

# UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

# THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2015 AGENDA SETTING MEETING AGENDA

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 Sergio Granados, Freeholder Christopher Hudak, Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski, Freeholder Alexander Mirabella and Freeholder Vernell Wright were in attendance.

Also present was Deputy County Manager/Director William Reyes, 1st Deputy County Counsel Rosalba L. Comas, Esq., and Clerk of the Board James Pellettiere.

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

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

### OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY PROSECUTOR

Grace H. Park, Acting Prosecutor

First Assistant Prosecutor Isenhour represented the Office.

1. Authorizing the County Manager through the Union County Prosecutor's Office to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners to serve as Independent Contractors as part of the Union County Sexual Assault Response Team for the period of October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016 in the amount of \$22,530.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Freeholder Hudak inquired if the contract is a "not to exceed amount" or a lump sum for the service relative to Agenda Item #1.

First Assistant Prosecutor Isenhour stated it is a not to exceed figure because it depends on the number of call outs they have. He added that it is the same exact contract as last year, which increased the hourly rate by twenty five cents while they are on call.

Freeholder Hudak asked how many calls was part of last year's contract.

First Assistant Prosecutor Isenhour stated that it varies, but that there were approximately 90 to 100 calls.

Chairman Jalloh asked how much was utilized in last year's contract.

First Assistant Prosecutor Isenhour stated he will have to get back to the Board, adding that while it was close to the full amount, it did not expend the entire amount.

Chairman Jalloh inquired as to the hourly rate involved in the contract.

First Assistant Prosecutor Isenhour stated that there is an hourly rate for being on-call, but that he didn't have the specifics on hand. He added that the only change was the previously mentioned nominal increase of twenty five cents.

Chairman Jalloh inquired as to the benefits of an on-call contract as opposed to full-time or parttime employment.

First Assistant Prosecutor Isenhour advised the Board that there is a significant cost savings to the on-call contract as opposed to the hiring of several full-time employees.

Chairman Jalloh inquired as to the benefit of a per diem contract as opposed to the on-call contract.

First Assistant Prosecutor Isenhour advised that a per diem contract would likely not be a beneficial contract situation, but that he would inquire with administration to see if that's an option.

- 2. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Union County Prosecutor's Office, to apply for and accept funding from the State of New Jersey Police Training Commission for the 2015 Law Enforcement Officers Training and Equipment Grant, Part 3 for the period of March 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015 in the amount of \$10,278. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 3. Authorizing the County Manager through the Union County Prosecutor's Office to enter into an agreement with Taser International, Scottsdale, Arizona to purchase body worn cameras at a cost not to exceed \$850,000, obtained through the use of New Jersey State Contract #A81321. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Freeholder Hudak asked for 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Prosecutor Isenhour to provide the Board with an overview of the body camera relative to Agenda Item #3.

First Assistant Prosecutor Isenhour advised the Board that on July 28, 2015 the Attorney General issued a policy on the use of body cameras and a change in policy relative to "use of force" investigation in the state. He made comments relative to the mandatory measures of the "use of force" policy. He advised that the body camera policy is an elective policy not mandated by the State, but advised the Board of the minimum standards required if a governing entity were to utilize body camera as their own policy. He advised that Acting Prosecutor Park met with law enforcement agencies in Union County to discuss a "Body Camera" pilot program that she was interested in pursuing; noting that there was an overwhelming response. He spoke to some of the specifics of the program, noting that the prosecutor's office will fund the camera costs for the first year, with the municipalities approving the costs of at least the subsequent two years.

Freeholder Hudak stated the Board had a conversation this evening with Director Moran relative to the County's potential involvement, noting that it is a very important and timely program.

