



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

THURSDAY, JUNE 14, 2012
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Alexander Mirabella called the meeting to order at 8:49 PM.

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

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

PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

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

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

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

APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

Note and File

Motion to to approve the Communications

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. May 03, 2012 – Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes

RESULT: ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]; MOVER: Daniel P. Sullivan, Freeholder; **SECONDER:** Christopher Hudak, Freeholder; **AYES:** Freeholder Estrada, Freeholder Hudak, Freeholder Kowalski, Freeholder Scanlon, Freeholder Sullivan, Freeholder Wright, Vice Chairman Carter, Chairman Mirabella; **ABSENT:** Freeholder Jalloh;

2. May 03, 2012 – Regular Meeting Minutes

RESULT: ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]; MOVER: Daniel P. Sullivan, Freeholder; **SECONDER:** Christopher Hudak, Freeholder; **AYES:** Freeholder Estrada, Freeholder Hudak, Freeholder Kowalski, Freeholder Scanlon, Freeholder Sullivan, Freeholder Wright, Vice Chairman Carter, Chairman Mirabella; **ABSENT:** Freeholder Jalloh;

3. May 17, 2012 – Special Meeting Minutes

RESULT: ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]; MOVER: Daniel P. Sullivan, Freeholder; **SECONDER:** Christopher Hudak, Freeholder; **AYES:** Freeholder Estrada, Freeholder Hudak, Freeholder Kowalski, Freeholder Scanlon, Freeholder Sullivan, Freeholder Wright, Vice Chairman Carter, Chairman Mirabella; **ABSENT:** Freeholder Jalloh;

4. May 17, 2012 – Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes

RESULT: ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]; MOVER: Daniel P. Sullivan, Freeholder; **SECONDER:** Christopher Hudak, Freeholder; **AYES:** Freeholder Estrada, Freeholder Hudak, Freeholder Kowalski, Freeholder Scanlon, Freeholder Sullivan, Freeholder Wright, Vice Chairman Carter, Chairman Mirabella; **ABSENT:** Freeholder Jalloh;

5. May 31, 2012 – Regular Meeting Minutes

RESULT: ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]; MOVER: Daniel P. Sullivan, Freeholder; **SECONDER:** Christopher Hudak, Freeholder; **AYES:** Freeholder Estrada, Freeholder Hudak, Freeholder Kowalski, Freeholder Scanlon, Freeholder Sullivan, Freeholder Wright, Vice Chairman Carter, Chairman Mirabella; **ABSENT:** Freeholder Jalloh;

ORDINANCE FOR FINAL READING

The title of the Ordinance was read by the Clerk of the Board.

735-2012 An Ordinance amending the Union County District Solid Waste Management Plan to include Rahway Recycling and Materials, Inc., Rahway, New Jersey into the Union County District Solid Waste Management Plan as a Class B Recycling Facility.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE UNION COUNTY DISTRICT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

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TO INCLUDE RAHWAY RECYCLING AND MATERIALS, INC. AS A CLASS B RECYCLING CENTER LOCATED IN RAHWAY, NEW JERSEY

AS RECOMMENDED

BY THE UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Solid Waste Management Act, N.J.S.A. 13:1E-1 et seq., the County of Union is designated as a Solid Waste Management District and by law did develop and prepare a District Solid Waste Management Plan (“County Plan”) that was adopted by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders on June 7, 1979, pursuant to and in accordance with the Solid Waste Management Act, N.J.S.A. 13:1E-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the County Plan was approved, with modifications, by the Department of Environmental Protection (“NJDEP”) on August 13, 1980, and has since been amended and modified from time to time; and

WHEREAS, on December 11, 1986, the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders designated the Union County Utilities Authority (“UCUA”) as the agency responsible for the implementation of the County Plan, as amended from time to time, and the UCUA is empowered to plan, acquire, construct, maintain and operate facilities for the processing, disposal and/or recycling of solid waste generated in the County; and

WHEREAS, the UCUA has formulated a Plan Amendment, and recommends that this Board set a public hearing for the purpose of taking public testimony on the proposed plan amendment, and review and enact said amendment that is now on file with the Clerk of this Board and available for public inspection and is made a part hereof by reference; and

WHEREAS, the subject amendment is summarized as follows:

This Plan Amendment is prepared as a result of a determination by the UCUA to include Rahway Recycling & Materials, Inc. (“RR&M”) into the Union County District Solid Waste Management Plan as a Class B Recycling Center.

The purpose of this Plan Amendment is to modify the County Plan to include RR&M as a prerequisite to securing a NJDEP Class B Recycling Center General Approval. RR&M has proposed, and is hereby being admitted to the County Plan, to accept at its 650 Leesville Avenue, Rahway, New Jersey, facility, up to 5,000 tons per day of concrete, asphalt and brick and will grind these materials for shipping off-site. The resulting end product will be marketed and then transported off site to RR&M customers primarily by road tankers.

RR&M’s facility is located in an industrial zone and there are no residential homes within 2000 feet of the facility. RR&M currently holds a valid State Air Pollution Control Permit. The facility is known as Lot 10 and 11, in Block 292 on the Tax Map of the City of Rahway. The facility is identify as ID# 42217.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Solid Waste Management Act, the County's Solid Waste Advisory Committee (“SWAC”) must be consulted with respect to amendment to the County Plan; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 32-2012, duly adopted April 18, 2012, the UCUA approved the Plan Amendment and recommended that the Plan Amendment be approved by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County, after public hearing in accordance with the Solid

Waste Management Act; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Solid Waste Management Act, the Plan Amendment was presented to SWAC:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union, that:

1. The aforesaid recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. The Plan Amendment, as prepared and recommended by the Union County Utilities Authority, is hereby adopted as an Amendment to the Union County District Solid Waste Management Plan.
3. Any provision of the County Plan that is inconsistent with the Plan Amendment is hereby repealed to the extent of said inconsistency and the provisions of the Plan Amendment shall be fully effective and shall control.
4. A certified copy of this Ordinance, as finally adopted, together with the Plan Amendment, shall be forwarded to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, the County Clerk of the County of Union, and the Union County Utilities Authority.
5. The Clerk of this Board shall publish and disseminate notice of this Ordinance as provided by law.
6. The aforesaid Plan Amendment and a copy of the transcript of the public hearing to be held at such time as may be scheduled by said Board of Chosen Freeholders, and the necessary deliberations shall be submitted to the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.
7. This Ordinance shall take effect in the manner prescribed by law.

