

# UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2015 MINUTES OF THE AGENDA SETTING MEETING

Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh presided and called the meeting to order at 7:02pm. Roll call showed, Vice Chairman Bruce Bergen, Freeholder Linda Carter, Freeholder Angel G. Estrada, Freeholder Alexander Mirabella and Freeholder Vernell Wright were in attendance. Freeholder Sergio Granados and Freeholder Christopher Hudak were absent.

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

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

Freeholder Sergio Granados and Freeholder Christopher Hudak entered the meeting.

Chairman Jalloh asked for a moment of silence for the victims of Oregon Community College shootings.

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

#### APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

Note and File

#### OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY SHERIFF

Joseph P. Cryan, County Sheriff

Sheriff Cryan spoke to the success of the of the physical and nutrition program and offered his condolences to the family of Freeholder Carter.

1. Amending Resolution Number 2015-515, a contract awarded to A & A Fitness Inc. dba The Max of Springfield, Union, New Jersey, to increase the amount by \$20,000.00 for physical and nutritional administration services to the UC Sheriff's Office and County of Union Employee participants for a six month period from July 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015 with up to 18 months of additional options for a total amount not to exceed \$60,000.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Chairman Jalloh made comments relative to an article he read the day's newspaper regarding the fact that Prudential had built two buildings with a Wellness Fit Center for their employees. He commended Sheriff Cryan for the success of the program and noted what is good for the employees of Prudential are good for the employees of the County of Union. Chairman Jalloh stated that he would look forward to a report that identifies how this program could benefit the County's insurance costs in any way; noting the potential in less claims.

County Manager Faella stated that he expects a positive effect to the County's insurance costs.

#### **Department of Administrative Services**

#### Norman W. Albert, Esq., Director

Director Albert advised that, especially with the self-insured program, the County will see a cost benefit to insurance costs as a result of the Sheriff's program, noting that a healthier workforce results in less claims.

1. Amending Resolution Number 2015-010, a resolution approving the use of NJ State Contract, Middlesex Regional Ed Coop & Somerset County Coop usage of contracts, to increase the amount by \$200,000.00 for Broadview Networks, New York, New York (NJ State Contract) for the purpose of providing voice communications for the County of Union for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 for a total amount not to exceed \$700,000.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Freeholder Granados inquired as to the reason for the increase of \$200,000.

Director Albert stated the County has been transitioning from Verizon to Broadband over the last couple years. He explained that Verizon was obtained off the state contract, whereas Broadband is on the state contract and is cheaper. He advised that the County should be completed with the transition by 2015. He advised that once completed, estimates reflect that it will be \$50,000 a month savings.

Freeholder Granados inquired as to which county departments will benefit.

Director Albert stated that this transition will be countywide and will affect all County departments.

2. Resolution declaring various goods as surplus no longer needed for use by the County, and further authorizing the County Manager to advertise and hold public auction for said surplus goods. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Freeholder Granados inquired as to some of the various goods being declared as surplus.

Director Albert stated they are mainly vehicles which were claimed by forfeiture by the Prosecutor's Office.

- 3. Authorizing the County Manager to designate the following vehicle as a surplus vehicle and no longer needed for County purposes: 1990 International Commander Cab & Chassis with Custom MCRU Service Body County ID: UNIT #1022; Plate Number: CG970L; VIN #: 1HTSDTVNOLH279414. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 4. Authorizing the following surplus deemed as a vehicle for donation to the City of Plainfield. The City of Plainfield will assume all costs incurred with transfer and title: 1990 International Commander Cab & Chassis with Custom MCRU Service Body County ID: UNIT #1022; Plate Number: CG970L; VIN #: 1HTSDTVNOLH279414. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- Authorizing the County Manager to extend the Third Party Claim Administration contract for general liability, professional liability, and employment practices with Dietz and Hammer Risk Solutions for the contract period of October 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015

(month-to-month contract) in an amount not to exceed \$8,123.67 while the RFP for same and new contract period is finalized by the evaluation committee. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

6. Authorizing the County Manager to renew the Third Party Claim Administration Contract for Workers' Compensation, Auto and Property Claims with PMA Insurance Company from October 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015 (month-to-month contract) in an amount not to exceed \$20,166.67. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

#### DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

William Reyes, Deputy County Manager / Director

- 1. Authorizing the County Manager to reallocate \$445,110 from the City of Elizabeth Parker's Walk Project to Parkers Walk Urban Renewal, LLC. (Resolution # 2013-413 \$ 219,876.69 and Resolution 2013-653 \$225,233.31) (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 2. Authorizing the County Manager to utilize \$700,000.00 in Federal Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act Grant funding and NJ Workforce Development Partnership Program funding from the New Jersey Department of Labor & Workforce Development in the form of Individual Training Contracts as stipulated in the grant agreement. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes stated he would like to elaborate on Agenda Item #2, stating that the \$700,000 is an annual sum that the County will be able to use to help 175 individuals with training. He advised that the individuals would be set up with accounts and would go through the one stop, which has been changed to the American Job Centers. He advised that the individuals would be referred to one of the state approved training centers for training in areas such as CDL licenses, medical accounting and coding, and bus driver's licenses.

