



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2014
AGENDA SETTING MEETING AGENDA

Chairman Christopher Hudak presided and called the meeting to order at 7:07pm. Roll call showed Vice Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh, Freeholder Linda Carter, Freeholder Angel G. Estrada, Freeholder Sergio Granados, Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski, Freeholder Alexander Mirabella, Freeholder Vernell Wright were in attendance. Freeholder Bruce Bergen was absent.

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

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.

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Note and File

PRESENTATION FROM THE BOARD

A Certificate and Check Presentation was made by Freeholder Wright (NJAC Delegate) and Freeholder Kowalski (NJAC Alternate), Freeholder Mirabella and Pete Capodice, Superintendent of Vo-Tech School to Telia Anderson, of Hillside, graduate of Union County Voc-Tech School, who was recognized by the NJAC Foundation and Investors Bank Foundation as a recipient of the 2014 Scholarship Award.

Freeholder Wright spoke on behalf of NJAC Foundation and presented Telia with the certification and check.

A Resolution presentation was made by Vice Chairman Jalloh, Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Wright to Sally M. Straus, for her recognition as the 2014 Township of Union Senior Citizen of the Year.

Chairman Hudak read the Resolution aloud.

PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD

A presentation was made by representatives of the Union County Improvement Authority and the Union County Evaluation Team: Daniel Sullivan, Executive Director of the UCIA, Mark Brink, Project Manager, UCIA, Ryan J. Screbo, Esq., of DeCotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole, LLP, General Counsel relative to the Evaluation Report on the Union County Golf Management Operations RFP.

Executive Director Sullivan and Armando Sanchez, Director of Golf Operation, provided the Board with a review of the RFP process. He stated that the review committee evaluated three responses and recommended to continue operating with Kemper Sports under option #2.

Freeholders Carter, Mirabella and Chairman Hudak made comments and/or raised questions relative to the advantages of option #2.

Executive Director Sullivan re-iterated the importance of the flexibility to set prices in option #2 for the Banquet Facility and Red Knot Restaurant.

Freeholder Wright asked what effect it would have on staff.

Executive Director stated there will be no change.

Freeholder Estrada asked who is responsible for Golf Course improvements.

Executive Director Sullivan said the County is still responsible since they are the

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Oath of Office: Emergency Management Council: Joseph Cryan; and Union County Cultural and Heritage Advisory Board: Nancy Piwowar.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Thursday, July 10, 2014 – Agenda Meeting
2. Thursday, July 17, 2014 – Regular Meeting

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY PROSECUTOR

Grace H. Park, Acting Prosecutor

1. Authorizing the County Manager through the Office of the Union County Prosecutor's Office to apply for and accept funding from the Office of the Insurance Fraud Prosecutor, New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice, in the amount of \$250,000.00 for the period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 to continue efforts of insurance fraud investigation in Union County. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

Freeholder Estrada asked what does the dollar amount of \$250,000 includes.

First Assistant Isenhour said these funds will be used towards the salaries of personnel assigned to the Insurance Fraud Unit of the Prosecutor's Office.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONSBrian Riordan, Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to extend the contract with Global Tel*Link (GTL), Mobile, Alabama, to provide an on premise based inmate telephone system adopted under State Contract No. A61618 to the County of Union for the contract period of September 4, 2014 through December 3, 2014 at no cost to the County of Union. (Revenue Generating) **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

Freeholder Estrada asked if this is another bid.

Director Riordan said no they're still evaluating to recommend a successful bidder.

Freeholder Mirabella asked why so long.

Director Riordan said the bid involves numerous rates for various services, adding not just for telephone services. He added they are reviewing four bids.

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTWilliam Reyes, Deputy County Manager / Director

1. Amending Resolution Number 2009-225, a Professional Architectural/Engineering Service contract with Netta Architects, of Mountainside, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing professional services for the Union County Courthouse Complex New Tower Stairwell Construction project in an amount not to exceed \$1,926,300.00 for a new contract amount of \$3,694,330.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2010-033C) **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

Chairman Hudak asked Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes to give a quick overview with reference to #1 and #2.

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes asked Nick Netta, Netta Architects to explain #1.

