



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

THURSDAY, MAY 17, 2018
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

PRESENTATION FROM THE BOARD

A resolution presentation will be made by Chairman Sergio Granados and Freeholder Alexander Mirabella to Joseph O'Neill, President of Benner's Auto Body; US Navy Petty Officer Josue Jaramillo; US Navy Operation Specialist 2nd Class Jorge Vasquez; NJ Veterans Network; and Union High School JROTC in recognition of their service to military veterans as the Board celebrates the month of May, 2018 as Military Appreciation Month throughout Union County.

A resolution presentation will be made by Chairman Sergio Granados and Freeholder Angel G. Estrada recognizing and commending Elizabeth Councilman Frank Cuesta for his efforts with the Elizabeth's Promise Awards Inc.

APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

Note and File

Oath of Office: Mental Health Advisory Board: Joseph Ume; Union County Advisory Board on the Status of Minorities; Union County College Board of Trustees: Nicholas Fixmer; Union County Transportation Advisory Board: Robert W. Messler; Union County Homeless Trust Fund Advisory Board: Cory Storch; Brandon Givens and Stelio Papadopoulos; Voter Accessibility Advisory Committee: Sergio Granados.

2018 COLA / CAP BANK RESOLUTION ADOPTION

PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION

The meeting is open to the public for the purpose of commenting on the COLA/CAP Bank Resolution only.

2018-443 FREEHOLDER BRUCE H. BERGEN: Resolution to exceed the County tax levy limit and to establish a CAP Bank (N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.14)

2018 UNION COUNTY BUDGET TITLE RESOLUTION

PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION

The meeting is open to the public for the purpose of commenting on the Budget "Read by Title" resolution only.

- 2018-444 FREEHOLDER BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Resolution determining that the 2018 Union County Budget shall be read by title and declaring that the public hearing conditions set forth pursuant to N.J.S.A.:40A: 4-8(1a)(1b) have been satisfied.

2018 UNION COUNTY BUDGET RESOLUTION ADOPTION

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2018 UNION COUNTY BUDGET

The meeting is open to the public for the purpose of commenting on the 2018 Union County Budget resolution only.

- 2018-445 FREEHOLDER BRUCE H. BERGEN:** Resolution Adopting the 2018 County of Union Budget.

PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION

The meeting is open to the public for the purpose of commenting on Resolutions being offered for adoption only.

RESOLUTIONS

The following Resolutions are being offered for adoption:

- 2018-446 FREEHOLDER ANGEL G. ESTRADA:** Appointing the following members to the Emergency Management Council for a term ending December 31, 2018: Ed Oatman (County Manager), Andrew Moran (Public Safety Director), Christopher Scaturo (OEM Coordinator), Chris Debbie (County Police Chief), William Kane (Deputy OEM Coordinator), Frederic Fretz (Fire Coordinator), Gareth Williams (EMS Coordinator), Thomas Mineo (Damage Assessment/County Engineer), Sebastian D'Elia (Public Information Officer), Michael Redding (Elizabethtown Gas), Michael Monahan (Acting Prosecutor), Peter Corvelli (Sheriff), Joseph Graziano, Jr. (DPW Director), Annarely McNair (Health Officer) and Michael McIntyre (Salvation Army).
- 2018-447 FREEHOLDER ANGELA R. GARRETSON:** Re-appointing Robert Ehrenbeck to the Union County Transportation Advisory Board as an At-Large member for a term ending December 31, 2018.
- 2018-448 FREEHOLDER ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Authorizing the County Manager to Execute an Amendment to an existing Green Acres Grant for the County Open Space and Recreation Plan to accept an additional \$1,500,000 in funding.

