeth and businesses, such as Wakefern Corporation, Elizabeth.

Tony Rutger, Plainfield, asked if the parking garage at Park Madison in Plainfield is owned by Union County. Chairman Scanlon stated that the parking garage is owned by the Union County Improvement Authority. Mr. Rutger stated that the Plainfield Council meetings are



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held in various areas of the City of Plainfield and asked if the County holds Freeholder Meetings in various areas of the County.

Chairman Scanlon said that when Freeholder Mirabella was Chairman of the Freeholder Board he schedules mobile meetings throughout the County. She stated that Freeholder Mirabella is the Chairman of the Fiscal Committee and he has scheduled meetings this year throughout the County. She said that on March 29th the Fiscal Committee Meeting will be held at the Park Madison Building and there is a scheduled Fiscal Committee Meeting at Runnells Specialized Hospital on March 21st.

FREEHOLDER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Freeholder Estrada stated that the St. Patrick's Day Parade that was held on Saturday was a success and congratulated the Parade Committee.

Freeholder Estrada spoke about the earthquake that happened to Japan twenty years ago and about the recent catastrophe that happened to the nation of Japan.

Freeholder Estrada said that a good and most effective way is to make a donation to the Red Cross, or to other agencies such as UNICEF, Save the Children, and Doctors without Borders.

Freeholder Estrada said that since today is St. Patrick's Day, he extended his thanks to the organizers of the 15th annual St. Patrick's Day parade, which took place in Union Township last Saturday. While of course the St. Patrick's Day Parade celebrates Irish culture, it is one among many such festivities in communities across Union County, which draws upon our heritage from many lands and many nations. When you go to these events, as different as they are, you see all the things we have in common: Great community spirit, pride in our roots, and a love for sharing good times with friends and strangers alike.

Freeholder Estrada stated that earlier this month, he attended a shared services workshop hosted by the County. It was the eighth in a series that the County held over the past several years. These brainstorming sessions have yielded concrete results that have saved thousands of dollars for local governments. He said that he is very proud to report that at this workshop, every municipality was represented by one or more elected officials or department heads. These are the leaders and decision makers who can set priorities and get things done, and they really rose to the occasion.

Freeholder Estrada thanked all of those who attended, for working together to develop new ways to share resources, cut costs and improve services in Union County.

Freeholder Jalloh thanked the public who came to speak in opposition to termination of the UEZ Program. He stated that the program benefits urban communities and the County as a



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whole. He said that even if some of the towns are part of the UEZ Program, the rest of the County can flourish as well. He addressed a previous speaker's comments and said that the Town of Westfield does not have the issues that urban areas have, and for this reason, they cannot be compared.

Freeholder Kowalski added her thanks to Freeholder Sullivan and her colleagues in supporting the continuance of the UEZ Program. He said the program creates jobs and added that the Human Service Department assists the community on a daily basis.

Freeholder Kowalski commented on the Teen Arts Festival that began today and said that it showcases talents of our youth. She said it is held at Union County College, and she thanked the volunteers.

Freeholder Kowalski wished everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day.

Freeholder Sullivan stated that the Union County Utilities Authority abides by every rule and the public has every opportunity to speak. He said that he has attended meetings for the past two years and has not noticed Mr. Smith in attendance. He said that he must have attended meeting many years ago.

Freeholder Sullivan spoke about electing Freeholders by districts. He said that the last election, the margin was 57% to 43% and the people casted their votes. It was an overwhelming victory. He said that the districting system will only allow people to care about their own towns.

Freeholder Sullivan wished everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day and urged everyone to attend the Parade. He wished his son, Brandon and his wife, a Happy 4th Anniversary and announced that they are expecting their second child!

Freeholder Hudak said that around this time of year, the County begins receiving a lot of calls about our recycling events. He said that these are highly popular programs that are used by thousands of County residents each year. This year, once again we are holding collection events for paper shredding, electronics, and household hazardous waste and the next event will be next Saturday, March 26, for recycling electronics. The location will be at the Alcatel-Lucent Technologies campus in New Providence, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. It will include the recycling of computers, keyboards, scanners, televisions, and many other household electronics. He said it is free, convenient, and it helps to keep the environment safe from lead and other harmful substances.

Freeholder Hudak urged the public to visit the County website at www.ucnj.org, or call the recycling hotline at 908-654-9889.

Freeholder Hudak said that he loves shopping in the Westfield business district, but towns in the UEZ Zone should not be compared with Westfield. He said that the UEZ Program has



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been vital for improving businesses, roads and hiring police. He said that the close proximity to Newark and New York has brought people to shop in the urban enterprise zones, such as the Jersey Garden Mall to benefit by the 3.5% sales tax. He said that he supports the Resolution to keep the UEZ Program in place.

County Manager Devanney stated that the figures pertaining to overtime for the Correction Officers were based on the figures provided by the Finance Department. He said that the 2011 Executive Budget reflects a tracking of overtime for the Corrections Officers at a dollar amount of 91% so far this year, compared to last year at this time.

County Manager Devanney thanked his staff, Cherron Rountree, Director, Division of Intergovernmental Policy & Planning and Amy Wagner, Planning Analysis Coordinator for implementing the Shared Service Conference and the benefits that came out of the Conference.

Chairman Scanlon thanked Councilman of Hillside, Edward Brewer, and Mayor of Elizabeth, J. Christian Bollwage for attending the Freeholder Meeting to show their support for the UEZ Resolution. She said the Program has helped the Town of Hillside, the City of Elizabeth, the Borough of Roselle and the City of Plainfield. She said it is most beneficial to those who are out of work and kids who need jobs. She thanked Dr. Ensle for working with the County to put programs in place for kids.

Chairman Scanlon said that the St. Patrick's Day Parade was fabulous and mentioned that all the Freeholders were in attendance. She said the weather was beautiful and she gave a special thanks to the Parade Committee for their hard work.

Chairman Scanlon also thanked Cherron Rountree and Amy Wagner for coordinating the Shared Service Conference. She said it was successful and well attended.

Chairman Scanlon thanked Freeholder Sullivan for clarifying that the Union County Utilities Authority is in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

To the extent known, the following items will be addressed in Executive Session:

1. Potential land acquisition

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 potential land acquisition.



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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 formal action on the matters discussed. Upon a majority vote of the members present, the Board may now retire to Executive Session.

Chairman Scanlon asked for a motion to enter Executive Session. The motion was made by Vice Chairman Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Jalloh. Roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

Chairman Scanlon called for a motion to return to the Regular Meeting. The motion was made by Vice Chairman Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski. Roll call showed six members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Carter, Freeholder Hudak and Freeholder Jalloh absent.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Scanlon called for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:13pm. On a motion made by Vice Chairman Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Sullivan, roll call showed six members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Carter, Freeholder Hudak and Freeholder Jalloh absent.

The voucher list through March 9, 2011 will be available for public perusal in the Office of the Clerk of the Board.



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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.

AGENDA SETTING MEETINGS

March 24, 2011
April 7, 2011
April 21, 2011
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May 19, 2011
June 9, 2011
June 23, 2011
July 21, 2011
August 11, 2011
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October 13, 2011
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