This meeting is open to the public for the purposes of commenting on Ordinance 735-2012 only.

The verbatim minutes of the public comments for Ordinance 735-2012 are attached.

This concludes the Public Hearing on Ordinance 735-2012.

Freeholder Hudak moved Ordinance 735-2012 for Final Reading and authorized the Clerk of the Board to advertise same in accordance with the law.

RESULT: ADOPTED [7 TO 0]; MOVER: Christopher Hudak, Freeholder; **SECONDER:** Deborah P. Scanlon, Freeholder; **AYES:** Freeholder Estrada, Freeholder Hudak, Freeholder Kowalski, Freeholder Scanlon, Freeholder Wright, Vice Chairman Carter, Chairman Mirabella; **ABSTAIN:** Freeholder Sullivan; **ABSENT:** Freeholder Jalloh;

ORDINANCE FOR FINAL READING

The title of the Ordinance was read by the Clerk of the Board.

- 736-2012** An Ordinance to amend "The Laws of Union County: Administrative Code and Policies and General Legislation" by amending Part II, Chapter 49 Fees, Article II, Paratransit Services.

An ordinance to amend “The Laws of Union County: Administrative Code and Policies and General Legislation” by amending Part II, Chapter 49 Fees-Article II, Paratransit Service.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union that the "Laws of Union County" are hereby amended as follows:

**PART II -
POLICIES AND GENERAL LEGISLATION**

Chapter 49, FEES

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union as indicated in article histories. Amendments noted where applicable.]

ARTICLE II, Paratransit Service

[Adopted 2-11-1993 as Res. No. 156-93]

§ 49-3. Purpose.

It is the policy of the County of Union that a fare will be charged for transportation services provided by the Union County Paratransit System. The fares collected will be used to provide additional transportation opportunities for senior and disabled residents on Union County. Fares will not be used to exclude eligible residents from transportation services. A method is included that allows indigent and low income residents access to services with no fares or reduced payments.

§ 49-4. Fees for Services

-Individual Trips:

Fares will be charged to trips provided by the Union County Paratransit System to individual riders, during normal hours of operation of the Union County Paratransit System, at a rate of \$2.00 per one-way trip. Individual fares will be collected through monthly billing. The bill will be based on the number of one-way rides the passenger took from the previous month. County staff will permit passengers of limited income to qualify for a “fare waiver” based on income eligibility and the federal poverty guidelines. No passenger will be refused a ride for inability to pay but may be suspended after 90 days for non-payment unless they can show proof of indigence and low income.

-Regular Group Trips:

The Union County Paratransit System also receives requests for group transportation during normal hours, from residential facilities such as nursing homes and senior housing complexes. The Regular Group Fare will be charged to groups from residential facilities at a rate of \$45.00 per trip, per vehicle, during normal hours of operation the Union County Paratransit System.

-Special Group Trips:

The Union County Paratransit System is, on occasion, requested to provide transportation to

elderly and/or disabled residents of the County of Union outside the normal working hours or on weekends. This requires that the driver of the vehicle be paid at an overtime rate or that a special driver be employed and compensated. The County of Union desires to offset such additional cost.

Special Group fares will be charged to groups at a rate of \$25.00 per vehicle, per hour. Group trips provided after normal business hours (after 5:30 pm & Saturday) will charge \$25.00 per hour pre and post trip. Special Group Trips will be delivered at the discretion of the Union County Paratransit Administrative Office. The agency/group will be billed at the conclusion of the trip based on the number of hours and vehicles utilized.

This meeting is open to the public for the purposes of commenting on Ordinance 736-2012 only.

There were no comments.

This concludes the Public Hearing on Ordinance 736-2012.

Freeholder Wright moved Ordinance 736-2012 for Final Reading and authorized the Clerk of the Board to advertise same in accordance with the law.

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

Budget Comments

Freeholder Sullivan said that after an extraordinary review of the 2012 budget the past six months, tonight, we are set for final adoption, and stated the following:

By now we are all well aware of the \$36 million deficit we faced, and some of the dramatic measures we took to close this gap. The huge deficit was fueled in part due to raising mandated costs, a reduction in state revenues, and a decline in property tax ratables.

- We experienced an \$8.7 billion reduction over the past few years in tax ratables due to the prolonged real estate slump and sluggish statewide economy.
- We suffered reductions in state reimbursements to Runnells Hospital and state revenues to our jail for retaining state prisoners. Total for both: \$4.5 million
- We had rising contractual health, and pension costs totaling \$17 million.

As a result, we embarked on a comprehensive plan to close this gap. The plan included cutting costs, layoffs, program reductions, and revenue maximization.

All Departments and Constitutional Offices were initially asked to cut up to 5 percent off their adopted 2011 operating budget.

Then we initiated program reductions that included canceling MusicFest and Blues by the Brook, and Kids Kingdom.

The Freeholder Board, County Manager and Department Directors are taking a three-day voluntary salary reduction equivalent to what three unions have already accepted. We deferred a salary increase for 632 exclusionary employees, many of whom are in their fifth year without a raise.

We initiated a hiring freeze for non-essential employees, reformed our prescription drug program and are moving to a new health provider effective July 1st. We maintained a voluntary furlough

program. We achieved hundreds of thousands more in savings through the County Manager's Efficiency Taskforce.

Finally, we were forced to make two rounds of workforce reductions totaling 280 employees. A combination of approximately 44 layoffs and retirements were effective on May 1st. Well over 100 layoffs and retirements occurred on June 1st. We held over the employment of 101 workers from Runnells who would have been laid off on June 1st until August 31st as we work to privatize the dietary, and housekeeping services through Competitive Contracting, and the laundry services through public bidding.

(Our sympathy goes out to those who have been laid off, and we have worked to soften the impact through job fairs, counseling and rapid response efforts.)

