



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

THURSDAY, JULY 13, 2017 -
AGENDA SETTING MEETING AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Bruce H. Bergen presided over the meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

ROLL CALL

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

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

PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

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

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

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

APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

Note and File

Chairman Bergen noted that the Board would approve the communication at next week's Regular Meeting on July 20th.

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY PROSECUTOR

Grace H. Park, Acting Prosecutor

First Assistant Prosecutor Tim Isenhour represented the Office.

1. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Union County Prosecutor's Office, to enter into an agreement with Mack Camera, Springfield, New Jersey, for the purpose of an expansion and upgrade of the Case Cracker system for the Child Advocacy Center in an amount not to exceed \$71,591. (Grant funded) (**Chairman Bruce H. Bergen**)

Freeholder Carter inquired as to the current system and its proposed upgrade.

Mr. Isenhour advised that this system is for the Child Advocacy interrogation rooms' camera systems used during interviews, stating that currently they are outfitted with older equipment. He advised that the State offered a grant towards capital improvements for child advocacy centers.

Freeholder Carter inquired if there was a County match.

Mr. Isenhour advised, through County Manager Faella, advised that there wasn't a match requirement.

2. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Union County Prosecutor's Office, to enter into an agreement with Life Technologies Corporation, Grand Island, New York, for the purpose of providing chemicals and supplies for DNA and Controlled Dangerous Substance (CDS) testing for the period of July 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 in an amount not to exceed \$22,500.00. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY SHERIFF

Joseph Cryan, Sheriff

Sheriff Cryan advised the Board that the resolution presented is a request to extend the agreement with the veterinary services. He added that the original contract was \$7,000, and the additional \$18,000 would bring the total to \$25,000; which was slightly less than last year. He added that this amount is in line with previous contract years.

There were no questions or comments from the Board.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an Agreement with Westfield Veterinary Group for the purpose of providing veterinary care and food for the Sheriff's Office's K-9 Unit in the amount of \$18,000.00, for the services rendered in the year 2017. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Michael Yuska, Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to T&M, Middletown, New Jersey, to provide Workplace Health and Safety Compliance and Consulting Services for the period of August 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 in an amount not to exceed \$56,670.00. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

Freeholder inquired as to the amount of the contract from last year.

Director Yuska advised that this contract is only for five months, noting they were trying to coincide with the budget year. He advised that last year's contract was in the amount of \$136,000, which is the same monthly rate as this five month contract. He added that this contract has remained the same for the past four years.

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Amy Wagner, Deputy County Manager/Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to utilize unrestricted net assets from the Housing Choice Voucher Program (Section 8) to cover an anticipated \$86,387 shortfall in Federal Department of Housing & Urban Development Housing Assistance Payments through December 31, 2017. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to provide funding in the amount of \$27,350 to help support the Project SEARCH program at Overlook Hospital for the provision of student

uniforms, transit fare, and travel training for the 2017-2018 school year. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

Vice Chairman Granados asked the Director to expand upon this resolution.

Deputy County Manager Wagner advised that the Project Search is a program that takes place at Overlook Hospital, noting they take students that are enrolled in the program to participate in classroom work in the morning and internships in the afternoon. She advised that there were nine students who completed the program last year. She added that all nine students have obtained full-time employment.

3. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Union County Vocational Technical Schools for the twenty-four (24) month period: July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2019 under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Out-of-School Youth Grant. Funding will be utilized to operate the Simon Youth Academy to provide Out-of-School Youth an alternative educational program leading to high-school diploma. Total funding for the twenty-four month period will not exceed \$333,000.00. (Grant Funded) **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
4. Amending Resolution Number 2017-409, a contract to provide an Adult, Dislocated Worker and Business Services, to extend the contract period for the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Adult, Dislocated Worker and Business Services – Express Workforce Center from June 30, 2017 to December 31, 2017. And, further, to update the Funding Source from Program Year 2015 Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act funds to Program Year 2016 Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act funds, in amount not to exceed \$262,000. (Grant Funded) **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to award contracts to the following agencies, Workforce Advantage, Union County College, Urban League, and Venture & Venture, under the WorkFirst New Jersey Program. This resolution would allow for the transfer of funds among the listed agencies during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any of the listed agencies fails to meet its contractual obligations. Participants enrolled prior to contract end date may continue to be served until end of program activity, for the eighteen (18) month period July 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018 under the WorkFirst New Jersey Program. Funding for the eighteen-month period will be in the total amount not to exceed \$732,000.00. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

Freeholder Carter asked the Director to expand upon this resolution.

