



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2019
AGENDA SETTING MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Kowalski presided over the meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:04 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski, Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella, Freeholder Angel G. Estrada, Freeholder Angela R. Garretson, Freeholder Sergio Granados, Freeholder Christopher Hudak, Freeholder Kimberly Palmieri – Mouded, Freeholder Andrea Staten, Freeholder Rebecca Williams were present.

Also present were County Manager Edward T. Oatman, 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 Kowalski advised that communications would be approved later during the regular meeting.

Note and File

Oath of Office: Advisory Board on the Disabled: Aaron Cohen; Union County Transportation Advisory Board: Russell Graham.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

Chairman Kowalski advised that minutes would be approved later during the regular meeting.

1. Agenda Setting Session - November 8, 2018
2. Regular Meeting - November 8, 2018
3. Agenda Setting Session - November 29, 2018
4. Regular Meeting - November 29, 2018
5. Agenda Setting Session - December 13, 2018
6. Regular Meeting - December 13, 2018
7. Agenda Setting Session - December 20, 2018
8. Regular Meeting - December 20, 2018

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY PROSECUTORMichael A. Monahan, Acting Prosecutor

First Assistant Prosecutor Al Cernadas Jr. represented the Prosecutor's Office.

1. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Union County Prosecutor's Office, to enter into an agreement with Prevention Links of Roselle, New Jersey for the period of May 1, 2019 through October 31, 2019 in the amount of \$25,000.00 to provide a minimum of two recovery specialists on site during the one week Operation Helping Hand program for approximately 100 participants. Further, Prevention Links agrees to provide six months of follow up, reporting, and limited case management. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Freeholder Granados asked First Assistant Prosecutor Cernadas to elaborate on the program.

First Assistant Prosecutor Cernadas advised that the program related to users in possession of narcotics that are apprehended by law enforcement. He noted that following the arrest, offenders are given the option of customary processing on possession charges or they can opt to participate in a rehabilitation treatment program to help with their addiction. First Assistant Prosecutor Cernadas added that out of 100 individuals arrested on possession charges, over 90 had accepted the treatment alternative.

Vice Chairman Mirabella applauded the Prosecutor's involvement with Prevention Links, citing the invaluable services provided by the organization.

2. Amending Resolution Number 2019-194, to increase the rate for on-call hours of Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners who serve as Independent Contractors as part of the Union County Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) for the period of October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Union County Prosecutor's Office, to enter into a contract with Thompson Reuters legal dba West Publishing Corporation of Eagan, MN for the purpose of providing a subscription for an intelligence database for a period of three (3) years beginning April 1, 2019 in an amount not to exceed \$74,000. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICESLaura Scutari, Director

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter in to a contract with Sage Software, Inc., St. Petersburg, Florida, for software licensing renewal, software updates and enhancement services for the County of Union's Human Resource Management System for a contract period of June 2, 2019 through June 1, 2020 in an amount not to exceed \$32,471.00. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTAmy Wagner, Deputy County Manager/Director

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with National Flag & Display Co., Inc., d/b/a Metro Flag Co., Wharton, NJ, for the purchase of American flags to be placed on the graves of veterans buried in Union County cemeteries during the 2019 Memorial Day holiday weekend, in an amount not to exceed \$20,260.80. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to amend Resolution Number 2018-1124, a resolution entering into a contract agreement with Monmouth Telecom, Red Bank, NJ, for the purpose of providing integrated voice and data services to the County of Union, to add additional contract services, with a one-time service fee of \$400.00, plus a monthly service fee of \$875.00, for a new amount not to exceed \$96,660, for the period beginning on May 1, 2019 through December 31, 2021. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to amend Resolution Number 2018-501, a resolution approving the 2018-2019 Consolidated Action Plan, to increase CDBG funding to the Linden Home Improvement Program in the amount of \$120,000 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$279,000 (utilizing City of Linden Program Income funds). **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Chairman Kowalski admired the striking pin, affixed to Deputy County Manager Wagner's blazer during her presentation.

Deputy County Manager Wagner noted that said pin was a product of an activity organized for Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day, which preceded the meeting.

Chairman Kowalski applauded the artwork and noted how wonderful it was to include the younger generation in such feats.

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING, PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

Joseph Graziano, Director

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Amending Resolution Number 2017-131, dated February 9, 2017, for the purpose of obtaining property and for access agreements related to the reconstruction of the Gordon Street Bridge; and authorizing the County Manager to enter into a temporary easement and access agreement with 470 West First Avenue, LLC for an amount not to exceed \$59,000.00 and to sign any and all documentation necessary to effectuate said agreement. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2011-051) **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to award a Professional Engineering Service Contract, through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, to French & Parrello, of Wall, New Jersey to provide design and construction administration and inspection services for the HVAC Equipment Replacement at the Union County Administration Building, Elizabeth, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$47,450.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2018-038) **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**

