



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2016
AGENDA SETTING MEETING AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Bruce H. Bergen presided over the meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed Chairman Bruce H. Bergen, Vice Chairman Sergio Granados, Freeholders Angel G. Estrada, Freeholder Mohamed S. Jalloh, Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski, Freeholder Alexander Mirabella were present, with and Freeholder Linda Carter, Christopher Hudak and Freeholder Wright absent.

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

PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

The prayer and salute to the flag were led by Clerk of the Board Pellettiere

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

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

APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

Note and File

Chairman Bergen noted that the Board would approve the communication at the next Regular Meeting on Tuesday, November 22, 2017.

Chairman Bergen noted that Walter Halpin, a former County Clerk, had passed away and would ask the Clerk of the Board to prepare a condolence resolution in his honor.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Michael Yuska, Director

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to exercise the option to extend a contract with Brown and Brown Metro, Inc., for the provision of General Insurance Consultant/Broker Services for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 in the amount not to exceed \$40,000. (Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)
2. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Cartegraph, Inc., Dubuque, Iowa, to provide the licensing, upgrade and maintenance of software to the web-based Operations

- Management System with Enterprise Licensing for a one year period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 in the amount not to exceed \$78,873.75. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
3. Request for Resolution in compliance with the Affordable Care Act (ACA) regulations, the County of Union as a self-funded group is required to pay a Transition Reinsurance Fee to the Department of Health & Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Baltimore, MD, in an amount not to exceed \$184,437.00. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
 4. Authorizing the County Manager to designate the following vehicle as a surplus and no longer needed for County purposes: One (1) 2009 Ford Escape Hybrid SUV, VIN #: 1FMCU59319KC38335 with 95,000 miles. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
 5. Authorizing the following surplus-deemed vehicle for donation to the Township of Scotch Plains. The Township of Scotch Plains will assume all costs incurred with transfer and title. One (1) 2009 Ford Escape Hybrid SUV, VIN #: 1FMCU59319KC38335 with 95,000 miles. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Ron Charles, Director

1. Amending Resolution Number 2015-902, an agreement with Aramark Correctional Service, Atlanta, Georgia, to provide meal services for the Union County Jail for an additional amount not to exceed \$154,000.00 for the period of November 13, 2016 through December 31, 2016. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

Freeholder Kowalski inquired as to the need for additional funds for the Aramark contract.

Director Charles advised the Department released an RCCP approximately 1.5 months ago and are finalizing the process, noting this extension will allow for the review of the final proposals. He added that the extension will also be extended to the end of the calendar year.

County Manager Faella clarified that the resolution serves as a one month contract extension.

County Manager Faella also asked the Board to keep Department of Corrections Deputy Director George Blaskewicz in their thoughts and prayers as he is in poor health.

2. Authorizing County Manager to enter into a contract with Lombardy Door Sales & Services Corp., Belleville, New Jersey, in order to furnish and install one new rolling steel door and removal of existing one in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Amy Wagner, Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to the United Way of Greater Union County for the fifteen (15) month period: December 1, 2016 through March 31, 2018 under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Youth Program. Funding will be utilized to provide a comprehensive Out-of-School Youth Employment & Training Consortium offering year-round youth programs that may include a paid work experience component.

Total funding for the fifteen-month period will not exceed \$ 477,000.00. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with 4 Connections, L.L.C. for maintenance and lease of existing fiber optic cable previously installed throughout the City of Elizabeth connecting various County and City buildings in amount not to exceed \$509,258.40. The City of Elizabeth will reimburse the County of Union in the amount of \$267,159.60 for the City's share of usage and maintenance costs during the period of the contract. Contract period will commence on December 18, 2016 and terminate on December 17, 2021. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

Freeholder Estrada inquired if the \$509,258.40 is a yearly amount or for multiple years, and inquired as to the amount of maintenance done on this project.

Director Wagner advised that amount covers five years; approximately \$101,000 per year. She advised that there was a large maintenance project as a result of an inadvertent cut during a sidewalk project.

Freeholder Estrada asked the Director to provide a report from last year.