Deputy County Manager Wagner advised that anyone who receives public assistance is required to participate in job training activities; noting that typically the County has approximately 900 people enrolled in any one given program through the course of the year.

6. Authorizing the County Manager to award Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), WorkFirst New Jersey (WFNJ) and Workforce Learning Link (WLL) funding for the operational services pertaining to the American Job Center, to Sub-recipient Union County Department of Human Services, as previously approved through Resolution 2017-534 for the contract period from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 in the amount not to exceed \$3,120,000.00 for fiscal year 2017. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

Freeholder Carter asked the Director to expand upon this resolution.

Deputy County Manager Wagner advised that last week the Board approved a resolution awarding the contract with American Jobs Centers (once One-Stop Centers), noting this is the coinciding resolution adding the funding. She advised the Board that the County received notification of its award on June 30, 2018 for the fiscal year starting July 1, 2018.

Freeholder Estrada asked how this funding compares to last year.

Deputy County Manager Wagner advised that this is a new contract, since this is the first year the County had to go out to bid for the “one-stop” services; noting that the County previously handled it internally.

7. Authorizing the County Manager to make application and to insert as an item into the budget for the FY 2018 Subregional Transportation Planning Program (STP) of the New Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA) for \$172,277.50 for the period of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
8. Authorizing the County Manager to amend Resolution #2017-538, a resolution approving the 2017-2018 Consolidated Action Plan, to reflect the final allocations from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING, PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

Joseph Graziano, Director

1. Concurring with the City of Linden's Resolution Number 2017-212 adopted on May 17, 2017 and authorizing the County Manager to enter into an Agreement between the New Jersey Transit Corporation and the City of Linden (Municipal Sponsor) and the County of Union (County Co-Sponsor) to concur with the installation of one bus shelter on Wood Avenue (C.R. 617), Northbound, at Morris Avenue, Far Side, City of Linden, County of Union, New Jersey. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
2. 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 & Facilities Management, Division of Engineering: Precision Building Construction of Bound Brook, New Jersey, for the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage - St. John's Parsonage Historic Window Replacement, for an amount not to exceed of \$355,902.00. (BA#28-2017; Union County Engineering Project Number 2014-017) **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
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: Engineering, Public Works & Facilities Management, Division of Engineering: Rencor, Inc., of Somerville, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing the Reconstruction of Netherwood Avenue Bridge, PI-37, City of Plainfield, County of Union, New Jersey, for an amount not to exceed \$2,184,427.50. This Project is being partially funded by the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) FY 2014 Local Bridges Future Needs Program in the amount of \$1,000,000.00. (BA#1-2017; Union County Engineering Project #2014-002) **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Freeholder Carter asked the Director to expand upon this resolution.

Director Graziano advised that the County should begin work on the bridge in September; expecting it to be a ten-twelve month project.

Freeholder Carter stated that there would be two homeowners that would be affected by this project and asked if those homeowners have been notified. She asked if there were any issues with their property and the project.

Director Graziano advised that if an easement was needed, the homeowners would have been involved in the process. County Engineer Mineo advised that there were indeed easements obtained from the Plainfield properties; and that the homeowners are fully aware and on board.

4. Amending Resolution Number 1073-2014, (BA#38-2014) a contract awarded through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq., to Echelon Services of Newton, New Jersey, approving Change Order Number 1 (final) for the Union County Jail Cooling Tower Project, City of Elizabeth, County of Union, New Jersey. This Change Order will reduce the original contract amount by (\$29,710.60) for a new contract amount not to exceed \$482,959.40. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2014-026) **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Freeholder Estrada asked if the project is fully completed.

Director Graziano advised that the project is fully completed. He added that the "Roof & Elevator" project is a different project all together, noting that the "Roof & Elevator" project is approximately two months from completion.

