

## UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2014  
AGENDA SETTING MEETING AGENDA

Chairman Christopher Hudak presided and called the meeting to order at 7:14pm. Roll call showed Vice Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh, Freeholder Bruce Bergen, Freeholder Linda Carter, Freeholder Angel G. Estrada, Freeholder Sergio Granados, Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski, Freeholder Alexander Mirabella and Freeholder Vernell Wright were in attendance.

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

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

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

### APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

Note and File

### PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD

A Resolution Presentation was made by the Board to the coaches and student athletes of the 2015 Linden High School Football Team, in acknowledgement of their State Championship.

Chairman Hudak called Vice Chairman Jalloh and Freeholder Bergen to join him to present the Linden High School Football Team with a Resolution.

Chairman Hudak said three schools made the playoffs: Elizabeth, Cranford and Linden. He said Linden took first place in 1985, and said he is very proud for the City of Linden. Chairman Hudak introduced the Coach of the Linden Football Team and said he is also very proud of all the athletics and proud of the Elizabeth Coach who was named "Coach of the Year."

### OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY CLERK

Joanne Rajoppi, County Clerk

Chairman Hudak asked County Clerk Rajoppi to give a brief explanation of Agenda Item #1.

County Clerk Rajoppi explained that Trust Fund dollars are being used for modernizing the election, special election improvements, creating the voter application, education for her staff and herself. She said dollars are also for outreach, preservation, election night modular, software and storing the records. She added that the Five Year Plan is based on the estimation of dollars collected each year and how the dollars will be used.

1. Approving the 2015 Union County Clerk Five Year Plan. (Chairman Christopher Hudak)

**OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY PROSECUTOR**Grace H. Park, Acting Prosecutor

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First Assistant Prosecutor Tim Isenhour represented the Office.

Freeholder Carter asked for a little more background information pertaining to Agenda Item #1.

First Assistant Prosecutor Isenhour stated that item #1 is for hot and cold weather gear, boots, jackets, handcuffs and belts. He said a new detective's full gear costs approximately \$1,300. He said the typical cost is \$20,000 to \$30,000 per year, adding that the dollars mentioned in item #1 should get them through the next few years.

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: Office of the Union County Prosecutor: Turn Out Fire & Safety, Inc., Jersey City, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing uniform services and various police equipment, for a period of 24 months, in an amount not to exceed \$67,219.20. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

**DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**Norman W. Albert, Esq., Director

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1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Brown and Brown Metro, Inc. For the Provision of General Insurance Consultant/Broker Services the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 in the amount not to exceed \$40,000. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
2. Renewal of Public Official Bond with the Hartford Fire Insurance Company, for JoAnne Schwab, Office of the County Surrogate in an amount not to exceed \$137.00 for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to renew the County's Dental Insurance Contract with Delta Dental and Flagship Health Systems, Parsippany, New Jersey to provide Dental Coverage for the contract period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 in an amount not to exceed \$1,485,319.44. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

Freeholder Bergen asked why items #1 and #3 are both pertaining to dental coverage.

Director Albert stated that Agenda Item #3 is our general plan and One-Stop Shop that consists of 818 employees chose the coverage mentioned in Agenda Item #8.

Freeholder Estrada asked for the amount that employees contribute.

Director Albert said 20-25% of the total amount is the employee contribution.

4. Authorizing the following vehicles to be deemed as surplus and no longer needed for use by the County: 2008 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor Sedan (VIN# 2FAHP71V38X171233); 2008 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor Sedan (VIN# 2FAHP71V88X171227); and 2003 GMC Yukon XL 4 Wheel Drive (VIN# 3GKGK26U43G303706). **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

5. Authorizing the following surplus deemed vehicles for donation to the City of Plainfield, the City of Plainfield will assume all costs incurred with transfer and title: 2008 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor Sedan (VIN# 2FAHP71V38X171233); 2008 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor Sedan (VIN# 2FAHP71V88X171227) and 2003 GMC Yukon XL 4 Wheel Drive (VIN# 3GKGK26U43G303706). **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

Freeholder Mirabella asked if the vehicles mentioned in Agenda Item #4 are auctioned and if the vehicles in item #5 are being donated.

