



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 2011

MINUTES OF THE AGENDA SETTING MEETING

Chairman Deborah P. Scanlon called the meeting to order at 7:05pm. Roll call showed Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella, Freeholder Linda Carter, Freeholder Angel G. Estrada, Freeholder Mohamed S. Jalloh, Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski and Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan were in attendance. Freeholder Christopher Hudak and Freeholder Nancy Ward were absent.

Also present were County Manager George W. Devanney, County Counsel Robert E. Barry, Esq. and Clerk of the Board Nicole L. DiRado.

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

Freeholder Ward entered the meeting.

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

APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

Note and File

Oaths of Office

- . **Advisory Council on Aging:** Phyllis Monguso
- . **Human Services Advisory Council:** Pamela Capaci, Frank Guzzo, Jim Harrington and Holly Phillips
- . **Senior Citizen and Disabled Resident Transportation Advisory Board:** Ina White
- . **Union County Air Traffic & Noise Advisory Board:** Jacob Magiera and Lou Petruzzelli
- . **Union County Fire Advisory Board:** Joseph Moschello
- . **Union County Transportation Advisory Board:** Hugh Welsh
- . **Union County Voter Accessibility Advisory Board:** Richard Barry, John Becker, John DeSimone, Clara Harelik, Mary Ellen Harris, Dennis Scott Kobitz, Bette Jane Kowalski, and Joseph Ryan



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

RESOLUTIONS

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY CLERK

Joanne Rajoppi, Union County Clerk

Vice Chairman Mirabella asked County Clerk Rajoppi if she anticipates many Special elections in 2011. County Clerk Rajoppi stated that it is hard to forecast, but there are no municipal referendums and School Board elections are kept separate.

County Manager Devanney asked if the costs incurred for Presidential elections are reimbursed by the State. County Clerk Rajoppi stated that the County was reimbursed for the last Presidential election. She said the government sets aside money for reimbursement. She stated that most of the costs are incurred in 2011.

County Manager Devanney asked if there is any possibility that the Presidential election will be moved back to the Primary election. County Clerk Rajoppi said that it makes sense to move it back to June and Legislature is talking about doing that. She said it costs \$8 million to \$10 million more statewide. She urged the Board to support a Resolution to move the Presidential election back to June as it will save Union County over \$300,000.

1. Approving a list of pre-qualified list of vendors for the provision of **Mail Fulfillment Services** for election sample ballots for the year 2011. **(CHAIRMAN SCANLON)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to **Full Service Mailers, Inc., Garfield, New Jersey**, for the purpose of mailing Union County sample ballots for the 2011 School Board, Primary, and General Elections and the 2012 Presidential Primary Election in an amount not to exceed **\$90,340**. **(CHAIRMAN SCANLON)**

Chairman Scanlon asked if item #2 is an annual grant, and if so, if the amount is the same as last year. County Clerk Rajoppi replied it is an annual grant, and there has been a small decrease in the amount compared to last year.



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY PROSECUTOR

Theodore J. Romankow, Union County Prosecutor

First Assistant Prosecutor Albert Cernadas, Jr. represented the Office of the Prosecutor.

There were no questions.

1. Authorizing the County Manager through the Union County Prosecutor's Office to enter into a contract with **Mack Camera & Video Service, Springfield, New Jersey**, to provide a video and audio interview system for the Union County Child Advocacy Center in the amount of **\$24,161. (CHAIRMAN SCANLON)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager through the Union County Prosecutor's Office to apply for and accept grant funding in the amount of **\$12,577** from the **New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice Police Training Commission** to be used to purchase equipment, audio/visual training aids, physical training equipment, training aids for instructors and advanced professional instruction and material for the Basic Recruit and In-Service Training Programs at the John H. Stamler Police Academy. There is no County match required. **(CHAIRMAN SCANLON)**

