



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2017
AGENDA SETTING MEETING AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Bruce H. Bergen presided over the meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

ROLL CALL

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

Chairman Bergen advised the Board would adopt the communications at the evening's Regular Meeting.

Note and File

PRESENTATION FROM THE BOARD

A Resolution Presentation will be made by Freeholder Angel G. Estrada congratulating Mr. Gary Whyte on his recognition by the State of New Jersey on receiving the esteemed New Jersey Governor's Jefferson Award in the category of "Good Neighbor" for his work relating to Fibrodysplasia Ossificans Progressiva, FOP Disease.

Chairman Bergen called upon Freeholder Estrada for the evening's presentation. Freeholder Estrada stated that Mr. Whyte has a long commitment in speaking for those who face such immense difficulties. He commended Mr. Whyte for going to each county and municipality to seek support for this endeavor and stated that Mr. Whyte has been an incredible advocate and spokesperson for individuals with FOP. He read the resolution aloud.

Mr. Whyte thanked the Board for the recognition. He stated that this project began in 2002 when he wrote to 566 municipalities for a proclamation. He noted that 16 years later, he has received 526 proclamations.

Chairman Bergen stated that Mr. Whyte is a fine example on how one individual can change the world.

Chairman Bergen stated for the record that Freeholder Linda Carter was present for the meeting.

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY SHERIFF

Joseph Cryan, Sheriff

Lt. Meros respresnted the Sheriff's Office. He provided an overview of the two resoltions.

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Amending Resolution Number 2017-16, entering into a contract with Practice Associates Medical Group (Atlantic Health Systems) Clark, New Jersey for the provision of providing pre-employment medical examinations and other related medical services, for an additional \$5,000.00 for a new amount to not to exceed \$113,500.00. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an Agreement with National Sheriffs' Association for the purpose of providing security training and assessment services for an amount not to exceed \$21,263.00. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY PROSECUTOR

Thomas K. Isenhour, Acting Prosecutor

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

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, 2017 through September 30, 2018 in the amount of \$28,120.00. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with PowerDMS, Inc., Orlando, Florida, to renew subscription and licensing of Document Management Software, November 2017 through November 2018 in the amount of \$5,092.00. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Michael Yuska, Director

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Amending Resolution Number 2016-1020, a contract awarded through advertised public bidding process in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., to Elizabeth Truck Center, Elizabeth, New Jersey, for Collision Repair Services for Trucks, Buses and Specialty Equipment to the Department of Administrative Services, Division of Motor Vehicle, approving Change Order No. 1 to increase the amount by \$45,000.00 for a total amount not to exceed \$282,000.00. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Ron Charles, Director

1. Amending Resolution Number 2016-331, extending the agreement with County of Essex Department of Corrections Newark, NJ through April 30, 2018 for an additional amount of \$314,944.01 for the purpose of relocating Union County adult inmates to Essex County Correctional Facility during construction phase for contract period April 18, 2016 through April 30, 2018 for a new total amount not to exceed \$2,284,212.20. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

Freeholder Mirabella inquired as to the reason for the large increase.

Director Charles advised that this contract is to relocated inmates during the construction of Phase 3 of the project, which involves the two front elevators. He noted that this portion of the project is scheduled to begin in late October and be completed around April 2018. He advised that, at present, there were 14 inmates located in Essex County.

Freeholder Mirabella inquired if the project is on schedule.

Director Charles stated that Phase 3 was on schedule, but they decided to include the front two elevators due to the problems they were having.

Freeholder Jalloh inquired if this portion of the project was anticipated in the budget.

Director Charles stated that it was.

2. Amending Resolution Number 2016-1029, extending the agreement with CEC, Inc. West Caldwell, NJ through June 30, 2018 for an additional (6) six months and for an additional amount of \$1,513,695.27 for the purpose of providing comprehensive Inmate Substance Abuse Treatment and Residential Correctional Facility Services for Union County Jail inmates for the contract period of January 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 for a new total amount not to exceed \$4,013,695.27. This contract is funded through the State of New Jersey. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

Vice Chairman Grandados asked the Director to elaborate on resolution # 2.

Director Charles advised that the grant benefits 19 women and 55 men, noting that the funds allow up to 80 individuals.

