



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 2016
AGENDA SETTING MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Bruce H. Bergen called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Bruce H. Bergen	Chairman	Present	
Angel G. Estrada	Freeholder	Present	
Sergio Granados	Vice Chairman	Present	
Christopher Hudak	Freeholder	Late	7:05 PM
Bette Jane Kowalski	Freeholder	Present	
Alexander Mirabella	Freeholder	Present	
Vernell Wright	Freeholder	Present	
Linda Carter	Freeholder	Present	
Mohamed S. Jalloh	Freeholder	Absent	

(Freeholder Hudak entered the meeting)

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

PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

The Prayer and Salute to the Flag were led by 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

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY PROSECUTOR

Grace H. Park, Acting Prosecutor

First Assistant Prosecutor Tim Isenhouer represented the Office.

1. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Union County Prosecutor's Office, to enter into an agreement with Porter Lee Corporation, Schaumburg, Illinois, for the purpose of providing annual support services, supplies and upgrades for the Barcode, Evidence Analysis, Statistics and Tracking (BEAST) evidence logging system for the period of January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 in an amount not to exceed \$7,700. (Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)

Freeholder Estrada asked about the annual cost of the program in item #1.

First Assistant Prosecutor Isenhouer stated that the annual maintenance fee for the program is approximately \$20,000. He explained further that this is for additional software and the office already uses BEAST, but this ties the results to DNA.

Freeholder Estrada asked if there will be a renewal contract next year.

First Assistant Prosecutor stated that it will only be for maintenance. He said a Resolution is required this year because this exceeds the pay to play threshold, but no Resolution will be required for the maintenance.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Michael Yuska, Director

There were no questions.

1. Approving the purchase of a Medical Malpractice insurance policy for Cornerstone staff, through Brown & Brown Metro Inc., with Princeton Insurance Company, Princeton, New Jersey, from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 in the amount of \$13,642.68. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Discovery Benefits, Fargo, North Dakota, to provide Retiree Benefit Billing Services and COBRA Administration Services from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 in an amount of not to exceed \$36,000.00 through the recommendation of our contracted insurance broker. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
3. Awarding a stop/loss insurance contract to Horizon BCBS, Newark, NJ as recommended by our contracted insurance broker BGIA and Administrative Services in the not to exceed amount of \$1,950,000 for 12 consecutive months. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
4. Approving Claims Payment Authorization for Employee Health and Prescription Self-Insurance Program to Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of Newark, New Jersey; the contracted Third Party Administrator. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
5. Amending Resolution 2015-1071, a contract with Atlantic Medical Group, Clark, NJ for the purpose of providing Pre-Employment Medical Examinations and other related medical services for new Sheriff hires to increase the contract by \$12,000 for a new total amount not to exceed \$97,000.00. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
6. Awarding a contract to Horizon BCBS of NJ, Newark, NJ to perform the function of third party administrator under the terms of the original contract awarded by Resolution 2015-477 and exercising the first 12 month option to extend said contract in an amount of not to exceed \$1,800,000. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTAmy Wagner, Director

Freeholder Mirabella stated that the Board will develop a Resolution for next week to extend the Urban Enterprise Zone designation. He said the Plainfield zone is about to expire, and said that he believes the Board's support of a Resolution could help with legislation.

There were no questions.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to amend Resolution No. 2015-827, a resolution authorizing the utilization of Federal Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act Grant funding in the form of Individual Training Contracts, to extend the period from June 30, 2016 to June 30, 2017. Furthermore, authorizing the transfer of expiring grant accounts to current grant year and increasing the PY 2015 funding allocation for Individual Training Contracts (ITAs) to an amount not to exceed \$332,000.00 in total for both WIOA Adults and Dislocated Workers. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for funding under the FY 2017 Subregional Transportation Planning Program (STP) of the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA) for \$172,277.50. The Subregional Transportation Planning Program is an ongoing annual federal program administered through the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA) and covers a twelve month period from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017. **(Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to amend Resolution No. 2015-423, approving the 2015 – 2016 (Year 41) Annual Consolidated Action Plan, to increase Community Development Block Grant funding to the FISH Hospitality Program in the amount of \$8,000.00 for a new amount of \$17,000.00. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING, PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES MANAGEMENTJoseph Graziano, Director

Chairman Bergen congratulated Director Graziano as his son was signed to play professional baseball to play with the Tampa Bay Rays.