Vice Chairman Granados asked for further explanation of the purpose of this resolution request.

Director Wagner advised that of the fiber ring around the City of Elizabeth, built in cooperation with the County of Union and the City of Elizabeth. She stated that this project is a shared service agreement where the County "owns the ring", but the City reimburses the County for its utilization. She stated that they pay more of the usage of the fiber optics, but the County pays more of the maintenance since it owns the fiber ring. She added that the County is billed quarterly from the provider, and the County bills the City quarterly for their reimbursement.

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING, PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

Joseph Graziano, Director

1. Amending Resolution Number 2015-527, adopted on June 18, 2015, a Professional Architectural Design and Construction Management Service Contract with Netta Architects, of Mountainside, New Jersey for additional architectural/engineering services associated with the Union County Courthouse Complex New Tower Stairwell Modernization Project, in an amount not to exceed \$510,000.00 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$4,328,330.00. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**

Freeholder Estrada asked the director if he anticipates spending any more funds on the design of this project.

Director Graziano advised that it is difficult to say before they begin this part of the project. He clarified that this resolution request would bring the existing plans up to the 2015 standard, which will allow the County to get this project out to bid, once the Family Courthouse is complete.

Nicholas Netta, Netta Architects, advised that the change order is for two parts of the Union County Courthouse Tower project, noting that the project was originally designed under the 2009 standards. He stated that since the project was delayed, and in order to submit the drawings for a building permit, the plans have to be brought up to the new code. He added that the new code has a heavy impact on the seismic design within the tower, adding that all of that needs to be redesigned.

Freeholder Estrada inquired as to how much more architectural work will be necessary for this project.

Nicholas Netta advised the existing drawing were completed and portions of this project already went out to bid in 2008/2009, but because of the delays those previous drawings will need to be modified to bring them up to the current code. He added that this resolution request should get this project out to bid, noting that the timing of the bid is predicated by the completion of the Family Courthouse project, but the hope is to obtain a temporary certificate of occupancy on the courthouse in January and at that point they would put the project out to bid.

2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an Agreement between the County of Union, the property owner of One Springfield Avenue, and the City of Summit for the Installation of a Mid-Block Crosswalk at One Springfield Avenue, CR#527, at Park & Ride, City of Summit, New Jersey. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
3. Amending Resolution Number 2014-396, (BA#17-2014) a contract awarded through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSa 40A:11-1 et seq., to Ritacco Construction of Belleville, New Jersey approving Change Order Number 1 (final) for the Rehabilitation of Lake Surprise Dam, County of Union, New Jersey. This change order will reduce the original contract amount by (\$214,936.10) for a new contract amount not to exceed \$3,393,063.90. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2011-015) **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
4. Supporting the Township of Berkeley Height's application for project funding from the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP-2016 Berkeley Heights-00121) for streetscape, specifically on Springfield Avenue, CR512, a County Road. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contract extension originally obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSa 40A:11-1 et seq: Department of Engineering, Public Works & Facilities, Division of Facilities Management: Pennetta Industrial Automation, LLC, Jersey City, NJ, for the purpose of providing computerized monitoring & controlling of automated systems equipment, for twenty-four (24) consecutive months commencing November 25, 2016 through November 24, 2018, in an amount not to exceed \$166,500.00. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
6. 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 & Facilities; Division of Public Works, R. J. Sherman & Associates, Inc., DBA: Vermeer North Atlantic Sales & Service, 7 Maple Lane, Lumberton, NJ 08048, for the purpose of providing 2016 Compost Turner, in the amount of \$519,857.00. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
7. Resolution granting permission to the City of Linden to close Wood Avenue from Elizabeth Avenue to Elm Street for the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony to be held on Friday, December 2, 2016 from the hours of 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
8. Resolution granting permission to the Township of Scotch Plains to close Park Avenue between Front Street/Bartle Avenue and Westfield Avenue/East Second Street on Sunday,

December 4, 2016 from 1:00 PM to 5:30 PM for the Holiday Celebration. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**

9. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and execute a Cost Reimbursement Agreement, Agreement Number 2016-DT-BLA-FEP-205, from the New Jersey Department of Transportation, Division of Local Aid and Economic Development in the amount of \$203,720.00 for the Gordon Street Bridge ROW, Borough of Roselle and Roselle Park, County of Union, New Jersey. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2011-051) **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Bibi Taylor, Director

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Resolution Modifying the 2016 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$9,090 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Children and Families for additional funds for a program entitled: Sexual Assault and Rape Care (SAARC) Grant. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
2. Resolution Modifying the 2016 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$408,462 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection for a program entitled: Recycling Enhancement Act Tax Entitlement Grant. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
3. Resolution Modifying the 2016 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$49,156.78 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety for a program entitled: Body Armor Grant. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
4. Resolution Modifying the 2016 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$148,000 as a result of notification received from the County of Union, Department of Human Services for additional fares to be collected for a program entitled: Paratransit Fares. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
5. Resolution Modifying the 2016 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$50,500 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety for a program Entitled: Child Passenger Safety Program Grant. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
6. Resolution Modifying the 2016 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$10,260 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety for a program entitled: Highway Traffic Safety Education Grant. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
7. Resolution Modifying the 2016 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$13,819 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety for a program entitled: Megan's Law and Local Law Enforcement Assistance Grant. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**

8. Resolution Modifying the 2016 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$203,720 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation for a program entitled: Gordon Street Bridge (ROW). **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Frank Guzzo, Director

1. Amending Resolution Number 2015-1048, entering into a Shared Services Agreement with Bergen County to house Union County juvenile detainees on an as needed basis in the total amount of \$120,000, to reflect an increase in the amount of \$25,000 for a new total amount not to exceed \$145,000 for the same period of January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 with no other changes to the agreement. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Freeholder Estrada asked how much the county has utilized this contract this year.

Director Guzzo advised that as a result of the Hudson agreement, the county must have two locations to service the female juvenile detainee population; noting that they also have a contract with Morris County. He advised that the usage depends on the population of other counties.

Freeholder Estrada asked if the County has spent the entire sum allocated to the Morris County contract, and asked how many detainees are being held in Bergen.

Director Guzzo advised that the county has not used all of the funds for that contract. He stated that the County is sending two female detainees in Bergen. He commented on a particular case where a detainee has been held longer than what is normal, and as a result the Department is requesting additional funds to carry them through the end of the year.

2. Amending Resolution Number 2016-763, approving the 2016-2018 Area Plan Spending Plan, to reflect an increase in funding only in the amount not to exceed \$1,678 for a new grand total not to exceed \$4,929,232 to be allocated as outlined and charged to account numbers specified for the same contract year one period of January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 with no other changes to the 2016-2018 Area Plan. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to accept grant funding and enter into contract with the State of New Jersey, Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (GCADA), for the FY2018 Alliance to Prevent Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Program award in the amount of \$536,201 for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to endorse the Union County 2018 Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (GCADA) Alliance Program Spending Plan, as required by the GCADA, awarding subcontracts in the total amount not to exceed \$536,201 for the grant period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 under the 2018 Municipal Alliance Program; further authorizing the transfer of funds among the municipalities during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any of the various municipality/agencies fails to meet its contractual obligation. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**

5. Authorizing the County Manager to establish County funds to comply with State Legislative mandate N.J.S.A.40A:9-49.1 that establishes burial costs for Union County's indigent, unidentified or unclaimed deceased residents be the responsibility of Union County at a burial rate not to exceed \$1,550, in the total amount not to exceed \$60,000 for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017; no particular funeral home will receive more than \$17,500. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into agreements with various community based organizations to provide shelter night stays for TANF, GA, and/or Emergency Assistance recipients for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017; agencies will be reimbursed directly by the State of New Jersey based upon Individual Per Diem Rate(s) per family per night as agreed upon by said community based organizations and the State of New Jersey; County Match appropriation is required. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
7. Authorizing the County Manager to renew the contract with Unitronix Data Systems, Raritan, New Jersey, to provide services and maintenance for the Division of Social Services' software and hardware systems for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 in an amount not to exceed \$95,798.30. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
8. Authorizing the County Manager to renew the Lease Agreement with Immaculate Conception Church, Elizabeth, New Jersey, for the rental of 85 parking spaces located at 425 Union Avenue, Elizabeth, for Division of Social Services' employee parking in the amount of \$80 per space per month or \$6,800 per month, in an amount not to exceed \$81,600 per year for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Vice Chairman Granados asked if this is the same amount as the previous contract.