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Amy Wagner, Deputy County Manager/Director

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Amending Resolution Number 2016-428, approving the 2016-2017 (Year 42) Consolidated Action Plan to increase CDBG funding to the Plainfield Emergency Housing Assistance Program in the amount of \$8,000 from \$9,000 to \$17,000 utilizing City of Plainfield Program Income funds (7-12-286-56-000-709). **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to the United Way of Greater Union County for the period: September 1, 2017 - June 30, 2019 under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Youth Program. Funding will be utilized to provide a comprehensive In-School and Out-of-School Youth Employment & Training Consortium offering year-round

youth programs that may include a paid work experience component. Total funding for the contract period will not exceed \$480,000.00. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

3. Resolution adopting the PY 2017 Fiscal Year budget as approved by the Union County Workforce Development Board of Directors on September 15, 2017, in accordance with Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, Final Rules; the WorkFirst New Jersey TANF and GA programs; and Workforce Learning Link Programs. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Bibi Taylor, Director

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Cancellation of unexpended balances in the listed Grant Accounts. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
2. Resolution Modifying the 2017 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$2,500,000 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Corrections for a Program Entitled: Department of Corrections State Aid. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
3. Resolution Modifying the 2017 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$7,593 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Children and Families for a Program Entitled: Sexual Assault and Rape Care (SAARC) Grant. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
4. Resolution Modifying the 2017 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$20,840 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety for a Program Entitled: Law Enforcement Officers Training Fund (LEOTF). **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**
5. Resolution Modifying the 2017 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of \$314,524 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection for a Program Entitled: County Environmental Health Act (CEHA) Grant. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Karen Dinsmore, Acting Director

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Amending Resolution Number 2016-542 to extend the contract period on the 2017 Social Services for the Homeless (SSH) Spending Plan subcontract with Homefirst, Inc. an additional six (6) months through December 31, 2017 to permit the expenditure of 2017 SSH funds only with no change in allocation amount and no other change to the overall spending plan. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**
2. Amending Resolution Number 2016-999, to add \$1000 to provide translation services for the non-English speaking patients of Cornerstone Behavioral Health Hospital of Union

County for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017. **(Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski)**

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Ron Zuber, Director

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Amending the contract with Professional Farrier Services, Inc. of Elizabeth, NJ (RCCP #5-2015) to accept the option to renew for an additional 24 months for farrier services at Watchung Stables from December 1, 2017 through November 30, 2019 in an amount not to exceed \$150,000. **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to award a Professional Engineering Service Contract, through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, to Neglia Engineering Associates of Clark, New Jersey for design and construction administration services for the Ponderosa Park Multi-Purpose Turf Fields, Township of Scotch Plains, County of Union, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$116,092.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2017-008) **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contract obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law NJSJA 40A:11-1 et seq., to Abraham General Construction LLC, of West Orange, New Jersey for the Cedar Brook Park Improvements, City of Plainfield, County of Union, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$1,752,986.00. (BA#59-2017; UC Engineering Project #2014-020) **(Vice Chairman 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 NJSJA 40A:11-1 et seq., to Grade Construction of Paterson, New Jersey, for the Meisel Park Field Improvements, Township of Springfield, County of Union, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$1,466,703.00. (BA#58-2017; UC Engineering Project #2016-004) **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to award a Professional Architectural and Engineering Service Contract, through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, to Rees Jones, Inc., of Montclair, New Jersey for design and construction administration services for the Galloping Hill Golf Course Improvements, Borough of Kenilworth, County of Union, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$80,832.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2016-031) **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into agreements, through the use of the Educational Services Commission Contract #ESCNJ 16/17-16, with Campbell Freightliner, LLC of South Brunswick, NJ; Truis, Inc. of Farmingdale, NJ; and Sanitation Equipment Corporation of Paramus, NJ for the acquisition of a Sanitation Truck and accessories for the Division of Park Maintenance in a total amount not to exceed \$200,000. **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**

7. Authorizing the County Manager to submit a grant application and execute a grant contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Union County Parks Frederick Law Olmstead (FLO) Greenway Extension. **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Andrew Moran, Director

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

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 \$314,524 to support CEHA activities for the contract period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 and match in the amount of \$232,864 through in-kind funds. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with NMS Laboratories, Willow Grove, PA, for post-mortem toxicology lab services, per the contract term of September 1, 2017 through September 30, 2019, not to exceed 100,000.00, for basic and expanded testing services. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**
3. Amending previously adopted Resolution #2016-0753 to reflect a change in fees to accurately reflect the amount of the Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Fanwood to provide 911, Police, Fire and EMS Dispatch services. **(Freeholder Linda Carter)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

Robert Barry, County Counsel

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. A Resolution appointing Parker McCay to serve as Bond Counsel and provide bond counsel services in connection with the Borough of Roselle Community Center and Library Project and Roselle Board of Education Early Childhood Learning Center Project. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY MANAGER

Alfred J. Faella, County Manager

Freeholder Mirabella inquired as to the length of the contract period, noting that it says "TBD".