There were no questions.

1. Concurring with the City of Linden's Ordinance Number 60-3 prohibiting parking at all times on the following streets: North Stiles Street, South, from easterly curblin of Amon Terrace to a point 150 feet westerly; and North Stiles Street, from the projected easterly curblin of Amon Terrace to a point 150 feet easterly, City of Linden, County of Union, New Jersey. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Municipal Sponsor/County Co-Sponsor Agreement, concurring with the Borough of Roselle's Resolution Number 2016-172, applying to the New Jersey Transit Corporation for the purchase and installation of three (3) bus shelters at the following locations: Chestnut Street, Northbound, at 2nd Avenue, Far Side; Chestnut Street, Southbound, at West 2nd Avenue, Far Side; and Chestnut Street, Northbound at 8th Avenue, Near Side, Borough of Roselle, County of Union, New Jersey. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**

3. Amending Resolution Number 2010-965, a Professional Engineering Service Contract awarded through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process with The Louis Berger Group, Inc., of Morristown, New Jersey, to provide additional construction inspection and administration services associated with the Intersection Improvements at Magie Avenue and Galloping Hill Road / Lincoln Avenue, City of Elizabeth in an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$93,945.11. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2010-010) **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
4. Amending Resolution Number 2015-894, a Professional Service Contract awarded to Matrix New World Engineering, Inc., of Florham Park, New Jersey for LSRP Services, for additional LSRP Oversight of an Underground Storage Tank (UST) Closure Activity Services associated with the Department of Public Works Facility (DPW) located in Scotch Plains, for an additional amount of \$14,100.00 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$364,375.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2011-025) **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to award a Professional Engineering Service Contract, through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, to Remington & Vernick Engineers, of Secaucus, New Jersey to provide Design, Construction Administration and Inspection Services for the 2017 Road Resurfacing Project for an amount not to exceed \$390,084.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2016-013) **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to award a Professional Architectural Service Contract, through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, to Netta Architects of Mountainside, New Jersey, to provide On Call Architectural Services for the County of Union, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00, commencing June 1, 2016 through May 31, 2017. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2016-015) **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
7. Authorizing the County Manager to award a Professional Engineering Service Contract, through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, to Alaimo Group of Mount Holly, New Jersey, to provide On Call MEP Engineering Services for the County of Union, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00, commencing June 1, 2016 through May 31, 2017. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2016-016) **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
8. Authorizing the County Manager to amend Reso# 2015-1089, adopted December 17, 2015 awarding the proposed contract as an exception to bidding for Engineering, Public Works & Facilities, Division of Facilities Management: PSE&G, New Brunswick, NJ and JCP&L, Akron, OH for the purchase of commodity, delivery and transmission of service for electricity, for twelve (12) consecutive months commencing January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016, in the amount not exceed \$4,112,350. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
9. Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contract extension originally obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq: Department of Engineering, Public Work & Facilities, Division of Facilities Management, Core Mechanical, Inc., for the purpose of providing Air Conditioning / Refrigeration Systems Repairs, Maintenance and Installation Services, twenty-four (24) consecutive months, in an amount not exceed \$660,500. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
10. Amending Resolution No. 2015-539, a contract with Xerox Corp. Through State Contract No. 51145, requesting to change account numbers only; both monetary value and contract period will remain the same. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**

11. Resolution concurring with the Township of Springfield regarding road closures for the 2016 PGA Tournament hosted by Baltusrol Golf Club; Shunpike Road from the intersection of Mountain Avenue to the intersection of Stone Hill Road, to all but emergency vehicles and local traffic, on Monday, July 25, 2016 to Sunday, July 31, 2016, with a potential of August 1, 2016 in case of rain. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
12. Resolution concurring with the Township of Scotch Plains to hang a banner at the intersection of Front Street and Park Avenue from August 1, 2016 to September 2, 2016 to advertise the St. Bartholomew/ UNICO Italian Festival which will be held over Labor Day weekend. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Bibi Taylor, Director

1. Resolution Modifying the 2016 Union County Adopted Budget in the Amount of \$140,000 as a Result of Notification Received from the State of New Jersey Transit for a Program Entitled: NJ Job Access Reverse Commute (NJ JARC 3) Grant. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**

Freeholder Estrada asked if item #1 is for the Route 22 Shuttle service.