Freeholder Granados inquired as to the number of people that benefited from the program last year.

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes stated last year the County received the same amount but was able to reallocate funding from other programs, and noted that they were able to help more than 300 individuals.

Freeholder Granados inquired as to how many vendors would participate in this program.

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes stated that the State has a list of over a hundred vendors.

## DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING, PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES MANAGEMENT Joseph Graziano, Director

1. Concurring with the City of Summit's Ordinance adopted on September 8, 2015, for the installation of two (2) Temporary Bus Stops on Broad Street, City of Summit, New Jersey. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

2. Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed open-ended 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 Facilities Management with Scientific Boiler Water Conditioning, Linden, NJ to provide Water Treatment and Supplies for (24) consecutive months with the provision of one (1) twenty-four (24) month optional extension commencing October 18, 2015 through October 17, 2017 in an amount not to exceed \$27,846.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Vice Chairman Bergen inquired as to what is actually being treated.

Director Graziano stated that this contract will treat all of the county's boilers, chillers, and hot water heaters throughout the county in all of the county buildings. He stated that Scientific Boiler Water has been awarded the contract for the last few years. He noted that this contract represents a \$1,000 savings due to the fact that the county does not operate Runnells Specialized Hospital anymore.

Vice Chairman Bergen asked for clarification as to whether they will maintain the various boilers or if they will be testing and treating the water.

Director Graziano stated that this contract is for the testing and treatment of the water boilers, chillers and hot water heaters.

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 Engineering Public Works & Facilities Management; Atlantic Salt Inc., for the purpose of providing Rock Salt for a twelve month (12) contract in the amount of \$699,000. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Vice Chairman Bergen inquired to the comparison in price to the current (or last year's) contract.

Director Graziano stated that last year's contract was at a \$57.89 per ton and this year the rate increased to \$69.90 per ton tone, noting that it has gone up substantially.

Freeholder Kowalski asked how the rock salt compares to prior years, specifically inquiring to the quantity.

Director Graziano replied that this contract is for the same quantity, noting that he filled all of the County's domes with the cheaper price (old contract) since the contract runs out in October. He stated that even though the County is prepared for the winter, the County does not have a contract moving forward.

Freeholder Estrada inquired if the contract allows for the purchase of additional salt, and if so at what price?

Director Graziano stated that if the County does need more than the 10,000 tons, they will extend their price at the same rate of \$69.90 a ton.

Freeholder Estrada asked the Director to confirm that the County assists the municipalities.

Director Graziano confirmed that was the case, but advised that they bid their own figures.

- 4. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for the 2014 NJDEP Recycling Enhancement Grant in the amount of \$279,300 for the provision of partially funding various positions, funding the Household Hazardous Waste Program and other recycling programs, as well as associated advertising costs; and further authorizing the County Manager to execute all necessary documents and adopt the proposed spending plan. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 5. Authorizing the County Manger to enter into a contract with Lorco Petroleum Services for a 24 month contract; Vendor is responsible for the collection and recycling of motor oil and motor oil filters from various county and municipal locations; Vendor will provide motor oil collection services at 15 municipal/county locations at no cost; County will pay \$.20/pound for motor oil filters based on an estimated 6,000 lbs/year, in an amount not to exceed \$1,200.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

#### DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

#### Bibi Taylor, Director

There were no questions.

- 1. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$70,000 as a result of notification received from NJ Transit for a program entitled: Job Access Reverse Commute JARC 1. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 2. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$378,519 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness for a program entitled: State Homeland Security Program. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 3. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$55,757 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of State for a program entitled: Historical Commission. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 4. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$9,630 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Labor and Workforce Development for a program entitled: Smart Steps Program. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 5. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$33,864 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs for a program entitled: Recreational Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities (ROID). (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 6. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$95,688 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services for a program entitled: Older Americans Act Title III. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)

#### **DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**

#### Frank Guzzo, Director

There were no questions.