Nicholas Netta, provided the Board with a history of the project dating back to the original fire code violation notices in 2000 and 2005. He spoke on the 2006 analysis which established three phases of work to address the fire code violations. He provided a back ground on the construction of the Family Court Building on Cherry Street. He advised that once the courts vacate the tower and occupy the new family court building, they can begin the three phases of the analysis; addressing the tower violations.

Vice Chairman Jalloh questioned if this Resolution was change order.

County Counsel Barry stated that this is not a change order, rather a contract amendment.

2. Amending Resolution Number 2010-612, a Professional Construction Management Service contract with Mast Construction Services of Little Falls, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing construction management services for the Union County Courthouse Complex New Tower Stairwell Construction project in an amount not to exceed \$994,578.00 for a new contract amount of \$1,869,578.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2010-033C) **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes asked representatives from MAST to provide an overview for #2.

Susan DiGiacomo explained that this is an amendment as a result of an increase of services and duration of the project.

3. Authorizing the County Manager to award a Professional Engineering Service Contract to Rees Jones, Inc., of Montclair, New Jersey, to provide engineering design services, construction administration and inspection services for the Ashbrook Golf Course Bunker and Irrigation Improvements in an amount not to exceed \$221,026.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2014-028) **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
4. Amending Resolution Number 2014-195 to reflect changes in account numbers only for 2014 On-Call Professional Engineering Service Contract. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
5. Amending Resolution Number 2013-762, (BA#66-2013) Warinanco Park Restroom Renovations and Spray Area, to reflect a change in the contractor's name only: from Rich Picerno Builders, LLC of Kenilworth, New Jersey to Picerno-Giordano Construction, LLC of Kenilworth, New Jersey. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2011-001) **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

Chairman Hudak asked for an explanation with reference to #5 (Ashbrook).

Armando Sanchez said this is for the design of bunkers and drainage of four holes. He stated that heavy rain shuts down golf course and there is a need for irrigation improvements to several holes.

6. Amending Resolution Number 2014-674, (BA#31-2014) Briant Park Improvements Project, to reflect a change in the contractor's name only: from Rich Picerno, LLC of Kenilworth, New Jersey to Picerno-Giordano Construction, LLC, of Kenilworth, New Jersey. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2013-021) **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
7. Concurring with the Township of Springfield's Resolution Number 2014-212 and authorizing the County Manager to enter into an Agreement between the New Jersey Transit Corporation and the Township of Springfield (Municipal Sponsor) and the County of Union (County Co-Sponsor) to install two (2) bus shelters on Mountain Avenue, northbound, at Morris Avenue, near side and the other on Mountain Avenue, northbound, at Shunpike Road, far side. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
8. 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: Economic Development, Division of Engineering: Smith-Sondy Asphalt Construction Company, Inc., of Wallington, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing 2014 Road Resurfacing Project, Phase 2, various municipalities, County of Union, New Jersey, in the amount of \$3,106,312.41. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

Freeholder Kowalski asked how many municipalities are involved with reference to #8.

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes said 9 municipalities are involved. He added that the County is repaving more roads than last year.

Freeholder Kowalski asked if we can recover any of the Sandy money.

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes stated no.

County Manager Faella said he received information from Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regarding a new federal grant.

Freeholder Mirabella asked how this year's 13.9 miles compared to other years.

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes stated that this year is an increase of almost 2 miles of road paving.

9. Amending Resolution Number 2014-72, to authorize an extension of time from September 30, 2014 to December 31, 2014 to enroll additional individuals in The Incubator Inc., Plainfield, New Jersey, Customer Service/Retail Skills occupational training program, and to further change the account number for the corresponding occupational contract. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

Chairman Hudak asked if the issues of language have been resolved with reference to #9.

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes said the contract has been extended to provide seven more clients to be trained and also changes the account number for program 2014 funds not 2013.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Bibi Taylor, Director

Julie Origliato, Director of Division of the Treasurer represented the Department

There were no questions.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract pursuant to a RFP for Retirement Planning Services to Economic Planning Group, Edison, New Jersey, for the contract period October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015 at no cost to the County. **(Vice Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)**
2. Resolution modifying the 2014 Budget in the amount of \$19,820 as a result of notification received from the Union County College for a program entitled: Program Income - Work First NJ. **(Vice Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)**
3. Resolution modifying the 2014 Budget in the amount of \$195,000 as a result of notification received from NJ Transit for a program entitled: Jobs Access Reverse Commute - JARC. **(Vice Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)**
4. Resolution modifying the 2014 Budget in the amount of \$54,721 as a result of notification received from the County of Union Division on Aging for a program Entitled: Paratransit - Aging. **(Vice Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)**

