



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27, 2026
AGENDA SETTING MEETING AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

PRESENTATION BY THE BOARD

A Resolution Presentation will be made by the Board to Jaime Segal, Vice President of External Affairs and Government Relations at UCNJ Union College of Union County, NJ, upon being named the 2026 Northeast Regional Professional Board Staff Member of the Year by the Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT).

APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

NOTE AND FILE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. July 30, 2026 - Agenda Setting Session
2. July 30, 2026 - Regular Meeting
3. July 30, 2026 - Executive Session

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

AMY CRISP WAGNER, DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER/DIRECTOR

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1. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and accept funding from the United States Department of Housing & Urban Development, in the amount of \$3,000,000.00, for Older Adults Home Modification Grant Program (OAHMP) FY26. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek)**

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING, PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES MANAGEMENTRICARDO MATIAS, ACTING DIRECTOR

1. Authorizing the County Manager to execute a Joint Funding Agreement with the United States Department of Interior, U.S. Geological Survey, Water Resources Division, Lawrenceville, New Jersey for a Joint Funding Agreement for the period of October 1, 2025, to September 30, 2026, in an amount not to exceed \$19,410.00. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
2. Amending Resolution 2024-208, a contract with Pennoni Associates Inc., Newark, New Jersey, to provide Professional Engineering Services for the Emergency Debris Management Plan - Various Locations in Union County for an additional amount of \$15,000.00, for a new contract amount not to exceed \$34,500.00. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
3. Amending Resolution 2021-384, a contract with Remington & Vernick Engineers, Secaucus, New Jersey, to provide Engineering Design Services, Construction Administration and Inspection Services for the Rehabilitation of Trenton Avenue Bridge, City of Elizabeth for an additional amount of \$9,923.52, for a new contract amount not to exceed \$228,218.52. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
4. Amending Resolution 2024-73, a contract with Matrix New World of Florham Park, New Jersey, for Licensed Site Remediation Professional (LSRP) Environmental Compliance Services and Remedial Investigation activities at the following locations: Department of Public Works Complex; Galloping Hill Golf Course; Warinanco Park; Houdaille Quarry; Department of Public Works Complex; Cherry Street Maintenance Garage; (New) Union County Courthouse; and other remediation sites as necessary for additional amount of \$38,170.00, for a new contract amount not to exceed \$1,846,475.00. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Artheon Inc, East Brunswick, New Jersey to provide Engineering Design, Construction Administration and Inspection Services for the 2027 Road Resurfacing Project, County of Union, New Jersey, in an amount not to exceed \$290,374.00. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with RSC Architects, Hackensack, NJ to provide Professional Architectural Services for the Commissioners' Meeting Room to repurpose the space as a civil courtroom on the 6th Floor of the Union County Administration Building in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek)**
7. Amending Resolution Number 2024-721, a contract awarded through advertised public bidding to Pennetta Industrial Automation, Little Ferry, New Jersey, approving Change Order Number 1 for Pipefitting & Heating System Repair, Maintenance and installation services for New Boiler Installations dedicated to the Warinanco Park Skating Rink and the Houdaille Quarry. This change order will increase the original contract amount by \$87,697.00, for a new contract amount not to exceed \$551,697.00. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek)**

8. Authorizing the County Manager to award the contract obtained through advertised public bidding to CCM Contracting Inc., of Green Brook, New Jersey for the 2026 Road Resurfacing Project, Various Municipalities in Union County, for an amount not to exceed \$11,543,039.97. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
9. Resolution authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with SJC Lawncare, Inc. of Scotch Plains, NJ, to supply and plant trees along Union County roadways and throughout Union County Parks as designated by the Bureau of Shade Tree, in an amount not to exceed \$38,250.00. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
10. Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contract obtained through advertising public bidding to Sunnyfield Corporation, Ocean NJ for Boiler Replacement Project at the Union County Courthouse, Elizabeth NJ, in an amount not to exceed \$10,637,000.00. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCEBIBI TAYLOR, DIRECTOR

1. Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$252,834 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs for a program entitled: Community Services Block Grant (CSBG). **(Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
2. Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$34,800 as a result of notification received from the Roselle Board of Education for a program entitled: UCBOE - Roselle Special School Board Election. **(Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
3. Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$13,670 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services for a program entitled: Jersey Assistance for Community Caregivers (JACC) Grant. **(Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
4. Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$263,022.64 as a result of notification received from the National Opioid Settlements for a program entitled: Opioid Litigation Recovery Funds. **(Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
5. Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$306,506.34 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs for a program entitled: Data-Driven Decision Making - Organizational Enhancement Program (3DM-OEP). **(Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
6. Modifying the 2026 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$35,000.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs for a program entitled: Recreational Opportunities for Individuals with Disabilities (ROID). **(Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICESDEBBIE-ANN ANDERSON, DIRECTOR

1. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and to enter into agreement with the NJ Department of Community Affairs (NJDCOA) for the Recreational Opportunities for Individuals with Disabilities (ROID) Program Grant, in the amount of \$35,000.00 with a required County Match in an amount of \$7,000.00, for a total program not to exceed \$42,000.00 for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and execute the FY2027 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) contract from the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs (NJDCOA) for the purpose of providing community programming for low income residents of Union County for the grant period of January 1, 2027 through September 30, 2028 in the amount of \$318,912.00. **(Commissioner Stanley J. Neron)**
3. Amending Resolution 2026-445, to reflect an increase in the 2026 Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) Spending Plan in the amount of \$156,018.00 for a new grant award of \$464,969.00. **(Commissioner Stanley J. Neron)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to approve the FY2026 HEARTH Emergency Solutions (HES) Grant Program Spending Plan for subcontracted services to be provided during the period of August 1, 2026 to July 31, 2027 in the total amount not to exceed \$358,538.00. **(Commissioner Stanley J. Neron)**
5. Amending Resolution Number 2026-435, to reflect an increase in the Area Plan Contract Spending Plan in the amount of \$317,133.00 for a new total not to exceed \$5,587,525.00 for Year 2 of 3 Area Plan cycle, and to further reflect a change in appropriation accounts. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
6. Amending Resolution 2026-164, to reflect a five (5) month extension to the FY2025 HEARTH Emergency Solutions (HES) Grant program spending plan for a new subcontract period of August 1, 2025, to December 31, 2026. **(Commissioner Stanley J. Neron)**

