



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 2012
AGENDA SETTING MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Alexander Mirabella called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Angel G. Estrada	Freeholder	Present	
Christopher Hudak	Freeholder	Present	
Mohamed S. Jalloh	Freeholder	Present	
Bette Jane Kowalski	Freeholder	Present	
Deborah P. Scanlon	Freeholder	Present	
Daniel P. Sullivan	Freeholder	Present	
Vernell Wright	Freeholder	Present	
Linda Carter	Vice Chairman	Present	
Alexander Mirabella	Chairman	Present	

Also present were County Manager Alfred J. Faella, County Counsel Robert E. Barry, Esq. and Clerk of the Board James E. Pelletiere.

PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

The Prayer and Salute to the Flag were lead by the Clerk of the Board.

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

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

APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

Note and File

1. Oath of Office: UC Transportation Advisory Board - Rosemary Bariexca, Michael Disko, Jr., Ludwig Anton Evers, and Tony Hall.
2. Oath of Office: LACADA - Anita Novy.
3. Oath of Office: Advisory Board for the Prevention of Youth Violence - Marissa Mansueto.
4. Oath of Office: Human Services Advisory Council - Ellen McGovern.

5. Oath of Office: UC Air Traffic & Noise Advisory Board - Roger Stryeski.

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY PROSECUTOR

Theodore Romankow, Union County Prosecutor

County Counsel Robert E. Barry, Esq. represented the Office.

Chairman Mirabella asked the Clerk of the Board to contact the Prosecutor's Office for additional back up for items 1 and 2.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to designate the following vehicles as surplus vehicles, no longer needed for County purposes, and authorizes the County Manager to dispose of the vehicle in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-36: 1996 Audi and a 2001 Dodge Durango. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to donate the following vehicles: a 1996 Audi to the City of Plainfield Police Department and a 2001 Dodge Durango to the City of Linden Police Department as they are no longer needed for County purposes pursuant to N.J.S.A.40A:11-36(2). **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Matthew N. DiRado, Esq., Acting Director / Director, Division of Personnel

There were no questions.

1. Amending Resolution Number 2012-36, which authorized the use of New Jersey State Contracts, in order to add new vendors and change vendor numbers as per regulation. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
2. Amending Resolution Number 2012-90, adding new National Cooperative Group and prospective vendor to existing national contract resolution. Group members provide various telecommunication and information technology services. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Brian Riordan, Director

Resolution requests have not been submitted at this time.

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING, PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES

Joseph Graziano, Director

1. Resolution concurring with the Township of Berkeley Heights granting permission to the Rotary Club to hang a banner across Springfield Avenue from May 11, 2012 to June 23, 2012 to advertise their "Rubber Ducky Race" which will be held on Saturday, June 23, 2012. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**

Freeholder Estrada asked for an explanation of item #1.

Director Graziano stated that the Rubber Ducky race is sponsored annually by the Rotary Club and the banner is to advertise the race.

2. Resolution concurring with the Borough of Roselle Park granting permission to close Chestnut Street, from Grant Avenue to Warren Avenue, on Saturday, June 23, 2012, with a rain date of Saturday, June 30, 2012, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and on Saturday, September 15, 2012, with a rain date of Saturday, September 22, 2012, from 3:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for the "Crusin' Night Car Shows." **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
3. Resolution concurring with the Township of Berkeley Heights granting permission to the Berkeley Heights Rescue Squad to hang a banner across Springfield Avenue from April 13, 2012 through April 22, 2012 to advertise the Squad's Annual Membership and Blood Drive. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
4. Resolution approving a pre-qualified list of consultants for the provision of Sport Field Consultant Services for the period of March 1, 2012 through February 28, 2013. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an Agreement between the County of Union and the City of Summit and Merck Sharp & Dohme Corporation (Merck) to install a Traffic Control Device at the Intersection of Passaic Avenue and the Merck Driveway, City of Summit, New Jersey. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**

Freeholder Scanlon asked about the traffic light mentioned in item #5.

Director Graziano explained that it is a traffic light at the gate side entrance of Merck on Passaic Avenue in Summit, and it is at Merck's expense.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Bibi Taylor, Director

There were no questions.