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY SHERIFF

Ralph G. Froehlich, Union County Sheriff

County Manager Devanney represented the Office of the Union County Sheriff.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **3rd Tech Inc., Durham, North Carolina**, to purchase a DeltaSphere 3000-IR 3D Scene Digitizer, in order to scan and recreate the scene of a crime in 3D form for the purpose of trial reconstruction in the amount of **\$51,775. {Local funding: \$51,775} (CHAIRMAN SCANLON)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **SPEX Forensics, Edison, New Jersey**, to purchase an Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) fingerprint database to provide an electronic record of all of the existing fingerprint records thus providing assistance in the identification of latent fingerprints from crime scenes as well as John Doe types in the amount of **\$44,365. {Local funding: \$44,365} (CHAIRMAN SCANLON)**

Freeholder Estrada asked if item #2 is to purchase software. County Manager Devanney stated that he believed it is for that purpose, but will clarify it with the Sheriff's Office and will provide him with the information.



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

M. Elizabeth Genievich, Deputy County Manager / Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contracts obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the **Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq:** (CHAIRMAN SCANLON)

- a. Department of Parks & Community Renewal, Division of Golf Operations: **Partac Peat Corporation, Great Meadows, New Jersey**, to furnish and deliver top dressing material to Galloping Hill Golf Course and Ash Brook Golf Course at \$60.49/ton for a period of 12 consecutive months in the amount of **\$54,441**.
- b. Department of Parks & Community Renewal, Division of Information Technologies: **Ditto Copy Systems, Linden, New Jersey**, to repair various makes and models of printers throughout the County under warranty for a period of 24 consecutive months in an amount not to exceed **\$27,100**.

Freeholder Sullivan asked why there is a need for the contract in item 1 “b” if the printers are under warranty. Deputy County Manager Genievich stated that the printers are coming off warranty.

Chairman Scanlon asked if the printers have been inspected to make sure it is worth keeping them, rather than purchasing new printers. Deputy County Manager Genievich answered yes, a cost benefit analysis has been performed.

Freeholder Estrada stated that the County uses many printers.

Freeholder Jalloh asked how many printers the contract will warranty. Deputy County Genievich stated 534.

2. Amending Resolution Number 2002-980, to add **Birdsall Services Group, Cranford, New Jersey**, as an online vendor through njlowestbid.com. (CHAIRMAN SCANLON)



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES

Brian Riordan, Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an Inter-Governmental Agreement with the **County of Essex, Department of Corrections, Newark, New Jersey**, for the purpose of providing security and supervision for the Union County inmates housed in the Secure Medical Unit located in East Orange General Hospital for the contract period of March 1, 2011 through February 29, 2012 in an amount not to exceed **\$95,000** with the same terms and conditions and will remain in effect and will automatically be renewed for 2 one-year periods from March 1, 2012 through February 28, 2013 and March 1, 2013 through February 28, 2014. **(CHAIRMAN SCANLON)**

Freeholder Jalloh asked how Union County will benefit by having the Agreement with Essex County, as stated in item #1. Director Riordan stated that by utilizing the medical unit in East Orange General Hospital for inmates, it has saved the County approximately \$400,000 over the past two years by not having our officers secure the inmates. He said prisoners with declining health, not emergency patients, are admitted to East Orange General Hospital and they are transferred into the custody of Essex County. He said that Union County will be charged at a per diem rate.

2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **TJA Use of Force Training, Inc., Cape Coral, Florida**, to provide educational training for correctional tactical training for the Department of Correctional Services, Special Operations Unit focusing on the use of force pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1) (g) in an amount not to exceed **\$20,330**. **(CHAIRMAN SCANLON)**

Freeholder Estrada asked if the training mentioned in item #2 will be held in New Jersey. Director Riordan replied, yes.

3. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Luminosity, Inc., St. Petersburg, Florida**, for an assessment on the jail population and local criminal justice system in order to identify potential areas of improvement in efficiency and/or effectiveness in system operations, case processing, and alternatives to incarceration that may reduce unnecessary detention while maintaining public safety and the integrity of the judicial process for the contract period of March 15, 2011 through December 31, 2011 in an amount not to exceed **\$55,704**. **(CHAIRMAN SCANLON)**

Freeholder Mirabella asked for an explanation of item #3. Director Riordan stated that the purpose of the assessment is to reduce the population of prisoners who are unnecessarily detained without causing harm to the public and allowing for a substantial savings.