As I reported on May 31st, the State Department of Community Affairs approved our efforts to refinance a portion of our debt. The numbers are now in: this will help us to realize approximately \$1.8 million in revenues this year. Approximately \$800,000 will be retained for our budget surplus, while \$1 million will be used to help maintain important health, consumer protection and safety net services.

We have concluded discussions with our unions-and are pleased to report that through the cooperation of the CWA, we were able to rescind two layoffs for social service workers, as the union agreed to voluntary furloughs.

Finally, the budget gap has been officially closed, meeting the state cap on spending. This year's approximate \$488.9 million proposed budget will increase property taxes by an average of \$90.

As I mentioned on previous occasions, we will continue to look at the budget as a 12-month process.

We are working to implement reforms in several other areas the county manager identified for reform in his executive budget.

Runnells Specialized Hospital continued to operate at an approximate \$11.3 million deficit at the close of 2011. The Watchung Stables is running at a substantial deficit (600K), and our County Jail costs \$55 million a year to operate.

And we are taking steps to achieve long-term financial success. We have embarked on a feasibility study to privatize the Watchung Stables that will occur in conjunction with our stakeholders in this service.

We requested and received permission from the Division of Local Government Services to examine privatizing the operations of the jail through competitive contracting and developing strategies for an RFP.

As I previously referenced we are privatizing certain services at Runnells. And similar to as we do with our juvenile detention center, we are also exploring options to lease unused portions of the hospital for revenue.

We are continuing to seek new ways of sparking economic development and new revenues for Union County through business initiatives as evidenced through Chairman Mirabella's "Union County Means Business" initiative.

In closing, I would like to thank our fiscal committee, staff and our directors for their efforts this year. This was one of the most difficult budget seasons in recent memory, with many tough choices which had to be agonized over---time and again.

Given the fragile condition of New Jersey's economy, we must continue to maintain our budgetary progress. We remain committed to acting in a fiscally prudent manner to promote our quality of life which continues to rank Union County as one of the finest places to live and raise a family in New Jersey.

Mr. Chairman, I thank you for your time.

ADOPTION OF THE UNION COUNTY 2012 BUDGET AS AMENDED

Chairman Mirabella announced that he is allowing additional time for public comments for the Budget Amendment only.

Bruce Paterson, Garwood, said he appreciates having another chance to comment on the Budget Amendment. He stated that the Budget Amendments cannot be voted upon without voting on the Budget first.

Mr. Paterson made comments about the line item in the budget that reflected \$800,000 for salaries and wages. He asked why \$800,000 was put back in the budget.

Chairman Mirabella stated that at the time the Budget is voted on, it will be as amended.

Director Taylor stated that the \$800,000 for salary and wage lines is to accommodate restoring programs and services that have been previously cut in order to balance the budget. Since then, the County has received approval from Department of Community Affairs Division of Local Government Services to realize approximately \$1 million of additional revenue in this year's budget, as a result of refinancing various bonds and additional revenue was added. The \$1 million has been used to restore the SLAP program, security at Park Madison, the Car Seat Safety program, various programs for Rutgers Cooperative, Shade Tree services and other areas within those departments that are itemized within the budget amendment. Additionally, other monies were added to Rutgers Cooperative Extension as well as other departments.

John Bury, Kenilworth, referred to line item 8A, UCIA sale of asset for \$1 million, and Sheet 12, he asked for an explanation of for Aide to Union County Improvement Authority for \$600,000, it used to be Administrative support, what is the reason for the change. He also asked about the County Manager's Office special studies and initiatives, he asked if there is a plan for a mini MusicFest in the future.

Director Taylor stated that the Miscellaneous Revenue line item 8A, for the sale of the asset, that is money realized as a result of various applications to the Local Finance Board applications and is to restore various programs and services for \$1 million as mentioned earlier. In reference to sheet 12

for \$600,000 it is only a description change. Under the statute it allows the County to give administrative support to the UCIA. It is not a new item of appropriation. She explained that the County Manager's office special studies and initiatives are to restore monies for the HEART grants and for County Manager initiatives, as well as various initiatives throughout the Office of the County Manager. It is not for a mini Musicfest.

Johnathan Philips, Executive Director of Groundworks, Elizabeth, thanked the Board for their support and commitment to the Elizabeth River Trail and is thankful for the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund. He thanked the Board for the HEART Grants regarding Sheet 32.

County Manager Faella stated that in reference to Sheet 10, the \$125,000 increase was mostly for the HEART Grants.

Christie Garlic, Elizabeth, CEO Brand New Day, stated that she supports the budget amendment. She stated that they have had to make cuts and thanked the Board for protecting the non-profit organization. She also thanked the Finance Committee. Ms. Garlic provided the Clerk of the Board with materials that pertained all successful stories and brochures for people in need.

Al Restaino, Director of Finance for the City of Plainfield, thanked the Board and County Manager Faella for the distribution of funds, the Finance Department and Community Development. He stated that the City of Plainfield uses the funds for low income homeowners, parks, infrastructures, and more, to benefit the residents.

2012-507 FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN: Resolution Adopting the Annual Budget of the County of Union for the Fiscal Year 2012 as amended.

PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION

The meeting is open to the public for the purpose of commenting on Resolutions being offered for adoption only.

John Bury, Kenilworth, commented on the contract costs for the attorneys mentioned in Resolutions 2012-524 and 2012-538.

County Counsel Barry stated that the firm mentioned in Resolution 2012-524 is pre-qualified for special counsel for personnel and labor management mostly for ongoing contract negotiations for the labor issues due to the layoffs. He stated that there has been a heavy workload this year. The law firm of Bauch, Zucker is the County's only labor counsel at the best of his knowledge. Mr. Barry explained further that Resolution 2012-538 is a personnel matter consisting of a minor disciplinary action. It is an action filed by the plaintiff, as mentioned on the Agenda. It is not the County, but the individual. It is an ongoing litigation matter. Every matter is looked at individually in terms of seeking a reasonable settlement. Sometimes, it is not that easy. In this case, there are three attorneys involved. He said once he appoints an attorney from his office, to represent one of the entities that is a defendant in the case, it becomes a conflict of interest. The law firm of Bauch, Zucker represents the Office of the Prosecutor. At the next Agenda meeting, he will be submitting the name of Robert Barrity to represent Prosecutor Theodore Romankow, and an attorney from the County Counsel's office to represent the Chief of Detectives.