Director Albert stated that the vehicles are first declared as surplus and then donated to the City of Plainfield at their request.

6. Amending Resolution Number 2013-752 which awarded an open ended contract through public bid (BA #60-2013) with George's Auto Repair Service, Roselle Park, New Jersey to increase the contract in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for a total contract in an amount not to exceed \$210,000. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

Vice Chairman Jalloh asked if the dollar amount mentioned in item #6 is a "not to exceed" amount of \$210,000. He also asked about repair services and if any other entity is used by the County for this type of service.

Director Albert stated that repairs are also done by the County facility. He said this contract is for 2014 and there are times when the County has received a refund due to not at-fault accidents. He added that this vendor provides services that the County is not capable of doing.

Vice Chairman Jalloh asked about the \$50,000 increase.

Director Albert stated that in 2014 there were many breakdowns and accidents due to the bad weather and as a result Resolution 2013-752 needed to be amended as such for additional monies.

7. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Intervention Strategies, International, Inc., Midland Park, for the provision of providing a comprehensive Employee Assistance Program (EAP) to County Employees and their Families for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 at a cost not to exceed \$57,120. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
8. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with International Healthcare Services/Healthplex, Uniondale, New York to provide dental insurance for the period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017 in an amount not to exceed \$379,823.88 annually. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
9. Approving the list of pre-qualified vendors for the provision of providing Psychological Examinations to the County of Union for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
10. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract for the provision of Psychological Evaluation Services (Fitness for Duty Examinations) for the Department of Administrative Services (Personnel) Department of Human Services, (Juvenile Detention ) and the Department of Correctional Services for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 for an amount not to exceed \$37,000. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

11. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Practice Associates Medical Group, (Atlantic Health Systems) Clark, New Jersey for the provision of providing Pre-Employment Medical Examinations and other related medical services to the County of Union (Division of Personnel) and the Office of the Union County Sheriff for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 in the amount not to exceed \$57,000. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
12. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Complete Care, Scotch Plains, New Jersey, for the provision of Alcohol/Drug Testing Procedures for employees with Commercial Driver's Licenses (CDL's) for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 at a cost not to exceed \$12,500. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
13. Authorizing the County Manager to award an insurance contract for Equipment repair insurance to Specialty Underwriters Insurance Company, Oak Creek, Wisconsin, to insure for a set fee and manage repairs to office machinery, laundry equipment and lab equipment in the amount of \$242,965 for twelve consecutive months commencing on January 1, 2015. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
14. Amending resolution number 2014-64 a contract with Acrisure LLC, Woodbridge, New Jersey for the provision of Risk Management Services to extend the contract period from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$204,187.50. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

#### DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

William Reyes, Deputy County Manager / Director

Deputy County Manager Reyes briefed the Board on Agenda Item #12. He explained that the item is a Change Order in the amount of \$163,800 that will be reimbursed by Rahway under an MOU Agreement.

Vice Chairman Jalloh asked why there are so many Change Orders on the Agenda.

Deputy County Manager Reyes said these Change Orders are driven by the County in order to make additional improvements to the County facilities.

County Manager Faella said he had the same conversation with the department heads asking them to comprehensively look at projects.

1. Amending Resolution Number 2014-602, authorizing the County Manager to change the allocation for the 2013 Consolidation Action Plan for Plainfield Community Development Corporation from \$240,907.65 to \$239,506.00. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

Freeholder Wright-asked why there was a change in amount. Deputy County Manager Reyes stated that in order to comply with HUD guidelines, they could not exceed \$240,000. He said they had to re-calculate in order to comply with their guidelines.

