



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 3, 2016
REORGANIZATION MEETING AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

Note and File

MINUTES APPROVAL

1. Thursday, June 11, 2015 - Agenda Setting Session
2. Thursday, June 18, 2015 - Regular Meeting
3. Thursday, July 9, 2015 - Agenda Setting Session
4. Thursday, July 16, 2015 - Regular Meeting
5. Thursday, August 6, 2015 - Agenda Setting Session
6. Thursday, August 20, 2015 - Regular Meeting

PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION

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

RESOLUTIONS

- 2016-1** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Adopting the Bylaws and Rules of Procedures for the Year 2016.
- 2016-2** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Adopting the Meeting Schedule of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders for the Year of 2016.
- 2016-3** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Designating the following newspapers as recipients of legal notices of the County of Union for the Year 2016: Gannett NJ Newspaper (Home News Tribune, Courier News), Worrall Community Newspapers (Union County Local Source), La Voz, Westfield Leader/Fanwood Times, NJ Advanced Media (Star Ledger) and NJN Publishing (Suburban News), El Especialito, Vistazo Hispano, LLC, and further making available a sum not to exceed \$150,000.00 for the provision of said legal notices.

- 2016-4** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Adopting the Temporary Budget for the Year 2016.
- 2016-5** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** To establish Change Funds for calendar year 2016.
- 2016-6** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Establishing Petty Cash Funds for Calendar Year 2016.
- 2016-7** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Designating depositories wherein all public monies and funds of the County of Union shall be kept for the year 2016.
- 2016-8** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Signatories for Calendar Year 2016.
- 2016-9** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Approving a list of pre-qualified financial advisors for the year 2016.
- 2016-10** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Authorizing the use of NJ State, Somerset County, Middlesex Regional and Cranford Police cooperative contracts as exceptions to bidding pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-10,11 and 12 and NJAC 5:34-Subchapter 7 for 2016.
- 2016-11** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Awarding a contract to Rogut McCarthy, LLC, Cranford, New Jersey to provide specialized counsel services in connection with the issuance of bonds, or notes by the County of Union from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.
- 2016-12** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Weber Dowd Law of Woodland Park, New Jersey to provide Credit and Collections services to Cornerstone Behavioral Health Hospital of Union County for the contract period January 1, 2016 through December 1, 2016.
- 2016-13** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Awarding a contract to Bauch, Zucker, Hatfield, LLC to serve as Labor and Personnel Counsel from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00.
- 2016-14** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Awarding a contract to Roth D'Aquanni, LLC to serve as personnel counsel from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 in an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00.
- 2016-15** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Awarding a contract to Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC, Warren, New Jersey to serve as labor and personnel counsel from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00.
- 2016-16** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Awarding a contract to James Jude Plaia, Esq., Verona, New Jersey to provide Worker's Compensation Defense Counsel Services for the period of January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 with any sums to be paid through the Third Party Administrator.

- 2016-17** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** A Resolution awarding a contract to Manuel R. Grova, Esq. as Special Counsel to the Union County Planning Board for the period of January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016 at an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00.
- 2016-18** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Continuum Voice and Data Systems, Inc., Syracuse, New York for the purposes of providing proprietary software maintenance services for the OnBase Records Management proprietary software system of the County, for the period of January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 exercising the County's option to renew using the exception to bidding NJSA 40A 11-15 (1) (dd), in an amount not to exceed \$26,240.00.
- 2016-19** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Amending Resolution Number 2015-466, adopted May 28, 2015 which awarded United Way of Greater Union County a contract to provide the necessary services for the Focus on Families Initiative, modifying the account number and extending the contract period from January 1, 2016 to February 29, 2016.
- 2016-20** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Resolution authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Professional Engineering Service contract with Harbor Consultants of Cranford, New Jersey to provide Conceptual Design Services and Site Investigation for a Union County Animal Shelter in an amount not to exceed \$44,000.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2015-037)
- 2016-21** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Resolution granting permission to the Township of Scotch Plains to place a banner across Park Avenue at the intersection of Front Street and Park Avenue from January 8, 2016 to, on or about January 19, 2016 for the Martin Luther King Service which will be held on Monday, January 18, 2016.
- 2016-22** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Adopting the Freeholder Standing Committee Assignments for 2016.
- 2016-23** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Appointing members of the Freeholder Board as liaisons to various Advisory Boards for the Year 2016.
- 2016-24** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Appointing Freeholder Angel G. Estrada as the Union County Delegate to Meadowlink for a term commencing January 1, 2016 and expiring December 31, 2016.
- 2016-25** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Appointing the following as representatives to the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority for the term commencing January 1, 2016 and expiring December 31, 2016: Freeholder Angel G. Estrada (Delegate) and Freeholder Sergio Granados (Alternate).
- 2016-26** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Appointing the following as representatives to the New Jersey Association of Counties for the term commencing January 1, 2016 and expiring December 31, 2016: Freeholder Vernell Wright (Delegate); Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski (Alternate); and County Manager Alfred J. Faella (Second Alternate).