Director Taylor replied yes.

2. Resolution Modifying the 2016 Union County Adopted Budget in the Amount of \$18,000 as a Result of Notification Received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services/Division on Aging Services for a Program Entitled: Division on Aging State Aid Reimbursement. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Frank Guzzo, Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to renew the Shared Services Agreement with the County of Mercer for the purposes of providing secure detention beds for its juvenile detention population at the Union County Juvenile Detention Center, on an as needed basis, effective for the initial period commencing upon the date on which both parties have fully executed the Agreement and concluding on August 31, 2017 at a per diem rate of \$225.00 per juvenile as specified in the Shared Services Agreement. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Freeholder Hudak asked if item #1 is a renewal contract.

Director Guzzo replied yes, stating the contract is required by statute. He further advised that two more are required in case the Centers reach capacity, adding that the County did not receive any juveniles last year.

Freeholder Hudak asked how many agreements are in place.

Director Guzzo stated the County has agreements with Hudson, Mercer, Bergen (female inmates) and Middlesex Counties.

2. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Community Coordinated Child Care of Union County, Rahway, New Jersey, for the administration of the Union County Child Care Subsidy Initiative for the contract period of July 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 in the total amount not to exceed \$20,000. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Freeholder Hudak asked about the services provided in item #2.

Director Guzzo stated that the County's Child Advocacy Center is the lead child care agency for the County. He said under Freeholder Jalloh's initiative last year, \$50,000 was allocated for these services and it helped 12 families. He said this year, it is for \$20,000. He said the amount has been adjusted accordingly and it provides services to reinstate benefits that are not subsidized.

Freeholder Hudak asked if the reduction of the contract is due to unexpended dollars from the end of the year. He also asked if it is because individuals are not interested in the program.

Director Guzzo stated that based on last year. The County recommended a contract for \$20,000 is a more realistic dollar amount.

Freeholder Hudak asked how this service is being publicized offering his concerns that there is a major need for this service.

Director Guzzo stated that 4 C's (Community Coordinated Child Care) provides the information to providers of families who need this type of service. He added it is a joint effort. He also stated that it is a pilot program at this point in time.

Freeholder Hudak's concern was that the dollars are not being reduced before the program has a chance to grow and expand to assist people who are in need.

3. Amending Resolution 2006-647 to extend the Lease Agreement an additional six (6) months with Plainfield Madison Park, LLC, Plainfield, NJ, for the rental of 313-315 East Front Street, Plainfield, NJ for use by the State of New Jersey Probation Division with same terms and conditions in the amount not to exceed \$7,166.13 per month nor total of \$42,996.78 for the period of July 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
4. Approving a pre-qualified list of professional medical services for the patients of Cornerstone Behavioral Health Hospital of Union County for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Freeholder Estrada asked about item #4.

Director Guzzo stated that there are 2 parts on the Agenda relative to this item. This one is for a pre-qualified list of staff and item #5 is for professional medical services.

Freeholder Estrada stated that item #4 contains 16 different professionals, of which 3 use physician assistants. He asked if the County is hiring physician assistants or individual doctors to assist patients.

Director Guzzo stated that he was uncertain and will provide the Board with the information.

5. To amend Resolution # 2015-967 Adopted on 12/3/15 to include a new list of approved physicians that will provide necessary services to the Cornerstone Behavioral Health Hospital of Union County. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Bridgeway Rehabilitation Services, Inc., Elizabeth, NJ, to provide support services to assist parolees returning to Union County upon release to assimilate into the community during the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2018 in the total amount not to exceed \$221,211.38. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Vice Chairman Granados asked Director Guzzo to elaborate on item #6.