# **DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

Norman W. Albert, Esq., Director

There were no comments

1. Authorizing the County Manager to approve 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 August 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015

(month-to-month contract) in an amount not to exceed \$16,247.34 (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

- 2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Business and Governmental Insurance Agency ("BGIA") and Acrisure LLC dba Doyle Alliance Group both of Woodbridge, NJ for the provision of: Health Insurance Consultant/Broker Services and Voluntary Benefits Services from October 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 3. Authorizing the County Manager to renew the Third Party Claim Administration contract for Workers' Compensation, Auto and Property Claims with PMA Insurance Company from August 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015 (month to month) in an amount not to exceed \$40,333.34. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 4. Amending Resolution Number: 2015-458, a contract with Bauch, Zucker, Hatfield, Springfield, New Jersey, special counsel for labor negotiations to increase the cap for legal services in the amount of \$125,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$350,000.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 5. Amending Resolution 2014-1065, a contract awarded to Practice Associates Medical Group of Clark, New Jersey, to increase the amount by \$8,000.00 for the provision of 2015 Pre-Employment Exams for the Sheriff's Department, for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 for a total amount not to exceed \$65,000.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 6. Authorizing the County Manager to designate the following two (2) vehicles as surplus vehicles and no longer needed for County purposes: Two (2) 2008 Chevrolet Tahoe Hybrid SUVs; VIN# 1GNFK13518R229884 with 95,701 Miles and VIN# 1GNFK13508R230458 with 107,247 Miles. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 7. Authorizing the County Manager to donate the following vehicles: Two (2) 2008 Chevrolet Tahoe Hybrid SUVs to the Borough of Roselle Park as they are no longer needed for County purposes pursuant to N.J.S.A.40A:11-36(2). VIN# 1GNFK13518R229884 with 95,701 Miles VIN# 1GNFK13508R230458 with 107,247 Miles. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

#### DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes

1. Authorizing the County Manager to approve the Housing Assistance Payment Program Annual PHA Plan (Section 8) as required by U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Freeholder Kowalski asked for an explanation of the Section 8 Housing renewal and if the amount the County is receiving is similar to previous years, referring to Agenda Item #1.

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes stated that this is an annual renewal and that the County is a public housing agency which oversees the authorities for Elizabeth, Plainfield and Rahway. He stated that the County is currently "maxed out" around 371 Section 8 vouchers, adding that

unfortunately there is a waiting list of eight to ten thousand people on that plan's list which is submitted to the State.

2. Authorizing the County Manager to award contracts to the following four (4) agencies; B&M Consultants award amount \$255,000, Urban League of Union County Inc. award amount \$94,000, Venture & Venture Human Skills Training Center award amount \$94,000, and Workforce Advantage award amount \$400,000, and to further authorize the County Manager to transfer funds among the listed agencies during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any of the listed agencies fail to meet its contractual obligations during the Ten (10) month period from September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 under the WorkFirst New Jersey Program, total amount not to exceed \$843,000. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Freeholder Granados asked what types of services will be provided by these agencies listed in Agenda Item #2.

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes stated these agencies provide activities such as non-paid volunteer services to non-profits. He stated that the individuals' participation in these activities allow them to stay in the various programs; whether it is SNAP or TANF. He added that while they are participating in the volunteer services, they are being offered job training as well.

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes provided the Board with an example from 2014, where the County had 2,010 individuals to go through TANF, General Assistance, and SNAP programs. He stated that the County was able to obtain about 100 employment opportunities for those individuals, adding that the other individuals were able to stay in those programs through these volunteer activities, which ultimately helped them with job training.

Freeholder Granados asked for clarification on the point that only 100 individuals obtained a job out of the 2,000 that participated int this program.

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes replied this was correct. He added that the goal of the program is not employment; rather the goal is to allow individuals to maintain their participation in the various programs such as TANF, General Assistance and SNAP and gain the required experience for future employment.

Chairman Jalloh asked if the four agencies listed in Agenda Item #2 were previously used by the County.

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes replied that the County has used these agencies before and that the agencies were selected through an RFP process.

Chairman Jalloh asked if the agencies' allocations were similar to last year.

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes stated that they were. He noted that earlier in the year the Board approved Union County College to be a participant of this program as well.

Chairman Jalloh asked for clarification if the funding amounts were similar to the previous year.