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

Freeholder Mirabella asked about the length of the study. Director Riordan stated that the study takes approximately three months.

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

There were no questions.

1. Concurring with the **City of Linden's Ordinance Number 55-09** pertaining to deleting a Handicapped Parking Space, located on Roselle Street, a County Road. **(CHAIRMAN SCANLON)**
2. Concurring with the **Township of Springfield**, granting permission to the **St. James the Apostle Parish, Springfield, New Jersey**, to hang a banner across Mountain Avenue and Shunpike Road and South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey from May 3, 2011 to May 7, 2011 to advertise their Annual Festival; also closing South Springfield Avenue from Mountain Avenue to Shunpike Road, Springfield, New Jersey on May 3, 4, 5, and 6 between the hours of 6:00pm to 10:00pm and May 7, 2011 between the hours of 2:00pm to 10:00pm. **(CHAIRMAN SCANLON)**
3. Concurring with the **Township of Scotch Plains**, granting permission to the **Fanwood-Scotch Plains YMCA, Scotch Plains, New Jersey**, to close portions of Martine Avenue, Raritan Road and Terrill Road on April 16, 2011 from 9:15am to approximately 9:45am for the YMCA'S 5K Charity Race. **(CHAIRMAN SCANLON)**
4. Concurring with the **Township of Berkeley Heights**, granting permission to the **Berkeley Heights Rescue Squad, Berkeley, Heights, New Jersey**, to hang a banner across Springfield Avenue from April 1, 2011 through April 10, 2011 to advertise their "Annual Membership and Blood Drive." **(CHAIRMAN SCANLON)**



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Lawrence Caroselli, Director

Director Caroselli announced that in response to the solar energy project with the Union County Improvement Authority, the County has been advised by Moody's Credit Rating that our bond rating is AAA.

There were no questions.

ORDINANCE

BOND ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 4.P OF THE BOND ORDINANCE (ORD. NO. 536-2001) ENTITLED: "BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW ADDITIONAL FURNISHINGS AND NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT IN, BY AND FOR THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$18,065,200 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS", ADOPTED AUGUST 28, 2001, AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED BY THE FOLLOWING FIVE BOND ORDINANCES: ORD. NO. 543-2001 ADOPTED ON DECEMBER 13, 2001; ORD. NO. 547-2002 ADOPTED ON FEBRUARY 28, 2002; ORD. NO. 556-2002 ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 5, 2002; ORD. NO. 564-2003 ADOPTED ON FEBRUARY 13, 2003; AND ORD. NO. 575-2003 ADOPTED ON APRIL 24, 2003.

RESOLUTIONS

1. An amendment to the **Temporary 2011 Budget** in the amount of **\$1,094,924** as a result of notification received from the following agencies for a cumulative total of **\$227,545,288.04: (VICE CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA)**
 - . State of New Jersey Division of Mental Health
"Jail Diversion Grant" – \$66,950
 - . State of New Jersey Office of Homeland Security & Preparedness
"FFY10 Emergency Operations Center Grant" (EOC) – \$500,000 – "Match – FFY10 Emergency Operations Center Grant" – \$166,667
 - . Department of Justice
"FY10 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant" – (JAG) \$308,957



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

- . Union County Department of Human Services
“Intoxicated Drivers Program Grant” – \$10,350
 - . Union County Department of Human Services
“Medicaid Reimbursement (LogistiCare) Grant” – \$42,000
2. Authorizing the cancellation of **\$600,000** from Reserve for Accumulated Absences into Trust Fund Balance. **(VICE CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA)**

