

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6, 2015 AGENDA SETTING MEETING MINUTES

Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh presided and called the meeting to order at 7:05pm. Roll call showed Vice Chairman Bruce Bergen, Freeholder Linda Carter, Freeholder Angel G. Estrada, Freeholder Christopher Hudak, Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski, Freeholder Alexander Mirabella and Freeholder Vernell Wright were in attendance. Freeholder Sergio Granados was 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 was led by the Clerk of the Board.

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

APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

Note and File

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY CLERK

Joanne Rajoppi, County Clerk

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with Fidlar Technologies, Davenport, IA to provide a Property Fraud Alert Notification System for the Office of the Union County Clerk for the contract term August 21, 2015 through August 20, 2016 in an amount not to exceed \$19,000. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Freeholder Estrada asked about the Fraud Alert Notification referring to item #1.

County Clerk Rajoppi stated that Fidlar Technologies is rated one of the top 10 companies in New Jersey providing fraud alert for filing of fictitious liens against properties or the illegal transfer of properties through the recording of fraudulent deeds and mortgage fraud. She said senior citizens are especially susceptible. She said should liens and such occur, credit can be ruined and fraud will be hard to prove.

Freeholder Estrada asked how the public will be made aware of this system. County Clerk Rajoppi stated that they could sign up for fraud alert via the telephone or the web. She stated it is free for the subscriber and the County Clerk's Office will be the host. She explained how the process will work.

Freeholder Estrada asked about the information Fidlar Technologies will have in their possession.

County Clerk Rajoppi stated that Fidlar will not have the information. It will be on the County Clerk's website. She said Fidlar will only have access to the website. She added a Clerk in Florida initiated the program and it has been very successful.

Freeholder Carter asked if she was to get an alert how the process would be handled.

County Clerk Rajoppi spoke about her office's limitations. She stated that the Statute requires documents to be recorded. The Clerk's office cannot verify the authenticity.

Freeholder Carter asked if there is a limit of individuals who can sign up.

County Clerk Rajoppi replied no, it is available to commercial and residential owned properties.

Freeholder Estrada asked if there will be a campaign announcing the program.

County Clerk Rajoppi stated that the individual will be notified as soon as documents are recorded, which will be the same day the lien is placed against the property. She said the system will not be in effect until the end of September, adding there will be a campaign. She explained how it will be publicized and gave examples like senior citizen clubs and newspapers.

Vice Chairman Bergen asked if there will be more expenditures expected.

County Clerk Rajoppi stated that there will be a maintenance fee of \$3,200 per year. She said the amount of \$15,750 is for the licensing and customizing.

Chairman Jalloh stated this is a good program and thanked County Clerk Rajoppi.

2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Alltech Business Solutions, Kenilworth, New Jersey to provide coin operated copy machines for public use at 0.05 cents cost per copy for a contract period of 24 consecutive months. This is not a revenue producing contract nor is there a cost to the County. The purpose of this contract is to secure the lowest price per copy for public users. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Freeholder Mirabella confirmed that the cost of a copy relative to item #2 is five cents.

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY SHERIFF

Joseph P. Cryan, County Sheriff

Lieutenant George Valadares represented the Office of the Sheriff.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with TriTech Software Systems, San Diego, California, for the purchase of the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) System, the records management and reporting software licensing and the equipment maintenance and software support by the Union County Sheriff's Office in an amount not to exceed \$103,963.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Freeholder Hudak asked for an explanation of item #1 and asked if it is a cost savings to the County.

Lieutenant Valadares stated that the County Police is hosting the program and the Sheriff's Office will provide the report. He said the savings to the County are for the set-up fees and program fees.

Freeholder Hudak stated that it appears to be a strong showing and cost savings.

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY PROSECUTOR

Grace H. Park, Acting Prosecutor

First Assistant Tim Isenhour represented the Office.

Chairman Jalloh asked if the contracts of the Resolutions listed are for the same amount as in the previous year.

First Assistant Isenhour stated that item #2 is an increase of \$15,000 which sadly reflects an increase of sexual assault victims.