Director Guzzo explained that it is for supportive housing services to fund homeless or disabled, tenant/rental assistance, security, and more and are all going to support case management for kids.

7. Authorizing the County Manager to award 2017 Social Services for the Homeless (SSH) subcontracts for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 in the total amount not to exceed \$826,925; further authorizing the transfer of funds among the awarded agencies during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any fails to meet its contractual obligation; and further authorizing a one-time advance payment of up to one month of the award amount to prevent undue hardship for the agencies to carry out the program activities. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Freeholder Kowalski asked why this item is necessary and how the State cuts are affecting the funding for the homeless.

Director Guzzo stated that it is a competitive grant and is applied for every year. He said the project is funded on a continuous basis. Director Guzzo explained that HUD has a mindset that people do not stay in temporary housing. He said HUD decided to reduce some of the funding and they agreed to fund new projects, but left gaps in service. He said County Manager Faella sent a letter appealing the decision made by HUD, stating that it was not necessarily a wrong decision, but believes it was not handled correctly and how it has an adverse effect on the community.

Director Guzzo stated that they have been meeting continuously and thanks to Plainfield and Elizabeth Housing Authority today, that the issue of the homeless being out on the streets has been resolved, but now there is a larger issue on the viability of agencies having reduced funding. He said they will be meeting tomorrow regarding this issue.

County Manager Faella interjected and stated that the local municipalities and jurisdictions know best what is good for their community and they should have had a part in the decision, but in this case it did not happen.

8. Authorizing the County Manager to accept 2015 SuperNOFA Continuum of Care (CoC) competitive grant award funds in the total amount not to exceed \$3,193,775 from US Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) and to award subcontracts with varied one-year time frames as specified on the Spending Plan; further authorizing the transfer of funds among the awarded agencies during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any fails to meet its contractual obligation; and further authorizing a one-time advance payment of up to one month of the award amount to prevent undue hardship for the agencies to carry out the program activities. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
9. Amending Resolution 2016-252, approving the amended 2016 CSBG Spending Plan, to reflect a six month grant extension through December 31, 2016, additional funding award of \$471,248 for a new grand total of \$836,593, and a shift in funds under account numbers as specified in the amended Spending Plan; with no other changes to agreement. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATIONRonald Zuber, Director

There were no questions.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the New Jersey Chapter of PAR-FORE in establishing an occupational therapy golf program at Galloping Hill Golf Course to promote occupational therapy golf and to provide education, character development and life enhancing values through the game of golf to Union County Youth. **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**
2. Authorizing an application to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs-Grant Development Unit for a Recreation Opportunities for Individuals with Disabilities Program Grant in the amount of \$35,000.00 and authorize a County cash match of \$7,000.00 as specified by the grant requirements; and to further authorize the County Manager to do all things necessary to execute an agreement with the State of New Jersey should a grant be awarded. **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**
3. Amending Resolution Number 2015-712 (BA#33-2015), a contract awarded through advertised public bidding process in accordance with Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 et seq., to JC Landscape Construction and Management Company, Inc., of Pequannock, New Jersey for Improvements to the Watchung Stable Equestrian Center, approving Change Order No. 1 for additional improvements in an amount not to exceed \$53,725.00 for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$2,291,638.30. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2010-020) **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**
4. 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 Recreation: Aquatic Analysts, Inc of Middleville, NJ, for the purpose of providing Lake Management Program (BA#30-2016) for a period of signing of contract until December 31, 2017 in an amount not to exceed \$175,960.00. **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETYAndrew Moran, Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to award a Professional Services Contract, through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, to The Musial Group Architecture, Mountainside, NJ, to provide Engineering and Architectural design services for the Union County Fire Academy Burn Building Improvement Project, in an amount not to exceed \$79,310.00. **(Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**

Freeholder Mirabella asked for the history of item #1.

