



# UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2011  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

## CALL TO ORDER

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Chairman Deborah P. Scanlon called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Linda Carter	Freeholder	Present	
Angel G. Estrada	Freeholder	Present	
Christopher Hudak	Freeholder	Present	
Mohamed S. Jalloh	Freeholder	Present	
Bette Jane Kowalski	Freeholder	Absent	
Daniel P. Sullivan	Freeholder	Present	
Nancy Ward	Freeholder	Late	7:08 PM
Alexander Mirabella	Vice Chairman	Present	
Deborah P. Scanlon	Chairman	Present	

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

(Freeholder Ward entered the meeting).

## PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

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

## STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

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The Statement of Compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act was read by the Clerk of the Board.

## PRESENTATIONS FROM THE BOARD

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1. Resolutions will be presented to two Union County Vo-Tech Schools - Magnet High School and The Academy for Information Technology - for being recognized by US News & World Report for academic excellence.
2. Resolutions will be presented to three Union County Vo-Tech Schools -Academy for Allied Health Sciences, Magnet High School and Academy for Information Technology - on being ranked among the top 500 public schools in the nation by Newsweek Magazine.

Dr. Thomas Bistocchi, Supervisor of the Union County Vocational-Technical Schools explained the significance of these outstanding achievements by Union County's Vocational Technical Schools. He introduced the principals of the schools, several teachers and students.

## APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

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Note and File

## 1. Oath of Office: Workforce Investment Board: Anna K. Lustenberg

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Alexander Mirabella, Vice Chairman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Christopher Hudak, Freeholder
<b>AYES:</b>	Carter, Estrada, Hudak, Jalloh, Sullivan, Ward, Mirabella, Scanlon
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Bette Jane Kowalski

**MINUTES APPROVAL**

## 1. August 25, 2011 – Regular Meeting Minutes

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Daniel P. Sullivan, Freeholder
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Nancy Ward, Freeholder
<b>AYES:</b>	Carter, Estrada, Hudak, Jalloh, Sullivan, Ward, Mirabella, Scanlon
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Bette Jane Kowalski

## 2. August 25, 2011 - Executive Session - As Amended

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

## 3. September 08, 2011 – Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ACCEPTED [7 TO 0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Daniel P. Sullivan, Freeholder
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Nancy Ward, Freeholder
<b>AYES:</b>	Carter, Estrada, Hudak, Jalloh, Sullivan, Mirabella, Scanlon
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	Nancy Ward
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Bette Jane Kowalski

## 4. September 8, 2011 - Executive Session Minutes

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

## 5. September 15, 2011 - Executive Session Minutes

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

## 6. September 22, 2011 – Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes

**RESULT:** ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]  
**MOVER:** Daniel P. Sullivan, Freeholder  
**SECONDER:** Nancy Ward, Freeholder  
**AYES:** Carter, Estrada, Hudak, Jalloh, Sullivan, Ward, Mirabella, Scanlon  
**ABSENT:** Bette Jane Kowalski

7. September 27, 2011 – Regular Meeting Minutes

**RESULT:** ACCEPTED [6 TO 0]  
**MOVER:** Daniel P. Sullivan, Freeholder  
**SECONDER:** Nancy Ward, Freeholder  
**AYES:** Carter, Estrada, Hudak, Sullivan, Ward, Scanlon  
**ABSTAIN:** Mohamed S. Jalloh, Alexander Mirabella  
**ABSENT:** Bette Jane Kowalski

**PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION**

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

George Khatriharitis, Elizabeth, made comments referring to Resolution Number 2011-894, the contract with Aramark, providing his opinion of the quality of the food and advising that because the inmates throw it out, there is no need to enter into the contract. He also made comments regarding extreme, radical Muslim inmates.