- 1. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and accept grant funding from the NJ Division of Criminal Justice, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant, Multi-Jurisdictional Gang, Gun, and Narcotics Task Force Grant Program for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 in the amount of \$164,481. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 2. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Office of the Prosecutor, to apply for and accept funding from the State of New Jersey, Division of Criminal Justice, FY15 Victims of Crime Act, County Sexual Assault Response Team/Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Program in the amount of \$87,783 with a County match of \$21,946. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Freeholder Carter asked if there is an increase in award if the County match is also increased relative to item #2.

First Assistant Isonhour stated yes, the County match is increased as well.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Norman W. Albert, Esq., Director

Director Albert stated he would have additional Resolutions pertaining to the Optimum Light Path contract due to over usage for the next Freeholder Meeting. He stated that he would have the back-up made available to the Board by the next day.

Freeholder Carter asked why there are overage fees. She asked if it is similar to cellular phone plans.

Director Albert stated that the County has applied for a new plan. He stated that this plan covers the 5 months of overage and an increase in the data plan because the County is using more usage.

Freeholder Carter asked if the usage is being monitored. Director Albert replied yes.

County Manager Faella interjected and stated that Diego Otera, Bureau of Information Technologies monitors the usage. He said it has cost the County an additional \$95,000 for 17 months of overage.

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 Administrative Services, Division of Motor Vehicle: T. Slack Environmental Services, Kenilworth, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing Fuel Sight & Dispensing Units, Maintenance Repair for the period of 24 months in an amount not to exceed \$131,856.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Chairman Jalloh asked why there are several 24 month contracts on the Agenda relative to item #1.

Director Yuska stated it is a standard practice to negotiate 24 month contracts for better rates.

2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Tennant Company, Minneapolis, Minnesota, for the purchase of (1) Tennant S30 Grounds Sweeper with 6 Options for the Department of Public Works, Division of Facilities Management through the Middlesex County Regional Educational Services Commission (MRESC) in the amount not to exceed \$52,207.58. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Freeholder Estrada asked if item #2 is also being purchased with a trailer.

Director Chirafesi stated the sweeper is used for the courthouse complex, sidewalk, parking garage, and streets.

Freeholder Estrada asked if we already have a sweeper.

Director Chirafesi replied the sweeper we had has been retired.

Freeholder Estrada stated a trailer would be better and will last longer.

- 3. Approving the renewal of the Medical Malpractice insurance policy for Cornerstone staff with Princeton Insurance Company, Princeton, New Jersey, from July 1, 2015 through July 1, 2016 in the amount of \$13,642.68. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 4. Amending Resolution Number 2015-018, a contract with Roth D'Aquanni, Springfield, New Jersey, special Legal Counsel for personnel matters, to increase the cap for legal services in the amount of \$40,000 for an amount not to exceed \$115,000. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 5. Amending Resolution Number 2015-010, which approved the use of NJ State Contract, Middlesex Regional Ed Coop & Somerset County Coop usage of contracts to increase the amount by \$90,000.00 for Samuels, Inc., Vauxhall, New Jersey (NJ State Contract) for the purpose of providing auto parts for County vehicles for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 for a total amount not to exceed \$190,000.00; and to further increase the amount by \$100,000 for Life Technologies (State Contract) for an amount not to exceed \$230,000; and further to affect a name change for two vendors: Amsan to their new name Supply Works, and Central Lewmar to xpedx. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 6. Resolution regarding the self-funded health benefits program maintained by the County of Union and requiring exclusionary employees hired on or after October 1, 2015 to participate in the HSA or the EPO plan for their first two years of employment. The HSA is projected to save the County 18% on a per member basis. The EPO will yield 6% savings by limiting out of network utilization. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

George Blaskewicz, Acting Director

1. Authorizing County Manager to award a contract to Praeses Shreveport, LA for immate communications consulting, contractual management, and reconciliation services pursuant to N.J.S.A 40A:11-1 et seq.; which allows a contract to be awarded without competitive public bidding if the subject matter consists of "extraordinary unspecifiable service" not to exceed 9.22% of immate telephone county commission for the contract period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Freeholder Mirabella thanked Acting Director Blaskewicz for taking Director Riordan's position and asked Acting Director Blaskewicz to explain item #1.

