



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 2010

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

Chairman Daniel P. Sullivan called the meeting to order at 7:02pm. Roll call showed Freeholder Mohamed S. Jalloh, Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski, Freeholder Alexander Mirabella and Freeholder Nancy Ward were present. Vice Chairman Deborah P. Scanlon, Freeholder Angel G. Estrada, Freeholder Rick Proctor and Freeholder Rayland Van Blake were absent.

Also present were County Manager George W. Devanney, 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.

Freeholder Van Blake entered the meeting at this point.

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

Vice Chairman Scanlon entered the meeting at this point.

APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

Chairman Sullivan called for a motion to approve the Communications. On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

Note and File

Oaths of Office

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

1. January 21, 2010 – Regular Meeting Minutes
2. February 4, 2010 – Agenda Meeting Minutes
3. February 11, 2010 – Regular Meeting Minutes
4. February 18, 2010 – Agenda Meeting Minutes

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Ward, roll call showed six members of the Board voted in the affirmative for the January 21, 2010 Regular Meeting



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Minutes with Freeholder Mirabella abstaining and Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent; six members of the Board voted in the affirmative for the February 4, 2010 Agenda Meeting Minutes with Freeholder Van Blake abstaining and Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent; seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative for the February 11, 2010 Regular Meeting Minutes with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent and five members of the Board voted in the affirmative for the February 18, 2010 Agenda Meeting Minutes with Freeholder Kowalski and Freeholder Ward abstaining and Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

PRESENTATIONS

St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee

Chairman Sullivan, Vice Chairman Scanlon and Freeholder Ward presented Resolutions to the members of the St. Patrick Day Parade Committee.

Chairman Sullivan stated that it is a pleasure to have the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee members attend the Freeholder meeting.

Vice Chairman Scanlon stated that the St. Patrick's Day Parade will be held on Saturday, March 13th at Union Center. The fun starts at 11:00am and there is ample parking. She added that it could not happen without the members help.

Vice Chairman Scanlon introduced Jim Lowney, Chairman of the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee and stated that he has done a great job this year. She introduced her niece, Kelly Scanlon, Adjutant of this year's Parade.

Chairman Lowney thanked the Board for their continued support and said that the Parade will begin at 1:00pm at Union Center.

Vice Chairman Scanlon read Chairman Lowney and Adjutant Scanlon's Resolution aloud.

Vice Chairman Scanlon stated that a lot of work goes into putting a parade together.



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PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION

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

Vivian Baker, New Jersey Transit, stated that she is in support of Resolution 2010-203. She said the Borough of Garwood has already adopted the Master Plan for the redevelopment project for the "Transit Friendly Village" and Union County will also contribute dollars to the project. She said that they are very excited to work with the Borough of Garwood and the County of Union.

Tom Beck, Executive Director of Jewish Family Services, Elizabeth, thanked the Board for their support. He stated that the funds mentioned in Resolution 2010-189 will allow seniors to have home care and will prevent them from leaving their homes to enter institutions like nursing homes. It will also assist with home health care, nursing services, safety of homes, medications and nutrition.

Bruce Paterson, Garwood, asked if seniors who are not Jewish will be receiving equal services. He stated that he was pleased that the County may be receiving additional revenue this year as mentioned in Resolution 2010-194. He stated that he feels that the cost for administration services pertaining to Resolution 2010-209 for the Union Township intersection improvements are high. He referenced Resolution 2010-210, stating that the total contract amount of over \$1.1 million for the stairwell project in the courthouse is a lot of money. He reminded Freeholder Mirabella to abstain from Resolution 2010-213 as an item pertains to renewal of insurance policies for Chubb Insurance Company where Freeholder Mirabella is employed. He also asked why there is such a large difference in amounts for the Public Official Bonds for County Manager Devanney compared to Deputy County Clerk Falcone.

