



# UNION COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

THURSDAY, JULY 30, 2026  
REGULAR 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

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Note and File

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

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1. June 25, 2026 - Agenda Setting Session
2. June 25, 2026 - Regular Meeting

ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION

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**867-2026 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND "THE LAWS OF UNION COUNTY: ADMINSTRATIVE CODE AND POLICIES AND GENERAL LEGISLATION" BY AMENDING PART II- POLICIES AND GENERAL LEGISLATION: CHAPTER 41, UNION COUNTY OPTION HOSPITAL FEE PROGRAM.**

**First Reading Statement**

Vice Chair Rebecca L. Williams, Policy Committee Chair, will move Ordinance Number 867-2026 for First Reading and authorize the Clerk of the Board to advertise same in accordance with the law. The Public Hearing and Final Reading will be held on August 27, 2026.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION**

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**RESOLUTIONS FOR ADOPTION**

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The following resolutions are being offered for adoption.

- 2026-491 Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.:** Amending Resolution 2024-935, a Memorandum of Agreement with the County of Hudson to reflect an increase in the amount of \$463,105.00 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$3,149,505.00 for the year 2025, and for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$8,688,065.00, with no other changes to the terms or conditions of the prior resolutions.
- 2026-492 Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.:** Amending Resolution 2026-91, authorizing a contract with Artheon, Inc., East Brunswick, New Jersey, for the provision of On-Call Environmental Services, to reflect an increase in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00, for a new contract total amount not to exceed \$30,000.00.
- 2026-493 Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.:** Amending Resolution 2026-36, authorizing the County to enter into various cooperatives for the purchase of materials, supplies and equipment for year 2026, to increase the contract allocation for Nielsen Ford through ESCNJ Co-op 23/24-04 in an additional amount not to exceed \$19,777.76, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$219,777.76.
- 2026-494 Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.:** Amending Resolution 2026-437, a contract awarded to MPC Bus Corporation, Brooklyn, NY to reflect a change in appropriation accounts with an increase in the amount not to exceed \$402,000.00 for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$5,149,437.84.
- 2026-495 Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with SAGE, Eldercare, Inc., Summit, NJ to administer the State Health Insurance Program (S.H.I.P.) for the provision of information and assistance regarding health insurance benefits to Union County residents 60 years and older and/or their caregivers for a period of April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027 in an amount not to exceed \$38,000.00.
- 2026-496 Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.:** Amending Resolution 2025-518, a contract awarded through advertised public bidding to Grove Contracting LLC, approving Change Order Number 2 for the Ashbrook Golf Clubhouse repairs. This change order will increase the amended contract amount by \$222,549.63, for a new contract amount not to exceed \$4,551,705.88.
- 2026-497 Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Matrix New World Engineering, Land Surveying and Landscape Architecture, PC, Florham Park, NJ for professional services to construct tennis courts and pickleball courts at Oak Ridge Park, Clark, NJ, in an amount not to exceed of \$178,900.00.
- 2026-498 Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Safeware, Inc., through State Contract 25-COMG-131378, for the purpose of purchasing RED XplorIR Gas Identification Systems for use by UASI in an amount not to exceed \$293,056.82.

- 2026-499 Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.:** Adopting the 2026 Union County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- 2026-500 Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Aramsco, Inc., through State Contract 17-FLEET-00729, for the purpose of purchasing specialized Decontamination equipment for UASI in an amount not to exceed \$60,108.00.
- 2026-501 Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a five (5) year, five (5) month Shared Services Agreement with the City of Rahway for 911 Police, Fire and EMS Dispatching Services, commencing August 1, 2026.
- 2026-502 Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement among the Office of the Chief State Medical Examiner, the County of Essex, the County of Somerset and the County of Union, to allow the Northern Regional Medical Examiner Office to absorb and conduct all of Union County's medical examiner operations for a term of four (4) years, eleven (11) months, commencing August 1, 2026 through June 30, 2031, for a total amount not to exceed \$9,887,676.24.
- 2026-503 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Amending Resolution 2026-9 designating County depositories for calendar year 2026.
- 2026-504 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Authorizing Governing Body Certification of the 2025 Audit.
- 2026-505 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Rescinding Resolution Number 2026-343, approving the title and text adjustment for the Department of Public Safety, Division of Medical Examiner.
- 2026-506 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Approving Title and Text Adjustment for Department of Public Safety-Division of Medical Examiner to accommodate the change in the delivery of service for medical examiner operations from in-house to the Office of the Chief State Medical Examiner via a formal Memorandum of Agreement.
- 2026-507 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$98,129.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety for a program entitled: Edward Memorial Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) - Multi-Jurisdictional Gangs, Guns and Narcotics Task Force.
- 2026-508 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$200,000.00 as a result of notification received from New Jersey Transit for a program entitled: Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan (CHSTP) Grant.
- 2026-509 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$373,010.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Health for a program entitled: Childhood Lead Exposure and Prevention (CLEP).