Acting Director Blaskewicz stated six or seven other organizations consult and monitor the telephone system so that the county gets back dollars. It is to provide inmate communications consulting, contractual management and reconciliation services. He stated the vendor will handle the RFPs and RFQs.

Freeholder Estrada asked if it is the same vendor as last year.

Acting Director Blaskewicz replied yes, for the last two years.

Freeholder Estrada asked how much did this vendor save the County last year.

Acting Director Blaskewicz stated he was uncertain but will get back to the Board with the information.

Acting Director Blaskewicz stated that Preeses will be paid \$2500 a month if they find errors or not because they do the consulting. He said he will ask if there is a report that can be provided.

2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark, Newark, New Jersey, to provide alcohol and drug treatment program for the female inmate population at the Union County Jail for the contract period of September 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 in an amount not to exceed \$28,051.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

William Reyes, Deputy County Manager / Director

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes stated he would like to add three additional resolutions to the next Freeholder Meeting: two for Information Technologies for the Elizabeth Firehouse for fiber connections and one for extending CBG funded programs.

Freeholder Carter asked Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes to elaborate on the two items relative to Information Technologies.

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes stated the two IT Resolutions are both for shared services for the City of Elizabeth for the extension of the contract to provide a home improvement program for seniors who are income eligible. He said the contract ends at the end of this month.

Freeholder Carter stated we need to make sure all pertinent information is in place.

County Manager Faella stated it is on the Agenda now as of September or end of the year on line.

Chairman Jalloh asked if the contract has expired.

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes replied yes. There was an oversight and there is a two year option that can be exercised.

- 1. Amending Resolution Number 2015-423, approving the 2015-2016 Annual Consolidated Action Plan to reflect the inclusion of two projects: 1) Rahway Office of Policy & Planning in the amount of \$100,000.00; and 2) Plainfield Office of Community Development in the amount of \$110,000.00 for a total amount of \$210,000.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 2. Amending the 2014-2015 Consolidated Action Plan adopted by way of Resolution 2014-444, to include an increase of \$75,000.00 in funding to the City of Linden Demolition of Blighted Building Project approved by Resolution 2015-187 dated February 26, 2015. The amount of the Project will increase from \$100,000.00 to \$175,000.00 funded with Community Development Program Income funds. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 3. Amending the 2009-2010, 2010-2011, and 2014-2015 Consolidated Action Plan HOME Investment Partnership Programs approved by Resolution Numbers 2009-544, 2010 507 and 2014-444 respectively to reprogram the following funds from projects that did not get committed as per contract and to fund the Premier Community Development Corporation in the amount of \$364,183.00. Funds will be used for acquisition and rehabilitation of two homes which will be sold to low income families at or below 80% of the area median income. Reprogrammed funds are as follows: Program year 2009-2010 D-12-56-872-009-919 (\$133,231.40); Program year 2010-2011 D-12-56-873-005-919 (\$101,014.40); and Program year 2014-2015 D-12-56-877-001-919 (\$129,937.20) (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Chairman Jalloh asked for an explanation of item #3 and #4.

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes stated that item #3 is a project that fell through. This is a reprogram to fund projects that did not get committed as per the original contract and it is for funding acquisition and rehabilitation of two single family homes in Plainfield and Linden

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes stated that item #4 is for housekeeping.

Freeholder Estrada asked about the funding.

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes stated that it is from Home funds (Federal funding).

Chairman Jalloh asked about the two items Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes is adding for the next Freeholder meeting. He asked when the County was notified about these items.

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes stated two months ago.

Chairman Jalloh asked why they were not included at that time.

Deputy County Manager/Director Reyes stated that one item is because the CD staff came after that time and the other is of a demolition of a steel building in Linden. He said the plan happened after the Resolutions were adopted.

- 4. Amending Resolution Number 2014-602 to reflect the appropriate program years of 2009-2010, 2010-2011, and 2012-2013. This amendment also cancels the project titled Homefirst & Interfaith Family Services \$170,000 from D 12-56-873-005 919 (\$101,014.40) and D-12-56-872-009-919 (\$68,985.60). (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 5. Amending Resolution Number 2013-653 by adjusting the reprogrammed funds in the 2013-2014 Consolidated Action Plan by \$83,219.50 for a new program year total of \$1,146,654.16. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 6. Authorizing the County Manager to amend Resolution No. 2014-632 awarding an additional \$24,000 in WorkFirst New Jersey GA/SNAP funding and extend the contract period two months to August 31, 2015. The State of New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development granted a two-month extension for funding to be utilized for services provided during the Program Year 2014. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING, PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES

Joseph Graziano, Director

Director Charles Chirafesi of the Division of Facilities Management represented the Department.