Director of Human Services Frank Guzzo explained that Resolution 2010-194 pertains to the Juvenile Detention Center and it is for back-up in case Monmouth County reaches its capacity to house the juveniles. He stated that the funds are realized through the federal contract from Children Services from September 2009 through January of this year.

Deputy County Manager Genievich stated that in reference to Resolution 2010-213, Statute sets up a certain amount of money that needs to be bonded for insurance premiums and the County Clerk's Office is higher as a result of having more access to money.

Tina Renna, Cranford, asked how much money is being contributed from the State and from the County for Resolutions 2010-188 and 2010-189. She asked if the Union County Engineering Department was still in existence, they would do the work that is mentioned in Resolution 2010-209. She asked what is covered by the Public Official Bonds for County employees as mentioned in Resolution 2010-213.



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Director of Human Services Frank Guzzo stated that Resolutions 2010-188 and 2010-189 is a combination of the State and the County. He said they are equally matched on both Resolutions. Director of Public Works and Engineering Joseph Graziano stated that Resolutions 2010-209 is not a change order, it is the original contract and if the County's Engineering Department was still in existence, if they would make the improvements in Union Township. He explained that Resolution 2010-210 is due to State mandated fire codes which will be done in three phases. He said that there is a Memorandum of Understanding with the State to get it done.

Deputy County Manager introduced Scott Readlinger of Hale Insurance Company to explain the Public Official Bond. Mr. Readlinger stated that the Public Official Bond is set by Statute and it provides coverage for faithful performance of duty and employee theft.

RESOLUTIONS

Chairman Sullivan called for a motion to adopt Resolutions 2010-183 through 2010-219.

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS ARE BEING OFFERED FOR ADOPTION:

- 2010-183 FREEHOLDER JALLOH**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Partners Healthcare, LLC, Cranford, New Jersey**, to provide pharmaceutical services to the residents/patients at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the period of March 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011 in the amount of **\$1,200,000**.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-184 FREEHOLDER JALLOH**, amending Resolution No. 2009-1087, to amend the list of **Associate Attending Psychiatrists** who provide coverage for weekends, holidays, emergencies and vacations for the Cornerstone Units at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the period of January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 in an amount not to exceed **\$47,000**.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-185 FREEHOLDER JALLOH**, appointing **Pamela Boright** to the Runnells Board of Managers for a term commencing January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2012.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.



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- 2010-186 FREEHOLDER JALLOH**, amending Resolution No. 2009-1088, to amend the **list of practitioners** who provide evening coverage for the Cornerstone Units at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the period of January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 in the amount of **\$6,500**.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-187 FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to accept and enter into contract(s) with the **US Department of Housing & Urban Development** for the 2009 McKinney-Vento Act Homeless Assistance competitive grant award in the amount of **\$2,937,363** for operations and tenant-based rental assistance, to Union County homeless persons with disabilities, chronic substance abuse, and/or those infected with HIV/AIDS.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-188 FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to award contracts pursuant to Request for Proposal (RFP) under the **Statewide Respite Care Grant** to various agencies for the period of January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2012. Funding for the first year, January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 in the amount of **\$294,314**. Funding for year two, January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011, and year three, January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012, will be contingent upon receipt of additional grant funding from the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services. This resolution would further authorize the County Manager to transfer funds among the listed agencies during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any of the listed agencies fail to meet the contractual obligation.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-189 FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the Union County Manager to enter into a contract with **Jewish Family Services, Elizabeth, New Jersey**, for the purposes of providing ongoing care management services to clients eligible for the Global Options Program for the period of January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 in the amount of **\$145,920**.