Bruce Paterson, Garwood, made comments relative to 2011-884, to provide sports court resurfacing. He asks which courts are being resurfaced, on 2011-885, he asked why only 11 municipalities are receiving grant funds. Resolution 2011-887, 2011-888 and 2011-889 he asked if these funds are to offset the budget. He commented on 2011-893, relative to how insurance companies are compensated. Mr. Paterson commented on 2011-894 on the cost of the meals provided. In reference to 2011-900, he stated that the cost is extreme and asked if it has been competitively bid, if a benefit analysis has been done, asked about the pay-back period and if the amount includes engineering fees. In reference to 2011-904, he asked how many ramps are being installed and the scope of the oversight. Mr. Paterson also asked about the Web Creations Resolution which was pulled after last week's meeting.

Deputy Director Ronald Zuber explained that Resolution 2011-884 is for interlocking surfacing pieces for six different tennis and basketball courts which will be advantageous for maintenance purposes.

Administrator of the Office of Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation, Vikki Durbin-Drake advised that the other 10 municipalities did not apply for the grant.

Director Taylor responded to questions about Resolutions 2011-887, 2011-888 and 2011-889. She said these are grant dollars used to offset current County programs, and without these funds, we could not provide these services our constituents.

Director Graziano stated that Resolutions 2011-900 and 2011-904 and fully funded by Community

Block Development Grants, including the engineering services. He said the road resurfacing project amendment includes replacing all handicapped ramps. The Federal government gave the county funding to do the extra work which they are requiring.

Director Riordan explained Resolution 2011-894, stating that the actual budget for meals is currently \$12,000 under the budget, because the population fluctuates. He said they meet periodically with the vendor if there are complaints about the food. He said the complaints are not about the quality of the food, but the lack of condiments and temperature. He said that they put together an inmate council to address group issues.

Director Riordan stated that there are no particular problems regarding Islamic Radicalization, but we do have a thorough and dedicated Intelligence Unit which monitors threats.

Jim Beuttner, Cranford, asked for an explanation of Resolution 2011-879 and Resolution 2011-882. He opposes hydroraking Sperry Pond Park. He asked for an explanation of the Greening Union County Grant and Resolution 2011-886 to Preserve Union County's Matching Grant. He said he does not support Resolution 2011-897, and wishes the County came to Cranford in its' hour of need.

Director Yuska explained Resolution 2011- 879. He stated that there is pending legislation to publish estimates of bids prior to opening. He said the NJAC and the Purchasing Association are opposed and seven other counties approved a similar Resolution.

Administrator of the Office of Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Vikki Durbin-Drake explained Resolution 2011-882. She stated that hydroraking is normal maintenance of ponds. It is a method of removing nuisance vegetation. Sperry Pond consists of approximately three acres. She commented on dredging. Additionally, she said that Preserving Union County was established in 2003, 2005, 2007, 2009 and 2011 and is in-line with the intent of the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund for preservation. She said a total of \$500,000 is available in matching grants to local historic preservation groups and municipalities who are eligible.

Ms. Durbin-Drake stated that in reference to Resolution 2011-885. The Greening Union County Program was established in 2004 for the purpose of putting trees back into the community. It is a tree for tree match, and both grants are dollar for dollar matches.

Director Graziano explained that Resolution 2011-897 is to allocate funds for the maintenance of gauges and maps along the Rahway River. Our share of \$25,000 is the cost to maintain the system. He said there is one gauge in Springfield, one in Kenilworth and 2 in Rahway.

Director Graziano spoke about his Department's responses to Hurricane Irene. He said manpower and financing is still ongoing. He said the County has spent hundreds of thousands of dollars on the storm, and provided much manpower. He stated that the Freeholders were in Cranford and the Public Safety, Parks and Public Works Departments were all on hand and no municipality was refused help.

John Bury, Kenilworth, opposes Resolution 2011-879, and supports the pending legislation.

Chairman Scanlon responded regarding the amount of money spent on the hurricane.

Tina Renna, Cranford, asked questions regarding 2011-879, and questions the intent of the

legislation.