1. 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 ct seq: Department of Engineering, Public Works & Facilities Management; Division of Facilities Management to Green Genie LLC, Allenhurst, New Jersey, for the purpose of Concessions: Automated Teller Machine (ATM) Services, coordinated through the Division of Facilities Management. The Vendor will install, maintain, and collect transaction fees from all ATMS at County-owned and leased properties. The vendor remunerates twenty percent (20%) of all transaction fees collected to the County of Union via check on a monthly basis. Awarded resolution will commence immediately following contract execution for twenty-four (24) consecutive months with the provision for one (1) twenty-four (24) month optional extension. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Freeholder Hudak asked how many ATM machines are located within the County owned and leased buildings.

Director Chirafesi stated that there will be seven ATM machines with this new contract. He said there are 5 currently. They will all be located in the Administration Building in Elizabeth, the new Annex Oriscello Building, Social Services in Elizabeth, Courthouse Tower, the new Jail, Ruotolo Building and the Frohelich Building in Westfield. He stated it is a new contract and a new vendor. The ATM machines are available to the public and County employees. He added that the old contract included Runnells Specialized Hospital.

Freeholder Hudak asked if this item has generated revenue. Director Chirafesi stated that it generates \$375 per month and 1,000 transactions for all 7 machinges.

Freeholder Hudak asked if the public is mostly using the ATM machines.

Director Chirafesi replied yes. He added that the commission to the County was \$1.75 per transaction for the past 8 years and they have negotiated with the new vendor to possibly receive \$2.00 per transaction.

Freeholder Hudak asked why it is an open-ended contract.

Director Chirafesi stated that in case they need to add more machines. He said it is a 24 month contract with an option for an additional 24 months.

Chairman Jalloh asked why there is a change in vendor.

Director Yuska interjected and stated that they were the lowest bidders and are giving the highest in return.

- 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 with Shaban, Inc., Gutenberg, New Jersey, for the purpose of Kitchen Exhaust System Services, coordinated through the Division of Facilities Management. Awarded resolution will commence on September 12, 2015, upon expiry of the current contract with same vendor, for twenty-four (24) consecutive months with the provision for one (1) twenty-four (24) month optional extension not to exceed \$64,998.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 3. Resolution concurring with the Township of Cranford ratifying the approval given to close Springfield Avenue between North Avenue and North Union Avenue on Tuesday, August 4, 2015, from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. for the Cranford National Night Out Celebration Event. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 4. Resolution concurring with the Township of Springfield ratifying the approval given to The Springfield Community Partnership Management Corporation to hang a banner across Mountain Avenue at North Trivett Avenue from July 10, 2015 through August 21, 2015 to promote the Springfield Business Improvement District Music Festival. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 5. Resolution granting permission to the Township of Scotch Plains to close Park Avenue, between Front Street and Westfield Avenue on Thursday, August 20, 2015 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for the Scotch Plains Cultural Arts Committee car show. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Bibi Taylor, Director

Freeholder Mirabella asked if all of the 2015 Budget items listed are to accept grants.

Director Taylor replied yes

Freeholder Mirabella asked if these are new dollars that will not offset items in the budget.

Director Taylor replied yes, that is correct.

1. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$560,713 as a result of notification received from the City of Newark for a program entitled: Ryan White Part A HIV Emergency Relief. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)

- 2. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$21,351 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety for a program entitled: Stop Violence Against Women (VAWA) Grant. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 3. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$40,800 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Children and Families for a program entitled: Rape Prevention and Education Funds. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 4. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$138,000 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Labor and Workforce Development for a program entitled: "Learning Link Program." (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 5. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$247,078 as a result of notification received from the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority for a program entitled: Local Safety East Broad St. & Elm Street. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 6. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$87,783 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety for a program entitled: Sexual Assault Response Team/Forensic Nurse Examiner. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 7. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$639,012 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs for a program entitled: Community Service Block Grant. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 8. Resolution modifying the 2015 Budget in the amount of \$1,241,240 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Labor and Workforce Development for a program entitled: Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act WIOA. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Frank Guzzo, Director

Assistant Director Karen Dinsmore represented the Department.