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On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-190 FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Union County College, Cranford, New Jersey**, to provide occupational training for post Temporary Assistance to Needy Families recipients for entry level careers in the health care industry for the period of January 1, 2010 through June 30, 2010 in the amount of **\$60,000**.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-191 FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to award contracts pursuant to Request for Proposal to **SAGE Eldercare, Inc., Summit, New Jersey**, for the State Health Insurance Program for the period of January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2012 with funding provided by the Area Plan in an amount of **\$25,704**. Funding for the first year January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 in the amount of \$25,704. Funding for year two, January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 and year three, January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012 will be contingent upon receipt of additional grant funding from the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-192 FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to accept and enter into a contract with the **New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Criminal Justice**, for the Rape Crisis Center to purchase items for comfort kits and equipment through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act "Recovery STOP Violence Against Women Act" grant program for the period of January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 in the amount of **\$15,000**. This resolution also allocates **\$5,000** in matching funds required by the grant.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-193 FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to award a professional service contract to **Kanen Psychological Associates, Ridgewood, New Jersey**, to provide psychological evaluations and psychological fitness for duty evaluations for the Juvenile Detention Center staff candidates for the period of January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 in the amount of **\$10,000**.



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On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-194 FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Monmouth County, Freehold, New Jersey**, to provide detention services as required by the Juvenile Justice Commission. Monmouth County will pay Union County **\$200 per diem** in the event that detention services are needed.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-195 FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a lease agreement with **28 Prince Street Realty Corp., Elizabeth, New Jersey**, to accommodate the Division of Social Services legal staff for the period February 1, 2010 through July 31, 2011 in an amount **not to exceed \$163,368**.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-196 FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, appointing the following members to the Workforce Investment Board for a term commencing July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2012: **Janice Chapin (HSAC Chairman), Maryanne Anderson (One-Stop Operator), Dr. Jack Farrell (Union County Vocational Technical Schools), Sam Crane (Private Sector), Charles Gillon (Public Assistant Representative), Pat Dobson (Workforce New Jersey), Dr. Thomas Brown (Union County College), James Horne, Jr. (Community Based Organization) and Glenn Nacion (Private Sector)**.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-197 FREEHOLDER MIRABELLA**, approving an amendment to the **2010 Temporary Budget**, pursuant to the provisions of CH.96, P.L. 1951(N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-20) for an accumulative total of **\$176,867,613**.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.



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2010-198 **FREEHOLDER MIRABELLA**, approving **transfers of 2009 appropriations**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-59.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

2010-199 **FREEHOLDER MIRABELLA**, amending the **2010 Temporary Budget** in the amount of **\$3,182,363** as a result of notification received from the following agencies for an accumulative total of **\$180,049,976**:

- New Jersey Department of Labor – **\$66,000**
 “Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)”
- New Jersey Department of Highway Traffic Safety – **\$24,000**
 “Child Passenger Safety Program”
- New Jersey Department of Highway Traffic Safety – **\$76,000**
 “Comprehensive Traffic Safety Program”
- US Department of Housing and Urban Development – **\$2,937,363**
 “Continuum of Care (CoC) Homeless Assistance Program”
 (Supportive Housing)
- Union County Department of Human Services – **\$75,000**
 “Paratransit Fares”
- Union County Department of Human Services – **\$4,000**
 “Paratransit Donations”

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

2010-200 **FREEHOLDER PROCTOR**, amending Resolution No. 2008-108, to reflect a change in **FY07 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant**, which is being accepted to enhance the County’s ability to prevent, detect, deter, respond to and recover from acts of terrorism and catastrophic incidents.



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On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-201 FREEHOLDER WARD**, appointing the following members to the Union County Air Traffic & Noise Advisory Board for a term commencing January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2011: **John B. Nicholas (Delegate), Summit and William Hoepfel (Delegate), Clark.**

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-202 VICE CHAIRMAN SCANLON**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Birdsall Services Group, Inc., Cranford, New Jersey**, for the purpose of providing environmental services in anticipation of a park development project award for Ponderosa Farm, Scotch Plains, New Jersey in an amount not to exceed **\$50,700** in conjunction with the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-203 VICE CHAIRMAN SCANLON**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a partnership between **New Jersey Transit, North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority, County of Union and the Borough of Garwood** for the redevelopment plan for the "Transit Friendly Village" in the Borough of Garwood along South Avenue in the amount of **\$20,000.**

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-204 VICE CHAIRMAN SCANLON**, authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to **Camelot Auctions, Cranbury, New Jersey**, to purchase school horses for the Watchung Stables troop program for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 in an amount not to exceed **\$20,000.**

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.