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Frank Guzzo, Director

There were no questions.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to accept funding from the **US Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD)** and award contracts to various agencies to assist Union County homeless persons for the 2010 McKinney-Vento Act Homeless Assistance competitive grant award in the total amount of **\$3,123,975**. {Total funding: \$3,123,975} **(FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI)**
2. Amending Resolution Number 2010-1119, to reflect a change in the **2011 Personal Assistance Services Program (PASP)** allocation to **All About Care LLC, Brick, New Jersey** to \$220,303 (an increase of \$1) for a new total spending plan in the amount of **\$739,340**. {State funding: \$739,340} **(FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to execute, in accordance with the law and in acceptance of the obligations therein, grant agreement #2011-05139-0290-00 with the **New Jersey Department of Community Affairs** in the amount of **\$19,012** for the contract period of October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011 for the administration of the intake of eligibility determination of prospective beneficiaries of the **Low Income Heating and Energy Assistance Program**, including the accurate data entry of verified information in the financial accounting and management information system by staff of the Union County Division of Social Services and to authorize the County Manager to execute same in accordance with law and in acceptance of the obligations under the grant agreement. {State funding: \$19,012} **(FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to execute a grant agreement #2011-05134-0233-00 with the **New Jersey Department of Community Affairs** in the amount of **\$10,237** for the contract period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011 for the administration of intake and eligibility determination of prospective beneficiaries of the **Universal Service Fund**, including the accurate input of verified client information into the family assistance management system by staff of the Union County Division of Social Services and to authorize the County Manager to execute same in accordance with law and in



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

acceptance of the obligations under the grant agreement. {State funding: \$10,237} **(FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI)**

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND COMMUNITY RENEWAL

Alfred Faella, Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to execute any and all agreements for the year **2011 Union County Arts Grant Program**, which is fully funded by a state grant from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts in the amount of **\$53,300**, which supports arts programs which are presented by thirty-three organizations. **(FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI)**

Freeholder Mirabella asked how the grant amount has compared to the past years. Director Faella stated that the amount of the grants have been decreased by \$5,000.

2. Amending Resolution Number 2008-257, a contract with **Aquatic Technologies, Inc., Branchville, New Jersey**, to increase the contract amount by \$12,000 due to the addition of 7 water bodies to the lake management program for a new contract amount of **\$52,702. (FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN)**

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Andrew Moran, Director

1. Amending Resolution Number 2011-162, a contract with **Comprehensive Psychological Services, PA, Clark, New Jersey**, to correctly reflect the fees for services as follows: Pre-employment Psychological Screening at a rate of \$425 per candidate; Fitness for Duty Psychological Evaluation at a rate of \$825 per candidate; Critical Incident Debriefing at a rate of \$350 per candidate, and for Appearance and testimony before the Medical Review Board Defending Department's rejection of candidate based on Pre-employment Psychological evaluation at a rate of \$800 per candidate for a total amount not to exceed **\$9,000. (CHAIRMAN SCANLON)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Funeral Services of New Jersey, Inc., Hillside, New Jersey**, to provide funeral home livery services for the Union County Medical Examiner's Office for autopsy and/or external examination for the contract period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 in an amount not to exceed **\$75,000. (CHAIRMAN SCANLON)**

Chairman Scanlon asked if the vendor in item #2 has been used in the past. Director Moran replied, yes, they have been used for the past twelve years. The amount last year was \$62,750. Chairman Scanlon asked why the amount increased.



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

County Manager Devanney interjected stating that the contract amount is a “not to exceed” amount and last year more money was approved than was actually used. The sum of \$62,750 was used last year.

RUNNELLS SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL

Joan Wheeler, Acting Administrator

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement between Runnells Specialized Hospital and **Union County College, Cranford, New Jersey**, to establish a clinical affiliation for practical nursing students for the contract period of March 1, 2011 through February 28, 2014 at no cost to the County. **(FREEHOLDER JALLOH)**

Freeholder Kowalski asked how many nursing students are included in item #1. Ms. Wheeler stated that she is uncertain of the number, but is aware that by State requirement, no more than seven students per teacher is allowed. She will provide the Board with the total number of students. Ms. Wheeler stated that the purpose of item #1 is to provide field experience to students in the Practical Nursing Program.