Bruce Paterson, Garwood, commented on the attorneys in Resolutions 2012-524 and stated that

\$236,000 for trees as mentioned in Resolution 201-528 is excessive. He asked how many trees it entails. On Resolution 2012-535 he made comments regarding the shared services and asked why outside counsel is required for Resolution 2012-537.

Mr. Paterson asked how Bauch, Zucker became the only labor attorney. He agrees with Mr. Bury's comments regarding Resolutions 2012-524 and 2012-538, being a conflict of interest. In reference to Resolution 2012-528, he said it is an excessive amount for 12 months for delivering, purchasing and installing trees. How asked how many trees are being installed, adding it should be done by the County's Department of Public Works. In reference to Resolution 2012-535, he believes the County is spending too much money on the dispatch service. On Resolution 2012-537, he made comments about the cost. He said most of the work can be done in-house.

Chairman Mirabella stated that Mr. Paterson was incorrect when he said that Bauch, Zucker law firm represents labor. He said they represent management. The towns pay the county for the dispatch service.

County Manager Faella called upon Administrator Vikki Durbin-Drake to respond about Resolution 2012-424. He stated that funding comes from the Open Space, Recreation and Preservation Trust Fund. She said the County lost over 1,000 trees from Hurricane Irene and there is a one year warranty on each tree purchased.

RESOLUTIONS

The following Resolutions are being offered for adoption:

2012-508 FREEHOLDER ESTRADA: Appointing Elaine Haith and Deborah M. Mathis to the Advisory Council on Aging for a term commencing January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014.

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

2012-509 FREEHOLDER HUDAK: Appointing Doreen Yanik to the Mental Health Advisory Board for a term commencing January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014.

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

2012-510 FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI: Amending Resolution Number 2011-1031, to reflect the correct account breakdown for the 2012 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Spending Plan.

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

2012-511 FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI: Approving the 2012-2013 Peer Grouping Spending Renewal Plan in the total amount of \$335,000 for subcontracted services to be provided during the

period of June 1, 2012 through May 31, 2013 as approved by the Human Services Advisory Council (HSAC) on June 6, 2012 and to further authorize the County Manager to transfer funds among agencies during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any of the agencies fails to meet its contractual obligation.

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

2012-512 FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI: Authorizing the utilization of \$1,271,243 in Federal Workforce Investment Act Grant dollars from the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development in the form of Individual Training Contracts as stipulated in the grant agreement for the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013.

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

2012-513 FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI: Amending Resolution Number 2011-607, to authorize valid Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Individual Training PY 2010 Contracts to be re-set using Federal Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Adult and Dislocated Worker PY 2011 Grant dollars in an amount not to exceed \$70,000.

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

2012-514 FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN: Amending Resolution Number 2012-432, authorizing the County Manager to execute any and all agreements as part of the ROID Grant application and upon receipt of the fully executed agreement from the NJ Department of Community Affairs, does further authorize the expenditure of funds.

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

2012-515 FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN: Appointing Ronald Zuber as an Alternate Member to the Union County Transportation Advisory Board to represent the Township of Cranford for a term commencing January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012.

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

2012-516 FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN: Resolution sponsoring the Township of Cranford's Fourth of July Fireworks in the amount of \$4,000.00.

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

2012-517 FREEHOLDER WRIGHT: Amending Resolution Number 2011-405, to reflect an extension to the contract awarded to Jack & Jill Ice Cream Company, Moorestown, New Jersey, through August 31, 2012 in an additional amount of \$5,000 for a new total contract amount of \$30,000.00 to continue to provide ice cream products to Runnells Specialized Hospital.

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

2012-518 FREEHOLDER WRIGHT: Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Zimmet Healthcare Services Group, LLC, Morganville, New Jersey, to provide Medicare and Insurance Billing Reimbursement, Compliance and Long Term Care Medicaid Case Mix Consulting Services in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 for the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013.

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

2012-519 FREEHOLDER WRIGHT: Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with Healthcare Quality Strategies, Inc., (HQSI) East Brunswick, New Jersey, as required by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

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

2012-520 FREEHOLDER WRIGHT: Appointing Marconi Gapas as a Delegate member to the Union County Air Traffic & Noise Advisory Board for a two year term commencing January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013; and Gasper LaRocca as an Alternate member for a one year term commencing January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012.

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

2012-521 CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA: Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a professional services agreement with Trinitas Hospital, Elizabeth, New Jersey, to provide individual

therapy session to victims of sexual assault for the period January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012 in an amount not to exceed \$9,000.00.

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

2012-522 CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA: Amending Resolution Number 2011-586, in order to extend the contract with Trinitas Hospital, Elizabeth, New Jersey, through December 31, 2012 and increase the amount of the contract by \$20,250 for a new total amount of \$56,250.

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

2012-523 CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA: Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and accept funding from the NJ Division of Criminal Justice, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant, Multi-Jurisdictional Gang, Gun and Narcotics Task Force Grant Program to be used towards the salaries, fringe benefits, overtime costs, cell phone service and equipment for the Union County Guns, Gangs, Drugs and Violent Crimes Task Force for the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013 in the amount of \$188,475.

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

2012-524 CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA: Amending Resolution Number 2012-15, a contract with Bauch, Zucker, Hatfield, LLC, Springfield, New Jersey, special counsel for labor negotiations and personnel affairs to increase the cap for legal services in an amount not to exceed \$75,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$170,000.

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

2012-525 CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA: Amending Resolution Number 2012-88, increasing the cap for Arbitrator/Mediator and Fact Finder Services in the amount of \$12,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$24,000.

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

2012-526 CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA: Resolution concurring with the Township of Springfield granting permission to the Springfield Community Partnership (Business Improvement District) to

hang a banner across Mountain Avenue between Caldwell Place and Morris Avenue from June 28th through July 12, 2012.

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

2012-527 CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA: Amending Resolution Number 2011-528, (BA#39-2011), a contract (through the public bidding process) with Navka Construction Company, Newark, New Jersey, approving Change Order No. 1 (final) for Union County Dam Repairs in an amount not to exceed \$107,895.00 for a new total contract amount of \$494,520.00.