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- 2010-205 VICE CHAIRMAN SCANLON**, authorizing payment to the **City of Elizabeth Recreation Department, Elizabeth, New Jersey**, for the purpose of running a summer playground program at Mattano Park, from July 6, 2010 to August 26, 2010 in the amount of **\$5,900**.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-206 VICE CHAIRMAN SCANLON**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **NEXCUT Shredding, Teaneck, New Jersey**, to provide mobile paper shredding services for Union County residents for the year 2010 in the amount of **\$4,200**.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-207 VICE CHAIRMAN SCANLON**, authorizing the County Manager through the Union County Transportation Advisory Board to encourage and cooperate with the **Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, New York, New York**, to take any action necessary to eliminate any obstruction or hindrance to navigation by the Bayonne Bridge to waterborne traffic to and from Port Elizabeth.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-208 VICE CHAIRMAN SCANLON**, amending Resolution No. 2008-659 (BA#37-2008), a contract (through public bidding process) with **Fredco Landscaping, Passaic, New Jersey**, approving Change Order No. 1 (final) in the amount of **\$62,510** for a new contract amount of **\$760,000** for additional work performed for the replacement of Division Avenue Bridge in New Providence/Summit.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-209 CHAIRMAN SULLIVAN**, amending Resolution No. 2007-488, a professional engineering service contract with **Stantec, Rochelle Park, New Jersey**, for the purpose of providing construction inspection and administration services for the Union Township Intersection Improvements in an amount of **\$33,628** for a new contract amount of **\$102,985**.



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On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-210** **CHAIRMAN SULLIVAN**, amending Resolution No. 2008-782, a professional engineering service contract with **Birdsall Service Group/PMK, Cranford, New Jersey**, to provide additional services for the Union County Courthouse Project, Elizabeth, New Jersey, in the amount of \$90,300 for a new contract amount not to exceed **\$1,123,344**.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-211** **CHAIRMAN SULLIVAN**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a per diem contract with **Forensic Pathologist Services Ltd, (Edward S. Chmara, MD), Titusville, New Jersey**, to perform autopsies and/or external examinations when the medical examiners are on vacation, sick time or at a conference for the period of March 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011 in an amount not to exceed **\$25,000**.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-212** **CHAIRMAN SULLIVAN**, appointing the following members to the Union County Transportation Advisory Board for a term commencing January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010: **Vincent Cahill (Delegate), Roselle Park and Joseph Pubchara (Delegate), Clark**.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-213** **CHAIRMAN SULLIVAN**, authorizing the County Manager to renew the following policies as recommended by the County's insurance broker:

- **Runnells Specialized Hospital Health Care Policies** with Princeton Insurance, Princeton, New Jersey as follows:
- **Hospital General/Professional Liability Policy** for the period of March 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011 in an amount not to exceed **\$318,166**. (\$11,230 decrease from last year).