2. Amending Resolution Number 2014-444, authorizing the County Manager to accept a change in the project address for Magill Real Estate Holding, LLC, from the 272 Second Street Project (Elizabeth) to the 620 East Jersey Street Project (Elizabeth). **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

3. Authorizing the County Manager to execute a Joint Funding Agreement with the United States Department of the Interior, U.S. Geological Survey, for the operations and maintenance of a Flood Monitoring System in the Lower Rahway River Basin, in an amount not to exceed \$15,160.00 beginning October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
4. Amending Resolution Number 2010-1062, a Professional Engineering Service Contract with Neglia Associates, of Lyndhurst, New Jersey for additional Engineering and Construction Administration Services for the Watchung Stables Riding Rings Project in an amount not to exceed \$93,436.00 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$127,586.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2010-020) **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

Freeholder Granados asked for a brief description of the improvements that are needed pertaining to Agenda Item #4.

Deputy County Manager Reyes said the Watchung Stables Change Order is to add to the design. He said by adding a bubble to one of the rings, it will allow for indoor activities, resulting in approximately \$200,000 more in revenue. He said the Change Order will also include fencing and drainage.

Deputy County Manager Reyes gave an example pertaining to the Watchung Stable. He said in 2010 there were only going to fix the flooring and then decided to invest in order to make a profit when they made the decision to improve the use of the Stables.

Deputy County Manager Reyes said in this case, the scope of the project changed when they discovered that there was a leak in the foundation floor, chiller needed housing, LEAD certification was required, asbestos abatement monitoring and condensation issues which were all discovered at a later date.

Freeholder Carter stated that there was some funding allocated to this project in prior years.

Deputy County Manager stated that all the dollars have already been allocated for this project. These are not new dollars.

5. 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 Economic Development, Division of Engineering: Echelon Services, LLC of Newton, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing Union County Jail Cooling Tower, in the amount of \$512,670.00. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

Freeholder Kowalski asked for an explanation of Agenda Item #5.

Deputy County Manager Reyes said the cooling system is currently not functioning at its peak. He said in the summer it gets very hot and it is costly to transport inmates to other facilities. He said the cooling tower needs to be replaced.

Freeholder Kowalski asked if it is a cooling tower or an air conditioning unit.

County Engineer Mineo responded. He stated that the cooling tower is part of the air conditioner system that exchanges heat and cooling.

6. 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 Economic Development, Division of Engineering: Fai-Gon Electric, Inc., of Piscataway, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing Intersection Improvements of Vauxhall Road and Caldwell Avenue/Glenn Avenue and the Intersection of Vauxhall Road and Pine Avenue / Barbara Avenue, Township of Union, in the amount of \$356,480.04. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

Freeholder Granados asked about the improvements that are going to be made for the intersection referring to Agenda Item #6.

Deputy County Manager Reyes replied that it is for new traffic lighting and pedestrian crossing lights.

7. Amending Resolution Number 2014-677, a Professional Architectural Service Contract with Netta Architects of Mountainside, New Jersey for additional Architectural/Engineering Services for the Warinanco Park Ice Rink, New Clubhouse Improvement Project in an amount not to exceed \$274,000.00 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$655,000.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2014-021) **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

Freeholder Granados asked for a description of some of the additional architectural services for Warinanco Park referring to Agenda Item #7.

Deputy County Manager Reyes said there are six different components to the Change Order in the amount of \$274,000:

1. Design and construction inspection for a new ice floor (leaking pipes-over 50 years old)
2. Infrastructure for the ice chiller and housing of the new ice chiller
3. Make Clubhouse LEAD certified
4. Condensation issues - needs inspection and repair (rains inside)
5. Asbestos abatement monitoring
6. Upgrades in the design of the rink with windows, booths and exterior

Freeholder Estrada asked if anyone considered getting another RFQ or RFP.

Deputy County Manager Reyes said after the RFP was submitted they decided to make more improvements. He said having 2 engineers would cause problems.

Freeholder Estrada said he understands the problem, but there is a substantial overall difference.

Deputy County Manager Reyes said it is better to correct the problems, rather than just a temporary fix. He said by having only one Engineer it will present less problems.

Freeholder Carter said she had the same concerns as Freeholder Estrada, asking if these proposed changes were unforeseen at the original time of the contract.