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: Department of Engineering, Public Works and Facilities Management, to Sherwin-Williams Company, Cleveland, Ohio for the purpose of providing Traffic Paint, for a contract period of twenty-four months, in the amount of \$57,075. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
6. Resolution granting permission to the City of Linden to hang banners and/or street closures for the following events: September to Remember – Saturday, September 23, 2017 – closing of Wood Avenue from 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm with a rain date of Sunday September 24, 2017. Also, to hang a banner advertising the event on North Wood Avenue between Curtis Street and Gibbons Street, Elizabeth and Wood Avenue from August 21, 2017 through September 25, 2017; Annual Fire Prevention Night – Friday, October 13, 2017 – closing of Wood Avenue from 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm; Halloween Parade – Sunday, October 29, 2017 – closing of Wood Avenue from 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm; Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony – Friday, December 1, 2017 – closing of North Wood Avenue from 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm from Elizabeth Avenue to Elm Street. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
7. Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contract obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Laws, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq: Department of Engineering, Public Works & Facilities Management to Sage Landscape Contractors, Inc., Watchung, New Jersey, for snow removal services for a contract period of twenty-four (24) months, not to exceed \$182,000 (hourly rate of \$227.50) and with a second 24 month option. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCEBibi Taylor, Director

There were no questions or comments from the Board.

1. Resolution Modifying the 2017 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$66,950 as a result of notification received from Trinitas Hospital, Department of Behavioral Health for a Program Entitled: Jail Diversion Project. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
2. Resolution Modifying the 2017 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$166,500.00 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) Grant. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
3. Resolution Modifying the 2017 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$18,000 as a result of notification for additional funds received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services for a Program Entitled: Office on Aging State Aid. Reimbursement Grant. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
4. Resolution Modifying the 2017 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$77,342 as a result of notification for additional funds received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs for a Program Entitled: Community Services Block Grant. (CSBG). **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
5. Resolution Modifying the 2017 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$27,999 as a result of notification for additional funding received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services for a Program Entitled: Area Plan Contract (APC). **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
6. Resolution Modifying the 2017 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$2,625 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Health and Senior Services for a Program Entitled: Senior Farmers Market Grant. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
7. Resolution Modifying the 2017 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$6,300 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, City of Summit for a Program Entitled: Locust Culvert at Tulip St., City of Summit (Sanitary Sewer) Project. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
8. Resolution Modifying the 2017 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$16,401 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Health and Senior Services for a Program Entitled: Right to Know Grant. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
9. Resolution Modifying the 2017 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$2,000,000.00 as a result of notification received from Union County College for a Program Entitled: Union County College Oak Ridge Project. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
10. Resolution Modifying the 2017 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$1,154,842 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) Adult Grant. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**

11. Resolution Modifying the 20171 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$1,379,393 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Labor and Workforce Development for a Program Entitled: Workforce Innovation Opportunities Act (WIOA) Dislocated Worker Grant. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
12. Resolution Modifying the 2017 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$1,045,950 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Labor and Workforce Development for a Program Entitled: Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act (WIOA) Youth Grant. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
13. Resolution Modifying the 2017 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$2,366,003 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Labor and Workforce Development for a Program Entitled: WorkFirst New Jersey (WFNJ) Grant. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
14. Resolution Modifying the 2017 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$137,822 as a result of notification received from the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority for a Program Entitled: Subregional Transportation Planning Grant. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
15. Resolution Modifying the 2017 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$324,000 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Labor and Workforce Development for a Program Entitled: Workforce Learning Link Grant. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Frank Guzzo, Director

The Department was represented by Deputy Director Dinsmore.

There were no questions or comments from the Board.

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, 2017 through July 31, 2018 in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
2. Amending Resolution Number 2016-994, to add an additional \$35,000 for psychiatric services provided to the patients of Cornerstone Behavioral Health Hospital of Union County for weekend and holiday coverage for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017. Amount not to exceed \$35,000. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
3. Amending Resolution 2016-542 to extend the contract period on the 2017 Social Services for the Homeless (SSH) Spending Plan subcontract with PROCEED, Inc. an additional six (6) months through December 31, 2017 to permit the expenditure of 2017 SSH Intensive Case Management (ICM) grant funds only with no change in allocation amount and no other change to the overall spending plan. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