Director Yuska said that the purpose of Resolution 2011-879 is to oppose the pending legislation. He said it does not affect local public contracts law in any other way than already specified. There are very strict laws about how to reject bids and they are very well regulated.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

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The following Resolutions are being offered for adoption:

**2011-879 FREEHOLDER ANGEL G. ESTRADA:** Opposing New Jersey Assembly Number 3285, pending legislation which would require certain public contract bid advertisements to contain certified cost estimates and specifies grounds for the rejection of all bids.

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

**2011-880 FREEHOLDER MOHAMED S. JALLOH:** Amending Resolution Number 2011-715 with McKesson Medical / Surgical Supplies, Golden Valley, Minnesota, to decrease the total contract amount by \$2,000 and to adjust allocations within the subaccounts.

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

**2011-881 FREEHOLDER MOHAMED S. JALLOH:** Authorizing the County Manager to continue a month to month contract with Always Caring Medical Transportation, Dunellen, New Jersey for essential ambulance services at Runnells Specialized Hospital for a period not to exceed six months in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.

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

**2011-882 FREEHOLDER DANIEL P. SULLIVAN:** Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Aquatic Analysts, Middleville, New Jersey for Hydroraking of Sperry Pond Park, Cranford, New Jersey in the amount of \$25,725.

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

**2011-883 FREEHOLDER DANIEL P. SULLIVAN:** Amending Resolution Number 2009-80, awarding a contract to Harbor Consultants, Cranford, New Jersey for professional services as they relate to the Clark Reservoir property. This contract, in conjunction with and for the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund, will assist the County Of Union in remaining in compliance with

the NJDEP, Green Acres Program by proactively identifying, marking and surveying encroachments at that site. This amendment is in the amount of \$45,150.00, for a new total not to exceed \$192,650.00.

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

**2011-884 FREEHOLDER DANIEL P. SULLIVAN:** 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 Engineering, Public Works and Facilities: Niram Inc., Boonton, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing Sports Court Resurfacing System, for a twenty-four month period, in the amount of \$283,050.

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

**2011-885 FREEHOLDER DANIEL P. SULLIVAN:** Authorizing the County Manager to award grants to eleven (11) municipalities participating in the Greening Union County 2011 grant program in a total amount not to exceed \$64,892.00; in conjunction with and for the Union County Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund.

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

**2011-886 FREEHOLDER DANIEL P. SULLIVAN:** Authorizing the County Manager to encumber and allocate funds to the applicants of the Preserve Union County 2011 matching grant program in an amount not to exceed \$499,508.50; in conjunction with and for the Union County Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund.

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

**2011-887 VICE CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Modifying the 2011 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$137,995.00 as a result of notification received from the State of NJ, Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness for a program entitled: FFY09 Interoperable Emergency Communications Grant (IECGP).

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

**2011-888 VICE CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Modifying the 2011 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$11,235.00 as a result of notification received from the State of NJ, Department of Labor and Workforce Development for a program entitled: SmartSTEPS Program Grant.

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

**2011-889 VICE CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Modifying the 2011 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$269,863.00 as a result of notification received from the U.S. Department of Justice for a program entitled: 2011 Edward Byrne Memorial Assistance Grant.

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

**2011-890 CHAIRMAN DEBORAH P. SCANLON:** Amending Resolution Number 2011-1154, a contract with Qiagen, Inc., Valencia, California to purchase two additional robotic workstations and to increase the contract in the amount of \$39,617.60 for a new contract amount of \$59,426.40.

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

**2011-891 CHAIRMAN DEBORAH P. SCANLON:** Amending Resolution Number 2010-1157, which listed State Contract Vendors for potential use as required by the State of New Jersey. This amendment approves the addition of vendors who were recently awarded state contracts and their potential use for cost savings through cooperative purchasing.