Director Guzzo advised that there is a \$10 increase in the contract. He added that the contract calls for the allocation of ten additional parking spaces, noting that this was a major concern of the CDWA union workers.

9. Authorizing the County Manager to renew the Agreement of Understanding between the Union County Division of Social Services and Trinitas Medical Center for the out-stationing of County Welfare Agency staff (four full-time employees) to process Medicaid applications for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 at no cost to the County of Union (State funded). **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
10. Authorizing the County Manager to renew the Agreement of Understanding between the Union County Division of Social Services and Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital at Rahway for the out-stationing of County Welfare Agency staff (one part-time employee) to process Medicaid applications for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 at no cost to the County of Union (State funded). **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
11. Authorizing the County Manager to renew the Agreement of Understanding between the Union County Division of Social Services and Overlook Hospital for the out-stationing of County Welfare Agency staff (one part-time employee) to process Medicaid applications for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 at no cost to the County of Union (State funded). **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

12. Amending Resolution Number 2016-661, a contract with Transdev Services, Inc. for the provision of transportation services in the form of Routing Scheduling and Dispatch and Road Operator Services for the Union County Paratransit System including the Route 22 Shuttle, to extend the contract for the one (1) month period of January 1, 2017 through January 31, 2017 in the amount not to exceed \$320,000 under the terms of the current contract to allow for completion of competitive contracting. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**

Vice Chairman Granados inquired as to the average yearly contract amount.

Director Guzzo advised that the extension is needed as they go through the RFP process, and advised that while he has the requested information, he would need some time to locate and provide that information.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Ronald Zuber, Director

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contract obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq: Department of Parks & Recreation: John R. Knabb & Sons, for the purpose of providing straw, for the contract period of 24 months, in the amount of not to exceed \$152,500. **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contract obtained through the competitive contracting process in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-4.1 et seq: Department of Parks and Recreation: Town and Country Veterinary Services of Chester, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing Equestrian Veterinary Services for the Watchung Stable for a period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2021, in the amount of not to exceed \$170,000. **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contract obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq: Department of Parks & Recreation: Grade Construction, of Paterson, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing Improvements to the Meisel Park Pond, for an amount not to exceed \$841,730.05. **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**
4. Amending Resolution Number 2016-68, (BA#71-2015) a contract awarded through advertised public bidding process in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et. seq., to J C Landscape Construction Co., of Pequannock, New Jersey approving Change Order Number 1 (final) for the Improvements at Chatfield Gardens, Warinanco Park. This Change Order will reduce the original contract amount by (\$3,360.00) for a new contract amount not to exceed \$215,942.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2014-019) **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**
5. Amending Resolution Number 2016-552, a contract awarded through advertised public bidding process in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq., to J C Landscape Construction & Management Co., Inc., of Pequannock, New Jersey, approving Change Order Number 2 (BA#33-2015 - Resolution Number 2015-712, 9/10/15) for Improvements to the Watchung Stables Equestrian Center. This change order

will reduce the contract amount by (\$14,972.95) for a new contract amount not to exceed \$2,276,665.35. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2010-020) **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Andrew Moran, Director

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with Universal Uniform Sales Co., Inc., Newark, New Jersey, for the purchase of police uniform clothing to outfit the Union County Police Department in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00 **(Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Techline Trauma, Willow Grove, PA to provide Active Shooter/Blood Control Training to 1600 Union County responders through the 2015 and 2016 Urban Area Security Initiative in an amount not to exceed \$305,600. **(Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

Robert E. Barry, Esq., County Counsel

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Authorizing the NJ Association of Counties, on behalf of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union to file a complaint with the NJ Council on Local Mandates that the Criminal Justice Reform Act N.J.S.A. 2A:162-15 et.seq. constitutes an unfunded State mandate in violation of Article VII, Section II, paragraph 5 of the NJ Constitution. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY MANAGER