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICESFrank Guzzo, Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and execute the FY2015 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) in the amount of \$269,460 from the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs (NJDCOA) for the grant period of October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2016 for the purpose of providing community programming for low income residents of Union County; and to recognize and accept that the Department may offer a lesser or greater amount and therefore, upon receipt of the grant agreement from NJDCOA, does further authorize the execution of any such grant agreement. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

2. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and accept a grant from the New Jersey Department of Human Services (NJDHHS), Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS), in the approximate amount of \$916,969, with a County Match requirement of \$122,002, in CY2015 Alcoholism/Drug Abuse Grant funding for the grant period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015; and further authorizing the County Manager to execute a Board Resolution Validation Form as required by NJDHHS. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Chairman Hudak asked for clarification with regards to the Alliance funding.

Director Guzzo said the funding goes towards treatment services. The County is required to provide a match in the amount of \$122,002; of which \$106,000 is cash match for treatment programs, and \$15,000 is for in-kind county funding. The treatment programs include intervention, detoxification, residential, halfway house, residential assisted, intensive outpatient, and regular outpatient care services.

3. Amending Resolution Number 2014-52 to reallocate unexpended 2013 Area Plan Contract funds in the amount of \$107,184.99 and revise account numbers for carryover into the 2014 Area Plan Contract Spending Plan for the same subcontract period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

4. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into agreement with Family Promise Union County, Elizabeth, New Jersey, to provide shelter night stays for families funded through WFNJ/EA at the per diem rate of \$19 per person per night for a client maximum stay of 90 days for the period of September 5, 2014 through December 31, 2014. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Freeholder Granados asked how many families participate with reference to #4.

Director Guzzo said it's a new program.

Vice Chairman Jalloh asked the Director to explain #4 and #6.

Director Guzzo said 95% is Stated funded with reference to #4.

5. Amending Resolution Number 2014-539, to reflect an extension to the agreement with Corizon Health of NJ, Cedar Grove, New Jersey, for an additional three (3) month period from October 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 for a total amount not to exceed \$1,350,584.00 for the provision of medical/health care services for inmates/residents at the UC Jail and UC Juvenile Detention Center. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to renew the agreement with the Union County Educational Services Commission to provide state mandated education programs for the residents housed in the Juvenile Detention Center for the period of September 1, 2014 through August 31, 2015 in an amount not to exceed \$833,055. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Director Guzzo said the State (SFEA) funds are in the amount of \$130,000 and the County is responsible for the remainder.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Ronald Zuber, Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager through the Office of Cultural & Heritage Affairs to apply for a project grant from the New Jersey Historical Commission in the amount of \$15,000.00. **(Freeholder Sergio Granados)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a shared services agreement between the County of Union and the City of Rahway and Board of Education of the City of Rahway to undertake certain field repairs improvements and upgrading of athletic fields in Rahway Park; wherein the parties agreed to share the costs to improve and upgrade recreational facilities at the park and provide an athletic field that can be made available on a non-exclusive basis for the Board of Education uses. **(Freeholder Sergio Granados)**

Chairman Hudak asked for an explanation with reference to item #2.

Director Zuber said the County has entered into a shared services agreement with the City of Rahway and Rahway Board of Education. Director Zuber stated the City approached the County about expanding the County's current project to include athletic fields to be used by its students for practices and for the hosting of home games for football and soccer. Director Zuber added that any additional amenities required for the expansion would be paid by the City and Board of Education.

Freeholder Granados stated it was good to see the Board of Education working with the City and County. He asked when the project is to be completed.

Director Zuber said this is just the first step of a long process, noting that the Warinanco Park project began construction in April and will be completed in November.

Chairman Hudak said on schedule for November 15th.

Director Zuber said yes.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETYAndrew Moran, Director

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 Public Safety: American Pulverizer, St. Louis, MO, to manufacture and install a Firearms Pulverizer System to safely dispose of confiscated and surrendered firearms, located at the Ralph G. Froehlich Building in the amount of \$92,000.00.
(Chairman Christopher Hudak)

Vice Chairman Jalloh asked if item #1 is a new service.

Director Moran said it is a new technology.

Vice Chairman Jalloh asked what was done prior.

