

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20, 2025
AGENDA SETTING MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Leon presided over the meeting and called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed Chairwoman Lourdes Leon, Vice-Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, Commissioner James E. Baker, Jr., Commissioner Michèle Delisfort, Commissioner Sergio Granados, Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski, Commissioner Alexander Mirabella, Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, and Commissioner Rebecca Williams were present.

Also present were County Manager Edward T. Oatman, County Counsel Bruce H. Bergen Esq., and Clerk of the Board James E. Pellettiere.

PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

The prayer and salute to the flag were led by Clerk of the Board James E. Pellettiere.

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

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

PRESENTATION BY THE BOARD

A Resolution Presentation was made by the Board to the Cranford Police Department, Cranford Jaycees, Vinny's Pizza and Pasta, and Calabria Pizzeria in recognition of their successful "Keep Calm, Helmets On" safety initiative.

Chairwoman Leon was joined by Commissioner Kowalski and Commissioner Palmieri-Mouded.

Chairwoman Leon noted that the Board was proud to recognize the Cranford Police Department, Cranford Jaycees, Vinny's Pizza and Pasta and Calabria Pizzeria for their outstanding partnership in the "Keep Calm, Helmets On" safety campaign. Now in its third year, Chairwoman Leon noted that the initiative encouraged children under 17 to wear their helmets while riding their bikes by rewarding them with coupons for a free slice of pizza and a beverage. She added that in addition to encouraging and promoting safety, this initiative harnessed the power of public and private partnerships, bringing together law enforcement, civic organizations and local businesses to strengthen the Cranford community. On behalf of the Board, she commended these efforts in fostering a strong culture of safety in Union County neighborhoods.

Commissioner Kowalski recognized Shaun Reese of the Cranford Jaycees and thanked all the aforementioned organizations for being an integral part of Cranford and for proactively promoting and prioritizing the safety in the community.

Cranford Police Chief Matthew Navarro thanked Chairwoman Leon and the Board for the recognition, adding that he appreciated the collaborative effort between law enforcement and local businesses and volunteer groups. He noted that this annual initiative, funding by the Cranford Jaycees, allowed for children to engage positively with law enforcement and be rewarded for good behavior. He thanked the Cranford Jaycees, Vinnys Pizza and Pasta and Calabria Pizzeria for the wonderful partnership.

Shaun Reese, of the Cranford Jaycees, thanked the Board for the recognition, noting they were honored to be part of this initiative. He thanked everyone involved for their efforts.

Vinny Savinelli, of Vinny's Pizza and Pasta, thanked the Board for the recognition, adding that he was proud to be able to participate in this initiative, noting his strong ties to the Township of Cranford.

Cranford Sergeant D'Ambola thanked the Board for the recognition, adding that he was very grateful for the continued support from the community and local businesses, noting the importance of prioritizing bicycle and pedestrian safety.

Commissioner Kowalski thanked the Township of Cranford for their efforts, adding that the Board was in full support of such initiatives.

Chairwoman Leon turned the meeting over to Counsel Bergen to say a few remarks about the upcoming public comment portions later during the Regular Meeting.

Counsel Bergen addressed the public:

Thank you Chair. Based upon the number of people we are anticipating will be coming before the Board tonight to speak, to ensure everyone who wishes has an opportunity to speak, the amount of time of each public speaker will be allowed during tonight's meeting will be three minutes. As always, speakers please note the one-minute warning sign and please end you remarks once the red sign indicating your time is over is held up; no additional time is allowed. Further, to maintain decorum in the meeting and to allow all speakers to be heard by the Board, no telephone use is allowed during the meeting and any in-person conversations should be taken out into the hallway so as not to disturb other members of the public or the Board. Also, please do not call out from the audience or make any comments other than during your own speaking time. As always, please refrain from profanity or vulgar comments and do not make any personal comments or attacks. Anyone violating these rules may have their speaking time ended. Further violation of these rules or any action that disrupts the meeting or interferes with the Board's ability to conduct its business are grounds for removal from the meeting. Once again, to avoid safety issues and assist in speaking process, we will be handing out numbers to those people wishing to speak during the public comment period. The numbers will be called in groups of 5. Please line up down the middle aisle when your number is called and wait until your number is called to stand up. There is no blocking the aisles or interfering with other people's ability to see. Thank you Chair.

APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

Chairwoman Leon advised that the Communications would be approved later during the Regular Meeting.

Note and File

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairwoman Leon advised that the Minutes would be approved later during the Regular Meeting.

1. July 24, 2025 - Agenda Setting Session
2. July 24, 2025 - Regular Meeting

ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION

Chairwoman Leon advised the Ordinances would be adopted later during tonight's Regular Meeting.

1. **BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW ADDITIONAL FURNISHINGS, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT, NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT AND NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$58,443,808 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE STATE GRANTS, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF \$43,186,098 OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$43,186,098 OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS. (Commissioner Rebecca L. Williams)**
2. **CAPITAL ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS IN, BY AND FOR THE COUNTY, APPROPRIATING THEREFOR THE SUM OF \$10,000,000 AND PROVIDING THAT SUCH SUM SO APPROPRIATED SHALL BE RAISED FROM CAPITAL SURPLUS OF THE COUNTY. (Commissioner Rebecca L. Williams)**

ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION

Chairwoman Leon advised that this Ordinance would be introduced later during tonight's Regular Meeting.

1. **BOND ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE FOLLOWING BOND ORDINANCES PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY: (1) BOND ORDINANCE NO. 740-2012 ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 13, 2012, AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED BY THE FOLLOWING THREE ORDINANCES: BOND ORDINANCE NO. 760-2014 ADOPTED ON OCTOBER 9, 2014; BOND ORDINANCE NO. 786-2017 ADOPTED ON AUGUST 17, 2017; AND BOND ORDINANCE NO. 845-2023 ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023; (2) BOND ORDINANCE NO. 765-2015 ADOPTED ON JULY 16, 2025; (3) BOND ORDINANCE NO. 776-2016 ADOPTED ON AUGUST 18, 2016, AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 805-2019 ADOPTED ON FEBRUARY 14, 2019 AND BOND ORDINANCE NO. 810-2019 ADOPTED ON DECEMBER 19, 2019; (4) BOND ORDINANCE NO. 787-2017 ADOPTED ON AUGUST 17, 2017, AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED BY BOND ORDINANCE NO. 805-2019 ADOPTED ON FEBRUARY 14, 2019 AND BOND ORDINANCE NO. 845-2023 ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023; (5) BOND ORDINANCE NO. 795-2018 ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 13, 2018, AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED BY BOND ORDINANCE NO. 845-2023 ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023; (6) BOND ORDINANCE NO. 808-2019 ADOPTED ON JULY 25, 2019, AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED BY BOND ORDINANCE NO. 825-2021 ADOPTED ON MARCH 25, 2021 AND BOND ORDINANCE NO. 845-2023 ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023; (7) BOND ORDINANCE NO. 820-2020 ADOPTED ON NOVEMBER 5, 2020, AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED BY BOND ORDINANCE NO. 845-2023 ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023; (8) BOND ORDINANCE NO. 834-2021 ADOPTED ON DECEMBER 2, 2021, AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED BY BOND ORDINANCE NO. 845-2023 ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023; (9) BOND ORDINANCE NO. 839-2022 ADOPTED ON OCTOBER 6, 2022, AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED BY BOND ORDINANCE NO. 845-2023 ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023; (10) BOND ORDINANCE NO. 844-2023 ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023; AND (11) BOND ORDINANCE NO. 850-2024 ADOPTED ON DECEMBER 18, 2024. (Commissioner Rebecca L. Williams)**

BOARD OF ELECTIONS

NICOLE L. DIRADO, ADMINISTRATOR

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Amending Resolution 2025-115, a contract with Royal Printing, West New York, New Jersey, to provide printing services required for the Clark Special School Election in the amount of \$1,827.00, for a new contract amount of \$155,654.00. **(Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon)**
2. Amending Resolution Number 2025-116, a contract with University Van Lines, Rahway, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing transportation services required for the administration of the Clark Special School Election being held on September 16, 2025 in the amount of \$3,000.00, for a new contract amount of \$63,500.00. **(Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon)**