Assistant Director Dinsmore stated she will have one additional Resolution for the next meeting Freeholder Meeting regarding health medical services for inmates at the Union County Jail and detainees at UC Juvenile Detention. She said they are waiting for the bid to come back.

Freeholder Estrada asked if this item is going out to bid.

Assistant Director Dinsmore replied yes, and they are expecting an answer on Friday.

Freeholder Estrada asked Assistant Director Dinsmore to kindly provide the information to

the Board as soon as possible.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with Jacqueline Napper, PsyD, MSCP, Plainfield, New Jersey, to provide psychological services to the patients of

Cornerstone Behavioral Health Hospital for the period of August 1, 2015 through July 31, 2016 in an amount not to exceed \$9,600.00. (Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)

- 2. Authorizing the County Manager to endorse and approve the 2016 Comprehensive County Youth Services Plan and Application Update in the total amount of \$689,163 listing each funding source as required by the State of New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission and Attorney General's Office: State Community Partnership (SCP), Program Management funds in the amount of \$55,550; State Community Partnership (SCP) Program Service funds in the amount of \$384,876; and Family Court Services (FC) funds in the amount of \$248,737 for the period of January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016. (Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)
- 3. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and execute the FY2016 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) contract in the amount of \$269,460 from the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs (NJDCA) for the grant period of October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2017 for the purpose of providing community programming for low income residents of Union County; and to recognize and accept that the Department may offer a lesser or greater amount and therefore, upon receipt of the grant agreement from NJDCA, does further authorize the execution of any such grant agreement. (Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)
- 4. Authorizing the County Manager to accept funds in the amount of \$21,351 and enter into a contract with the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Criminal Justice, for the Union County Rape Crisis Center (UCRCC) to provide services for sexual violence victims through the STOP Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Formula Grant Program for the period of October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016 with required County matching funds of \$7,117 to be in-kind/funds already allocated for UCRCC personnel expense. (Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)
- 5. Authorizing the County Manager to renew the agreement with the Union County Educational Services Commission to provide state mandated education programs for the residents housed in the Juvenile Detention Center for the period of September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2016 in the total amount not to exceed \$881,925. (Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)
- 6. Authorizing the County Manager to approve the 2015 Union County One-Time GAP Spending Plan, pursuant to a Request for Proposal (RFP) procurement process, in the total amount not to exceed \$285,000 for subcontracted services to be provided during period of August 21, 2015 through December 31, 2015; further authorizing the transfer of funds among the agencies during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any of the agencies fails to meet its contractual obligation. (Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)
- 7. Authorizing the County Manager to Amend Resolution #2015-305, to add four (4) funeral homes to the list of indigent burial providers. (Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)
- 8. Amending Resolution Number 2015-509, to reflect an extension to the agreement with Corizon Health of NJ, Cedar Grove, New Jersey, for an additional one (1) month period of September 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015 for a total amount not to exceed \$450,195 for the provision of medical/health care services for inmates/residents at the UC Jail and UC Juvenile Detention Center. (Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Ronald Zuber, Director

Director of the Division of Recreational Facilities Armando Sanchez represented the Department.

There were no questions.

- 1. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Marturano Recreation Company, Spring Lake, New Jersey, as an exception to bidding under NJSA 40A:11-12 Middlesex Regional Education Services Commission (65MCESCCPS) Bid #MRESC 14/15-08 for playground equipment, site furnishing, outdoor circuit training equipment and related products, parts and installation in various parks throughout Union County in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00. (Freeholder Sergio Granados)
- 2. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Aquatic Analysts, Inc., Middleville, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing light and heavy duty mechanical hydroraking of the Rahway River Park Lake in the amount of \$26,250. (Freeholder Sergio Granados)
- 3. Amending Resolution Number 2014-645, to extend the contract with Professional Farrier Services, Inc., of Elizabeth, New Jersey, for the period of September 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015. (Freeholder Sergio Granados)
- 4. 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 and Recreation: East Coast Sod, LLC of Pilesgrove, NJ, for the purpose of providing Sodding for Golf Courses for 24 months, in the amount of not to exceed \$225,500. (Freeholder Sergio Granados)

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Andrew Moran, Director

Officer in Charge of the Union County Police Christopher Debbie represented the Department.