Director Moran explained that the Fire Academy Burn Building is over 31 years old and there have not been any significant renovations to the building. He said repairs are needed and the cracked concrete cinder block, which is normal wear and tear need to be evaluated. He said the building is not heated and because it goes from freezing temperatures to light temperatures with fire, the temperature fluctuates and it takes a toll on the building. He said renovations have been delayed because they were looking for a larger building for the firefighters. He said they found a location, but the deal fell through.

Director Moran stated after these repairs are made, this building will be able to house fire, EMS and the SWAT team for years to come.

Freeholder Estrada asked if the building that is on-site is still being used.

Director Moran replied yes.

Freeholder Estrada recommended that this item go before a committee as it was approved in 2004. He said he is certain there have been changes since then.

Director Moran stated that in 2008 the Board approved \$1.1 million out of the capital account.

Freeholder Hudak stated that if these repairs are necessary for safety issues, he believes they should move forward before something negative happens.

Chairman Bergen stated to keep this item on the Agenda and the Board will meet prior to voting at next week's meeting.

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

Robert E. Barry, Esq., County Counsel

There were no questions.

1. A resolution approving a list of Pre-Qualified Appraisers for the period of January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
2. Amending Resolution 2016-12 dated January 3, 2016 for reimbursement of expenses to Weber Dowd Law of Woodland Park, NJ in connection with credit and collections services at Cornerstone Behavioral Health Hospital in an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

Freeholders Carter, Kowalski and Vice Chairman Granados stated that they will have a laudatory resolution for the next meeting.

Chairman Bergen stated that he will likely have three resolutions for the next meeting, all for pending legislation. One is on the Federal level, urging the Senate and Congress to support gun legislation aimed at barring those on federal terror watch lists from obtaining firearms and further mandating background checks for sales at gun shows and over the internet; urging the State Senate to override Governor Christie's condition veto of Senate Bill S805; legislation aimed at keeping firearms out of the hands of perpetrators of domestic violence; and said the State budget is pending and there is an amendment in place to allocate funding to support the NJ Transit One Seat Ride on the Rahway Valley Line, in which he will likely have a Resolution in support.

1. Extending the Board's deepest condolences to the family of Maryann Vinso upon her passing. **(Freeholder Christopher Hudak)**
2. Laudatory resolution congratulating Joseph E. Petrosky on his 40 years as a coach with the Roselle Park Youth Baseball and Softball League. **(Freeholder Mohamed S. Jalloh)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to execute a State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Enabling Resolution regarding the Union County

- Open Space and Recreation Plan for the provision of administrative acceptance of an additional Green Acres matching grant in the amount of \$3,975,000.00 for a total matching grant in the amount of \$13,125,000.00. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
4. Authorizing the sponsorship of New Outlook Pioneers' Music in the Park at Plainwood Square in the amount of \$4,000.00. **(Freeholder Mirabella, And The Entire Board)**
 5. Appointing Vera P. Roquemore, Ph.D as a member to the Senior Citizen Disabled Resident Transportation Advisory Board for a term beginning January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2018. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**
 6. Appointing Cherron Rountree as a member to the Union County College Board of Trustees for a four year term beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2020. **(Bergen, Jalloh, Mirabella)**
 7. Authorizing the County Manger to award a contract as an exception to bidding as per N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., to Purple Forge, Ontario, Canada, to develop, maintain and support a mobile application for smart phones as a way of imparting important county information to residents in the amount of \$30,000.00, with a software maintenance agreement in the amount of \$5,000.00, for a total amount of \$35,000. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
 8. Resolution extending the Board's deepest sympathies to the family of Daniel Triano, student at the Union County Vocational-Technical School, during their time of sorrow. **(Chairman Bergen, And The Entire Board)**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

To the extent known, the following items will be discussed in Executive Session:

- 1) Attorney-Client privileged communications and discussion of possible settlement in the matter of Ronald Allen, et als. v. County of Union, et als. (formerly entitled Takacs, et als. v. County of Union, et als.).
- 2) Attorney-Client privileged communications and discussion of possible settlement in the matter of Parvin Remolina v. Zdenko Zdenkova, County of Union, et als.