County Manager Faella advised that the contract does have a time period in the resolution, noting that it should have been listed on the resolution.

Freeholder Mirabella inquired as to the length of the contract.

County Manager Faella advised that it was a two year contract.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to sign any and all documents necessary to enter into a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Parks Maintenance Association, with a contract period TBD. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen)**

Clerk of the Board Pelletiere offered clarification to the contract period of the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Parks Maintenance Association; noting that it was effective January 1, 2016 and ended December 31, 2018.

FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

1. Congratulating Boy Scout Troop 5, United Presbyterian Church of Plainfield as it Celebrates its 105th Anniversary on September 30, 2017. **(Freeholder Linda Carter & Freeholder Christopher Hudak)**
2. Supporting the City of Linden's proposal for the Amazon HQ2 RFP through the State of New Jersey. **(Freeholder Christopher Hudak)**
3. Resolution retroactively ratifying the sponsorship of the Golden Rule Lodge #24 Community Day on September 2, 2017 in the amount of \$1,000. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella & the Entire Board)**
4. Resolution retroactively ratifying the sponsorship of the Elizabeth African American Heritage Day Parade Committee in the amount of \$4,000 for their event to be held on September 10, 2017. **(Freeholder Mirabella & the Entire Board)**
5. Resolution sponsoring the Township of Union's Hispanic Heritage Celebration on September 30, 2017 in the amount of \$2,500. **(Freeholder Mirabella & the Entire Board)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to award Discover Our Parks grants to (2) two municipalities in the County of Union, in accordance with the Kids Recreation Trust Fund Grant criteria, through and for the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund in an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00. **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**
7. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with Barton Nurseries, Edison, New Jersey, for the purchase of pin oak trees and gator bags. These trees will replace missing trees in Memorial Grove, Rahway River Park, which was first established in 1947 to honor World War II veterans. This will be funded through the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund, in an amount not to exceed \$4,623.00. **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados)**
8. Welcoming Ambassador Julissa Reynoso to Union County to speak on Union County Hispanic Heritage Month "Challenges for a New Leadership" on September 27, 2017. **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados & Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**
9. Congratulating the Elmora Youth Little League Troopers 10 and Under baseball team for their successful season and for participating in the Eastern Regional Championship games representing New Jersey. **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados & Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**
10. Congratulating the Elizabeth Development Company upon their 40th anniversary celebration and further congratulating the award recipients on September 27, 2017. **(Vice Chairman Sergio Granados & Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**

11. Congratulating Benjamin Connor Hasenkopf of Boy Scout Troop 1, New Providence upon attaining the rank of Eagle Scout. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen & Freeholder Christopher Hudak)**
12. Supporting the New Jersey Library Construction Bond Act and urging a "yes" vote on the ballot question. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen & the Entire Board)**
13. Congratulating Principal Probation Officer/Supervising Probation Officer Wendi Cabell upon her retirement after more than 19 years of dedicated service to the County of Union, and further wishing her a happy and healthy retirement. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen & the Entire Board)**
14. Congratulating Gary W. Whyte upon being the recipient of the New Jersey Governor's Jefferson Award for "Good Neighbor." **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen & the Entire Board)**
15. Congratulating Daphne Lee of Rahway upon being the first in the State of New Jersey to win the Miss Black USA title. **(Chairman Bruce H. Bergen & the Entire Board)**
16. Resolution opposing the proposed Congressional tax code overhaul, as supported by the President and the Republican Congressional leadership; as it promulgates a devastating effect upon NJ tax payers as a result of the inability of taxpayers to deduct the income and property taxes paid to state and local governments. **(Chairman Bergen & the Entire Board)**

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Bergen asked for a motion to adjourn. On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, a voice vote showed eight members of the Board voted in the affirmative, with Freeholder Hudak absent. The meeting was adjourned at 7:22pm.

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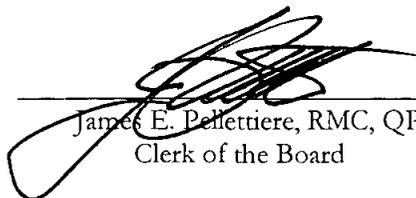
REORGANIZATION MEETING - SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 2017 AT 12:00 NOON
ASSIGNMENT JUDGE KAREN M. CASSIDY'S COURTROOM, 2 BROAD STREET, ELIZABETH, NJ

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James E. Pelletiere, RMC, QPA
Clerk of the Board