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**LAURA SCUTARI, DIRECTOR**

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to utilize the second option to extend the contract pursuant to Resolution 2022-704 with Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, 200 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10166 for the provision of a Short Term Disability Insurance policy for an additional four (4) months for the period of September 1, 2025–December 31, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.000. **(Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon)**

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**AMY CRISP WAGNER, DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER/DIRECTOR**

1. Concurring with Resolution 2025-25 of the Union County Workforce Development Board, amending the Program Year 2025 Quarter One Budget of the Union County Workforce Development Area. **(Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon)**
2. Concurring with Resolution 2025-26 of the Union County Workforce Development Board to amend the account numbers for the use of program year 2024 carry-over funds, for the agreement with the Union County Department of Human Services for One Stop Career Center services, in an amount not to exceed \$340,488.00, for the contract period of July 1, 2025, through September 30, 2025. **(Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon)**
3. Concurring with Resolution 2025-27 of the Union County Workforce Development Board, adopting the Program Year 2025 Union County Workforce Development Area Temporary Budget. **(Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon)**
4. Concurring with Resolution 2025-28 of the Union County Workforce Development Board, authorizing payment to Future Works Systems, LLC in the amount of \$12,971.00

for the provision of WIOA data reporting and analysis services for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. **(Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon)**

5. Concurring with the Workforce Development Board to extend the agreement with the Union County Department of Human Services as American Job Center Operator, through September 30, 2025, and authorizing the use of Program Year 2024 carry-over funds not to exceed \$25,000.00. **(Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon)**
6. Amending Resolution 2025-208, a contract with Urban League of Union County using HOME Investment Partnerships Program – American Rescue Plan (ARP) grant funds for the provision of housing counseling, financial/educational workshops, rapid re-housing, case management and wrap-around services for individuals who are at risk of homelessness, to reflect a change in the contract period to September 1, 2025 through October 31, 2026, with the option for a (12) twelve-month extension. **(Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon)**
7. Amending Resolution 2025-206, a contract with Visions & Pathways using HOME Investment Partnerships Program – American Rescue Plan (ARP), to reflect a change in the contract period to September 1, 2025 through October 31, 2026, with the potential option for a (12) twelve-month extension, with no other changes to the contract terms and conditions. **(Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon)**

Commissioner Baker asked Deputy County Manager Wagner for an update relative to the Storm-Related Emergency Home Repair Grant Program.

Deputy County Manager Wagner advised that the County had received 51 applications from 12 different municipalities. She added that she could not provide a status currently, but updates would be forthcoming. She noted that residents could also apply for the Home Improvement Program Grant, which provided residents with interest-free loans with no repayment required until the property was sold or transferred.

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING, PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

JOSEPH POLICAY, DIRECTOR

County Engineer Ricardo Matias represented the Department.

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Amending Resolution 2024-457, a contract with Pennoni Associates Inc. for the East Coast Greenway Bikeway, multiple municipalities, County of Union, New Jersey, to reflect a time extension to the grant award date with no other changes as per NJDOT request. **(Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., to Foggia Trinity Electric, LLC of Scotch Plains, New Jersey for the Intersection Improvements of Vauxhall Road & Winslow Avenue / Commerce Avenue, Township

of Union, Union County in an amount not to exceed \$892,847.95. **(Commissioner Michèle S. Delisfort)**

3. Amending Resolution Number 2024-812, a contract with Terminal Construction Corporation, Somerville, New Jersey, approving final Change Order Number 2 for the Demolition of the Union County Courthouse Parking Deck. This change order will increase the original contract amount by \$131,412.29, for a new contract amount not to exceed \$7,572,591.78. **(Commissioner Michèle S. Delisfort)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Louis Barbato Landscaping of Holbrook, NY, to supply and plant trees along Union County roadways and throughout County Parks as designated by the Bureau of Shade Tree, in an amount not to exceed \$38,300.00. **(Commissioner Michèle S. Delisfort)**