There were no questions.

- 1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with the State of New Jersey Office of Emergency Management to authorize and approve participation in the enrollment of the Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO) 1033 Program. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 2. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract with Eagle Point Gun Shop, Thorofare, New Jersey, as an exception to bidding under NJSA 40A:11-12, New Jersey State Contract #81296/T0106 for police and homeland security equipment supplies (ammunition) for the Union County Police Department in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 3. inflatable Authorizing the County declare; ACHILLES boat Manager to VIN/ACH00191E787 and LOAD RITE LILRIDER trailer a VIN/1PHCNRL18H1000156; as surplus, no longer needed for County use and further

authorizing to advertise and hold public auction to dispose of said surplus. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

- 4. Authorizing the County Manager to appoint Gareth Williams as, 9 1-1 County Coordinator to the State of New Jersey Office of Information Technology, Office of Emergency Telecommunications Services. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 5. Authorizing the County Manager to renew the service contract with Video Visions, Trevose, Pennsylvania, for the purposes of maintenance and emergency services for the video equipment and systems in the County's Emergency Operations Center. (Grant Funded) (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 6. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, Rahway, New Jersey, to provide space for autopsies at \$200.00 per case and External Exams at \$60.00 per case, with Histology Blocks And Slides at \$25.00 per case for a contract period from July 1, 2015 through June 31, 2016 in an amount not to exceed \$70,000. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 7. Authorizing the County Manager to accept and expend the New Jersey Department of Health Grant Award for Public Health Emergency Preparedness (LINCS Grant) in the amount of \$292,451 for a contract period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 8. Amending Resolution Number 2015-382 to include a match of \$22,632 during the CEHA 6-Month Calendar Year Grant from January 1, 2015 to June 30, 2015. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 9. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract, as an exception to bidding, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(dd), with Video Visions, Trevose, PA for the purpose of acquiring proprietary computer systems and software in the amount of \$13,695. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 10. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a two (2) year agreement with V-Comm, LLC, Cranbury, New Jersey, for the provision of FCC Radio Licensing services in an amount not to exceed \$72,000. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 11. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a 2 year contract with NMS Laboratories for drug and alcohol abuse as well as other testing services if needed for the period of September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2017, not to exceed \$90,000.00 at a cost of \$109.00 for basic testing and \$185.00 for expanded testing. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

Office of the County Counsel

Robert E. Barry, Esq., County Counsel

Freeholder Estrada asked if any of the items listed on the Agenda are ready to be settled.

County Counsel Barry stated item #4 will be discussed during Executive Session; item #3 is a matter on appeal and all others are on-going except item #1 is a contract relative to the Rahway River Park Project.

- 1. Resolution Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Use and Maintenance Agreement with the City of Rahway and the Rahway Board of Education relative to the Rahway River Park Project. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 2. Amending Resolution Number 2015-277, to increase the appropriation to Jardim, Meisner & Susser, P.C. of Florham Park, New Jersey in the matter entitled Shiquon Fowler v. UC, et als. in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00 for a sum not to exceed \$45,000.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 3. Amending Resolution Number 2014-930, to increase the appropriation to Weber Dowd Law of Woodland Park, New Jersey in the matter entitled Beverly Figueroa v. UC, et als. in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 for a sum not to exceed \$130,000.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 4. Amending Resolution Number 2015-545, to increase the appropriation to LaCorte Bundy Varady & Kinsella of Union, New Jersey, in the matter entitled Paul Takacs v. UC, et als. in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 for a sum not to exceed \$110,000.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 5. Amending Resolution Number 2015-138, to increase the appropriation to Palumbo & Renaud of Cranford, New Jersey in the matter entitled Richmond Lapolla v. UC, et als. in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 for a sum not to exceed \$75,000.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 6. Amending Resolution Number 2015-389, to increase the appropriation to Palumbo & Renaud of Cranford, New Jersey 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 \$80,000.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 7. Amending Resolution Number 2014-979, to increase the appropriation to Weber Dowd Law of Woodland Park, New Jersey in the matter entitled Laquan Kearney v. UC, et als. In An Amount Not To Exceed \$10,000.00 for a sum not to exceed \$30,000.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)
- 8. Amending Resolution Number 2015-392, to increase the appropriation to Bauch Zucker Hatfield of Springfield, New Jersey in the matter entitled Barbara Egger v. UC, et als. in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 for a sum not to exceed \$100,000.00. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY MANAGER