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

**2011-892 CHAIRMAN DEBORAH P. SCANLON:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with the Hartford Insurance Company for the purpose of providing a Public Employee Crime Bond for Melinda Zito from September 6, 2011 through September 5, 2012 in an amount not to exceed \$1,750.

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

**2011-893 CHAIRMAN DEBORAH P. SCANLON:** Amending Resolution Number 2010-1080, naming Hale Insurance as the County's Broker of Record, to reflect the company's new name as a result of a merger, HUB International Limited.

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

**2011-894 CHAIRMAN DEBORAH P. SCANLON:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with Aramark Correctional Services, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia to provide food services to the Union County Jail for a two year period beginning November 13, 2011 through November 12, 2013 with the option for three - one year extension in an amount not to exceed \$2,792,638.

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

**2011-895 CHAIRMAN DEBORAH P. SCANLON:** Granting permission to the Lupus Foundation of America, New Jersey Chapter, Inc., to hang a banner on Springfield Avenue by the entrance to Nomahegan Park from October 17, 2011 to October 24, 2011 to advertise the annual "Walk for Lupus Now" event to be held on Sunday, October 23, 2011 at Nomahegan Park.

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

**2011-896 CHAIRMAN DEBORAH P. SCANLON:** Concurring with the Township of Springfield's Ordinance No. 2011-15, establishing a no parking zone on Mountain Avenue, a County road, between North Trivet Avenue and South Trivet Avenue.

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

**2011-897 CHAIRMAN DEBORAH P. SCANLON:** Authorizing the County Manager to execute a Joint Funding Agreement with the U.S. Department of Interior, U.S. Geological Survey, for the operations and maintenance of a Flood Monitoring System in the Lower Rahway River Basin, beginning October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012 for a sum not to exceed \$14,990.00.

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

**2011-898 CHAIRMAN DEBORAH P. SCANLON:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Shared Service Agreement between the County of Union and the City of Rahway to replace the traffic control signal at West Grand and Elizabeth Avenues.

**RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]; MOVER:** Daniel P. Sullivan, Freeholder; **SECONDER:** Alexander Mirabella, Vice Chairman; **AYES:** Freeholder Carter, Freeholder Estrada,



Freeholder Hudak, Freeholder Jalloh, Freeholder Sullivan, Freeholder Ward, Vice Chairman Mirabella, Chairman Scanlon; **ABSENT:** Freeholder Kowalski;

- 2011-899 CHAIRMAN DEBORAH P. SCANLON:** Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to T&M Associates, Middletown, New Jersey for the purpose of providing Professional Engineering Services for a Manual for Uniform Traffic Control Devices Sign Inventory & Assessment Program in the amount not to exceed \$199,643.

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

- 2011-900 CHAIRMAN DEBORAH P. SCANLON:** Resolution awarding a contract to EMSA Solar LLC, Parlin, New Jersey for the installation of solar photovoltaic (PV) systems at the Trailside Nature Center, the New Juvenile Detention Center and the Ruotolo Justice Center, totaling 146 kW for an amount not to exceed \$669,400.00. This project is funded by a Federal Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG).

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

- 2011-901 CHAIRMAN DEBORAH P. SCANLON:** Concurring with the Township of Springfield, granting permission to the Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce to close Mountain Avenue between Caldwell Place and Morris Avenue from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 16, 2011 with a rain date of Sunday, October 23, 2011 for the Fall Festival. Also, granting permission to hang a banner on Mountain Avenue and Meisel Avenue from September 28, 2011 to October 26, 2011.

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

- 2011-902 CHAIRMAN DEBORAH P. SCANLON:** 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 Administrative Services, Division of Motor Vehicles: Construction Crane & Tractor, Inc., Folcroft, Pennsylvania, for the purpose of providing one (1) Asphalt Planer, in the amount of \$488,560.00 to be used by Public Works.