8. Amending Resolution Number 2013-235, a Professional Construction Management Service Contract with Pinnacle Consulting and Construction Services, Inc., of Newark, New Jersey for the Union County Justice Complex, Phase II and Phase III Project in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$1,404,404.52. This amendment will extend the contract period from January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2010-035) **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
9. Approving a pre-qualified list of firms for the provision of Architectural Services for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
10. Approving a pre-qualified list of firms for the provision of Construction Management Services for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
11. Approving a pre-qualified list of firms for the provision of General Engineering Services for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
12. Amending Resolution Number 2011-615, a Professional Engineering Service Contract with Neglia Associates of Lyndhurst, New Jersey for additional engineering and construction administration services for the Rahway River Park Project in an amount not to exceed \$163,800.00 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$280,002.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2011-019) **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

Freeholder Kowalski asked if this commits the County to a number of bleacher seats referring to Agenda Item #12.

Deputy County Manager said the bleacher seats were only a suggestion and being the lead agency for this project, they will make the decision at a later date.

13. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to the Plainfield Public Library for eight month period, November 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015, to provide computer literacy and Microsoft Office training in an amount not to exceed \$25,000. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

#### DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Bibi Taylor, Director

Freeholder Mirabella asked for an explanation of the amounts being canceled, referring to Agenda Item #1.

1. Cancelling Capital Balances to Capital Surplus, Deferred Charges Unfunded and Accounts Receivable. **(Vice Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)**

Director Taylor said the total is \$6,128,083.42 capital fund and of that balance only \$360,256.48 goes to the capital fund balance.

2. Cancelling Current Fund Budget Appropriations. **(Vice Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)**

Freeholder Mirabella asked what is being cancelled referring to Agenda Item #2.

Director Taylor said the current fund appropriations are being cancelled. She said there may be a shortfall of \$2.7 million in the Board of Pay Patients and to accommodate that we are taking the breakage from the health benefits and prescription line which we would have paid out and we did budget for the year to accommodate that shortfall, adding that there is a buffer.

3. Approving Transfer of Current Fund Appropriations. **(Vice Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)**

#### DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Frank Guzzo, Director

1. Amending Resolution Number 2013-1033 to extend the contract period on the Youth Services Commission JDAI Spending Plan subcontracts through March 31, 2015 to permit expenditures of 2014 grant funds with no change in allocation amount; further authorizing the transfer of funds among the funded agencies/municipalities during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any fails to meet its contractual obligation, upon approval by the Juvenile Justice Commission. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
2. Amending Resolution Number 2013-1030 to extend the contract period on the Youth Services Commission Spending Plan subcontracts through March 31, 2015 to permit the expenditure of 2014 grant funds with no change in allocation amount; further authorizing the transfer of funds among the funded agencies/municipalities during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any fails to meet its contractual obligation, upon approval by the Juvenile Justice Commission. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
3. 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 Human Services / Paratransit System: Shepard Bros, Inc., Canandaigua, New York, for the purchase of four (4) ten passenger buses with two wheelchair positions in the total amount not to exceed \$207,256. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Freeholder Granados asked why there are four new buses being purchased pertaining to Agenda Item#3.

Director Guzzo explained that the buses are replaced annually due to the amount of mileage the buses incur.

4. Amending Resolution Number 2014-479 to reflect an increase of \$187,500 of funds allocated under the approved 2014-2015 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Spending Plan and to extend the current spending plan period through May 31, 2015. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to exercise its option to renew a contract pursuant to competitive contracting law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4 for the contract period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 to Community Access Unlimited, Elizabeth, New Jersey, for the operation of the Union County Children's Shelter at a per diem amount of \$260 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$402,000 for Year Four, with an additional one year option to renew the contract at the prices quoted in the agency's competitive contract proposal. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**



6. Amending Resolution Number 2014-707, a contract with Transdev Services, Inc. for the provision of Paratransit services, to include an additional allocation (grant funding) in an amount not to exceed \$182,000, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$4,542,483.50. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Freeholder Granados asked if there is additional funding for Paratransit referring to Agenda Item #6.