Alfred J. Faella, County Manager

There were no questions.

1. Resolution authorizing the County Manager to enter into an MOU with the CWA-Local 1080 for a contract commencing July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2016. (Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh)

FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

Freeholder Mirabella stated as a result of the Open Space Trust Fund Committee Meeting he will have two items for the next Freeholder Meeting: Union County Baseball Association and the 2015 Library Grant. He said he will also have a laudatory for the 60th Anniversary Church of Assumption Church in Roselle Park.

Freeholder Carter stated she would have a laudatory for 50 years of service relative to Phi Beta Sorority.

Clerk of the Board Pellettiere stated he would have the Certification of the 2014 Audit for the next meeting.

- 1. Resolution offering this Board's deepest sympathies to the family of Barbara Ann Bracey, during their time of sorrow. (Frecholder Linda Carter)
- 2. Laudatory resolution thanking Rev. Gerald Lamont Thomas, of Shiloh Baptist Church in Plainfield, for his many years of dedicated leadership and spiritual guidance, and further wishing him well upon his retirement. (Freeholder Linda Carter).
- 3. Resolution urging the New Jersey Turnpike Authority to restore more than \$80 million in funding to construct the Tremley Point connector road, and immediately add it to their capital program. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 4. Resolution offering this Board's deepest sympathies to the family of Peter Krill, Jr., father of Sheriff's Officer Jeff Krill, during their time of sorrow. (Freeholder Christopher Hudak)
- 5. Resolution offering this Board's deepest sympathies to the family of former Cranford Township Committee member George McDonough during their time of sorrow. (Freeholder Kowalski & the Entire Board)
- 6. Resolution honoring the United States' military and the sacrifices of our Country's Prisoners of War and those Missing In Action by declaring Friday, September 18, 2015 as "POW/MIA Remembrance Day" in the County of Union. (Freeholder Mirabella & the Entire Board)
- 7. Laudatory resolution congratulating Dee's Hot Dogs, of Roselle Park, on the celebration of 50 years of business. (Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)
- 8. Laudatory resolution proclaiming the week of August 9, 2015 August 15, 2015 as "National Health Center Week" throughout the County of Union. (Chairman Jalloh the Entire Board)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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 Attorney-Client privileged communication relative to on-going contract negotiations with PBA Local 199; and Attorney-Client privileged communication and discussion of possible settlement in the matter of Takacs, et als. v. County of Union, et als The minutes of the Executive Session shall be separated from the minutes of the Open Public Session. The minutes of the Executive Session, redacted as appropriate and necessary, shall be available in approximately 30 days. The Clerk of the Board shall retain the original minutes until such time as the confidential limitations have been removed, at which time they shall be made available. Upon the Board's return, it will not take formal action on the matters discussed as it is an Agenda setting session. 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 Carter, roll call showed eight members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Granados absent.

Chairman Jalloh asked for a motion to return to the Agenda Meeting. On a motion made by Freeholder and seconded by Freeholder roll call showed eight members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Granados absent.

To the extent known, the following items are scheduled to be discussed in executive session:

- 1) Attorney-Client privileged communication relative to on-going contract negotiations with PBA Local 199; and
- 2) Attorney- Client privileged communication and discussion of possible settlement in the matter of Takacs, et als. v. County of Union, et als; and

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Jalloh asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 pm. The motion was made by Carter and seconded by Freeholder Wright. Roll call showed eight members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Granados absent.

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 19, 2015	March 12, 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

<u>Notice</u>

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.

*Meeting rescheduled due to severe inclement weather.

James E. Pellettiere, RMC Clerk of the Board

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