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

2012-528 CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA: Resolution authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contract obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Laws, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq: Division of Public Works, Department of Parks & Community Renewal; Louis Barbato Landscaping, Holbrook, New York to furnish, deliver and install trees at various locations throughout Union County, for a contract period of twelve (12) consecutive months in the amount of \$236,456.00.

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

2012-529 CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA: Resolution ratifying the permission granted and concurred by the Borough of Roselle Park, for the hanging of a banner across Chestnut Street in Roselle Park, from May 21, 2012 to June 11, 2012 to advertise St. Anthony's feast, which was held by the Church of the Assumption.

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

2012-530 CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA: Resolution concurring with the City of Summit granting permission to Overlook Foundation to close Broad Street from Summit Avenue to Maple Street between 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., for their 5K Run scheduled for Tuesday evening June 26, 2012.

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

2012-531 CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA: Resolution granting permission to the Township of Scotch Plains to hang a banner across Park Avenue at the intersection of Front Street and Park Avenue from August 1, 2012 to September 4, 2012 for the Annual St. Bartholomew's Labor Day Italian Festival which will be held August 31, 2012 through September 3, 2012.

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

2012-532 CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA: Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Shared Service Agreement between the County of Union and the City of Plainfield for the resurfacing of Park Avenue (from East Ninth Street to East Front Street), City of Plainfield, New Jersey.

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

2012-533 CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA: Resolution granting the Borough of New Providence permission to close South Street from Gales Drive to Springfield Avenue on Tuesday, July 3, 2012 from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. for the "Downtown Fireworks Spectacular." Also, granting permission to close South Street from Gales Drive to Springfield Avenue on Sunday, September 9, 2012 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. for the Annual Street Fair. The Borough also requests approval to hang banners with dates and time to follow for the upcoming events for the year 2012: New Providence Business and Professional Association 5K Race; Summer Concert Series & Centennial Park Anniversary; Independence Day; Farmers Market; Street Fair; NP Alliance – Red Ribbon Week and the New Providence Downtown Improvement District Christmas Walk.

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

2012-534 CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA: Authorizing the County Manager to apply for a NJDEP Recycling Enhancement Grant in the amount of \$298,100, to execute all necessary documents and adopt the proposed spending plan.

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

2012-535 CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA: Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contract obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq: Department of Public Safety: Xybix Systems, Inc. Littleton, Colorado, to manufacture and install furniture for the alterations and renovations of the Shared Services Dispatch Center, located at the Ralph G. Froehlich Public Safety Building in the amount of \$141,260.40.

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

2012-536 CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA: Amending Resolution Number 2011-92, to reflect an increase in the 2010 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant Award in the amount of \$345,000.00 for a total grant in the amount of \$2,041,348.00.

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

2012-537 CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA: Amending Resolution Number 2011-1002, to increase the appropriation to Palumbo & Renaud, Cranford, New Jersey in the matter entitled Jonathan Dawkins v. UC, et als in an additional amount of \$10,000.00 for a total amount of \$70,000.00.

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

2012-538 CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA: Amending Resolution Number 2012-324, to increase the appropriation to Bauch, Zucker, Hatfield LLC, Springfield, New Jersey, in the matter entitled Stephen McGuire v. UC, et als in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 for a new total amount of \$85,000.00.

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

FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

2012-539 FREEHOLDER ESTRADA: Recognizing Elizabeth Garcia who is being honored as the Person of the Year at the 11th Annual Linden Chamber of Commerce Scholarship and Business Dinner.

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

2012-540 FREEHOLDER WRIGHT: Congratulating the Tri-City NAACP and their honorees at the chapter's annual Freedom fund Banquet, Sunday June 17,2012.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]; MOVER: Daniel P. Sullivan, Freeholder; **SECONDER:** Christopher Hudak, Freeholder; **AYES:** Freeholder Estrada, Freeholder Hudak,

Freeholder Kowalski, Freeholder Scanlon, Freeholder Sullivan, Freeholder Wright, Vice Chairman Carter, Chairman Mirabella; **ABSENT:** Freeholder Jalloh;

2012-541 VICE CHAIRMAN CARTER: Congratulating the New Jersey Black Issues Convention as they celebrate their 30th Anniversary.

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

2012-542 VICE CHAIRMAN CARTER: Congratulating the Plainfield High School Alumni Association Hall of Fame Class of 2012.

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

2012-543 CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA: Congratulating Ennio J. Viglianti of Westfield, New Jersey on being awarded the Bronze Star Medal for faithful and dedicated service to our Nation.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION

This meeting is open to the public for the purpose of commenting on any matter.

John Bury, Kenilworth, made comments regarding the budget, stating that \$600,000 for Aide to UCIA was not mentioned in previous years.

Mr. Bury spoke about the line item in the budget for the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund. He asked why there was an increase compared to last year since there was no property acquired. He said there is no room for debt. He claims there was misappropriation of funds.

Director Taylor stated there is not a separate appropriation in the 2011 budget for the UCIA. In the budget amendment, it was lumped into the public obligations line and this year it was separated to make it clear.

Director Taylor stated that the reason for the increase in the open space contribution is to help offset the appropriations for park maintenance. The costs have increased and it was a tough budget year. We tried to maximize a lot of various revenue sources that were legal and appropriate. She stated that the expenditures are set forth by Statute and Referendum for the maintenance of land acquired for recreation and/or conservation purposes. It does not limit maintenance solely of land acquired by open space, it is set aside for open space maintenance purposes. There is a schedule to support the debt service in the budget, and it is State approved as meeting the legal requirements of

law.

Michelle Smith, Plainfield, employee at Runnells Specialized Hospital, stated that she attended the May 3rd Freeholder Meeting on behalf of her sister. She thanked the Board and Director DiRado for their support and said the issue has been resolved.

Chairman Mirabella thanked the Directors and said he was happy it all worked out.

Sarah Tedesco, Council member of Garwood, introduced herself to the Board and asked that the Council Members of Garwood begin attending the Freeholder Meeting. She said it was a pleasure to attend the meeting.