Alfred J. Paella, County Manager

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to sign any and all documents necessary to enter into a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the PBA199-Correction Officers effective January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2017. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

1. Congratulating the African American Female Funeral Directors in the State of New Jersey who are being recognized by the Garden State Funeral Directors' Association on November 5, 2016. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
2. Congratulating Charles and Anna Booker of Plainfield, heroes of New Jersey Public School Desegregation as they are recognized on November 10, 2016. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
3. Extending the Board's deepest condolences to the family of Valentino D. Imbriaco upon his passing on October 28, 2016. **(Freeholder Christopher Hudak)**

4. Congratulating the recipients of the Pride in Cranford Awards by the Cranford Chamber of Commerce at their 72nd anniversary celebration on November 2, 2016. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
5. Authorizing the sponsorship of the City of Rahway's Winter Wonderland in the amount of \$2,000.00. **(Freeholder Mirabella, And The Entire Board)**
6. Congratulating the 2016 Roselle Park Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
7. Congratulating the Vauxhall Historical Society as they honor the Veterans of the Vauxhall community on November 5, 2016. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**
8. Congratulating the volunteers of the Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children (CASA) of Union County, Inc., at their 2016 Foster the Dream Gala on November 4, 2016. **(Chairman Bergen, And The Entire Board)**
9. Appointing Dennis Hardie as a Delegate member to the Air Traffic & Noise Advisory Board to represent the Township of Scotch Plains for a term beginning January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2017. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
10. Proclaiming November 18, 2016 as Adoption Day throughout the County of Union. **(Chairman Bergen, And The Entire Board)**

Freeholder Mirabella stated that as a result of the Fiscal Committee meeting, he would have a number of resolutions to be added relative to sponsorships and position controls.

Vice Chairman Granados stated that he would have a laudatory resolution congratulating two girl scouts.

Chairman Bergen stated that he would like to add the previously mentioned condolence resolution for former Union County Clerk Walter Halpin. He added that he would like to add a laudatory resolution for JCC's "Big Give" event.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

- 1) Attorney- Client privileged communications and discussion of matters relating to Personnel and potential contract negotiations with various Collective Bargaining Units.

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.

He stated that this Board wished to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing attorney-client privileged communication and discussion of matters relating to Personnel and potential contract negotiations with various Collective Bargaining Units.

He stated that the minutes of the Executive Session shall be separated from the minutes of the Open Public Session and that the minutes of the Executive Session, redacted as appropriate and necessary, shall be available in approximately 30 days. He stated that 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.

He stated that upon affirmative vote of the majority of the members present, the Board may enter Executive Session and upon the Board's return, as it is an Agenda Meeting, it will not take formal action on the matters discussed.

Chairman Bergen asked for a motion to enter Executive Session. On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed six members of the Board voted in the affirmative, with Freeholders Carter, Hudak and Wright absent.

Chairman Bergen asked for a motion to return to the Agenda Meeting. On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed six members of the Board voted in the affirmative, with Freeholders Carter, Hudak and Wright absent.

County Counsel advised that as a result of the Executive Session, there will be a need to add two resolutions to the next regular meeting relative to the requirements for the participation in the Union County Health Benefits Program.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Bergen asked for a motion to adjourn. On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, a voice vote showed six members of the Board voted in the affirmative, with Freeholders Carter, Hudak and Wright absent. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS 2016 MEETING SCHEDULE

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

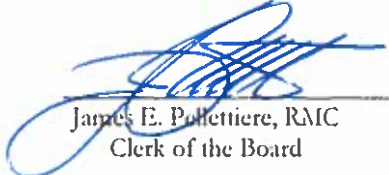
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**REORGANIZATION MEETING - SUNDAY, JANUARY 3, 2016 at 12:00 pm
Assignment Judge Karen M. Cassidy's Courtroom, 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ**

2016 MEETING SCHEDULE

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

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



James E. Polletiere, RMC
Clerk of the Board