2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **Holsman Healthcare, LLC, Belleville, New Jersey**, to provide occupational therapy services for the residents/patients at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of April 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012 in the amount of **\$835,125. (FREEHOLDER JALLOH)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **InterStaff, Inc., Owings Mills, Maryland**, to provide private insurance, Medicare Part A and Part B, and Medicaid physical therapy services for the residents/patients at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of April 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012 in the amount of **\$393,650. (FREEHOLDER JALLOH)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **Holsman Healthcare, LLC, Belleville, New Jersey**, to provide supplemental physical therapy services for the residents/patients at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of April 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012 in the amount of **\$22,500. (FREEHOLDER JALLOH)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **Midpoint Associated Practitioners/NJ, Inc., East Orange, New Jersey**, to provide supplemental physical therapy services for the residents/patients at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of April 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012 in the amount of **\$5,100. (FREEHOLDER JALLOH)**
6. Amending Resolution Number 2010-222, a contract with **Choice Rehab, Inc., Marlton, New Jersey**, to increase the contract amount by \$25,000 for additional hours



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

of occupational therapy services for the patients/residents at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of April 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011 for a new total contract amount of **\$712,440. (FREEHOLDER JALLOH)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

Robert E. Barry, Esq., County Counsel

County Counsel stated that he will have an additional Resolution for next week's meeting pertaining to the New Jersey Excess Liability Insurance to appoint a Commissioner and Alternate Commissioner to Joint Insurance Fund.

There were no questions.

1. Amending Resolution 2010-257, to increase the appropriation to **Edward Kologi, Esq., Linden, New Jersey**, special counsel in the matter entitled **Jonathan Dawkins v. UC, et als** for an additional sum of \$10,000 in an amount not to exceed **\$40,000. (CHAIRMAN SCANLON)**
2. Replacing Schwartz, Simon, Edelstein, Celso & Kessler, LLC, Morristown, New Jersey, with **Weber Dowd, Woodland Park, New Jersey**, in the matter entitled **Aspen Landscaping Contracting** in an amount not to exceed **\$10,000. (CHAIRMAN SCANLON)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement relating to and consenting to the installation of a **Traffic Control Monitoring System** (red light cameras) with the **Town of Roselle Park** at the intersection of Westfield Avenue (Route 28) and Locust Street. **(CHAIRMAN SCANLON)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY MANAGER

George W. Devanney, County Manager

There were no questions.

1. Amending Resolution Number 2010-1177, a collective bargaining agreement with **PBA 199 Union County Correction Officers**, to reflect the revision made to the Memorandum of Agreement reflecting the correct timing. **(CHAIRMAN SCANLON)**

FREEHOLDERS

Freeholder Kowalski stated that she would like to add Freeholder Hudak to Resolutions 1, 2 and 3 that she is sponsoring. She also said that she will have two additional Laudatory Resolutions for next week's meeting.



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

Freeholder Mirabella stated that he will have Laudatory Resolutions congratulating the Union County winners of the 2011 High School Wrestling Championships for the next Freeholder meeting.

FREEHOLDER LINDA CARTER

1. Congratulating **Annie R. Lucas, Speech/Language Pathologist**, on the occasion of her retirement from the Scotch Plains-Fanwood School District after 33 years of service.
2. Congratulating **Dawud Hicks of Plainfield High School** for becoming the school's All-Time Career Wins Leader as a member of the Wrestling Team.

FREEHOLDER ANGEL G. ESTRADA

1. Reappointing the following members to the **Union County Advisory Council on Aging** for a term commencing January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2013: **Toby Marx, Gloria Mejias, and Joe Fox**.
2. Congratulating **Evangelist Deborah Belin** upon the celebration of her 75th Birthday.

FREEHOLDER CHRISTOPHER HUDAK

1. Congratulating **Austin Frank of Linden High School**, Captain of the school wrestling team who became the first Linden High School wrestler to win 100 matches.