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- **Hospital General Umbrella Liability** for the period of March 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011 in an amount not to exceed **\$173,400**. (\$6,120 decrease from last year)
- **Hospital Excess Umbrella Liability** for the period of March 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011 in an amount not to exceed **\$69,296**. (\$2,512 decrease from last year).
- **Runnells Specialized Hospital Property, Boiler/Machinery and Crime Coverage** with Chubb Insurance Federal Insurance Company, Warren, New Jersey, for the period of March 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011 in an amount not to exceed **\$64,383**.
- **Runnells Specialized Hospital Directors' and Officers' Liability** with Employment Practices with Chubb Federal Insurance Company, Warren, New Jersey, for the period of March 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011 in an amount not to exceed **\$22,713**. (No increase)
- **Commercial Auto Insurance Policy for Fleet of Vehicles and Mobile Equipment** with PMA Insurance Company, Mt. Laurel, New Jersey, for the period of March 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011 in an amount not to exceed **\$1,020,195**. (\$87,417 increase from last year)
- **Excess Worker's Compensation Policy** with PMA Insurance Company, Mt. Laurel, New Jersey, for the period of March 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011 in an amount not to exceed **\$579,057**. (No increase)
- **Worker's Compensation Third Party Claim Administration Services** with PMA Insurance Company, Mt. Laurel, New Jersey, for the period of March 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011 in an amount not to exceed **\$270,500**. (No increase)
- **Special Excess Liability Policy** with Everest National Insurance Company, Liberty Corner, New Jersey, for the period of March 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011 in an amount not to exceed **\$717,441**. (\$11,527 decrease from last year)
- **Blanket Property/Boiler Policy** with the Hartford Fire Insurance Company, Hartford, Connecticut, for the period of March 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011 in an amount not to exceed **\$511,282**. (\$17,227 increase from last year)
- **Electronic Data Processing Policy/Contractor Equipment Policy – Inland Marine** with the Hartford Insurance Company, Hartford, Connecticut, for the period of March 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011 in an amount not to exceed **\$57,819**. (\$878 increase from last year)



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- **Volunteer Accident Policy** with Hartford Life and Accident Insurance Company, Simsbury, Connecticut, for the period of April 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011 in an amount not to exceed **\$360**. (No increase)
- **Horse Accident Death Policy** with Great American Insurance Company, Cincinnati, Ohio, for the period of February 8, 2010 through February 7, 2011 in an amount not to exceed **\$1,205**. (\$118 decrease from last year)
- **Public Official Bonds** for the following County Employees with the Hartford Insurance Company, Hartford, Connecticut:
 - **George Devanney, County Manager**, for the period of March 16, 2010 through March 15, 2011 in an amount not to exceed **\$200**. (No increase)
 - **Alan J. Falcone, Deputy County Clerk**, for the period of March 23, 2010 through March 22, 2011 in an amount not to exceed **\$1,750**. (No increase)

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed six members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Mirabella abstaining from Resolution 2010-213 and Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

2010-214 CHAIRMAN SULLIVAN, 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. Runnells Specialized Hospital: **Todd Devin Food Equipment, Yardley, Pennsylvania**, to purchase and deliver three (3) fully assembled carts for food service for a period of twelve (12) months in the amount of **\$12,747**.
- b. Department of Administrative Services, Division of Motor Vehicles: **Winner Ford, Cherry Hill, New Jersey**, to purchase and deliver four (4) 2010 Ford E350 vans with Harris Prisoner Transports installed in an amount not to exceed **\$162,936**. These are replacement vehicles.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS ARE LAUDATORY IN CONTENT:

2010-215 FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI, congratulating **Kellie Campbell, Cranford Girl Scout Troop #51**, on attaining the Girl Scout Gold Award.



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On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-216 VICE CHAIRMAN SCANLON**, proclaiming the week of February 20, 2010 through February 27, 2010 as **“National Future Farmers of America Week”** throughout Union County.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-217 CHAIRMAN SULLIVAN AND THE ENTIRE BOARD**, congratulating **June Fischer** on the occasion of her retirement from the Union County Board of Elections after serving for 23 years as a commissioner.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-218 CHAIRMAN SULLIVAN**, congratulating **James Barrett, New Providence Boy Scout Troop #1**, on attaining his Eagle Scout Award.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

- 2010-219 CHAIRMAN SULLIVAN**, congratulating **Trevor Brouss, New Providence Boy Scout Troop #1**, on attaining his Eagle Scout Award.

On a motion made by Vice Chairman Scanlon and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

SUSPEND THE RULES

Chairman Sullivan called for a motion to suspend the rules. On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chairman Scanlon, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.



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PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION

The meeting is open to the public for the purpose of commenting on Resolution from the Floor only.