Director Guzzo replied that JARC dollars are used for the Route 22 Shuttle.

7. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract pursuant to competitive contracting law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4 for the contract year January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 to Transdev Services, Inc., Lombard, Illinois, for the provision of Transportation Services in the form of Routing Scheduling and Dispatch and Road Operator Services for the Union County Paratransit System including the Route 22 Shuttle, at a cost of \$52.82 per vehicle service hour in an amount not to exceed \$4,131,127, pending sufficiency of funds for the program. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
8. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and accept grant funding from the New Jersey Department of Human Services (NJ DHS), Division on Aging Services, for approximately \$348,566 with a required County Match of \$54,634 and Participant Income of \$30,000, for a total project amount of \$433,200, to implement the 2015 Statewide Respite Care Program for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015; and further authorizing the execution of a Standardized Board Resolution, as required for inclusion in submission to NJ DHS. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
9. Authorizing the County Manager to award subcontracts in accordance with NJ Department of Children and Families, 2015 Human Services Advisory Council (HSAC) grant, in the total amount not to exceed \$250,000 for the continuation of the Family Support and Prevention (FSP) Grant services for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015, further authorizing a one-time advance payment of up to one month of the award amount to prevent undue hardship for the agency to carry out the program activities. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
10. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with NJ Department of Children and Families (DCF), Division of Child Protection & Permanency (DCPP), for 2015 Human Services Advisory Council [HSAC] funding in the amount of \$318,163 for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 and for the County to allocate \$15,900 to meet the required County Match for a total project amount of \$334,063. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
11. Authorizing the County Manager to accept funding and enter into contract for the FY2016 Alliance Grant to Prevent Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Program Grant Award in the amount of \$536,201 from the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (GCADA) for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
12. Authorizing the County Manager to endorse the Union County 2016 Alliance Program Spending Plan, as required by the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (GCADA), awarding subcontracts in the total amount not to exceed \$536,201 for the grant

period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 under the 2016 Municipal Alliance Program; further authorizing the transfer of funds among the municipalities during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any of the various municipality/agencies fails to meet its contractual obligation. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Freeholder Bergen asked for a confirmation that Agenda Item #11 is to accept dollars and Agenda Item #12 is to allocate dollars.

Director Guzzo replied yes, there is a required match of \$1 to \$1 by the State for Municipal Alliance programs. He said this is a good way to bring money into the County for other services.

13. Authorizing the County Manager to renew a revenue agreement with Gateway Family YMCA, Elizabeth, New Jersey, for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 for reimbursement in the amount of \$5,000 per month to the County of Union for the provision of Transportation Service through the Union County Paratransit System for clients of the WISE Adult Day Care Program, based upon scheduled trips provided by the County on Mondays through Fridays, additionally, Gateway Family YMCA will provide one personal assistance aide on each vehicle to assist with passenger safety. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
14. Amending resolution Number 2013-884 to extend the current 2013 Peer Grouping Renewal Spending Plan an additional seven months through December 31, 2014 for subcontracted services to be provided by the YWCA of Central New Jersey only with no change in the amount of funds allocated under the approved 2013 Peer Grouping Renewal Spending Plan; further authorizing the transfer of funds among the funded agencies during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any of the agencies fails to meet its contractual obligation. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
15. Amending Resolution Number 2014-765, to reflect an extension to the agreement with Corizon Health of NJ, Cedar Grove, New Jersey, for an additional three (3) month period from January 1, 2015 through March 31, 2015 for a total amount not to exceed \$1,350,584 for the provision of medical/health care services for inmates/residents at the UC Jail and UC Juvenile Detention Center. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
16. Authorizing the County Manager to approve the 2015 Statewide Respite Care Spending Plan for the total amount not to exceed \$340,709 and entering into agreements with various agencies, pursuant to a Request for Proposal for contract year three of a three year cycle, to provide Respite Care services to unpaid caregivers of Union County senior and disabled residents for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015; further authorizing the County Manager to transfer funds among the funded agencies, during the contract period, should services needs change and/or if any of the agencies should fail to meet its contractual obligation. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
17. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a shared services agreement with Hudson County to provide custody and care to its juvenile detainees at the Union County Juvenile Detention Center at a per diem rate of \$230 in 2015 and \$240 in 2016 with Hudson County guaranteeing payment for a minimum of 20 secure beds, whether or not they are used, commencing in January 2015, but not later than February 1, 2015 through December 31, 2016. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Chairman Hudak asked for an explanation for Agenda Items #17 and #18.