- 2026-510 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$66,924.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection for a program entitled: County Environmental Health Act (CEHA).
- 2026-511 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$119,372.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Health for a program entitled: Local Public Health Infrastructure Grant (PHIG).
- 2026-512 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$80,000.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness for a program entitled: Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant.
- 2026-513 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$1,468,418.00 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.
- 2026-514 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$1,971,867.00 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) - Dislocated Worker Grant.
- 2026-515 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$1,422,680.00 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.
- 2026-516 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$12,971.00 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 Grant.
- 2026-517 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$89,197.71 as a result of notification received from the New Jersey Borough of Roselle Board of Education for a program entitled: UCC 2026 Roselle Special School Election Grant.
- 2026-518 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$402,000.00 as a result of notification received from New Jersey Transit for a program entitled: New Jersey Job Access Reverse Commute (NJ JARC) Grant.
- 2026-519 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$189,718.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services for a program entitled: Area Plan Contract (Federal) Grant.

- 2026-520 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$256,408.76 as a result of notification received from the National Opioid Settlements for a program entitled: Opioid Litigation Recovery Funds.
- 2026-521 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$175,430.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Children & Families for a program entitled: Child Advocacy Center Grant – Multidisciplinary Team Program.
- 2026-522 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$37,500.00 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.
- 2026-523 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$74,003.84 as a result of notification received from the County of Morris, New Jersey for a program entitled: Passaic Street Bi-County Bridge Replacement.
- 2026-524 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Amending Resolution 2026-7, establishing change funds for calendar year 2026.
- 2026-525 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Amending Resolution 2026-8, establishing petty cash funds for calendar year 2026.
- 2026-526 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Amending Resolution 2026-10, authorizing a change in county signatories.
- 2026-527 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Lerch, Vinci and Bliss LLP, to provide financial advisory services for the period of January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.
- 2026-528 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, and the Entire Board:** Sponsoring the City of Rahway's following events in a total amount not to exceed \$10,000.00: In Her Footsteps Immersive Theatrical Experience (March 20, 2026); Artsfest (September 19, 2026); Halloween Spooktacular (October 24, 2026); Winter Wonderland and Tree Lighting Ceremony (November 27, 2026); and Santa Comes to Town (December 4, 2026).
- 2026-529 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, and the Entire Board:** Sponsoring the Winfield Fire Department and Ambulance Squad in the amount of \$3,000 towards their Annual Winfield Carnival held on July 29, 2026.
- 2026-530 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Sponsoring the Borough of Roselle Park in the amount of \$500 towards their Annual Fiesta Hispana y Latina held on September 4, 2026.
- 2026-531 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Sponsoring the Borough of Roselle Park in the amount of \$500 towards their 2nd Annual Multicultural & Heritage Music Festival held on September 26, 2026.

- 2026-532 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, and the Entire Board:** Sponsoring the Borough of Fanwood in the amount of \$500 towards their Fanny Wood Day held on September 27, 2026.
- 2026-533 Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded:** Sponsoring the City of Plainfield in the amount of \$500 towards their Jazz at the Mount event held on September 13, 2026.
- 2026-534 Vice Chair Rebecca L. Williams:** Amending Resolution 2026-391, to increase the appropriation to Genova Burns, LLC, of Newark, NJ to provide legal services to represent the County of Union in connection with litigation, defense and general legal matters for the period of January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026 in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00, for a new total not to exceed \$450,000.00.
- 2026-535 Chairman Joseph C. Bodek:** Amending Resolution 2026-172, a contract with Royal Printing Services, West New York, NJ for printing services for 2026–2027, to reflect an additional Grant account number and additional funding in the amount of \$62,596.00, for a new contract not to exceed \$2,659,477.00, for the 2026 Borough of Roselle Special School Board Election.
- 2026-536 Chairman Joseph C. Bodek:** Amending Resolution 2026-173, a contract with Full Service Mailers, East Rutherford, NJ, for mail fulfillment services for 2026–2027, to reflect an additional Grant account number and additional funding in the amount of \$3,519.29, for a new contract not to exceed \$257,776.00, for the 2026 Borough of Roselle Special School Board Election.
- 2026-537 Chairman Joseph C. Bodek:** Amending Resolution 2026-174, a contract with B & B Press Inc., Lebanon, New Jersey, for print services for Mail-in-Ballots and Provisional Ballots for 2026 and 2027 elections, to reflect an additional Grant account number and additional funding in the amount of \$11,057.42, for a new contract not to exceed \$787,721.66, for the 2026 Borough of Roselle Special School Board Election.
- 2026-538 Chairman Joseph C. Bodek:** Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and accept funding from the State of New Jersey, Department of Children and Families for the Fiscal Year 2027 Child Advocacy Development Grants-Treatment Services, Programs, Technology and Capital Improvement in the amount of \$175,430.00 for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.
- 2026-539 Chairman Joseph C. Bodek:** Amending Resolution 2025-752, authorizing the application and acceptance of funding for FFY24 Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Grant Program for the project titled Sexual Assault Response Team/Forensic Nurse Examiner Program, to reflect the contract project amount of \$173,877.00 in federal funds, the required match amount of \$43,469.00 and an existing budgeted salary and fringe cost of \$196,146.00 for a total project cost of \$413,492.00.