Bruce Paterson, Garwood, asked if the purpose of Resolution 2010-220 is to apply for a grant. He also asked if the money will be used for a different project.

County Manager Devanney explained that the funds have already been announced by the State and Resolution 2010-220 is the process to accept the funds and the sum mentioned in the Resolution includes a number of acquisitions.

Mr. Paterson asked if the money has already been spent. County Manager Devanney replied that it has at least been encumbered.

RESOLUTION FROM THE FLOOR

Chairman Sullivan called for a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-221.

2010-220 **VICE CHAIRMAN SCANLON**, authorizing the County Manager to apply for and accept grant funding from the **New Jersey Office of Green Acres Land Acquisition and Park Development** grant program for a matching grant in the amount of **\$7,650,000** to fund park development projects and acquisitions in conjunction with and through the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION

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

Matthew Taylor, Berkeley Heights, stated that he submitted e-mails to the Board requesting funds be allocated to the Office of the Disabled and its mission. He stated that advocates for the disabled are needed as there are limited funds available. Mr. Taylor asked who the contact person is and how future funds are anticipated.



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Clerk of the Board Nicole advised that Mr. Taylor did receive a response. The by-laws of the Union County Advisory Board of the Disabled were forwarded to him. At that time, he was also told there is no budget for the Committee. Additionally, since the Union County Disabled Council is not associated with Union County, there are no documents to provide in response to his request.

Mary Ellen Taylor, Berkeley Heights, stated that the funds for the Disabled are being misused in the County, State and throughout the country and she would like to begin tracking the disabled funds throughout the United States to see how the funds are being utilized. She stated that she would like to be appointed to the Union County Board of the Disabled.

Jim Beuttner, Cranford, stated that there was a Resolution on the Agenda at a previous Freeholder meeting for \$200,000 for new bunkers for the Galloping Hill Golf Course. He said he wanted to discuss the bunkers with Director Faella and said that he attended a Freeholder Meeting to discuss the plans for the Galloping Hill Golf Course and he was directed to attend the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. He stated that when he attended the meeting to discuss the plan for the Galloping Hill Golf Course, he was not allowed to speak as County Counsel revised the by-laws. He said that he believes that the change in by-laws is a result of him attending the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meetings.

Tom Beck, Executive Director of the Jewish Family Services in Elizabeth and resident of Westfield advised the Board that the after school program in Linden that cares for 274 children, five days per week from 3:00 – 6:00pm is being cut mid-year due to Governor Christie's budget cuts. He stated that this program helps keep children safe, they receive assistance with homework, is an enrichment program and helps with behavior and grades. He said the program began with seed money seven years ago and has expanded to Linden Schools #1, 3, 4 and 5 and the budget cuts are having a devastating impact on many programs. He thanked the Board for their attention and stated that he will keep them further informed.

John Bury, Kenilworth, stated that he is opposed to the new bunkers at the Galloping Hill Golf Course and asked the Board to reconsider. He read some questions regarding the budget that was provided to the Board.

Bruce Paterson, Garwood, stated that he has a copy of the questions that Mr. Bury provided to the Board. He said the information Mr. Bury is seeking does not warrant an OPRA request, as it is not a record, but only information. He also made mention of other Counties changing the "Freeholder" title.

Tina Renna, Cranford, stated that the Union County Watchdog Association has hired individuals to review the County budget. She asked Freeholder Mirabella, Chairman of the Fiscal Committee to meet with the Association's Fiscal Committee to discuss the budget. She stated that there will be a roundtable meeting that will be aired and the Freeholders will be invited to attend. Ms. Renna asked where Freeholder Jalloh is employed. She said it is deemed necessary for the public to know, as there may be a circumstance like tonight where Freeholder Mirabella was required to abstain from a



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Resolution because it involved his place of employment. She also made allegations about a County employee who she claims is a three-time DUI (Driving Under the Influence) offender that is being picked up from his home and is being driven to work.