Director Guzzo said that in reference to Agenda Item #17, this is the first time there is an Agreement with Hudson County to house all of their juveniles. Our Juvenile Detention Center holds 76 residents. He said as per the State, it is a requirement when any consolidation is done that there be a back-up plan. He said Bergen County can provide the back-up. He said it is costly to run a juvenile detention center and the furniture and fixtures have to be State regulated. He also stated there has to be a staff/resident ratio. He said this helps both counties. It will add \$1.1 million into the budget. Hudson County will save money and Union County will receive money from the State. This will allow the County to fund and staff at 100% capacity.

Director Guzzo stated that they will most likely use Bergen County to house the females as this will allow an entire pod be open to house the males. He said they house about 1 to 2 females per day.

18. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a shared services agreement with Bergen County to house Union County juvenile detainees on an as needed basis in the amount not to exceed \$225 per juvenile per day for a total amount not to exceed \$246,375 for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Director Guzzo stated that Agenda Item #18 allows the County to contract out to Bergen County. He said Union County will most likely put all the females into Bergen County Juvenile Detention Center. They house an average of 1 to 2 per day.

#### DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Ronald Zuber, Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Town & Country Veterinary House Calls/Dr. Michael Aromando, DVM, Chester, New Jersey, to provide routine and emergency services for the horses at the Watchung Stable for the contract period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 in an amount not to exceed \$29,000. **(Freeholder Sergio Granados)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to execute a Cooperative Services Agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Wildlife Services in providing the County of Union with a two-year integrated wildlife damage management program aimed at reducing wildlife damage to human health and safety, property and natural resources in Union County, New Jersey for the period of March 1, 2015 through February 28, 2017 in the amount not to exceed \$230,392. **(Freeholder Sergio Granados)**
3. Amending Resolution No. 2014-888, a resolution awarding a contract to John R. Knabb & Sons for the provision of straw, to reflect a name change to Estate of Steve A. Knabb, as a result of the company owner's death. **(Freeholder Sergio Granados)**

Chairman Hudak asked why there is a name change in Agenda Item #3.

Director Zuber said the owner passed away and checks from the "Estate of" Steve A. Knabb cannot be accepted.

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**Andrew Moran, Director

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1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Per Diem Pathologists to provide services when Junaid R. Shaikh, M.D., Union County Medical Examiner is not available for the contract period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

Freeholder Estrada asked if the pathologist is full time.

Director Moran replied yes, and is also available after hours. He said a few years ago they reduced the number of full time employees and saved \$266,000. He said the pathologist works Monday through Friday during normal business hours and there are on-call pathologists to cover while the pathologist is on vacation.

2. Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contracts obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq: Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Services: First Priority Emergency Vehicles, Manchester, New Jersey, to purchase two ambulances in the amount of \$192,000. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
3. Amending Resolution Number 2014-446, authorizing a change in account numbers for ambulance billing services, to increase the contract in an amount not to exceed \$6,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$36,000.00 to cover the costs of the billing service in the 2014. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with the City of Summit to provide 911 Dispatch Services on a temporary basis through April 2015. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

Chairman Hudak asked for an explanation of the temporary basis 911 Dispatch Service pertaining to Agenda Item #4.

Director Moran said the City of Summit started the 911 program in 1991. They have not upgraded their system since that time. He said the system failed and they cannot get the parts for repair. He said this item #4 is temporary until they are able to get the system in working order again.

Chairman Hudak asked if there is a possibility that the City of Summit will remain with the County's Dispatch.