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

- 2011-903 CHAIRMAN DEBORAH P. SCANLON:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Shared Service Agreement between the County of Union and Berkeley Heights, Summit, and Union for six (6) Intersection Improvements located on the following County Roads: (1) Berkeley Heights - Intersection of Diamond Hill Road and McMane Avenue; (2) City of Summit – Intersection of Springfield Avenue and New England Avenue; and (3) Intersection of Springfield Avenue, Passaic

Avenue and Old Springfield Road; (4) Township of Union- Vauxhall Road (CR 630) and Pine Street; (5) Vauxhall Road (CR 630) and Caldwell Avenue; and (6) Chestnut Street (CR 619) and Parkview Terrace.

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

**2011-904 CHAIRMAN DEBORAH P. SCANLON:** Amending Resolution Number 2010-351, a Professional Engineering Service contract with Pennoni Associates, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, approving Change Order No. 1, for additional engineering services associated with the 2009 ARRA Roadway Project, in an amount of \$55,000.00 for a new contract amount of \$285,058.50.

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

**2011-905 CHAIRMAN DEBORAH P. SCANLON:** Amending Resolution Number 2011-94, to increase the appropriation allotted for the deductible costs of the Prosecutor's Office liability insurance for an additional amount of \$7,500.00 for a total amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 and to increase the appropriation allotted for court reporting for an additional amount of \$20,000.00 for a total amount not to exceed \$28,000.00

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

**2011-906 CHAIRMAN DEBORAH P. SCANLON:** Appointing the following as members of the Union County Vocational Technical School Board for a term commencing November 1, 2011 through October 1, 2015: Charles Mancuso, Jane Lorber and Marge Devanney.

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

#### FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

**2011-907 FREEHOLDER LINDA CARTER:** Honoring Mr. Warren Eisenberg, Rabbi Emeritus Charles A. Kroloff, Ms. Myrna Dyson, Mr. Henry Foster, Ms. Brett Harris and Gordon Golum for their efforts on behalf of the "I Have a Dream" Foundation of Plainfield.

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

**2011-908 FREEHOLDER ANGEL G. ESTRADA:** Congratulating Peter Agliata on being named Ribera Italian-American Citizens Club “Man of the Year”

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

**2011-909 VICE CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Celebrating the 3rd Annual Columbus Day Flag Raising Event in Union County.

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

**2011-910 VICE CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Honoring David Toma of Clark who will deliver the keynote address at Union County’s Third Annual Columbus Day Flag Raising event.

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

**2011-911 CHAIRMAN DEBORAH P. SCANLON:** Congratulating Joseph Burlew, Sr. of Unon Township, New Jersey on being honored by the Grand Knights of Union Council 4504.

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

**2011-912 CHAIRMAN SCANLON AND THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Recognizing October 2011 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month in the County of Union.

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

**2011-913 CHAIRMAN SCANLON AND THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Congratulating three Union County VoTech Schools (Academy for Allied Health Sciences, Magnet High School, and Academy for Information Technology) on being ranked among the top 500 public schools in the nation by Newsweek Magazine.

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

**2011-914 CHAIRMAN SCANLON AND THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Congratulating two Union County Vo-Tech Schools (Magnet High School and The Academy for Information Technology) for being recognized by US News & World Report for academic excellence.

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

**2011-915 CHAIRMAN SCANLON AND THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Congratulating Frank Bradley upon the occasion of his retirement as Business Administrator from the Township of Union.

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

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION**

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

George Kharitriharitis, Elizabeth, spoke about a fund raiser that is being held at the Ritz Theater and, questioned who will be paying for the police.

Chairman Scanlon stated that the County does not have jurisdiction over the Ritz Theater and the Elizabeth Police will be paid for by the Ritz Theater or this group will pay, not the County of Union.

Bruce Paterson, Garwood, stated that he is opposed to Resolution 2011-879 and he commented on the Union County Utilities Authority arrangement. He thanked Vice Chairman Mirabella for his comments at the last Freeholder Meeting. He spoke about Special Bond Counsel to the Union County Utilities Authority, Jonathan Williams, Esq. made comments pertaining to the Covanta transaction.