- 2026-540 Chairman Joseph C. Bodek:** Concurring with Union County Workforce Development Board Resolution No. 2026-14, adopting the Program Year 2026 Union County Workforce Development Area Budget under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act in the total award amount not to exceed \$4,875,936.
- 2026-541 Chairman Joseph C. Bodek:** Amending Resolution 2025-05, concurring with Union County Workforce Development Board Resolution No. 2026-15, to revise the funding allocations among the Adult Literacy Innovations Program partners, reallocating \$50,000 from Workforce Advantage to the Plainfield Public Library with the total allocation remaining at \$450,000.
- 2026-542 Chairman Joseph C. Bodek:** Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract obtained through advertised public bidding to Tri-County Termite & Pest Control Inc., Carneys Point, NJ, for the purpose of providing Exterminating and Pest Control Management Services for twenty-four (24) months, with the provision for one (1) twenty-four (24) month optional extension, in an amount not to exceed \$143,722.50.
- 2026-543 Chairman Joseph C. Bodek:** Authorizing the County Manager to utilize the final option to extend the contract to Economic Planning Group, to provide Retirement Planning Specialist Services for the Deferred Compensation Plan for the period of January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026, at no cost to the County of Union.
- 2026-544 Chairman Joseph C. Bodek:** Amending Resolution 2025-559, a contract with Taylor Law Group, LLC, New Providence, NJ, as Special Counsel on matters related to the Clark Reservoir, to increase the appropriation by an additional amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$175,000.00, for the period of January 1, 2025 through November 30, 2026.
- 2026-545 Chairman Joseph C. Bodek:** Authorizing the County Manager to take all necessary steps for participation in and to receive payments from the Qualified Settlement Fund, and to expend such monies, pursuant to the Consent Order approving the settlement in the matter entitled NJDEP v. E. I. Dupont de Nemours and Company, et al, Docket No. 2:19-cv-14758, et al.
- 2026-546 Chairman Joseph C. Bodek:** Rescinding Resolution 2026-472, amending Resolution 2026-114, awarding funding from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs Shared Library Services Program.
- 2026-547 Chairman Joseph C. Bodek:** Amending Resolution Number 2026-114, authorizing the County Manager to distribute the Shared Library Services Grant, to clarify the contracts' term ending date of December 31, 2026.
- 2026-548 Chairman Joseph C. Bodek:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Eyman Partners LLC, Washington, DC, to provide County Option Medicaid Hospital Program Consulting for State Fiscal year 2027 for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, with two (2) potential one (1) year options to extend in an amount not to exceed \$130,000.00.
- 2026-549 Chairman Joseph C. Bodek:** Appointing the following individual to the Union County Construction Board of Appeals: Roshan White (Plumbing).

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**LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE**