Director Moran stated that in previous years they collected the fire arms and transferred them to a private company to safely dispose of them.

County Manager Faella also said it is part of a Shared Service agreement with other municipalities.

Freeholder Granados asked if this was the first time for this service.

County Manager Faella said yes, this is the first time and also this plays a role in Economic Development Boost initiatives.

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSELRobert E. Barry, Esq., County Counsel

1. A Resolution authorizing the County Manager to enter into a First Amendment to the agreement by and between the County of Union and Union County Improvement Authority for the purchase and sale of Runnells Specialized Hospital. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**
2. A Resolution authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Second Amendment to the agreement by and between the County of Union and Center Management Group for the transfer and assumptions of certain operations of Runnells Specialized Hospital. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY MANAGERAlfred J. Faella, County Manager

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with the Union County Performing Arts Center, Rahway, New Jersey to work with the County of Union to assist in developing, expanding and strengthening community arts groups in Union County through the support of live theater, in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00. **(Vice Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)**

Freeholder Granados asked if this is the first time for the contract, and how many of the community arts groups are from Union County, with reference to #1.

County Manager Faella said yes, this is the first time and there are only 3 community arts groups in the past couple of years. He stated that live theatre plays a role in boosting economic development initiatives.

2. Authorizing the County Manager to sign any and all documents necessary to enter into a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Parks Maintenance Association, effective January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2015. **(Chairman Christopher Hudak)**

FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

1. Laudatory Resolution celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Smith-Lever Act that established the Cooperative Extension, and further recognizing their many innovative research programs and vital educational programs for youth and adults, through progressive information delivery systems, that improved lives and shaped a nation. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
2. Laudatory Resolution congratulating Daniel Zieser on receiving the Richard J. Galante Sr. Humanitarian Award at their annual award ceremony on Saturday, September 20th, 2014. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**
3. Laudatory Resolution congratulating Fran Corcione on receiving the Richard J. Galante Sr. Humanitarian Award at their annual award ceremony on Saturday, September 20th, 2014. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright & Freeholder Bruce Bergen)**

4. Laudatory resolution congratulating Sally M. Straus for her recognition as the 2014 Township of Union Senior Citizen of the Year. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**
5. Resolution offering this Board's sincere condolences to the family of Karen Bernier, during their time of sorrow. **(Chairman Hudak & the Entire Board)**
6. Resolution offering this Board's sincere condolences to the family of James Eddelton, during their time of sorrow. **(Chairman Hudak & the Entire Board)**
7. Resolution offering this Board's sincere condolences to the family of former Union County Purchasing Agent Paul Chrenka, during their time of sorrow. **(Chairman Hudak & the Entire Board)**
8. Resolution offering this Board's sincere condolences to the family of former Union County employee Rusty Harris, during their time of sorrow. **(Chairman Hudak & the Entire Board)**

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Hudak made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM.

On a motion made by Freeholder Alexander Mirabella, seconded by Freeholder Linda Carter roll call showed roll call showed eight members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Bruce Bergen absent.

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

AGENDA SETTING MEETINGS

REGULAR MEETINGS

January 16, 2014

January 23, 2014

February 6, 2014
February 20, 2014

February 6, 2014
February 27, 2014

March 6, 2014
March 20, 2014

March 13, 2014
March 27, 2014

April 3, 2014
April 24, 2014

April 10, 2014
April 24, 2014

May 1, 2014
May 15, 2014

May 8, 2014
May 29, 2014

June 5, 2014
June 19, 2014

June 12, 2014
June 26, 2014

July 10, 2014

July 17, 2014

August 7, 2014

August 14, 2014

September 4, 2014
September 18, 2014

September 11, 2014
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October 2, 2014
October 16, 2014

October 9, 2014
October 16, 2014

November 6, 2014
Tuesday, November 25, 2014

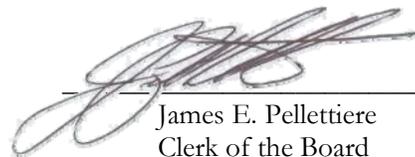
November 13, 2014
Tuesday, November 25, 2014

December 4, 2014
December 18, 2014

December 11, 2014
December 18, 2014

* Special Meeting May 15, 2014

** As per Resolution 2014-746



James E. Pelletiere
Clerk of the Board

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