Bruce Paterson, Garwood, said there is something wrong with the budget process. He said the budget is still up \$12 million. He said he appreciates Director Taylor for taking another look at the bonds. He spoke about the \$1 million to pay the bond professionals and attorneys and spoke against the Cap Bank Resolution.

Mr. Paterson asked why the handicap ramps along Martine Avenue are being removed when they were installed only two years ago.

County Engineer Mineo stated that over the last 10 years, the Department of Transportation funded most of the road projects for Union County. There have been some lawsuits throughout the country as the ramps were too steep. A number of ramps had to be revamped and it has become part of an ARRA project. ARRA has given funding to rebuild those ramps and for the future, the ramps have to meet the new standards.

Chairman Mirabella stated that since installation Federal grant dollars with different specifications are being used to re-do the ramps to meet the new guidelines.

County Engineer Mineo stated that the ramps are required to be flatter throughout the State and country.

Chairman Mirabella thanked Mr. Paterson for the question.

FREEHOLDER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Freeholder Estrada stated that on Sheet 2 of the Budget it a reduction a \$20 million reduction of revenue from 2011 to 2012. He congratulated the Fiscal Committee for their hard work.

Freeholder Hudak mentioned the upcoming registration dates for the Union County Baseball Association's Summer Youth Baseball League, for boys and girls ages 8 to 15. The dates are this Saturday, June 16th and the following two Saturdays, the 23rd and the 30th, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the boathouse in Warinanco Park. The league runs all through July and the fee is only \$25. Players will need to bring the registration fee to sign up, along with their birth certificate to verify their age. Participating in the Youth Baseball League is a great way to stay active and enjoy the summer, and generations of Union County youngsters have enjoyed it since the 1940's. More information is available at www.ucba-nj.org.

Freeholder Hudak commended County Manager Faella, Director DiRado, Director Taylor and Director Guzzo on their hard work on the budget.

Freeholder Hudak made comments pertaining to the shared service dispatch center. He said since

the closing of CenCom, the dispatching service would be dispatched from Monmouth County. He said it is vital that responders are familiar with the area. He commended Director Moran for his work on this shared service agreement.

Freeholder Hudak congratulated Freeholder Estrada for being chosen as the Freeholder of the Year by NJAC.

Freeholder Kowalski thanked the Finance team for their work on the budget, particularly Freeholder Sullivan, as the Fiscal Chair, the Fiscal Committee and County Manager Faella.

Freeholder Kowalski also congratulated Freeholder Estrada as being named the Freeholder of the Year.

Freeholder Kowalski stated that she attended Bio Blitz this past Saturday, where scientists and volunteers come together to count species. She thanked the Parks staff and volunteers. She also stated that she attended the Teen Arts Festival with Freeholder Wright, and mentioned that she, along with Freeholder Jalloh, Freeholder Wright and Freeholder Carter helped cut the ribbon at the newly opened Career Center at the Union County College Campus in Elizabeth.

Freeholder Kowalski met with a resident of the Deserted Village, along with the archaeologist and staff members. The resident spoke about how it was living there and that it was a great place to live. Freeholder Kowalski said using grant funding provided by the New Jersey Historical Commission through a Union County History Grant, the County has hired Museum attendants to open the major Deserted Village buildings (the Church/Store Building and Masker's Barn) to the general public on Saturdays and Sundays throughout the summer. The Museum attendants will also conduct mini-tours of the Village. The grounds of the Deserted Village are already open daily during daylight hours, while the buildings are open to the public for Four Centuries in a Weekend every fall, and for special events.

Freeholder Scanlon congratulated Freeholder Estrada on being named the Freeholder of the Year by NJAC. She thanked Freeholder Sullivan and County Manager Faella, and everyone involved in the budget process.

Freeholder Scanlon stated that we will be holding a ribbon cutting on Tuesday, June 19th at 4:30 p.m. for the official opening of the Ponderosa Farm Park in Scotch Plains. The facility was the estate of the late Norman "Dutch" Sevell, who founded and owned Sevell's Auto Body and Towing on South Avenue in Westfield. He said you may be aware, the Union County Open Space Trust Fund, under the direction of the Freeholder Board, purchased the 22-acre property in 2003 for \$10 million saving it from development. We worked with the Ponderosa Citizens Committee to come up with the present vision for the property. The park now contains an amazing children's playground with farm-themed stations, swings, a climbing station, a dancing spray park. There are also walking trails, and two multi-use soccer fields.

Freeholder extender her special thanks to Vicky Durbin, our Trust Fund Administrator, our Attorney Burt Zitomer, and Walter Patrylo, of the Engineering Division for their efforts in spearheading this project with our private contractors. An honorable mention also goes to the Department of Parks and Community Renewal and our IT division. The Ponderosa Farm Park will remain a County Park, but will be maintained by Scotch Plains. We hope you can make the opening-it is 1600 Cooper Road in Scotch Plains.

Freeholder Sullivan stated that last week was the official opening of the new TaylorMade Performance Lab at our Galloping Hill golf course in Kenilworth. This new facility is one of only 16

Performance Labs currently in the U.S., making it is a notable addition to our golf operations. The Lab uses state-of-the art motion capture technology to analyze your swing, provide you with feedback, and help you select the right clubs. It is another milestone in the transformation of Galloping Hill into a world class facility where golfers of all ages and skill levels can come to enjoy the sport and improve their game. Freeholder Sullivan encouraged the public to visit the new Performance Lab, and the other new facilities. More information is available online at gallopinghill.com, or call 908-686-1556.

Freeholder Sullivan stated that the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund dollars are spent on Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation, not only open space. It is not a means to only purchasing open space. He commended Director Taylor on providing the public with a very good explanation the workings of the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund.

Freeholder Sullivan thanked everyone involved in the budget process. He said in more than 18 years of him being a Freeholder, this has been the worst budget has experienced. They will continue working on the Budget.

Freeholder Sullivan congratulated Freeholder Estrada as being named the Freeholder of the Year by NJAC. NJAC was having a great deal of budget problems. Under his leadership, along with the other members they were able to straighten out their financial issues.

Freeholder Sullivan congratulated Chairman Mirabella on all the votes he received during the Primary Election. He also congratulated Mayor J. Christian Bollwage on his outstanding victory.