County Counsel Barry stated that pursuant to provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act a public body may enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing certain enumerated subjects. This Board will now enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing attorney-client privileged communications and discussion of possible settlement in the matter of Ronald Allen, et als. v. County of Union, et als. (formerly entitled Takacs, et als. v. County of Union, et als.) and attorney-client privileged communications and discussion of possible settlement in the matter of Parvin Remolina v. Zdenko Zdenkova, County of Union, et als.

The minutes of the Executive Session shall be separated from the minutes of the Open Public Session. The minutes of the Executive Session, redacted as appropriate and necessary, shall be available in approximately 30 days. The Clerk of the Board shall retain the original minutes until such time as the confidential limitations have been removed, at which time they shall be made available.

Upon the Board's return, it will not take formal action on the matters discussed as it is an Agenda session.

Upon a majority vote of the members present, the Board may now retire to Executive Session.

Motion to enter Executive Session.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]; MOVER: Alexander Mirabella, Freeholder; **SECONDER:** Bette Jane Kowalski, Freeholder; **AYES:** Chairman Bergen, Freeholder Estrada, Vice Chairman Granados, Freeholder Hudak, Freeholder Kowalski, Freeholder Mirabella, Freeholder Wright, Freeholder Carter; **ABSENT:** Freeholder Jalloh;

Motion to return from Executive Session.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]; MOVER: Linda Carter, Freeholder; **SECONDER:** Alexander Mirabella, Freeholder; **AYES:** Chairman Bergen, Freeholder Estrada, Vice Chairman Granados, Freeholder Hudak, Freeholder Kowalski, Freeholder Mirabella, Freeholder Wright, Freeholder Carter; **ABSENT:** Freeholder Jalloh;

County Counsel Barry stated that as a result of discussions during Executive Session, there will be two additional resolutions pertaining to the settlement of pending litigation entitled Ronald Allen et al v. Union County, et al and settlement of pending litigation entitled Parvin Remolina, et al v. Union County, et al.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 pm

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]; MOVER: Alexander Mirabella, Freeholder; **SECONDER:** Linda Carter, Freeholder; **AYES:** Chairman Bergen, Freeholder Estrada, Vice Chairman Granados, Freeholder Hudak, Freeholder Kowalski, Freeholder Mirabella, Freeholder Wright, Freeholder Carter; **ABSENT:** Freeholder Jalloh;

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS 2016 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.

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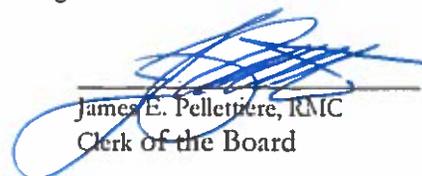
**REORGANIZATION MEETING - SUNDAY, JANUARY 3, 2016 at 12:00 pm
Assignment Judge Karen M. Cassidy's Courtroom, 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ**

2016 MEETING SCHEDULE

<u>AGENDA SETTING SESSION</u>	<u>REGULAR MEETINGS</u>
January 14, 2016	January 21, 2016
February 4, 2016 February 18, 2016	February 11, 2016 February 18, 2016
March 3, 2016 March 17, 2016	March 10, 2016 March 31, 2016
April 7, 2016 April 21, 2016	April 14, 2016 April 28, 2016
May 5, 2016 May 26, 2016*	May 12, 2016 May 26, 2016
June 2, 2016 June 16, 2016	June 9, 2016 June 23, 2016
July 14, 2016	July 21, 2016
August 11 2016	August 18, 2016
September 8, 2016 September 22, 2016	September 15, 2016 September 29, 2016
October 6, 2016 October 20, 2016	October 13, 2016 October 20, 2016
November 10, 2016	November 22, 2016 (Tuesday)
December 1, 2016 December 15, 2016	December 8, 2016 December 22, 2016

* As per Resolution Number 2016-372, the May 19, 2016 Agenda Setting Session was rescheduled to be held on May 26, 2016 at 7:00pm.

JEP:mb



James E. Pelletiere, RMC
Clerk of the Board