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATIONVICTORIA DURBIN-DRAKE, DIRECTOR

1. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Independence Constructors Corporation of NJ, Chester, PA, for Tree Trimming, Pruning, and Removal Services in various parks in an amount not to exceed \$85,000.00. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETYDENNIS BURKE, DIRECTOR

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Rutgers University, Miller Center on Policing and Community Resilience, New Brunswick, NJ to provide First Responder Resiliency Training in the UASI Region for the period from September 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027 in an amount not to exceed \$80,000. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Spec Rescue International, Virginia Beach, Virginia, to provide exercise support and training to members of the Metro Urban Search and Rescue (MUSAR) Task Force from the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Region from September 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026, in an amount not to exceed \$214,070.00. (No cost to County of Union) **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSELBRUCE H. BERGEN, COUNTY COUNSEL

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a settlement in the matter entitled Union County v. CME Associates, et al., to receive payment of \$80,000.00, in settlement of all claims. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY MANAGEREDWARD T. OATMAN, COUNTY MANAGER

1. Authorizing the County Manager to distribute the Shared Library Services Grant to the Linden Free Public Library in a total amount not to exceed \$36,285.79. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek)**

COMMISSIONER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS2026 BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, CHAIRMAN JOSEPH C. BODEK

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

1. Amending Resolution 2026-285, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Salary Reimbursement Agreement with Rutgers Cooperative Extension for the provision of State and Federal-mandated agriculture and resource management, family and community health sciences, and 4-H youth development programs for a revised amount not to exceed \$130,104.00, for the period of January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026. **(Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
2. Sponsoring the Kimberly Anne Wilson Foundation in the amount of \$1,200 towards their 5K Race for Mental Health being held on September 20, 2026. **(Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**

LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE

1. Recognizing September 2026 as National Recovery Month (NRM). **(Commissioner Lourdes M. Leon, and the Entire Board)**
2. Recognizing September 2026 as National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month and September 10, 2026 as World Suicide Prevention Day. **(Commissioner Lourdes M. Leon, and the Entire Board)**
3. Offering this Board's deepest condolences in this time of sorrow to the family of Hassen Ibn Abdellah, who passed away on July 22, 2026. **(Commissioner Stanley J. Neron, and the Entire Board)**
4. Recognizing Bertha Policay upon the celebration of her 100th birthday on June 28, 2026. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, and the Entire Board)**
5. Congratulating Anthony Russo upon the celebration of his 100th birthday. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, Commissioner James E. Baker Jr., Commissioner Alexander Mirabella, and the Entire Board)**
6. Recognizing Laformia Dulorie, Aisha Thomas-Petit, and Hazel Garlic, whose lives reflect excellence, leadership, service, and dedication to their community as they celebrate their birthdays. **(Commissioner Stanley J. Neron, and the Entire Board)**
7. Congratulating Dr. Jaime M. Segal, Vice President of External Affairs and Government Relations at UCNJ Union College of Union County, NJ, upon being named the 2026 Northeast Regional Professional Board Staff Member of the Year by the Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT). **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, and the Entire Board)**
8. Offering this Board's deepest condolences during this time of sorrow to the family of Yoland Walton, who passed away on July 26, 2026. **(Commissioner Stanley J. Neron, and the Entire Board)**
9. Congratulating and recognizing Michelle McBean on the occasion of her 80th Birthday on August 5, 2026; and further honoring her lifetime of service, leadership, and dedication to the City of Elizabeth and Union County. **(Commissioner Stanley J. Neron, and the Entire Board)**
10. Offering this Board's deepest condolences during this time of sorrow to the family of Leticia C. Barden-Frye, who passed away on August 3, 2026. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, Commissioner Alexander Mirabella, and the Entire Board)**
11. Offering this Board's deepest sympathies to the family of former Union Township Business Administrator Ron Manzella, during their time of sorrow. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, Commissioner Michele S. Delisfort, and the Entire Board)**

12. Commending St. John's Baptist Church of Scotch Plains, New Jersey, for its commitment to serving and supporting the community through its annual Back to School Fair and the many community services and programs it provides throughout the year. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, Commissioner James E. Baker Jr., and the Entire Board)**
13. Expressing this Board's deepest condolences, during this time of sorrow, to the family of Patricia D. Darrell, who passed away on August 14, 2026. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, Commissioner Alexander Mirabella, and the Entire Board)**
14. Recognizing Elizabeth Police Detective Brian Z. Carvalho for his bravery, professionalism and steadfast dedication to the safety of the public. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, Commissioner Lourdes Leon, and the Entire Board)**
15. Recognizing September 18, 2026 as POW/MIA Remembrance Day and encourages all veterans and residents of Union County to observe and honor the service and sacrifice of American Prisoners Of War and those who remain Missing In Action. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, and the Entire Board)**

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 24, 2026*
Thursday, October 15, 2026
Thursday, November 12, 2026
Thursday, December 10, 2026

Regular Meeting

Thursday, January 29, 2026
Thursday, February 26, 2026
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*Meeting rescheduled for Thursday, September 17, 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.