FREEHOLDER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI

1. Congratulating **Elias Howard**, Boy Scout Troop 80 on attaining his Eagle Scout Award, the highest honor in scouting.
2. Congratulating **Kevin Swan**, Boy Scout Troop 75 on attaining his Eagle Scout Award, the highest honor in scouting.
3. Congratulating **Kyle Shupp**, Boy Scout Troop 75 on attaining his Eagle Scout Award, the highest honor in scouting.
4. Designating the month of March, 2011 as **“Family and Community Health Sciences-Living Well Month”** in Union County.
5. Offering the Board's sincerest condolences to the family of **Ethel Heim, Cranford, New Jersey**, in their time of sorrow.



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

6. Congratulating **Mary Sue Sweeney Price** on receiving the American History Award from the Daughters of American Revolution.

FREEHOLDER MOHAMED S. JALLOH

1. Congratulating **Jalil Muhammad** on receiving the Woodrow Wilson-Rockefeller Brothers Fund Fellowship for Aspiring Teachers of Color.
2. Proclaiming the month of March, 2011 as **“National Nutrition Month”** in Union County.
3. Proclaiming the month of March, 2011 as **“Professional Social Work Month”** in Union County.

FREEHOLDER DANIEL P. SULLIVAN

1. Opposing Governor Christie’s recommendation to end the **UEZ Program**, a program which has helped revitalize blighted downtown areas by attracting shoppers with a 3.5% sales tax incentive. Elizabeth, Hillside, Plainfield and Roselle will be adversely affected by his recommendation.
2. Authorizing the County Manager to execute and sign any and all contracts, agreements and documents for the acquisition of approximately 1 acre, located at 1590 Cooper Road, Scotch Plains, New Jersey, for use as open space as an expansion of the **Ponderosa Farm Park, Scotch Plains** and for recreational purposes, in conjunction with and for the Union County Office of Open Space, Recreation and Historical Preservation Trust Fund in an amount not to exceed **\$640,000**.
3. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **GameTime, Spring Lake, New Jersey**, for the purchase and installation of playground and sprayground components for the Ponderosa Farm Park, 1600 Cooper Road, Scotch Plains, New Jersey. This contract is on behalf of and through the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund, in an amount not to exceed **\$330,968.96**. (This equipment is available for the purchase through the State of New Jersey, Division of Treasury.)
4. Amending Resolution Number 2009-1118, a contract with **T&M Associates, Middletown, New Jersey**, for the development of the Ponderosa Farm Park in Scotch Plains, New Jersey, for an additional amount of \$22,500. After an expanded scope of work was required due to findings by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, plans for this park development project were changed to allow for those changes and a reduced level of construction in various areas. This overall increase in engineering will result in a decrease in overall construction costs, through the Open



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust fund for a new contract amount not to exceed **\$723,056**.

5. Appointing the following members to the **Union County Transportation Advisory Board** for a term commencing January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011:
 - . **Joseph Pubchara to represent the Township of Clark**
 - . **Scott Anderson to represent the Town of Hillside**
 - . **Carol Westervelt to represent the Borough of Kenilworth**
 - . **John Morgan to represent the Township of Scotch Plains**
 - . **Michael Minitelli to represent the Township of Union (Delegate)**
 - . **Diana Rodriguez to represent the Township of Union (Alternate)**
 - . **Stephen Thorpe to represent the Township of Winfield**

VICE CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA

1. Congratulating the **27th Annual Awards Night Celebration** honorees from Community Access Unlimited for their event on April 13, 2011:
 - . **Kiana Lawhorn, Educator of the Year Award**
 - . **Donna Kennedy, Youth Advocate of the Year Award**
 - . **Renee Davidson, Distinguished Social Service Award**
 - . **Gale Young-Jackmin, Distinguished Service Award**
 - . **Frank Guzzo, Community Partnership Award**
 - . **Bridgeway Rehabilitation Services, Distinguished Community Service Award**
 - . **Dr. Muyiwa Akin Okuribido, DPM, Health Care Professional of the Year Award**
 - . **Susan Ucci, Elizabeth HOME Improvement Program, Supportive Housing Service Award**
 - . **Pearl Elias, CEP Member of the Year**
 - . **Judith Goldberg, CSP Member of the Year**
 - . **Reginald Payne, Recreation Member of the Year**
 - . **Daryl Nelson, SAP Member of the Year**
 - . **Joseph Notaroberto, SLAP Member of the Year**
 - . **Roberto Chaj-Ordonez, Youth Services Member of the Year**
2. Congratulating the **Westfield Symphony Orchestra Fundraising Gala** to be held Saturday, March 26, 2011 at the Plainfield Country Club.
3. Making available to the **Strike Merchants Scholarship Fund** the sum of **\$2,500**.