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes stated that the County determines the allocation based on the previous year's allocation and usage.

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

1. Concurring with the Township of Clark's Ordinance Number 15-14 adopted on July 20, 2015, to install and operate a Traffic Control Signal on Raritan Road (CR607) at Driveway for Hyatt Hills Golf Course and Clark Commons Shopping Center. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Freeholder Estrada asked who is paying for the construction of the light, in reference to Agenda Item #1.

Director Graziano stated that Clark Commons was responsible for the cost of the light, and that the township of Clark will be responsible for the maintenance costs. He stated that Clark Commons were the builders of the whole shopping complex across from the Hyatt Hills Golf Course.

Chairman Jalloh asked the Director to confirm that the light was placed on a County Road, necessitating the Board's concurring resolution.

Director Graziano stated that he was correct.

- 2. Amending Resolution Number 2014-195, a Professional Engineering Service contract with Parsons Brinckerhoff, of Newark, New Jersey for the purpose of providing "on call" Engineering Services for the Year 2014 to reflect a change in account numbers only. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 3. Amending Resolution Number 2014-192, (BA#4-2013) a contract awarded through advertised public bidding process in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq., to Rencor, Inc., of Somerville, New Jersey, approving Change Order Number 1 (final) for the Replacement of Raymond Avenue Bridge, City of Plainfield, County of Union, New Jersey. This Change Order will reduce the original contract amount by (\$18,645.17) for a new contract amount not to exceed \$1,917,163.24. This project was funded by the New Jersey Department of Transportation FY-11 Local Bridges, Future Needs (\$1,000,000.00) and New Jersey Department of Transportation County Aid 2013. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2011-004) (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 4. Amending Resolution Number 2014-503, (BA#19-2014) a contract awarded through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq., to Black Rock Enterprises, LLC, of Old Bridge, New Jersey approving Change Order Number 1 (final) for the 2014 Road Resurfacing Project Various Municipalities, County of Union, New Jersey. This Change Order will reduce the original contract amount by (\$166,193.68) for a new contract amount not to exceed \$2,786,964.96. This project was funded by the New Jersey Department of Transportation County Aid 2013. (Union County Engineering Project 2013-022 Phase I) (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Freeholder Kowalski noted that the change order reduces the cost, but inquired if there was a delay in receiving state aid for 2013, referring to Agenda Item #4.

Director Graziano stated that the contract has been completed, noting that all the roads were paved. He stated that the reduced price (\$166,000) owed to the contractor is based on the different quantities that were not met during the contract. He noted that asphalt, oil prices and concrete costs were lower than estimated by the awarding resolution.

- 5. 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: Engineering, Public Works and Facilities Management, Division of Engineering: Montana Construction Corporation of Lodi, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing the Replacement of Madison Hill Road Bridge, RA-28, Township of Clark, City of Rahway, County of Union, New Jersey, in the amount not to exceed \$2,717,904.00. This project is being funded by the Local Bridges Future Needs Program 2013 (\$1,000,000.00). (Union County Engineering Project Number 2012-016) (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 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: Engineering, Public Works and Facilities Management, Division of Engineering: Ritacco Construction, Inc., of Belleville, New Jersey, for the Replacement of Short Hills Culvert, SP39, Township of Springfield, County of Union, New Jersey, in the amount not to exceed \$427,000.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2010-006C) (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 7. Resolution concurring with the Borough of Fanwood granting permission to the Fanny Wood Day Committee, to close Martine Avenue from South Avenue to La Grande Avenue and South Avenue, from First Street to Second Avenue on Sunday, September 27, 2015 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. to hold the 2015 Fanny Wood Day Celebration and to display a banner across Martine Avenue announcing the event. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 8. Resolution concurring with the City of Linden granting permission to close Wood Avenue, between Elizabeth Avenue to Gesner Street from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. for the Street Fair "A September to Remember" which will be held on Saturday, September 26, 2015, with a rain date of Sunday, September 27, 2015. Also concurring with the City of Linden granting permission to hang banners across North Wood Avenue, between Curtis Street and Gibbons Street and one at Elizabeth Avenue from August 20, 2015 through September 30, 2015. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 9. Resolution granting permission to the Township of Scotch Plains to close Park Avenue, between Front Street and Westfield Avenue on Thursday, September 17, 2015 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for the Scotch Plains Cultural Arts Committee car show. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 10. Resolution concurring with the Township of Springfield granting permission to the Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with the Township of Springfield to close Mountain Avenue between Morris Avenue and Caldwell Place on Sunday, October 4th from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., with a rain date of Sunday, October 18, 2015 for the Fall Festival and Car Show. Also, granting permission to hang a banner across Mountain Avenue at the intersection of North Trivett Avenue from August 22, 2015 to October 19, 2015. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