Ms. Renna asked when the budget hearings will take place.

Amelia LaFerrera, Clark, stated that she is opposed to the privatization of the Watchung Stables. She said there was a meeting held at Trailside on February 24th where 300 people attended. She provided the Board with a cost analysis. She asked if the improvement to the trails will continue and she had many other questions that she provided to the Board that consisted of current and long term concerns.

Chairman Sullivan stated that the improvements to the trails will continue and there will be temporary paddocks available.

Director of Parks and Community Renewal Alfred Faella stated that the work at the Watchung Stables has been delayed due to safety issues and the paddocks will be completed as originally planned. More funds are needed and Adopt-A-Park will be assisting the County over the next six months.

FREEHOLDER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Freeholder Kowalski thanked Mr. Beck for attending the meeting to speak about the after-school childrens' program and stated that it appears that more cuts are on way. She urged the public to contact State representatives as well.

Freeholder Kowalski said that James Henry Williams, her friend, passed away. She mentioned his impressive accomplishments during his lifetime and sent her condolences to his wife, Thelma and daughter, Donna.

Freeholder Kowalski stated that in reference to the previous speaker's concerns about the disabled, she said that the Union County Office of the Disabled is working hard to protect their rights and services. She added that she has never heard of misusing the funds.

Freeholder Kowalski said that she is looking forward to the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Freeholder Mirabella thanked Director of Public Works and Engineering Joseph Graziano and his staff for the great job they did in removing the snow from the roads in a timely manner.

Freeholder Mirabella stated that the budget hearings will be held on March 18 and 25th and the dates will be publicized.



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Freeholder Ward thanked Mr. Beck for attending the Freeholder Meeting to discuss the loss of the childrens' after-school program. She announced that the County Clerk's Office is waiving the \$10 photograph fee for passports through March 31st. She said there is a Passport office located in Elizabeth and Westfield and mentioned the hours of operation and the telephone number for the Elizabeth office for any questions.

County Counsel Barry stated that the by-laws for the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board were created prior to the creation of the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund and their functions and missions were duplicated and in order to keep these items in line with each Advisory Board, the revision was necessary. County Counsel was asked to assist in amending the by-laws, he said. He also stated that the Chairman of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board had discussed amending the by-laws back in June of 2009. He added that the amendments did not have any anything to do with anyone's participation or lack thereof. He said the members are volunteers which caused a delay in getting it done sooner.

Vice Chairman Scanlon spoke of the Child Safety Seat Program and the said that the facility is located at AAA, Route 22 East in Springfield. She said that it gives a peace of mind when the seats are installed properly.

Chairman Sullivan stated that the Department of Human Services and the Division on Aging can help with utility bills based on income and other criteria. He urged the public to contact these departments if they require assistance.

Chairman Sullivan congratulated the Roselle Catholic High School girls' basketball team for winning the tournament.

Chairman Sullivan said he attended the meeting at Trailside regarding the Watchung Stables and said that there was a large turnout and all the comments were positive and very informative, but he cannot answer any questions about it at this point as it is in the beginning stages. He added that the repairs will continue as planned.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

To the extent known, the following items will be discussed:

1. Contract Negotiations relative to the Union County Utilities Authority
2. Attorney-Client Privilege relative to open space property 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 contract negotiations relative to the Union County Utilities Authority and attorney-client privilege relative to open space property 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 as it is an Agenda meeting.

Upon a majority vote of the members present, the Board may now retire to Executive Session.

Chairman Sullivan called for a motion to enter Executive Session. On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

County Counsel Barry stated that during Executive Session discussions under attorney-client privilege communications were discussed relative to the Oakwood Plaza project.

Chairman Sullivan called for a motion to return to the Agenda Session Meeting. On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Van Blake, roll call showed six members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Vice Chairman Scanlon, Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Sullivan called for a motion to adjourn the meet at 9:36pm. The motion was seconded by Freeholder Kowalski. Roll call showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Proctor absent.