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

CHAIRMAN DEBORAH P. SCANLON

1. Congratulating **Charles Mancuso**, who is being honored by the **Greater Elizabeth Chamber of Commerce** for his 50+years of service in Public Service, Educational Leadership and Banking.
2. Congratulating the following men and women who will be honored at the **18th Annual History Issues Convention** to be held Friday, March 25, 2011 at the New Jersey State Museum in Trenton:
 - . **Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski, Governmental Leadership Award**
 - . **Madison Mayor Mary-Anna N. Holden, Governmental Leadership Award**
 - . **Bonita Craft Grant, Lifetime Achievement Award**
 - . **Karl Niederer, President Award**
 - . **David Messineo, Dwyer Award**
 - . **Joseph Da Rold, Gail F. Stern Award**
3. Recognizing the honorees at the Annual **Boys and Girls Clubs of Union County "Youth of the Year"** recognition dinner and awards ceremony to be held March 22, 2011.

CHAIRMAN DEBORAH P. SCANLON AND VICE CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA

1. Congratulating the following **Union County Athletes** for placing among the winners in the **2011 High School Wrestling Championships**:
 - . **Christian Barber of Westfield**
 - . **Devin Geoghan of Kenilworth**
 - . **Brendan Calas of Clark**
 - . **James Fox of Plainfield**
 - . **Zac Troutman of New Providence**
 - . **Connor Gabriel of Roselle Park**
 - . **Dawud Hicks of Plainfield**
 - . **Anthony Pafumi of Westfield**

Chairman Scanlon called upon Vincent Lehotsky. Mr. Lehotsky of South Carolina stated that Kathy Castles of New Providence has qualified for the Olympics and is the first woman to win the Myrtle Beach Marathon. Mr. Lehotsky was there to ask for the Board's support.



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

1. Personnel Matters

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 pertaining to personnel matters.

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 may not take formal action on the matters discussed as this is an Agenda Session meeting.

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

Chairman Scanlon called for a motion to enter the Executive Session Meeting. The motion was made by Vice Chairman Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Jalloh. Roll call showed eight members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Hudak absent.

Chairman Scanlon called for a motion to return to the Agenda Setting Meeting. On a motion made by Vice Chairman Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Hudak absent.

County Counsel Barry, Esq. stated that he will have an additional Resolutions for the next Freeholder Meeting based upon discussions during Executive Session, pertaining to an Involuntary Disability Pension approval.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Scanlon called for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:40pm. On a motion made by Vice Chairman Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski. Roll call showed eight members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Hudak absent.



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS' 2011 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.

AGENDA SETTING MEETINGS

March 24, 2011

April 7, 2011
April 21, 2011

May 5, 2011
May 19, 2011

June 9, 2011
June 23, 2011

July 21, 2011

August 11, 2011

September 8, 2011
September 22, 2011

October 6, 2011
October 20, 2011

November 10, 2011

December 1, 2011
December 15, 2011

REGULAR MEETINGS

March 17, 2011
March 31, 2011

April 14, 2011
April 28, 2011

May 12, 2011
May 19, 2011

June 9, 2011
June 23, 2011

July 28, 2011

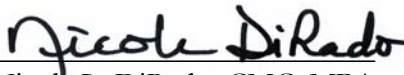
August 25, 2011

September 15, 2011
Tues. September 27, 2011

October 13, 2011
October 20, 2011

November 10, 2011

December 1, 2011
December 15, 2011


Nicole L. DiRado, CMC, MPA
Clerk of the Board

NLD:mb