- 2018-449 FREEHOLDER ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Appointing the following members to the Fire Services Advisory Board for a term ending December 31, 2018: Joseph Moschello (Fire Prevention Association), Steven Ruhl (Fire Academy Dean), Gary Steitz (Fire Investigation Representative), Andrew Moran (Public Safety Director), Christopher Scaturo (Emergency Services Director/Chief), William Kane (Emergency Services Deputy), Eric Evers (Chief, Combo Department), Joseph Signorello, (Chief, Volunteer Department), (Thomas McNamara (Largest City Fire Chief), Michael Scanio (2nd Largest City Fire Chief), Dan Czeh (President, Fire Chief Association), Fred Fretz (County Fire Coordinator) and Kristen Von St. Paul (Emergency Services Support Staff).
- 2018-450 VICE CHAIRMAN BETTE JANE KOWALSKI:** Resolution ratifying permission granted to the City of Linden to hang a banner over Wood Avenue near Curtis Street and Elizabeth Avenue from May 1, 2018 to May 10, 2018 to promote the Police Unity Tour which was held on Wednesday, May 9, 2018.
- 2018-451 VICE CHAIRMAN BETTE JANE KOWALSKI:** Resolution granting permission to the City of Linden to hang banners and/or street closures for the following events: September to Remember – Saturday, September 29, 2018 – closing of Wood Avenue, from Elizabeth Avenue to Gesner Street, from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. with a rain date of Sunday, September 30, 2018. Also, to hang a banner advertising the event on North Wood Avenue between Curtis Street and Gibbons Street and Elizabeth and Wood Avenue from August 20, 2018 through September 30, 2018. Also, granting permission to close Wood Avenue on Friday, October 5, 2018 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for the Annual Fire Prevention and Life Safety Fair.
- 2018-452 VICE CHAIRMAN BETTE JANE KOWALSKI:** Resolution concurring with the Township of Berkeley Heights granting permission to Smith Chiropractic to hang a banner across Springfield Avenue from August 13, 2018 to September 24, 2018 for the Annual Berkeley Heights 5K Run to be held on Sunday, September 16, 2018.
- 2018-453 VICE CHAIRMAN BETTE JANE KOWALSKI:** Resolution granting permission to the City of Linden to a hang banner over Wood Avenue, at Curtis Street and at Elizabeth Avenue from May 19, 2018 to August 19, 2018 to promote the farmers market which will be held on Saturday's beginning May 19, 2018 through October 27, 2018.
- 2018-454 VICE CHAIRMAN BETTE JANE KOWALSKI:** Authorizing the County Manager to approve the 2018 Union County GAP One-Time Spending Plan pursuant to a Request for Proposal (RFP) procurement process in the total amount not to exceed \$370,905 for subcontracted services to be provided during the period of June 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018; further authorizing the transfer of funds among the agencies during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any of the agencies fail to meet contractual obligation.
- 2018-455 VICE CHAIRMAN BETTE JANE KOWALSKI:** Amending Resolution 2016-590 entering into contract with Urban League of Union County, Elizabeth, NJ, to extend the contract period six (6) months for the period of July 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018; all other terms of contract remain the same.

- 2018-456 VICE CHAIRMAN BETTE JANE KOWALSKI:** Amending Resolution 2016-541 entering into contract with Bridgeway Rehabilitation Services, Inc., Elizabeth, NJ, to reduce the total amount of the contract by \$30,000 for a new total contract amount of \$191,211.38 and to extend the contract period an additional six (6) months for a new contract period of July 1, 2016 through December 31, 2018; all other terms of contract remain the same.
- 2018-457 CHAIRMAN SERGIO GRANADOS:** Authorizing the County Manager to exercise the County's option to extend the contract term of the Shared Services Agreement between the County of Union and the County of Essex Department of Corrections, Newark, NJ for relocation of inmates on an as needed basis for the period of May 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018, at per diem cost of \$98.00 per inmate in an amount not to exceed \$96,040.00.
- 2018-458 CHAIRMAN SERGIO GRANADOS:** Authorizing the County Manager to Execute an Amendment to the Green Acres Grant approved in the amount of \$900,000 to reflect a change in scope to the Oak Ridge Project to include an athletic track and field.

FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

- 2018-459 FREEHOLDER LINDA CARTER:** Resolution offering this Board's deepest sympathies to the family of Dorothy Henry, during their time of sorrow.
- 2018-460 FREEHOLDER ANGEL G. ESTRADA:** Resolution recognizing the Elizabeth Coalition to House the Homeless and congratulating their 2018 Award Recipients at their "There's No Place Like Home" Annual Reception.
- 2018-461 FREEHOLDER CHRISTOPHER HUDAK:** Resolution opposing the closing of the Post Office Substation on St. Georges Avenue in Linden, NJ.
- 2018-462 VICE CHAIRMAN BETTE JANE KOWALSKI & FREEHOLDER CHRISTOPHER HUDAK:** Congratulating Trevor Martin of Boy Scout Troop 75, Cranford, upon attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.
- 2018-463 VICE CHAIRMAN BETTE JANE KOWALSKI:** Resolution congratulating the Westfield Historical Society as they celebrate their 50th Anniversary; furthermore congratulating the winner of the 2018 Volunteer Presidential Award and the winner of the 2018 Trustee Award.
- 2018-464 VICE CHAIRMAN BETTE JANE KOWALSKI, FREEHOLDER LINDA CARTER & FREEHOLDER ANGELA R. GARRETSON:** Proclaiming the week of May 13 through May 19, 2018 as National Women's Health Week throughout the County of Union.
- 2018-465 CHAIRMAN SERGIO GRANADOS & FREEHOLDER ANGELA R. GARRETSON:** Congratulating the County Volunteer of the Year award recipients and the Municipal Volunteer of the Year award recipients by the Local Advisory Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (LACADA) at its Recognition Dinner on May 8, 2018.