The voucher list through February 24, 2010 will be available for public perusal in the Office of the Clerk of the Board.



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UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS' 2010 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.

Agenda Setting Meetings

March 11
March 18

April 1
April 15

May 6
May 20

June 10 Summer Session – Double Meeting

June 24 Summer Session – Double Meeting

July 8 Summer Session

August 5 Summer Session

September 2
September 23

October 7

November 4

Regular Meetings

March 11
March 25

April 8
April 22

May 13
May 20

June 10

June 24

July 29

August 19

September 16
September 30

October 14

Tues., November 23



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Wed., December 8

Double Meeting

Wed., December 8

Wed., December 22

Double Meeting

Wed., December 22


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

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UNION COUNTY HIGH SCHOOLS

HIGH SCHOOL PROFICIENCY ASSESSMENT RESULTS (% OF PROFICIENCY)

2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR

<u>SCHOOL/RANK</u>	<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>LANGUAGE ARTS</u>	<u>MATHEMATICS</u>
1. <i>Allied Health HS</i>	<i>UCVTS</i>	<i>100%</i>	<i>100%</i>
2. <i>Magnet HS</i>	<i>UCVTS</i>	<i>100%</i>	<i>100%</i>
3. <i>Acad. for Info. Tech.</i>	<i>UCVTS</i>	<i>100%</i>	<i>100%</i>
4. New Providence HS	New Providence	98%	97%
5. <i>UC Tech</i>	<i>UCVTS</i>	<i>98%</i>	<i>91%</i>
6. Westfield HS	Westfield	95%	92%
7. Gov. Livingston HS	Berkeley Hts.	96%	90%
8. Summit HS	Summit	94%	86%
9. Cranford HS	Cranford	94%	85%
10. SP/F HS	Scotch Plains/F	91%	87%
11. Arthur L. Johnson HS	Clark	92%	81%
12. Jonathan Dayton HS	Springfield	85%	83%
13. David Brearly HS	Kenilworth	87%	77%
14. Roselle Park HS	Roselle Park	84%	71%
15. Union HS	Union	77%	60%
16. Rahway HS	Rahway	74%	53%
17. Linden HS	Linden	67%	50%
18. Hillside HS	Hillside	68%	43%
19. Elizabeth HS	Elizabeth	63%	43%
20. Roselle HS	Roselle	62%	41%
21. Plainfield HS	Plainfield	60%	30%

**UNION COUNTY HIGH SCHOOLS
SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TEST RESULTS
2008-09 SCHOOL YEAR**

<u>RANK/SCHOOL</u>	<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>MATH</u>	<u>VERBAL</u>	<u>ESSAY</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1. Magnet HS	UCVTS	662	627	636	1925
2. Allied Health HS	UCVTS	613	592	608	1813
3. Acad. for Info. Tech.	UCVTS	626	585	572	1783
4. New Providence HS	New Providence	618	573	566	1757
5. Westfield HS	Westfield	598	569	573	1740
6. Summit HS	Summit	594	568	573	1735
7. Gov. Livingston HS	Berkeley Hts.	591	566	560	1717
8. Cranford HS	Cranford	542	526	531	1599
9. Scotch Plains/F HS	Scotch Plains/F	558	521	517	1596
10. Jonathan Dayton HS	Springfield	547	504	512	1563
11. UC Tech	UCVTS	518	508	499	1525
12. Arthur L Johnson HS	Clark	513	488	491	1492
13. David Brearly HS	Kenilworth	499	474	467	1440
14. Roselle Park HS	Roselle Park	473	460	462	1395
15. Union HS	Union	459	448	443	1350
16. Rahway HS	Rahway	442	421	416	1279
17. Linden HS	Linden	433	423	418	1274
18. Elizabeth HS	Elizabeth	412	409	408	1229
19. Hillside HS	Hillside	402	398	402	1202
20. Roselle HS	Roselle	377	401	394	1172
21. Plainfield HS	Plainfield	392	384	380	1156