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

BIBI TAYLOR, DIRECTOR

1. Modifying the 2025 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$48,500 as a result of notification received from the Clark Township Board of Education for a program entitled: UCBOE - 2025 Clark Special School Board Election. **(Commissioner Rebecca L. Williams)**
2. Modifying the 2025 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$1,402,091 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Labor and Workforce Development for a program entitled: Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) - Adult Grant. **(Commissioner Rebecca L. Williams)**
3. Modifying the 2025 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$1,373,503 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Labor and Workforce Development for a program entitled: Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) - Youth Grant. **(Commissioner Rebecca L. Williams)**
4. Modifying the 2025 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$2,153,345 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Labor and Workforce Development for a program entitled: Workforce Innovations and Opportunity Act (WIOA) - Dislocated Worker Grant. **(Commissioner Rebecca L. Williams)**
5. Modifying the 2025 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$12,971 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Labor and Workforce Development for a program entitled: Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) - Data Reporting and Analysis Allocation Grant. **(Commissioner Rebecca L. Williams)**
6. Modifying the 2025 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$40,000.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services for a program entitled LogistiCare – Title XIX Grant. **(Commissioner Rebecca L. Williams)**

7. Modifying the 2025 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$15,057.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection for a program entitled Community Based Deer Management Grant. **(Commissioner Rebecca L. Williams)**
8. Modifying the 2025 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$24,951 as a result of notification received from the New Jersey Association of County and City Health Officials for a program entitled: NJACCHO - Sustaining Local Public Health Infrastructure Grant. **(Commissioner Rebecca L. Williams)**
9. Modifying the 2025 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$42,534 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Health for a program entitled: Strengthening Local Public Health Capacity Program 2026. **(Commissioner Rebecca L. Williams)**
10. Modifying the 2025 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$67,010.63 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs for a program entitled: LEAP County Coordinator Fellowship Grant. **(Commissioner Rebecca L. Williams)**
11. Modifying the 2025 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$8,000 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services for a program entitled: Community Mental Health Services Block Grant. **(Commissioner Rebecca L. Williams)**
12. Modifying the 2025 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$152,490 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Children and Families for a program entitled: Sexual Assault, Abuse and Rape Care Grant (SAARC). **(Commissioner Rebecca L. Williams)**

Commissioner Baker commended Director Taylor for the cited grant funding. He asked how many total dollars were being received from grant funding.

Director Taylor advised that tonight's total was \$5,340,452.63.

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

DEBBIE-ANN ANDERSON, DIRECTOR

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Community Coordinated Child Care of Union County, Inc., Rahway, NJ for the provision of the Union County Child Care Subsidy Program for the period of July 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00. **(Commissioner Sergio Granados)**
2. Amending Resolution 2024-747 to authorize the County Manager to transfer funds among the funded agencies listed in the 2023-2025 Congressional Directives Grant (CDG) Program Spending Plan for subcontracted services to be provided during the

period of September 30, 2023 to September 29, 2025 as noted in the attached spending plan, with no change to the overall award. **(Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**

3. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Proceed, Inc. under the 2025 Social Services for the Homeless Intensive Case Management (SSH-ICM) Grant for the period of July 1, 2025- December 31, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$97,500.00. **(Commissioner Sergio Granados)**
4. Amending Resolution 2024-943, a contract with Geneva Worldwide Interpretation Service, New York, NY to provide interpretation services, to reflect an additional amount of \$40,000.00 for the period of January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025, for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$115,000.00. **(Commissioner Sergio Granados)**
5. Amending Resolution 2024-774, a contract with Maximus US Services, Inc., McLean, VA, for the provision of Medicaid Administrative Support Services, to extend the contract period through March 31, 2026. **(Commissioner Sergio Granados)**

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION

VICTORIA DURBIN-DRAKE, DIRECTOR

County Manager Oatman represented the Department.