Director Moran stated that the City of Summit is in the process of dispatching with the Borough of New Providence, which should be in March or April.

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES**Joseph Graziano, Director

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There were no questions

1. Resolution ratifying permission that was granted to the Borough of Roselle to close Chestnut Street between 2nd and 3rd Avenues on Monday December 1, 2014 during the hours from 4:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting. Further, that the

Borough of Roselle be required to provide a certification of insurance having the county as an additional insured. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

2. Resolution ratifying permission that was granted to the Borough of Roselle to close Chestnut Street between 2nd and 9th Avenues on Saturday, December 13, 2014 during the hours from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for the Abraham Clark High School Varsity Football Conference Champions Parade. Further that the Borough of Roselle be required to provide a certificate of insurance having the county as an additional insured. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

#### **RUNNELLS SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL**

Michael Flemming, Acting Administrator

There were no questions.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to certify to the NJ Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health Services that there have been no changes to the plan for the delivery of mental health services and that the County will continue to operate a psychiatric facility during calendar year 2015. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**
2. Amending Resolution Number 2013-1048, an agreement with Penn Jersey Paper Company, of Philadelphia, PA, to provide plastic bags for garbage and soiled laundry to Runnells Specialized Hospital, to increase the contract in an amount not to exceed \$9,000.00 for a new total of \$40,000.00. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**

#### **OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL**

Robert E. Barry, Esq., County Counsel

There were no questions

1. A resolution approving a list of Qualified Litigation Defense Counsel for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
2. A resolution approving a list of Qualified Labor/Personnel Counsel for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
3. A resolution approving a list of Qualified Shorthand Reporters for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
4. A resolution appointing John R. Boles as the Public Agency's Compliance Officer (P.A.C.O.) for a term effective January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
5. Amending Resolution Number 2014-937, to increase the appropriation to Palumbo & Renaud of Cranford, New Jersey, in the matter entitled: Shiquon Fowler v. UC, et als. in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 for a sum not to exceed \$40,000.00. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
6. Amending Resolution Number 2014-624, to increase the appropriation to Weber Dowd Law of Woodland Park, New Jersey, in the matter entitled: Shiquon Fowler v. UC, et als. in an

amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 for a sum not to exceed \$30,000.00. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

7. Amending Resolution Number 2014-625, to increase the appropriation to Cottrell Solensky & Semple of Newark, New Jersey, in the matter entitled: Shiquon Fowler v. UC, et als. in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 for a sum not to exceed \$30,000.00. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
8. Amending Resolution Number 2014-630, to increase the appropriation to Bauch Zucker Hatfield, LLC of Springfield, New Jersey, in the matter entitled: Barbara Egger v. UC, et als. in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 for a sum not to exceed \$20,000.00. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
9. Amending Resolution Number 2014-628, to increase the appropriation to Shain, Schaffer & Rafanello of Bernardsville New Jersey, in the matter entitled: Shiquon Fowler v. UC, et als. in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 for a sum not to exceed \$20,000.00. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
10. A resolution appointing Javerbaum Wurgaft Hicks Kahn Wikstrom & Sinins, P.C., Springfield, New Jersey, Special Counsel from December 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014 to represent Sherrie Brown-Braswell in the matter entitled: Shiquon Fowler v. UC, et als, in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

#### **OFFICE OF THE COUNTY MANAGER**

Alfred J. Faella, County Manager

There were no questions.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to adjust and/or change the Internal Position Control Schedules. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to adopt the 2015 exclusionary wage increases as follows: Salary increases for 2015 shall be based upon each employee's performance evaluation score pursuant to Resolution Number 2002-2129 and shall not exceed an average of 2% in the aggregate. Increases shall be effective January 1, 2015. **(Vice Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)**
3. Authorizing Salary Increases for County Constitutional Officers. **(Vice Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)**

#### **FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS**

Chairman Hudak said as a result of the Fiscal Committee Meeting there will be a Saint Patrick's Parade Resolution for the next Freeholder Meeting.

Freeholder Granados said he would like to join Freeholder Carter on Agenda Item #3.