1. An amendment to the 2012 Temporary Budget, pursuant to the provisions of CH. 96 P.L. 1951 (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20). **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Frank Guzzo, Director

1. Amending Resolution Number 2011-562, to amend the 2011-2012 Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) Program Spending Plan, as approved by the Human Services Advisory Council (HSAC) on April 4, 2012, to increase funding in the amount of \$14,441 for the Elizabeth Coalition to House the Homeless for a new total contract amount of \$28,883 for the period of August 1, 2011 through July 31, 2012. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
2. Authorizing the County of Union to execute NJ DCA Grant Agreement in the amount of \$10,110 for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 for the administration of the Universal Service Fund by the Division of Social Services. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

3. Amending Resolution Number 2011-843, to amend the Ryan White Spending Plan and allocate additional funds in the amount of \$4,480.80 for a revised total allocation of \$1,671,180.80 for the period of March 1, 2011 through February 29, 2012. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Chairman Mirabella asked if the funds allocated to item #3, #4 and #5 are comparable to last year.

Director Guzzo stated that items #3 and #5 are the same as last year, and item #4 reflects a \$43,372 increase. He said it has been fairly consistent over the past years.

4. Authorizing the County Manager to approve the Ryan White Spending Plan in the total amount of \$1,948,985 awarding subcontracts to various agencies to provide support services to people with HIV/AIDS for the period of March 1, 2012 through February 28, 2013 and to further authorize the County Manager to transfer funds among the agencies during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any of the various agencies fails to meet its contracted obligation. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to approve the Ryan White Spending Plan in the total amount of \$134,600 awarding subcontracts to various agencies to provide support services to people with HIV/AIDS for the period of March 1, 2012 through February 28, 2013 and to further authorize the County Manager to transfer funds among the agencies during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any of the various agencies fails to meet its contracted obligation. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to approve the 2012 Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative (JDAI) Spending Plan in the total amount of \$111,146 for various agencies/municipalities to provide detention and disposition program services for youth in the local juvenile justice system for the period of January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012 and to further authorize the County Manager to transfer funds among the funded agencies/municipalities during the contract period, should service needs change and/or if any of the funded agencies/municipalities fail to meet its contractual obligation, upon approval by the Juvenile Justice Commission. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND COMMUNITY RENEWAL

Ronald Zuber, Director

There were no questions.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contract obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq: Department of Parks and Community Renewal: RS Food Express, Inc., Roselle, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing Mobile Food Concession (Lot #3), Phil Rizzuto Park, Union, New Jersey, for a 36 month period with an option for one 24 month consecutive month extension in the amount of \$643.00 per month for a total amount of \$13,503.00. (Revenue Item) **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Andrew Moran, Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a shared services agreement between the County of Union and the Borough of Roselle to provide and fire emergency medical basic life support/dispatch services for the period of April 1, 2012 through May 31, 2015. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**

Freeholder Sullivan asked if the Borough of Roselle has been affected by the loss of service from CenCom.

Director Moran replied, yes. He added that Roselle is the first municipality in Union County that has transferred to the County's services. He said that draft agreements have been sent out to the other municipalities in the County.

Chairman Mirabella asked when CenCom will discontinue their services. Director Moran stated that he was uncertain. However, representatives from Overlook Hospital assured them that they will give them ample time for the transition.

Freeholder Sullivan stated that they originally were only given 45 days notice. Director Moran said that was the original timeframe, but it has now been extended through May.

RUNNELLS SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL

Joan Wheeler, Administrator

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a clinical Affiliation Agreement with Union County College, Cranford, New Jersey to provide a clinical setting for students enrolled in the Physical Therapy Assistant program for the period of March 1, 2012 through February 28, 2014 at no cost to the County. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**

Freeholder Kowalski asked how the Agreement in item #1 will benefit both, the students and Union County College.

Ms. Wheeler explained that faculty members from Union County College will review the services at Runnells Specialized Hospital, and they will determine which of their students are at the educated level that is needed. They will be assigned to the clinical rotation and they will work with the Hospital's physical therapist. She said the residents connect well with the students.

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

Robert E. Barry, Esq., County Counsel

There were no questions.

1. Amending Resolution Number 2012-126, to reflect a change in the account number only. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
2. Amending Resolution Number 2011-1084, to increase the appropriation to DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole, LLP, Teaneck, New Jersey, Special Counsel in the matter entitled Jonathan Dawkins v. UC, et als. in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 for a sum not to exceed \$75,000.00. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY MANAGER

Alfred J. Faella, County Manager

FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

Chairman Mirabella, Vice Chairman Carter and Freeholder Wright stated that they may have some Laudatory Resolutions for the next Freeholder Meeting.

Freeholder Sullivan stated that he will have two Resolutions from the Fiscal Committee and the introduction of the 2012 Executive Budget.

Freeholder Kowalski asked if the Entire Board may join Chairman Mirabella in congratulating and commending Patrick Mauro for his service to the Union County Vocational-Technical School District upon his retirement.

Chairman Mirabella asked if item #2 may be sponsored by Freeholder Estrada and the entire Board.