Freeholder Sullivan acknowledged Flag Day.

County Manager Faella personally thanked the Fiscal Committee and the Freeholder Board with the difficult budget. He thanked his staff, Director's Taylor, Director DiRado and Director Guzzo. He said it is now a 12 month project and feasibility studies and competitive contracts are being worked on for next year.

Vice Chairman Carter stated that she attended the John Stamler's Police Academy where over 30 individuals were sworn in as new police officers. She congratulated them and extended well wishes to remain safe.

Vice Chairman Carter congratulated Freeholder Estrada on the being named the Freeholder of the Year by NJAC. She stated that knowing Maurice Fitzsimmons, (whom the Award is named after) it is approp Freeholder Estrada is truly deserving of the Freeholder of the Year.

Chairman Mirabella congratulated Freeholder Estrada on receiving the Freeholder of the Year Award.

Chairman Mirabella stated that last week, he had the pleasure of attending a dinner in honor of Patrick Mauro, who has just retired as principle of Union County Vocational-Technical High School. There was a great turnout for this event, and it was a real testimony to Mr. Mauro's outstanding contribution to the quality of life in Union County, which spans almost 40 years. He started as a teacher in Hillside before coming to the Vo-Tech district in 1992, and under his guidance UC Tech has provided thousands of high school students with a leg up on promising careers, and a better

chance to make a good life for themselves and their communities. On behalf of the Board, he wished Patrick Mauro all the best for a long and enjoyable retirement.

Chairman Mirabella congratulated and wished everyone luck on the upcoming campaign. He acknowledged the significant victory of 75% by Mayor J. Christian Bollwage.

Chairman Mirabella stated that he was at the Fire Academy Graduation. There was a new award given this year, in honor of Ben Laganga, the Ben Laganga Leadership Award. He was happy to be there with his wife and children.

Chairman Mirabella spoke about the 4th Union County Means Business Breakfast, held at Union County College. He said Freeholder Sullivan and Dr. McMenamain, President of Union County College were in attendance. These events will begin again in the fall. He thanked Deputy Director of Parks and Community Renewal Cherron Rountree and Bureau Chief of the Bureau of Government Relations and Community Outreach Amy Wagner for their hard work with the event.

Chairman Mirabella attended the Union County Arts Center for a concert for Autism Awareness. He was thankful for all the letters and emails, thanking the County for having this type of events.

Chairman Mirabella stated that he has admired Freeholder Sullivan on the work he has done as Chair of the Fiscal Committee. He spoke about the employees that have been laid off and the services that are available to help them get another job. We care very much for the employees and all the contributions they have made. Chairman Mirabella stated that they are committed to a year round budget process, and thanked everyone involved in the budget process.

Chairman Mirabella wished dad's a Happy Fathers' Day.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 PM.

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

2012 UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS' MEETING SCHEDULE

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

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

REORGANIZATION MEETING - SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 2012 at 12:00pm
Assignment Judge Karen M. Cassidy's Courtroom, 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ

AGENDA SETTING MEETINGS

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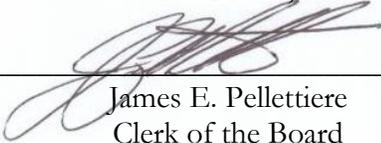
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James E. Pellettiere
Clerk of the Board

JEP:mb

Ordinance for Final Reading – 735-2012.

Chairman Mirabella: Mr. Clerk, please read Ordinance Number 735-2012.

Clerk, James Pellettiere read the title of Ordinance 735-2012.

Chairman Mirabella: Ok, Mr. Clerk, thank you.

Chairman Mirabella: The meeting is open to the public for the purpose of commenting on Ordinance 735-2012 only. Please come forward, state your name and town of residence and please adhere to the five minute time limit.

Bruce Paterson, Garwood: Good evening ladies and gentlemen of the Freeholder Board, a simple question, is Rahway Recycling and materials. I would like to know who the principals are and who-ever is going to answer I want to hear all the principals because the last time I asked a question like that, I forgot the name of the company, it was something Strategies and it turns out that there was like three or four principals that you left off. One of them was Jamel Holley, if you remember that, that time I asked. Simple question, who are the principals, all of them. Thank you.

Chairman Mirabella: Fair enough. I will call upon Executive Director Sullivan to answer that.

Freeholder Sullivan: Mr. Chairman I don't have the information as to who the principals are. I know it's a long-time business in the City of Rahway that has been operating there for many, many years. The reason this is now on the Agenda for your discussion and vote is that they are expanding their business to take in recycling materials from other contractors throughout the County and that's why they need to be included in this. We could get the information as to who are the principals of the company, but that was not a question that came before the UCUA or it doesn't come before the Freeholder Board.

Chairman Mirabella: Ok, alright Mr. Paterson we will get that.

Mr. Paterson: I have to continue. You are voting on this company and you don't even know who owns it. This is what I don't understand. The depth of knowledge. You guys...

Freeholder Sullivan: Excuse me. We have a gentleman here who...

Mr. Paterson: Oh good I'd like to hear the answer. I'm glad because I mean, suddenly you are going to be voting on it, and you don't even know who it is.

Freeholder Sullivan: Mr. Paterson, I can tell you this. It was approved by the Rahway Zoning Board. This gentleman here will explain that, if you will take a seat.

Chairman Mirabella: come forward

There are 4 owners.

Chairman Mirabella: Can you just state your name?

Sure, **Helder Assenscio**

Chairman Mirabella: and the town of residence

Mr. Assenscio: Scotch Plains, New Jersey. There are four owners: Frank Pinho III, Maria Assenscio, MaryJo A'gostino and Benidita Baros.

Chairman Mirabella: All right, thank you very much for that information. Is there anyone else wishing to speak on this Ordinance. (There was no-one else). Ok. I'll close that portion of the meeting for the purpose of commenting on Ordinance 735-2012.

Chairman Mirabella: I will ask Freeholder Hudak to move this ordinance.

Freeholder Hudak: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I wish to move Ordinance 735-2012 for final reading and authorize the Clerk of the Board to advertise same in accordance with the law.

Chairman Mirabella: Can I have a second, please.