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a lease agreement with the Cranford Historical Society to lease land for its historic Crane Miller House located at Sperry Park, Cranford, NJ for a twenty-year term, subject to one twenty (20) year extension. **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**
2. Amending Resolution 2025-430, authorizing the County Manager to sell County property to the NJDOT for the Rt. 82 Bridge Replacement, to designate the Open Space Trust Fund to receive the payment. **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**
3. Supporting the State House Commission final application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for the diversion of 1.14 acres in order to construct an indoor ice-skating rink in Warinanco Park, Roselle, NJ. **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Remington & Vernick Engineers, Cherry Hill, New Jersey, for the purposes of providing professional surveying services for boundary and subdivision located at Block 202, Lot 26, Township of Cranford, New Jersey, in an amount not to exceed \$24,200.00. **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**
5. Amending Resolution Number 2025-601, for construction waste disposal services, to reflect a change in account number only. **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSELBRUCE H. BERGEN, COUNTY COUNSEL

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Thornton Tomasetti, Inc., Newark, NJ, to provide litigation expert Architectural and Engineering Consulting and Litigation support services at Ash Brook Golf Course Club House, Scotch Plains, New Jersey, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00. **(Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon)**
2. Amending Resolution 2025-386 to increase the appropriation to Genova Burns, LLC, of Newark, NJ, to serve as Litigation, Defense and General Counsel for an additional amount not to exceed \$60,000.00, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$310,000.00. **(Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon)**
3. Amending Resolution 2025-310, a contract with Hatfield Schwartz Law Group, LLC, Cedar Knolls, NJ, to represent the County of Union in the matter entitled Andrea Simmons v. County of Union et als, to reflect an increase for an additional amount not to exceed \$5,000.00, for a new contract total amount not to exceed \$60,000.00. **(Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon)**
4. Amending Resolution 2025-311, a contract with Hatfield Schwartz, LLC, Cedar Knolls, NJ, in the matter entitled Meghan Tomlinson v. County of Union, et al, to reflect an increase to the contract amount not to exceed \$30,000.00, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$85,000.00. **(Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon)**
5. Amending Resolution 2025-258, a contract with Kingston Coventry, LLC, Sea Girt, NJ for General Counsel services to the County of Union, to increase the appropriation by an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$215,000.00, and to reflect an updated address. **(Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon)**
6. Amending Resolution 2024-698, a contract with Ruderman & Roth, LLC, Springfield, NJ, to represent Dawn Packan in the matter entitled Valerie Donofrio v. County of Union et al, to increase the contract amount by not to exceed \$20,000 for a new total amount not to exceed \$45,000.00. **(Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon)**

COMMISSIONER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS2025 BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, CHAIRWOMAN LOURDES LEON

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE BOARDJAMES E. PELLETTIERE, CLERK OF THE BOARD

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Sponsoring the Borough of Roselle Park in an amount not to exceed \$500 in support of their inaugural Multicultural Day Celebration to be held on September 27, 2025. **(Commissioner Rebecca L. Williams, and the Entire Board)**

2. Sponsoring the City of Plainfield in an amount not to exceed \$350 in support of their We Are One event held on August 9, 2025. **(Vice-Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, and the Entire Board)**
3. Sponsoring the City of Plainfield in an amount not to exceed \$1,000 in support of their Lenny Cathcart House Music Festival to be held on September 20, 2025. **(Vice-Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, and the Entire Board)**
4. Sponsoring the Town of Westfield in an amount not to exceed \$2,000 in support of their Addams Fest to be held on October 18, 2025. **(Commissioner Rebecca L. Williams, and the Entire Board)**
5. Sponsoring the Township of Union in an amount not to exceed \$1,000 in support of their Winter Wonderland to be held December 5-6, 2025. **(Commissioner Rebecca L. Williams, and the Entire Board)**
6. Appointing Emily Root to the Union College Board of Trustees. **(Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon)**

LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE

1. Recognizing Christ Divine Healing and Deliverance Ministry (CDHDM) upon the successful completion of its 2025 Annual Convention, "Unstoppable Growth," on Sunday, July 27, 2025. **(Commissioner Michèle S. Delisfort, and the Entire Board)**
2. Recognizing the Ecuadorian Community and the Plainfield Advisory Commission on Hispanic Affairs upon their Flag Raising Ceremony in the City of Plainfield on Friday, August 1, 2025. **(Commissioner Rebecca L. Williams, and the Entire Board)**
3. Extending the Board's deepest condolences during this time of sorrow to the family of Lula Patricia Parker, who passed away on Thursday, July 31, 2025. **(Vice-Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, and the Entire Board)**
4. Congratulating Palmas Café upon their Grand Opening Ceremony on Friday, August 15, 2025. **(Commissioner Sergio Granados, and the Entire Board)**
5. Offering this Board's deepest sympathies to the family of Mr. Thomas Lewis, a well-respected educator for the past 50 years with the Rahway School District and 20 years with the Clark Board of Education, during their time of sorrow. **(Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon, Commissioner James E. Baker, Jr., and the Entire Board)**
6. Recognizing the Cranford Police Department, Cranford Jaycees, Vinny's Pizza and Pasta, and Calabria Pizzeria for their "Keep Calm, Helmets On" safety initiative to give kids under 17 years old coupons for a free slice of pizza and a drink for wearing bike helmets while riding. **(Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon, Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski, Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, and the Entire Board)**

7. Recognizing the Desfile y Festival Dominicano del Condado de Union for all the contributions their organization has made to the Dominican community and Union County upon their Flag Raising Ceremony in the City of Elizabeth on Thursday, August 14, 2025. **(Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon, Commissioner Sergio Granados, and the Entire Board)**
8. Congratulating the Peruvians for Progress Inc. upon celebrating their 25th Anniversary at the Bodas de Plata 2025 Gala, taking place at The Gran Centurions in Clark on Friday, August 15, 2025. **(Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon, Commissioner Sergio Granados, and the Entire Board)**
9. Recognizing The Jamaica Organization of New Jersey (JON-J) as they celebrate the 63rd anniversary of Jamaica's Independence and host the Jamaican Flag Raising Ceremony at Union Town Hall on Saturday, August 2, 2025. **(Commissioner Michèle S. Delisfort, and the Entire Board)**
10. Recognizing the Caribbean Therapeutic & Educational Center as they celebrate the 63rd anniversary of Jamaica's Independence and host the Jamaican Flag Raising Ceremony at Union Town Hall on Saturday, August 2, 2025. **(Commissioner Michèle S. Delisfort, and the Entire Board)**

ADJOURNMENT

Chairwoman Leon asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Commissioner Palmieri-Mouded, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:23 P.M.

**UNION COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
2025 MEETING SCHEDULE**

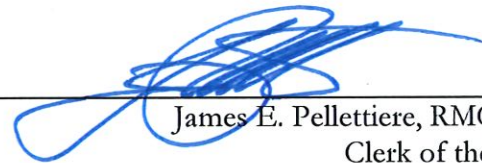
**REORGANIZATION MEETING - MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2025 AT 6:00 PM
Union County Courthouse- 2 Broad Street. Elizabeth**

Agenda Setting Session

Thursday, January 23, 2025
Thursday, February 6, 2025
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Thursday, July 24, 2025
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Thursday, September 4, 2025***
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Regular Meeting

Monday, January 13, 2025*
Thursday, January 23, 2025
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James E. Pellettiere, RMC, QPA
Clerk of the Board

* Special Meeting added

** Meeting rescheduled to Wednesday, August 20, 2025

*** Meeting canceled

Please note that the County Commissioners' meetings, with the exception of the January 13, 2025 meetings, are to be regularly held on Thursday evenings. These meetings are scheduled to be held on the same evening, with the Agenda Setting Session to commence at 6:00pm and the Regular Meeting to commence as soon as possible after the Agenda Setting Session, unless otherwise noted. All meetings are to be held in the Commissioner Meeting Room within the Administration Building, 6th floor located at 10 Elizabethtown Plaza, Elizabeth New Jersey, 07207. Persons requiring a sign language interpreter should contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at 908-527-4140.