- 1. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and accept grant funding from New Jersey Department of Human Services (NJDHS), Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS), in the approximate amount of \$930,382 with a County Match requirement of \$124,695, in Calendar Year (CY) 2016 Alcoholism/Drug Abuse Grant funding for the period of January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016. (Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)
- 2. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and obtain a grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (NJDCA) in the approximate amount of \$13,281 for the CWA Administration of the 2016 Universal Service Fund. (Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)
- 3. Amending Resolution Number 2014-1032 to include an additional allocation in the amount of \$140,000 for the contract period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 to Transdev Services, Inc. for the continued provision of Paratransit services. (Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)
- 4. Authorizing the County Manager to ratify a one year extension to the Memorandum of Understanding, adopted by way of Resolution 2014-854, between the County of Union and the County of Hudson, for the assignment of Diana Youst as Acting Superintendent of the Union County Juvenile Detention Center for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 in the amount not to exceed \$158,144.53. (Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)

#### OFFICE OF THE COUNTY MANAGER

#### Alfred J. Faella, County Manager

There were no questions.

- 1. Authorizing the County Manager to sign any and all documents necessary to enter into a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the PBA 199--Correction Officers, effective January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2015. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 2. Authorizing the County Manager to sign any and all documents necessary to enter into a Collective Bargaining Agreement with HPAE-Local 5112--Nurses, effective January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

#### FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

Freeholder Kowalski stated that she would like to add a resolution from Freeholders Carter, Wright and herself urging Congress to fully fund Planned Parenthood and supporting their efforts to provide basic health care for women and men across the County.

Chairman Jalloh stated that he would like to join in Freeholder Kowalski's resolution supporting Planned Parenthood, and asked the resolution come from the Entire Board.

Freeholder Carter stated that she will have an additional laudatory resolution to add for the next Regular Meeting.

Vice Chairman Bergen stated he would like to join Freeholder Mirabella on resolution numbers 2 and 3, in light of his long association with Rotary and a close personal friendship with Mr. Calmaras.

Freeholder Hudak stated he will have an additional laudatory resolution to add for the next Regular Meeting.

- 1. Laudatory resolution congratulating Douglas W. McIntyre on attaining the rank of Eagle Scout. (Freeholder Hudak & Chairman Jalloh)
- 2. Laudatory resolution recognizing the many efforts of the Fanwood-Scotch Plains Rotary Club as they celebrate their 77th Anniversary. (Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)
- 3. Laudatory resolution congratulating Andy Calmaras for his many years of service to the Fanwood-Scotch Plains Rotary Club. (Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)
- 4. Laudatory resolution proclaiming October 7, 2015 as "Union County Day of Prayer", and further recognizing the work of the Union County Interfaith Coordinating Council and the interfaith community. (Freeholder Vernell Wright)
- 5. Laudatory resolution commending William "Fish" McCoy on his many years of service to the County of Union. (Chairman Jalloh & the Entire Board)

#### ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Jalloh called for a motion to adjourn. On a motion made by Freeholder Carter and seconded by Freeholder Hudak, a voice vote showed nine members voted in the affirmative. The meeting was adjourned at 7:13pm.

#### UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS 2015 MEETING SCHEDULE

Please note that meetings are regularly held on Thursday evenings. Agenda Setting Sessions and Regular Meetings are held at 7:00pm in the Freeholders' Meeting Room, Administration Building, 10 Elizabethtown Plaza, 6th Floor, Elizabeth, New Jersey, unless otherwise specified. In the event an Agenda Setting Session and Regular Meeting are held on the same night, the Agenda Setting Session will commence at 7:00pm and the Regular Meeting will commence as soon as possible after the Agenda Setting Session. Persons requiring a sign language interpreter should contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at 908-527-4140.

REORGANIZATION MEETING - SUNDAY, JANUARY 4, 2015 at 12:00pm Assignment Judge Karen M. Cassidy's Courtroom, 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ

AGENDA SETTING SESSION	REGULAR MEETINGS
January 15, 2015	January 29, 2015
February 5, 2015	February 19, 2015
February 26, 2015	February 26, 2015
March 5, 2015 *	March 12, 2015
March 19, 2015	March 26, 2015
April 9, 2015	April 16, 2015
April 23, 2015	April 30, 2015
May 7, 2015	May 14, 2015
May 28, 2015	May 28, 2015
June 11, 2015	June 18, 2015
July 9, 2015	July 16, 2015
August 6, 2015	August 20, 2015
September 3, 2015	September 10, 2015
September 17, 2015	September 24, 2015
October 1, 2015	October 8, 2015
October 15, 2015	October 15, 2015
November 5, 2015	November 12, 2015
December 3, 2015	December 3, 2015
December 10, 2015	December 17, 2015

#### **Notice**

Regular Meetings of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders
Public Comment Portion

Pursuant to the provisions of the N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(a) and the By-Laws of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders the "Public Comment Portion" of Regular Meetings is reserved for public comment on any governmental issue that a member of the public feels may be of concern to the residents of the county.

James E. Pellettiere, RMC Clark of the Board

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<sup>\*</sup> Meeting postponed due to inclement weather.