#### **DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE**

Bibi Taylor, Director

There were no questions

- 1. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$416,526 as a result of notification received from the US Department of Justice for a program entitled: Justice Assistance Grant JAG. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 2. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$263,615 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Labor and Workforce Development for a Program entitled: Workforce Development Partnership Program WDPP. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 3. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$18,000 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services for a program entitled: Office on Aging State Grant. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 4. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$10,278 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Public Safety for a program entitled: Law Enforcement Officers Training and Equipment Fund (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 5. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$39,830 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Health through County of Middlesex for a program entitled: Chronic Disease Coalition Grant. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 6. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$311,424 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department Environmental Protection for a program entitled: County Environmental Health Act (CEHA). (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 7. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$261,000 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety for a program entitled: State Facilities Education Act (SFEA). (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 8. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$292,451 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Health for a program entitled: Local Information Network Communications LINCS. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 9. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$16,401 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Health for a program entitled: Right to Know. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 10. Authorizing the County Manager to establish an additional \$1,500.00 in the Department of Parks & Recreation's annual change fund to be used at Union County's Harvest Festival on September 27, 2015. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)

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

#### Frank Guzzo, Director

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 Human Services: HFT Management Inc., for the purpose of providing Advertising on Union County Paratransit System Vehicles, exercising the option

to extend for one (1) twenty-four (24) month period of November 1, 2015 through October 31, 2017, as a revenue generated contract. (Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)

Chairman Jalloh asked what are the services provided in Agenda Item #1.

Director Guzzo stated that Agenda Item #1 involves the advertising on paratransit vehicles, which was started last year. He stated that the County has realized \$5,500 in additional revenue. He stated that this resolution would exercise the twenty-four month option. He stated that it is his hope that all vehicles will have some sort of advertising on them. He advised the Board that Casino Revenue funds have decreased rapidly and this contract helps narrow the gap in paratransit funding.

Chairman Jalloh asked for further clarification as to who the County is contracting with to provide the advertisement.

Director Guzzo stated the County contracts with a state vendor to do the marketing, advertising, and the decaling. He stated that County splits the revenues 55% (County)/45(Vendor).

Chairman Jalloh inquired as to what the benefits were in entering into a two year lease.

Director Guzzo stated that this contract is exercising the current contract's twenty-four option. He offered to provide the Board with a list of advertisers before they vote on the resolution.

2. Authorizing the County Manager to approve the 2015-2016 HEARTH Emergency Solutions (HES) Grant Program Spending Plan in the total amount not to exceed \$338,508 for subcontracted services to be provided during the period of August 1, 2015 to July 31, 2016; and further authorizing the transfer of funds among the agencies during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any of the various agencies fails to meet its contractual obligation. (Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)

#### DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

#### Ronald Zuber, Director

- 1. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Office of Cultural & Heritage Affairs, to grant and execute any and all agreements for the 2015 (HEART) History, Education, Arts Reaching Thousands Grant Program in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00. (Freeholder Sergio Granados)
- 2. Amending Resolution Number 2013-1080, (BA#68-2013) a contract awarded through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., to Flanagan Contracting Group of Hillsborough, New Jersey approving Change Order Number 1 (final) for the Warinanco Park Stadium Upgrades. This Change Order will reduce the original contract amount by (\$511,246.53) for a new contract amount not to exceed \$3,534,192.02. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2011-017) (Freeholder Sergio Granados)

Freeholder Mirabella asked for additional details for Agenda Item #2.