- 2026-550 Commissioner Michele S. Delisfort, and the Entire Board:** Congratulating Reverend Dr. Theodore J. Jenkins upon the occasion of his 93rd birthday and 70 years of ministry as he is being celebrated by the Macedonia Christian Church in Vauxhall, New Jersey on July 25, 2026.
- 2026-551 Commissioner Lourdes M. Leon, and the Entire Board:** Recognizing the Elizabeth Colombian Lions Club & Latin District Association for all the contributions their organization has made to the Colombian community and Union County.
- 2026-552 Commissioner Alexander Mirabella, and the Entire Board:** Offering this Board's deepest condolences during this time of sorrow to the family of Ralph E. Checchio, who passed away on July 15, 2026.
- 2026-553 Commissioner Stanley J. Neron, and the Entire Board:** Recognizing Hassen Abdellah, Esq. (Unwavering Work in the Field of Law Award), Rev. George Britt (Steadfastness in Spreading the Gospel Award), Johnnie Mae Champagne (Business Woman Award), Deborah Dixon (Educational and Community Excellence Award), Theopfululs & Kim Nesbitt Good (Trailblazers Award), Michael Hunter (Mentoring & Volunteerism Award), and Lakeish Oates (Outstanding Youth Services Award) upon being honored at the Pat Perkins-Auguste Civic Association - 3rd Annual Hoodie Awards Ceremony & Dinner on July 17, 2026.
- 2026-554 Vice Chair Rebecca L. Williams, and the Entire Board:** Offering this Board's deepest condolences in this time of sorrow to the family of Kwadir Tramont Cassett, who passed away on July 15, 2026.
- 2026-555 Vice Chair Rebecca L. Williams, and the Entire Board:** Congratulating the Chestang Family upon holding their 10th Family Reunion, bringing members from across the country to celebrate on July 25, 2026.
- 2026-556 Vice Chair Rebecca L. Williams, Commissioner James E. Baker Jr., Commissioner Stanley J. Neron, and the Entire Board:** Congratulating Jahlalah Shell (Youth Activist Award), Jonathan Green Jr. (Presidential Award), Erica A. Blount (Community Service Award), Arnaz Khalil Johnson (Rev. Garlic Social Justice Award), William D. Jones (Lifetime Achievement Award), Chris Widelo (Corporate Award) and Detective Darin Williamson, Ret. (Rev. Adair Altruism Award) upon being honored at the NAACP Elizabeth Branch Freedom Fund Gala on August 1, 2026, at Kean University.
- 2026-557 Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, and the Entire Board:** Offering this Board's deepest sympathies during this time of sorrow to the family of retired Union County Hazardous Materials Captain Michael Tharaldsen, who passed away on June 25, 2026.
- 2026-558 Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, and the Entire Board:** Offering this Board's deepest condolences during this time of sorrow to the family of Angelo Bonnano, during their time of sorrow.

- 2026-559 **Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, and the Entire Board:** Offering this Board's deepest condolences during this time of sorrow to the family of Union County Clerk Joanne Rajoppi, who passed away on July 16, 2026.
- 2026-560 **Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, and the Entire Board:** Offering this Board's best wishes to Thomas Alston of Linden, as he celebrates his 100th birthday on August 29, 2026.
- 2026-561 **Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, and the Entire Board:** Offering the Board's deepest condolences to the family of Kevin M. Konrad during their time of sorrow.
- 2026-562 **Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, and the Entire Board:** Congratulating Kimberly Matos upon being recognized as Telecommunicator of the Year.
- 2026-563 **Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, Commissioner Lourdes M. Leon, Commissioner Stanley J. Neron, and the Entire Board:** Recognizing Peruvians for Progress Inc., for all the contributions their organization has made to the Peruvian community and Union County. This Board further recognizes the prominence and importance of this county's Peruvian community and aims to honor the culture by hosting events such as the Peruvian Flag Raising on July 9, 2026 in front of City Hall in Elizabeth, NJ.
- 2026-564 **Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, Commissioner Alexander Mirabella, and the Entire Board:** Offering this Board's deepest condolences during this time of sorrow to the family of Raymond "Ray" Szpond, Jr., who passed away on July 5, 2026.

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#### COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

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#### ADJOURNMENT

**UNION COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
2026 MEETING SCHEDULE**

**Reorganization Meeting - Thursday, January 1, 2026 at 11:00 a.m.  
Union County Courthouse- 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth**

**Agenda Setting Session**

Thursday, January 29, 2026  
Thursday, February 26, 2026  
Thursday, March 26, 2026  
Thursday, April 30, 2026  
Thursday, May 28, 2026  
Thursday, June 25, 2026  
Thursday, July 30, 2026  
Thursday, August 27, 2026  
Thursday, September 17, 2026\*  
Thursday, October 15, 2026  
Thursday, November 12, 2026  
Thursday, December 10, 2026

**Regular Meeting**

Thursday, January 29, 2026  
Thursday, February 26, 2026  
Thursday, March 26, 2026  
Thursday, April 30, 2026  
Thursday, May 28, 2026  
Thursday, June 25, 2026  
Thursday, July 30, 2026  
Thursday, August 27, 2026  
Thursday, September 17, 2026\*  
Thursday, October 15, 2026  
Thursday, November 12, 2026  
Thursday, December 10, 2026

\*Rescheduled from September 24, 2026

Please note that the County Commissioners' 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.