- 2018-466 **CHAIRMAN SERGIO GRANADOS:** Congratulating the award recipients of the Union County Educational Services Foundation at their Awards reception on May 10th.
- 2018-467 **CHAIRMAN SERGIO GRANADOS & FREEHOLDER ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Resolution recognizing the heroic efforts of Roselle Park Deputy Fire Chief Steve Thompson and Roselle Park Police Patrolman Bobby Harms, with the assistance of other emergency response personnel, as they rescued a man from a burning vehicle.
- 2018-468 **CHAIRMAN SERGIO GRANADOS, FREEHOLDER BRUCE H. BERGEN & FREEHOLDER CHRISTOPHER HUDAK:** Resolution congratulating the Linden Satellite Rotary Club on its establishment as decreed at the Linden Rotary Induction and Kickoff ceremony.
- 2018-469 **CHAIRMAN SERGIO GRANADOS & VICE CHAIRMAN BETTE JANE KOWALSKI:** Resolution recognizing the 200 Club of Union County and congratulating the 17 recipients of the distinguished Valor Award for their heroic acts above and beyond the call of duty at their 49th Annual Valor Awards luncheon.
- 2018-470 **CHAIRMAN SERGIO GRANADOS:** Resolution proclaiming the week of May 13 through May 19, 2018 as National Police Week throughout the County of Union.
- 2018-471 **CHAIRMAN SERGIO GRANADOS, FREEHOLDER ANGEL G. ESTRADA & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Resolution recognizing and commending Elizabeth Councilman Frank Cuesta for his efforts with the Elizabeth's Promise Awards Inc., a nonprofit 501 c 3 organization created by Councilman Cuesta for the sole purpose of raising scholarship funds for deserving high school students from Elizabeth.
- 2018-472 **CHAIRMAN SERGIO GRANADOS, FREEHOLDER ALEXANDER MIRABELLA & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Resolution recognizing the efforts of Joseph O'Neill, Josue Jaramillo, US Navy Operation Specialist 2nd Class Jorge Vasquez, NJ Veterans Network and Union High School JROTC for their service to military veterans as the Board celebrates the month of May, 2018 as Military Appreciation Month throughout Union County.
- 2018-473 **CHAIRMAN SERGIO GRANADOS & FREEHOLDER ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Resolution recognizing May 17, 2018 as International Day Against Homophobia & Transphobia (IDAHOT) as a message of solidarity against homophobia, transphobia, biphobia, and all forms of hate facing LGBTQ people in our communities and across the globe.

PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION

This meeting is open to the public comment on any governmental issue that a member of the public feels may be of concern to the residents of the county.

FREEHOLDER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS 2018 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 7, 2018 at 12:00 pm Assignment Judge Karen M. Cassidy's Courtroom, 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ

AGENDA SETTING SESSION

January 18, 2018

February 1, 2018

February 15, 2018

March 1, 2018*

March 22, 2018

April 12, 2018

April 26, 2018

May 10, 2018**

May 24, 2018

June 7, 2018

June 21, 2018

July 12, 2018

August 9, 2018

September 6, 2018

September 27, 2018

October 4, 2018

October 25, 2018

November 8, 2018

December 13, 2018

December 20, 2018

REGULAR MEETINGS

January 25, 2018

February 8, 2018

February 15, 2018

March 8, 2018

March 22, 2018

April 19, 2018

April 26, 2018

May 17, 2018

May 24, 2018

June 14, 2018***

June 21, 2018

July 19, 2018

August 16, 2018

September 13, 2018

September 27, 2018

October 11, 2018

October 25, 2018

November 29, 2018

December 13, 2018

December 20, 2018

*March 1, 2018 Agenda Setting Session was cancelled and rescheduled for March 8, 2018 at 7pm. The originally scheduled Regular Meeting for March 8, 2018 at 7:00pm was rescheduled to immediately start following the completion of the Agenda Setting Session.

**May 10, 2018 Agenda Setting Session was cancelled and rescheduled for May 3, 2018 at 7pm.

***June 14, 2018 Regular Meeting was cancelled and rescheduled for June 7, 2018 to commence immediately after the conclusion of the scheduled June 7, 2018 Agenda Setting Session.