Director Zuber stated that the contract provided for costs associated with the potential abatement and transfer of tainted soil. He advised that the soil was not tainted, which resulting in the \$500,000 reduction in project cost.

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: JC Landscape Construction & Management Co., Inc., of Pequannock, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing Improvements to Watchung Stable Equestrian Center, Borough of Mountainside, County of Union, New Jersey, in the amount not to exceed \$2,237,913.30. BA#33-2015; Union County Engineering Project Number 2010-020. (Freeholder Sergio Granados)

# **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

#### Andrew Moran, Director

Freeholder Mirabella made comments relative to the number of municipalities taking advantage of extending their dispatch service with the County, which speaks to the success of the program.

- 1. Authorizing the County Manager to accept and expend a New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, County Environmental Health Act (CEHA) Grant Funds in the amount of \$311,424 to support CEHA activities for the contract period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 and match in the amount of \$233,264 through in-kind funds. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 2. Authorizing the County Manager to accept and execute a Sub-Grant Agreement with Middlesex County for inclusion in the New Jersey Department of Health, Chronic Disease Coalition Grant Program in the amount of \$39,830.00 for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Chairman Jalloh asked for further details relative to Agenda Item #2.

Director Moran stated that this is the second year of the grant. He noted that it is the same amount as last year. He stated that it provides for the funding of 35% of the salary of an individual within the Health Department. He added that the individual provides community outreach and education for cancer screenings, noting that the County just did a cancer screening in Clark.

- 3. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract obtained through advertised public bidding, in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq: Department of Public Safety: Air & Gas Technologies, Cliffwood Beach, New Jersey for the purchase of an Air Cylinder Recharging Station in the amount not to exceed \$63,550.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 4. Amending Resolution 2012-415, exercising the option to extend dispatching services with the Township of Hillside for two (2) additional one (1) year terms. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 5. Amending Resolution 2012-971, exercising the option to extend dispatching services with the Borough of Mountainside for two (2) additional one (1) year terms. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 6. Amending Resolution 2012-369, exercising the option to extend the dispatching services with the Borough of Roselle for two (2) additional one (1) year terms. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

- 7. Amending Resolution 2012-484, exercising the option to extend the dispatching services with the Borough of Roselle Park for two (2) additional one (1) year terms. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 8. Amending Resolution 2012-761, exercising the option to extend the dispatching services with the Township of Springfield for two (2) additional one (1) year terms. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 9. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital at Rahway, in accordance with Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq., for the provision of advanced life support dispatching services, for the contract term of five (5) years. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Freeholder Granados asked the Director to elaborate on Agenda Item #9.

Director Moran stated that this contract is similar to the contracts with the various municipalities, but since Robert Wood Johnson is not a municipality they need to enter into a separate contract. He noted that they want to extend their contract for five years.

### OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

Robert E. Barry, Esq., County Counsel

Deputy County Counsel Comas represented the Office of the County Counsel

There were no questions

- 1. A Resolution appointing LaCorte, Bundy, Varady & Kinsella of Union, NJ to represent Brian Riordan in the matter entitled Marissa Taylor-Munger v. UC, et als. in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 2. A Resolution appointing Kologi & Simitz of Linden, NJ to represent Corrections Officer Kevin Burkert in the matter entitled Marissa Taylor-Munger v. UC, et als. in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 3. Amending Resolution 2015-136, to increase the appropriation to Florio & Kenny, LLP of Hoboken, NJ in the matter entitled Shiquon Fowler v. UC, et als. in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 for a sum not to exceed \$60,000.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 4. Amending Resolution 2015-200, to increase the appropriation to Florio, Perrucci, Steinhardt & Fader, LLC of Rochelle Park, NJ in the matter entitled Shiquon Fowler v. UC, et als. in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 for a sum not to exceed \$60,000.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 5. Amending Resolution 2015-240, to increase the appropriation to DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole of Teaneck, NJ in the matter entitled Shiquon Fowler v. UC, et als. in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 for a sum not to exceed \$40,000.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

#### FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

Chairman Jalloh stated he would like to join Freeholders Alexander Mirabella, Angel G. Estrada, Sergio Granados on the Agenda Item #6; Freeholder Alexander Mirabella on Agenda Item #7; Freeholder Mirabella & Freeholder Granados on Agenda Item #9; Freeholder Mirabella & Freeholder Granados on Agenda Item #10. He added that he would have one additional resolution relative to a Union County resident that opened a Charter School.

Freeholder Carter stated she would like to join Freeholders Alexander Mirabella, Angel G. Estrada, and Sergio Granados on Agenda Item #6; Freeholder Alexander Mirabella on Agenda Item #7; Freeholder Alexander Mirabella on Agenda Item #8; Freeholder Mirabella & Freeholder Granados on Agenda Item #9; and Freeholder Mirabella & Freeholder Granados on Agenda Item #10.

Freeholder Estrada stated she would like to join Freeholder Christopher Hudak on Agenda Item #3 and Freeholder Mirabella & Freeholder Granados on Agenda Item #9, noting he would inquire with the Clerk of the Board as to why he wasn't automatically listed as a sponsor.

Freeholder Kowalski stated she would like to join Freeholder Christopher Hudak on Agenda Item #4 and Freeholder Mirabella & Freeholder Granados on Agenda Item #9.

Freeholder Wright stated she would like to join Freeholder Christopher Hudak on Agenda Item #3 and Freeholder Mirabella & Freeholder Granados on Agenda Item #9.

Freeholder Hudak stated as a result of the Fiscal Committee Meeting, he will have a resolution relative to an internal position control; and requested the Clerk of the Board to add his name to all Resolutions.

- 1. Resolution offering this Board's deepest sympathies to the family of Mr. Jessie A. Dixon, of Plainfield, during their time of sorrow. (Freeholder Linda Carter)
- 2. Laudatory resolution proclaiming the week of September 13, 2015 through September 19, 2015 as "Child Passenger Safety Week", and further proclaiming September 19, 2015 as "National Seat Check Saturday". (Estrada, Granados & Hudak, Mirabella)
- 3. Resolution opposing the Congressional proposed federal cuts in public pre-school funding. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 4. Laudatory resolution congratulating the 2015 Linden General Pulaski Parade Grand Marshall: Richard Gerbounka, the 2015 Linden General Pulaski Parade Miss Polonia: Aleksandra Scieszka; and 2015 Linden General Pulaski Parade Junior Miss Polonia: Madison Krowicki. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 5. Laudatory resolution congratulating Kathryn DiChiara on her retirement as president and chief executive officer of the Hillside-based Community Food Bank of New Jersey, and further congratulating the great success of the Hillside Community Food Bank over the past 40 years. (Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)
- 6. Congratulating the Honorees of the 3rd Annual Neighborhood Leaders Awards Reception hosted by the Elizabeth Development Company: The Gellert Family Founders Atalanta Corporation; Frank Golon Division President, Davidson –Wayne Development; Leslic Anderson Executive Director NJ Redevelopment Authority and Patricia Perkins Auguste