4. Amending Resolution 2017-310 to reflect a 2017 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) award increase in the amount of \$76,324, for a new grand total of \$500,678, to be allocated as specified in the 3rd amended 2017 CSBG Spending Plan and to reflect a six (6) month grant extension through December 31, 2017, with no other changes to terms of agreements. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Urban League of Union County, Elizabeth, New Jersey, in the total amount not to exceed \$50,000 for the period of July 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 for the Reconnections program to assist persons returning to the community from incarceration to access services to become productive citizens. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to approve the 2017-2018 HEARTH Emergency Solutions (HES) Grant Program Spending Plan in the total amount not to exceed \$341,370 for subcontracted services to be provided during the period of August 1, 2017 to July 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 various agencies fails to meet its contractual obligation. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
7. Amending Resolution Number 2015-1046, approving the 2017 Alliance Plan, to reflect an increase to the award for Prevention Links, Inc., Roselle, New Jersey, for one-time funding for the period of June 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 through the Union County Prosecutor's Office forfeiture appropriation funds in the total amount not to exceed \$17,000 for recovery support efforts associated with the Union County Community Law Enforcement Addiction Recovery (C.L.E.A.R.) program; the original spending plan will have no changes to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism & Drug Abuse (GCADA) award. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**
8. Amending Resolution Number 2017-523, in accordance with the 2016-2018 Area Plan, to reflect an increase based on the addition of local funding in the amount of \$157,947 for a new grand total not to exceed \$4,645,821 to be allocated as outlined and charged to account numbers specified for the same contract year two period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 with no other changes to the 2016-2018 Area Plan. **(Freeholder Vernell Wright)**
9. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Community Coordinated Child Care of Union County, Inc., Rahway, New Jersey, for the period of August 1, 2017 through July 31, 2018 in the amount not to exceed \$131,000 for the establishment of a Children's Waiting Room in the new Family Court building and an additional amount not to exceed \$19,000 for the Child Subsidy Initiative for a total contract amount not to exceed \$150,000. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETYAndrew Moran, Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for, accept and expend a grant award from the NJ Department of Health for continuing the Right to Know compliance program in Union County in an amount not to exceed \$16,401.00 from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**

2. Amending Resolution 2015-602, a Shared Services agreement between the County of Union and the Borough of Roselle Park for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) services, amending various terms and extending the contract through 2022. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to designate the following vehicle as a surplus vehicle, no longer needed for County purposes, and authorizes the County Manager to dispose of the vehicle in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-36: 1994 International Navistar (Command Post) **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**

Freeholder Estrada asked the Director to confirm this piece of equipment was being donated to Elizabeth.

Director Moran advised that he was correct, noting that #4 authorizes such donation.

Freeholder Estrada asked if there were any major issues with the piece of equipment.

Director Moran advised that the generator needs to be replaced, noting that there were some electrical issues as well. He added that the County received its Command Post in February that will replace this piece of equipment.

Freeholder Estrada inquired if the City of Elizabeth was aware of the condition of the piece of equipment.

Director Moran advised that they were. County Manager Faella advised that the Director has advised the City of the number of improvements necessary.

4. Authorizing the County Manager to donate the following vehicle: A 1994 International Navistar (Command Post) to the City of Elizabeth as it is no longer needed for County purposes pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-36(2). **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
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: Department of Public Safety: Grove Contracting, LLC, of Verona, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing Fire Training Academy Alterations, in the amount not to exceed \$1,079,500.00. (BA#35-2017; Union County Engineering Project #2016-019) **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

Robert E. Barry, Esq., County Counsel

There were no questions or comments from the Board.

1. A Resolution appointing Javerbaum Wurgaft Hicks Kahn Wikstrom & Sinins, P.C., of Springfield, NJ as special counsel to represent Corrections Officer Justin Garcia in the matter entitled Reginald Curry v. UC, et. al, in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
2. A Resolution appointing Weber Dowd Law of Woodland Park, NJ as special counsel to represent Antonio Rivera in the matter entitled Eric Graham v. UC, et. al, in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

3. A Resolution appointing Ruderman, Horn & Esmerado as special counsel to represent Lisa Bonanno in the matter entitled Eric Graham v. UC, et. al, in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY MANAGER

Alfred Faella, County Manager

There were no questions or comments from the Board.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to adjust and/or change the Internal Position Control Schedules. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**

FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

1. Extending the Board's deepest condolences to the family of Everett Phillip Ellis upon his passing on June 25, 2017. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
2. Extending the Board's deepest condolences to the family of Regina Clarice upon her passing. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
3. Extending the Board's deepest condolences to the family of Anthony Booth upon his passing. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Rutgers Cooperative Extension c/o Cook College of New Brunswick, New Jersey, for the purposes of utilizing the educational services of certain members of the Rutgers faculty and staff of Cook College for the period of January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017 in the amount of \$105,752.00. **(Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**
5. Congratulating and commending Elizabeth Police Officer Eric Gora upon receiving the Shield Award by the Knights of Columbus for his outstanding service to the community and actions that saved a life. **(Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**

Freeholder Jalloh, Vice Chairman Granados and Freeholder Hudak asked to be added to Resolution as co-sponsors. Chairman Bergen asked for it to be from the Entire Board.

6. Re-appointing Dr. Karen Young to the Union County College Board of Trustees for a term beginning July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2021. **(Freeholders Christopher Hudak, Mohamed S. Jalloh & Alexander Mirabella)**
7. Extending the Board's deepest condolences to the family of Aida Alvarez upon her passing. **(Freeholder Christopher Hudak)**
8. Congratulating and commending NJ Transit Police Officer, Victor R. Ortiz of Union upon receiving the Carnegie Medal for saving a person's life. **(Freeholders Mohamed S. Jalloh & Vernell Wright)**

Freeholder Carter asked to be added as a co-sponsor.

9. Resolution offering this Board's deepest sympathies to the family of former Undersheriff William V. Malcolm, Sr. during their time of sorrow, and further acknowledging his 36 years of dedicated service to the Union County Sheriff's Office and 30 years of service to the Union County Sheriff's Office Softball Team. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**

Chairman Bergen asked to be added to the Resolution as a co-sponsor.

10. Extending the Board's deepest condolences to the family of Marlenes Teixeira, upon her passing. **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados & The Entire Board)**
11. Congratulating the Peruvians for Progress, Inc. and recognizing their many services they provide to the Peruvian and Hispanic communities and further congratulating the current board members of the organization. **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados & Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**
12. Re-appointing Kim McConnell to the Workforce Development Board for a term beginning July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2019. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen & Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**
13. Extending the Board's deepest condolences to former Freeholder Nancy Ward and family upon the passing of her mother, Rita Ward. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen & The Entire Board)**
14. Congratulating and commending the students of the Magnet High School's Makerspace for working on an engineering project to benefit a local child with mobility issues. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen & The Entire Board)**
15. Congratulating County Manager Alfred J. Faella for being chosen as the 2017 Citizen of the Year by the Elizabeth Chapter of UNICO. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen & The Entire Board)**
16. Congratulating Mary Faella upon being chosen as the President of the NJ Speech-Language-Hearing Association. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen & The Entire Board)**
17. Resolution acknowledging climate change and embracing green strategies and technologies county-wide and formally joins Union County in the County Climate Coalition. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

Vice Chairman Granados advised that he would have additional resolutions for next week's Regular Meeting. He added that he would have two resolutions from the Trust Fund Subcommittee.

Chairman Bergen advised that, on behalf of Fiscal Chairman Mirabella, there will be a number of sponsorship resolutions to be added to next week's Regular Meeting.

Freeholder Hudak advised that he would have additional resolutions for next week's Regular Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Bergen asked for a motion to adjourn. On a motion made by Freeholder Carter and seconded by Freeholder Jalloh, a voice vote showed seven members of the Board voted in the affirmative, with Freeholder Kowalski and Freeholder Mirabella absent. The meeting was adjourned at 7:18pm.

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS 2017 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 7:00 pm and the Regular Meeting will commence as soon as possible after the Agenda Setting Session.

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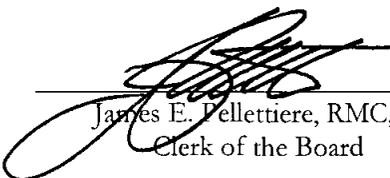
REORGANIZATION MEETING - SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 2017 AT 12:00 NOON
ASSIGNMENT JUDGE KAREN M. CASSIDY'S COURTROOM, 2 BROAD STREET, ELIZABETH, NJ

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