Tina Renna, Cranford spoke about the Union County Utilities Authority arrangement and the Harrisburg's bankruptcy situation. She also commented about Musicfest.

County Counsel Barry, Esq. responded to comments relative to MusicFest. He explained that in reference to the handling of funds, Prosecutor Romankow recommended that the Love Hope Strength Foundation dollars are kept in a separate counting room and the funds should not be placed in the same safe as other revenue from MusicFest. He added that the 50/50 raffle is strictly a Love Hope Strength activity and the County has no involvement.

John Bury, Kenilworth, does not support Resolution 2011-879. Mr. Bury made comments opposing the Union County Utilities Authority/Covanta arrangement.

Adina Toescu-Enculescu, Westfield, made comments about a crosswalk and traffic sign built in front of her house and near her driveway. She stated that there have been accidents.

Chairman Scanlon asked Ms. Toescu-Enculescu to speak to Director of Engineering, Thomas Mineo.

Maria Carluccio, Westfield made comments regarding the intersection and light installed on Central Avenue, indicating it is not safe.

Sherry Bolk, Plainfield, made comments regarding political signs on roads that are not picked up after the election. She spoke about the maintenance of the Park Madison building. She indicated that promises to allow parking in the garage over the weekend were not fulfilled. She asked questions regarding Covanta and electricity production to lower costs to residents.

Mr. Guzzo responded to the questions regarding the maintenance of the Park Madison building.

Freeholder Carter spoke about parking in the garage.

Gregory Casco, Westfield, made comments opposing the traffic signal on Central Avenue in Westfield.

Jim Beuttner, Cranford, stated that Director Graziano misunderstood his earlier comments. He said that meetings were held in Cranford pertaining to the river and stated that no Freeholder were in attendance.

Chairman Scanlon said the meetings were held on a Thursday evening, which is the Freeholder Meeting night.

Mr. Buettner commended the Union County Watchdog Association made comments pertaining to MusicFest, and asked what the Union County Performing Arts Center allocation is for. He advised the Board and the public that there will be a rally in downtown NYC, and said it is a worthy movement.

Bob Barnes, Westfield, received a notice from the Prosecutor's Office. He provided information on a robbery which took place on his property. He has not received any returned phone calls back.

Director Taylor explained the "not to exceed" amount of \$345,000 for the Union County Performing Arts Center.

#### **FREEHOLDER REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

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Freeholder Carter spoke about Four Centuries in a Weekend, this upcoming weekend. This annual event takes you on a tour of historic sites all through Union County. She said it is a treat for history buffs, and some of the sites also have performances and children's activities. She recommended Union County's own Deserted Village of Feltville in the Watchung Reservation, where we just completed renovation of Masker's Barn. This 1880's-era structure is now open to the public for meetings and other events, and we expect Masker's Barn to be a real asset for Union County residents in the coming years. She stated that a little ceremony to celebrate will be held on Sunday, October 16th, starting at 12:30 p.m. For all the details on Four Centuries, she urged the public to visit the County's website at [ucnj.org](http://ucnj.org).

Freeholder Estrada spoke highly of the students and staff of the Union County Vocational-Technical Schools. He also commented on Hispanic Heritage Month.

Freeholder Hudak spoke about the popular recycling events that will be coming up later this month and reminded the public of the change in location of the October 29th Household Hazardous Waste collection day will not be held at Rahway Park, instead, it will be held in the parking lot at the

Rahway Intermediate School. The school is located at the intersection of Madison and Westfield Avenues in Rahway. He said this is a great opportunity to safely dispose of your unwanted or outdated enamel paints, pesticides, and many other kinds of household wastes. For complete information on all of our recycling events, visit [ucnj.org/recycle](http://ucnj.org/recycle).