- 2016-27** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Appointing Margaret M. McManus as an Alternate Commissioner (#2) to the Union County Utilities Authority to fill an unexpired term ending January 31, 2016; and subsequently reappointing Margaret M. McManus to a term Beginning February 1, 2016 through January 31, 2021.
- 2016-28** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Congratulating the following women for being chosen as the 2016 Women of Excellence: Maria Anderson (Law), Dr. Cynthia Atkins (Women's Advocacy), Nancy Benz (Mental Health), Margaret Chowdhury (Environmental Advocate), Elaine Coupe (Youth Advocacy), Kim Eason (Community Service), Barbara Arminio LaMort (Lifetime Achievement), Carmen Salavarieta (Community Activist), Janet Siegal (Medicine/Health Care), Dr. Candace Wicke (Arts & Humanities).
- 2016-29** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Appointing Margaret Bandrowski to the Shade Tree Advisory Board for a term beginning January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016.

FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

- 2016-30** **FREEHOLDER CHRISTOPHER HUDAK:** Resolution objecting to the dedication of public funds to case management at the expense of rental assistance, and urging the Department of Human Services to restore rental assistance as an effective, evidence-based homeless prevention strategy that has enabled our most vulnerable citizens to live in safety, and with dignity.
- 2016-31** **FREEHOLDER CHRISTOPHER HUDAK:** Laudatory Resolution congratulating Boy Scout Troop 67 on delivering items to the non-profit military support organization "Bonds of Courage" as part of its community service project.
- 2016-32** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Laudatory resolution proclaiming Monday, January 18, 2016 as Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day throughout the County of Union in recognition of his contributions to the welfare of all mankind; and further embracing and commending all celebrations held in his honor.
- 2016-33** **CHAIRMAN BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Resolution supporting Senate Bill #S-63, which was pre-filed for official introduction in the 2016 legislative session, aims to prohibit the sale of pets from "puppy mills" in New Jersey, including commercial sales by pet stores of puppies and kittens from large-scale breeding facilities prone to overbreeding, inbreeding and neglect.

ADJOURNMENT

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS 2016 MEETING SCHEDULE

Please note that meetings are regularly held on Thursday evenings. Agenda Setting Sessions and Regular Meetings are held at 7:00pm in the Freeholders' Meeting Room, Administration Building, 10 Elizabethtown Plaza, 6th Floor, Elizabeth, New Jersey, unless otherwise specified. In the event an Agenda Setting Session and Regular Meeting are held on the same night, the Agenda Setting Session will commence at 7:00pm and the Regular Meeting will commence as soon as possible after the Agenda Setting Session.

Persons requiring a sign language interpreter should contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at 908-527-4140.

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

2016 MEETING SCHEDULE

<u>AGENDA SETTING SESSION</u>	<u>REGULAR MEETINGS</u>
January 14, 2016	January 21, 2016
February 4, 2016	February 11, 2016
February 18, 2016	February 18, 2016
March 3, 2016	March 10, 2016
March 17, 2016	March 31, 2016
April 7, 2016	April 14, 2016
April 21, 2016	April 28, 2016
May 5, 2016	May 12, 2016
May 19, 2016	May 26, 2016
June 2, 2016	June 9, 2016
June 16, 2016	June 23, 2016
July 14, 2016	July 21, 2016
August 11, 2016	August 18, 2016
September 8, 2016	September 15, 2016
September 22, 2016	September 29, 2016
October 6, 2016	October 13, 2016
October 20, 2016	October 20, 2016
November 10, 2016	November 22, 2016 (Tuesday)
December 1, 2016	December 8, 2016
December 15, 2016	December 22, 2016