Freeholder Estrada stated that he will have two additional Resolutions for next weeks' meeting, one pertaining to an assembly bill and a Laudatory Resolution congratulating President Carlisle on his retirement.

Chairman Mirabella wished everyone a Happy Passover and a Happy Easter!

1. Congratulating Matthew A. Lopes of Elizabeth, New Jersey, Scout Troop #101, on attaining his Eagle Scout Award. **(Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**
2. Recognizing United States Senator Robert Menendez for his tireless support of Community Development Programs in Union County. **(Chairman Mirabella and the Entire Board)**
3. Congratulating Edward Guillen of Cranford, New Jersey, Troop #75 on attaining his Eagle Scout Award. **(Freeholder Christopher Hudak)**
4. Resolution supporting New Jersey Senate Bill 875 and Assembly Bill 2258; benefiting consumers and business in Union County and across New Jersey by protecting and urging transparency and transferability in the sports and entertainment ticketing process. **(Freeholder Christopher Hudak)**
5. Congratulating the Roselle Branch NAACP as they host the 2012 Freedom Fund Awards Banquet on Friday, April 20, 2012 at the Gran Centurion in Clark, New Jersey. **(Freeholder Mohamed S. Jalloh)**
6. Appointing Veronica Blalock to the Human Services Advisory Council for a term commencing January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
7. Appointing Michael Minitelli (Delegate) and Philip Haderer (Alternate) as members to the Union County Transportation Advisory Board to represent the Township of Union for a term commencing January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012; and Andre Luboff as a (Delegate) member to represent the Borough of New Providence commencing January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012. **(Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan)**

8. Appointing the following members to the Homeless Trust Fund Advisory Board for a two year term commencing June 1, 2012 through May 31, 2014: Sidney Blanchard, Cory Storch, Janice Chapin, and Joanne Rajoppi; Carolyn Cole, Mary Ellen Tango and Donna Morris to a one year term commencing June 1, 2012 through May 31, 2013. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**
9. Recognizing the UCPC Behavioral Healthcare Facility of Plainfield, New Jersey for its 68 years of service to residents suffering from Mental Illness or those at risk. **(Vice Chairman Linda Carter)**
10. Congratulating the Plainfield High School Boys Basketball Team for winning their second consecutive State Group 3 Championship and for winning the Union County Tournament. **(Vice Chairman Linda Carter)**
11. Congratulating the Union County Club, National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Club as they host their 40th Annual Founders' Day Awards Luncheon on April 28, 2012. **(Vice Chairman Linda Carter)**
12. Appointing Nadina Baskerville-Thomas to the Local Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse for a term commencing January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014. **(Vice Chairman Linda Carter)**
13. Recognizing the 28th Annual Community Access Awards Night Celebration and the award winners at their annual event at L'Affaire. **(Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
14. Commending Patrick Mauro for his dedicated service to the Union County Vocational School District upon his retirement. **(Chairman Mirabella, Freeholder Estrada)**
15. Commending James Shedrick of Rahway, New Jersey, recently retired from the New Jersey State Police, for his outstanding public service during his 25 years on the force. **(Chairman Mirabella and the Entire Board)**

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 PM.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]; MOVER: Deborah P. Scanlon, Freeholder; **SECONDER:** Linda Carter, Vice Chairman; **AYES:** Freeholder Estrada, Freeholder Hudak, Freeholder Jalloh, Freeholder Kowalski, Freeholder Scanlon, Freeholder Sullivan, Freeholder Wright, Vice Chairman Carter, Chairman Mirabella;

 2012 UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS' MEETING SCHEDULE

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

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

REORGANIZATION MEETING - SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 2012 at 12:00pm

Assignment Judge Karen M. Cassidy's Courtroom, 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ

AGENDA SETTING MEETINGS

REGULAR MEETINGS

January 19, 2012

January 26, 2012

February 2, 2012

February 9, 2012

February 16, 2012

February 23, 2012

March 1, 2012

March 8, 2012

March 15, 2012

March 22, 2012

April 5, 2012

April 19, 2012

April 26, 2012

April 26, 2012

May 3, 2012

May 3, 2012

May 17, 2012

May 31, 2012

June 14 2012

June 14 2012

June 28, 2012

June 28, 2012

July 12, 2012

July 19, 2012

August 9, 2012

August 16, 2012

September 6, 2012

September 13, 2012

September 20, 2012

September 27, 2012

October 4, 2012

October 11, 2012

October 18, 2012

October 18, 2012

November 8, 2012

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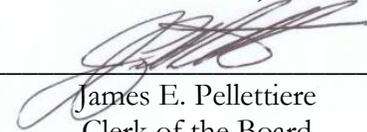
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December 6, 2012

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James E. Pelletiere
Clerk of the Board

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