Freeholder Sullivan congratulated those who were part of the Columbus Day Flag Raising event. Freeholder Sullivan recited the grantees who received the Preserve Union County Grants. He made comments about the floods in Cranford.

Freeholder Sullivan stated that in reference to the UCUA/Covanta Agreement, the Plainfield Utilities Authority set their rates. He said under the old contract, the County did not share in profits from electricity generation, but under the new contract, we will. He said the issue in Harrisburg is totally irrelevant to what is going on in Union County. He said the UCUA has paid bonds every month, every year without delinquency. He said the Department of Environmental Protection and the Local Finance Board, both, agreed the deal should go forward.

Freeholder Sullivan commended the resident of Westfield for speaking on behalf of her neighbor regarding the Central Avenue light. He said something does not sound right, and we should look into it.

Freeholder Jalloh congratulated the Union County Vocational-Technical students. He commended his colleagues in supporting Cranford with recovery efforts during and in the weeks following Hurricane Irene. Freeholder Jalloh commended Director Graziano and his staff for their hard work.

Freeholder Jalloh stated that he went to Trailside Nature and Science Center and urges residents to go and also urges all eligible voters to participate in the voting process on November 8th, or get a vote by mail ballot application at the Union County Clerk's Office or in person at the County Clerk's office. The ballot can be filled out and your vote can be cast there. For more information about voting by mail, call the Union County Clerk at 908-527-4996.

Vice Chairman Mirabella said that he enjoyed the Italian Flag Raising event, and announced Red Ribbon Day is October 22, 2011 in Oak Ridge Park, which celebrates keeping kids off drugs and alcohol.

Chairman Scanlon reminded Union County residents that October is National Breast Cancer Awareness month. Though great strides have been made in the early detection and treatment of cancer, there is still a long road to go. In these days of shrinking budgets, it is important for the stream of funding for research to continue. It is also important to practice regular self-examinations, schedule visits with a doctor, and to stay informed. For more information, you can visit the National Breast Cancer Awareness website, at [www.NBCAM.org](http://www.NBCAM.org) <<http://www.NBCAM.org>>.

Chairman Scanlon agrees that there may be an issue with the light issue on Central Avenue in Westfield, and urged the constituents to speak to Director Mineo.

Chairman Scanlon spoke about the Resolution for Frank Bradley.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

1. Personnel Items and Potential Contract Negotiations for Shared Services Agreement with

## Middlesex County

2. Personnel Items County Counsel Barry stated that pursuant to provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act a public body may enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing certain enumerated subjects. This Board will now enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel items and potential contract negotiations for shared services agreement with Middlesex County.

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

Upon the Board's return, it will not take formal action on the matters discussed.

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

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Motion to enter Executive Session.

**RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]; MOVER:** Alexander Mirabella, Vice Chairman; **SECONDER:** Mohamed S. Jalloh, Freeholder; **AYES:** Freeholder Carter, Freeholder Estrada, Freeholder Hudak, Freeholder Jalloh, Freeholder Sullivan, Freeholder Ward, Vice Chairman Mirabella, Chairman Scanlon; **ABSENT:** Freeholder Kowalski;

Motion to return from Executive Session.

**RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]; MOVER:** Mohamed S. Jalloh, Freeholder; **SECONDER:** Alexander Mirabella, Vice Chairman; **AYES:** Freeholder Estrada, Freeholder Hudak, Freeholder Jalloh, Freeholder Sullivan, Freeholder Ward, Vice Chairman Mirabella, Chairman Scanlon; **ABSENT:** Freeholder Carter, Freeholder Kowalski;

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:07 PM.

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

## Meeting Schedule

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

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

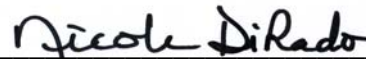
### **REORGANIZATION MEETING - SUNDAY, JANUARY 9, 2011 at 12:00pm** **Assignment Judge Karen M. Cassidy's Courtroom, 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ**

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