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- Council President, City of Elizabeth. (Freeholders Alexander Mirabella, Angel G. Estrada, Sergio Granados)
- 7. Congratulating Union County College Foundation for their 23rd Annual Scholarship Gala honoring the memory of Dr. Gerald Glasser. (Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)
- 8. Laudatory Resolution congratulating Alyssa Chacon, who competed in the Chopped Teen Tournament on the Food Network. (Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)
- 9. Congratulating the Honorees of the YWCA of Union County Annual Empowering Women Cocktail Reception: Corporate Sponsor Phillips 66 Bayway Refinery; Individual Honoree Mary Phillips; Community Partner Mayor J. Christian Bollwage and the City of Elizabeth; Legacy Board Honorees: Virginia Bodden, Maria Bordas, Teresa Iturralde Estrada, Janice Gossman, Josephine Hernandez, Elain Lux, Celia Mantia, Nicki Montaperto, Anne Russell and Maria Tsitsiragos, Esq. (Freeholder Mirabella & Freeholder Granados)
- 10. Congratulating the 2015 Service Award Honorees for the Boy Scouts of America: Maria Navedo, Assistant VP Branch Manager Santander Bank; Amlicar "Mickey" Colon Union County Under Sheriff; Sergio Granados Union County Freeholder and Luis O. De La Hoz VP Lending Team, The Intersect Fund. (Freeholder Mirabella & Freeholder Granados)
- 11. Laudatory Resolution proclaiming October 23-31, 2015 as "RED RIBBON WEEK" in Union County. (Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)
- 12. Congratulating Bishop Claude L. Campbell on celebrating his 50th Pastoral Anniversary on October 16, 2015. (Freeholder Vernell Wright)
- 13. Congratulating Golden Rule Lodge #24 F&AM P.H.A. on celebrating their Annual Community Day. (Freeholder Vernell Wright)
- 14. Laudatory Resolution congratulating Courtney Dreyfus, of Scotch Plains, New Jersey, for placing 3rd in the Triathlon, Silver in the half mile swim finishing with the Bronze Medal with a time of 1:32:46 representing Team USA 2015 Special Olympics World Games. (Vice Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)
- 15. Laudatory resolution recognizing the efforts of ShopRite and their "Help Bag Hunger Event" and further proclaiming the month of September as "National Hunger Action Month" throughout Union County. (Vice Chairman Bergen & Freeholder Mirabella)
- 16. Resolution offering this Board's sincere condolences to the family of former Chief Lester Sargent formerly of the Sheriff's Office, during their time of sorrow. (Chairman Jalloh & the Entire Board)
- 17. Laudatory resolution recognizing the 20th Anniversary of the Million Man March and further recognize the efforts of the Plainfield Local Organizing Committee of the of All Roads Lead to Washington D.C. to promote justice and unity, regardless of class, race, creed, or color. (Chairman Jalloh & the Entire Board)

18. Authorizing Governing Body Certification of the 2014 Audit. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Deputy County Counsel Comas stated that pursuant to provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act a public body may enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Attorney-Client privileged communication and discussion relative to on-going contract negotiations with Local PBA 199; and Attorney-Client privileged communication and discussion relative to the NIC Report as it relates to on-going contract negotiations with Local PBA 199 and as it relates to protecting the safety of the public at the Union County Jail. She stated that the minutes of the Executive Session shall be separated from the minutes of the Open Public Session. She stated that the minutes of the Executive Session, redacted as appropriate and necessary, shall be available in approximately 30 days. She 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. She stated that upon the Board's return, it will not take formal action on the matters discussed and upon a majority vote of the members present; the Board may now retire to Executive Session.

Chairman Jalloh asked for a motion to enter Executive Session. On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

To the extent known, the following items are scheduled to be discussed in Executive Session:

- 1) Attorney-Client privileged communication and discussion relative to on-going contract negotiations with Local PBA 199; and
- 2) Attorney-Client privileged communication and discussion relative to the NIC Report as it relates to on-going contract negotiations with Local PBA 199 and as it relates to protecting the safety of the public at the Union County Jail.

Chairman Jalloh asked for a motion to return to the Agenda Meeting. On a motion made by Freeholder Carter and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

Chairman Jalloh asked 1<sup>st</sup> Deputy County Counsel Comas if there were any statements from County Counsel as it relates to the Executive Session.

1<sup>st</sup> Deputy County Counsel Comas stated that there were no resolutions required to be added at this time as a result of Executive Session.

## ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Jalloh asked for a motion to adjourn the Agenda Meeting. On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Hudak, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative. Meeting was adjourned at 7:57pm.

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 January 15, 2015	REGULAR MEETINGS 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 10, 2015	December 3, 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.

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