Freeholder Scanlon: Second

Chairman Mirabella: Seconded by Freeholder Scanlon. Mr. Clerk, please call the roll.

Clerk of the Board James Pellettiere: Freeholder Estrada, yes on Ordinance 735-2012, Freeholder Hudak, aye, Freeholder Kowalski, yes, Freeholder Scanlon, aye, Freeholder Sullivan, abstain, Freeholder Wright, yes, Vice Chairman Carter, yes, Chairman Mirabella, yes.

Clerk of the Board James Pellettiere: Chairman you have seven votes in the affirmative with one abstention.

Chairman Mirabella: Thank you Mr. Clerk.

6/14/2012

Dear Friend:

Brand New Day is grateful for the many supporters who believe in our mission and vision of Transformation, Hope and Healing.



Every day we help families prepare for achieving the America dream of home ownership; assist them in financial fitness through credit counseling, and work with them to save their homes from foreclosure.

The stories attached represent the lives that are touched through your support of Brand New Day. Your tax deductible donation is critical to revitalize the lives of families that have strayed off track; create hope in the hopeless and heal those that are broken.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Brand New Day staff and community, we ask for your support as we work diligently to serve those in need. Your tax deductible donation can be sent to www.brandnewdaycdc.org "Donate Now."

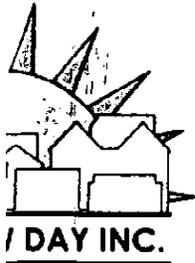
We look forward to keeping you apprised of our programs as we work together to serve those in need so they can continue to say, I'm OK.

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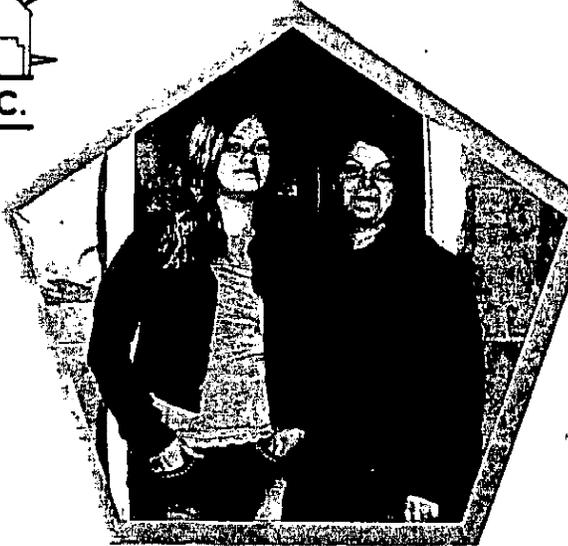
I'm OK: Stories of Transformation, Hope, & Healing

At age 15 my Step Mother signed me out of high school and enrolled me in Job Corps because I was getting into a lot of trouble, I did not want to go, so I ran away from home. One day I ran into Mr. John Ford a Counselor from YouthBuild who told me to enroll in Brand New Day's YouthBuild program. I did, and one year later, I had my GED and Construction Trade Certification. Now I am working in a field that I love, thanks to Brand New Day and YouthBuild. I can finally say, "Now I'm OK."





..We're OK.



Property & Asset

Ten years ago, I heard Brand New Day had affordable townhouses for rent. I was a single mother on a fixed income, and needed someplace better than where I was living. I waited on a line that wrapped around the block for the application. I got approved and moved in. Living here is like being a part of a community, with neighbors you can trust.

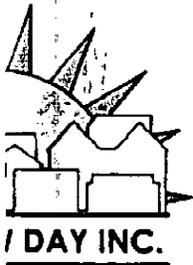
I love my house...
...and we're ok!



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As Brand New Day was building my home, I completed the long approval process. It was hard, but now that I closed on my loan with low interest and affordable payments, I own my own home...

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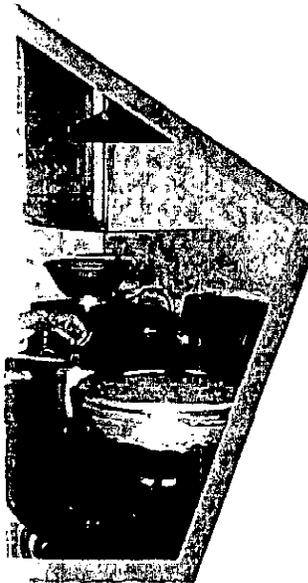
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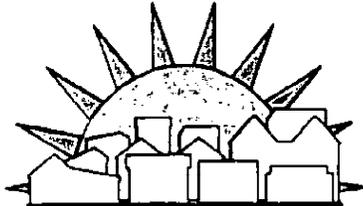
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OUR MISSION: Brand New Day, Inc.'s mission is to enhance the quality of life for low-to-moderate-income individuals, youth and families through the development, management and preservation of affordable housing, promoting neighborhood based education, economic development and advocating for social equality in the state of New Jersey.

OUR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES: Brand New Day (BND) is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit community development corporations incorporated in 1985 by diverse members of the community and the Board and Executive Director of Elizabethport Presbyterian Center. Brand New Day (BND) provides programs and services to individuals, families, youth, renters, homeowners, micro-businesses and supporters of the low to moderate-income population.



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PROPERTY AND ASSET MANAGEMENT:

BND's ongoing goal is to preserve and stabilize affordable housing in the communities we serve. BND manages its existing real estate portfolio in accordance with federal, state, county and city guidelines and requirements.

REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT:

BND, now in its 26th year, has been a pioneer in the redevelopment of vacant and abandoned properties into quality and affordable rental housing and homeownership opportunities for low to moderate income residents.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION & ORGANIZING:

As a HUD Certified Counseling Agency, Brand New Day's NeighborWorks® Home Ownership Center facilitates confidential foreclosure counseling, credit counseling, home buyer education, and financial literacy education.

YOUTH SERVICES:

YouthBuild Elizabeth (YBE) is working with 75 at-risk youth; offering an alternative learning opportunity for the unemployed/underemployed, including ex-offenders, young parents and those who did not complete secondary education. YouthBuild students are able to earn their GED, while learning the construction trade, secure their National Center for Construction Education & Research (NCCER) Certification; and become actively involved in community service.