1. Re-appointing Joyce Haberer (consumer) and appointing Joseph Ume (Mental Health Provider) and Lisa Casey (Consumer) as a member to the Mental Health Advisory Board for

- a term commencing January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017. **(Freeholder Bruce H. Bergen)**
2. Laudatory resolution congratulating the Plainfield Lady Cardinals Cheerleading Squad on winning back-to-back National Championships. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
  3. Laudatory resolution congratulating the various Union County Cheerleading Squads for representing Union County at the National Competition held in Florida. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
  4. Resolution offering this Board's deepest sympathies to the family of Tennyson Moore Sr., of Plainfield, who passed away December 8, 2014 at the age of 101. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
  5. Appointing the following members to the Human Services Advisory Council for a term from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017: Laurie Egeth, Larisa Hernandez, Michael Litterer, Joe McTernan, Tom Reedy, and re-appointing Veronica Blalock, Susan Grinkevich, Donna Morris, Richard Hlavacek, Teresa Soto-Vega, Rita Veiga and Ravenell Williams for a term from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
  6. Re-appointing the following members to the Local Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse for a term commencing January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017: Debra Apostol, Charles Watts, Anita Novy, Carol Berger, Nadina Baskerville Thomas and Karen Yuschak. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**
  7. Resolution supporting the New Jersey Association of Counties' efforts in urging State leaders to reauthorize the Transportation Trust Fund with stable, dependable, and sufficient sources of funding and to increase Local Aid allocations under the State's Transportation Capital Program. Reauthorization of the Transportation Trust Fund **(Freeholder Wright & Freeholder Kowalski)**
  8. Resolution offering this Board's deepest sympathies to the family of McKinley Perkins, during their time of sorrow. **(Freeholder Wright & the Entire Board)**
  9. Resolution sponsoring the Union County St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee in the amount of \$4,000 for their 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Union County Saint Patrick's Day Parade held on Saturday, March 14, 2015.
  10. Resolution providing the consent of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union to the sale of the Sheridan Gardens Housing Project financed with the Union County Improvement Authority's Guaranteed Mortgage Revenue Bonds, Series 2003 (Sheridan Gardens Housing Project - Roselle) and providing for the refunding of said bonds. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
  11. Resolution offering this Board's deepest sympathies to the family of Roberta Grayson, during their time of sorrow. **(Chairman Hudak & the Entire Board)**
  12. Resolution offering this Board's deepest sympathies to the family of Patricia Grace Szewczyk, during their time of sorrow. **(Chairman Hudak & the Entire Board)**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 PM.

On a motion made by Freeholder Carter and seconded by Freeholder Mirabella, roll call showed nine (9) members of the Board voted in the affirmative.



## UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS 2014 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, 6<sup>th</sup> 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.

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REORGANIZATION MEETING - SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2014 at 12:00pm  
Assignment Judge Karen M. Cassidy's Courtroom, 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ

AGENDA SETTING MEETINGS

January 16, 2014

February 6, 2014  
February 20, 2014March 6, 2014  
March 20, 2014April 3, 2014  
April 24, 2014May 1, 2014  
May 15, 2014June 5, 2014  
June 19, 2014

July 10, 2014

August 7, 2014

September 4, 2014  
September 18, 2014October 2, 2014  
October 16, 2014November 6, 2014  
Tuesday, November 25, 2014December 4, 2014  
December 18, 2014REGULAR MEETINGS

January 23, 2014

February 6, 2014  
February 27, 2014March 13, 2014  
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May 29, 2014June 12, 2014  
June 26, 2014

July 17, 2014

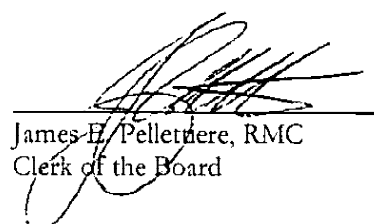
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\* Special Meeting May 15, 2014

\*\* As per Resolution Number 2014-746

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James E. Pelletiere, RMC  
Clerk of the Board