3. Authorizing the County Manager to award a Professional Architectural Service Contract, through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, to Netta Architects of Mountainside, New Jersey to provide design and construction administration services for the Union County Courthouse Atrium Entrance Door Replacement for an amount not to exceed \$17,300.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2018-039) **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
4. Amending Resolution Number 2018-154 adopted February 8, 2018, BA#44-2017, a contract awarded through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., to Reivax Contracting Corporation of Newark, New Jersey, approving Change Order Number 1 (final) for the Replacement of Elm Street Bridge, Westfield, New Jersey. This change order will reduce the original contract amount by (\$219,515.09) for a new contract amount not to exceed \$418,488.91. This Project is being funded by the New Jersey Department of Transportation, 2015 Local Bridges Future Needs Program. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2015-021) **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
5. Amending Resolution Number 2018-404 adopted April 26, 2018, BA#20-2018, a contract awarded through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., to Manor II Electric, Inc., of Holmdel, New Jersey, approving Change Order Number 1 (final) for the Installation of an Emergency Generator at the DPW Facility in Scotch Plains. This change order will reduce the original contract amount by (\$16,272.00) for a new contract amount not to exceed \$175,728.00. This Project was funded by FEMA Grant (FEMA Number DR4086-HMGP-NJ-333-F). (Union County Engineering Project Number 2013-028) **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to award a Professional Engineering Service Contract, through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, to Dewberry Engineers, Inc., of Bloomfield, New Jersey to provide design and construction administration and inspection services for the Replacement of Plainfield Avenue Bridge, Be51, Township of Berkeley Heights, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$427,710.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2018-013) **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
7. 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 to provide design and construction administration and inspection services for the Replacement of Inwood Place Minor Bridge Pl-73 for an amount not to exceed \$148,948.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2018-022) **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
8. Authorizing the County Manager to award a Professional Engineering Service Contract, through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, to Maser Consulting of Red Bank, New Jersey to provide design and construction administration and inspection services for the Replacement of Myrtle Avenue Minor Bridge, We-16, Town of Westfield, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$189,440.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2018-024) **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
9. Amending Resolution Number 2016-189 adopted March 10, 2016 for additional Construction Administration and Inspection Services with Maser Consulting, P.A., for the Replacement of Mountain Avenue Bridge, (SP-11) in the Township of Springfield for an

- amount not to exceed \$18,496.23 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$137,921.23. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2014-001) **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
10. 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 to provide design and construction administration and inspection services for the Replacement of Allen Avenue Minor Bridge, Un73, Township of Union, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$89,176.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2018-026) **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
 11. Resolution granting permission to the Township of Berkeley Heights to hang a banner on Plainfield Avenue from June 1, 2019 through June 15, 2019 for the American Cancer Society Relay for Life. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
 12. Resolution granting permission to the City of Linden to hang a banner over Wood Avenue from April 15, 2019 through May 15, 2019 to advertise the Police Unity Tour. Also, granting permission to close Wood Avenue from Elm Street to Price Street on May 9, 2019 from the hours of 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. for the Police Unity Tour. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
 13. Resolution concurring with the Township of Springfield granting permission to close Mountain Avenue from the intersection of Shunpike Road to North Trivett Avenue and Shunpike Road from the intersection of South Springfield Avenue to the intersection of Mountain Avenue for the Township's Memorial Day Parade to be held on Monday, May 27, 2019 between the hours 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Also, granting permission to close Meisel Avenue from the intersection of Linden Avenue to the intersection of Milltown Road for the 225th Anniversary of the Township of Springfield following events: Saturday, June 22, 2019 from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. for Re-Enactment; Saturday, June 22, 2019 from 7:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. for Fireworks (or the next clear night); Sunday, June 23, 2019 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. for Re-Enactment. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
 14. Resolution ratifying permission granted to the Township of Springfield for the Arc of Union County to hang a banner across Meisel Avenue from April 6th to April 20th to advertise its event, Step Up for the Arc 5K Run/Mile Walk 2019. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
 15. Resolution concurring with the Township of Springfield granting permission to St. James the Apostle Church to close South Springfield Avenue between Mountain Avenue and Shunpike Road on April 30, May 1, May 2, and May 3, 2019 between the hours of 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and May 4, 2019 between the hours of 2:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. for the annual Church Festival. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
 16. Resolution granting permission to the Borough of Roselle Park to hang a banner on Chestnut Street to advertise the Borough's 2019 Fall Borough Wide Garage Sale from September 30, 2019 through October 13, 2019. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
 17. Resolution granting permission to the Township of Berkeley Heights to close Springfield Avenue on Sunday, June 9, 2019 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. from the intersection of Snyder Avenue to Plainfield Avenue for the Berkeley Heights Downtown Summer Block Party. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**

18. Authorizing the County Manager to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the first 12-month extension option (of two 12 month extension options) of the contract with Safeguard Document Shredding, located at 800 Rike Drive, Millstone, NJ for Mobile Paper Shredding Services. Reference Resolution 2017-387. Safeguard is responsible for providing shredding services at all scheduled Union County Mobile Paper Shredding Events at a fee of \$145/hr. Services include provision of shredding truck (s), manpower, on-site shredding of all documents collected during the course of an event and the recycling of materials collected Contract will run May of 2019-April 2020). Annual contract not to exceed \$26,000. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Bibi Taylor, Director

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Amending Resolution Number 2019-8, a resolution designating signatories for calendar year 2019, to authorize necessary changes to Departmental representatives as official County Signatories. **(Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
2. Resolution Adopting the 2019 County of Union Budget. **(Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Debbie-Ann Anderson, Director

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract, pursuant to Request for Proposal (RFP), to SAGE Eldercare, Inc., Summit, NJ, for the purpose of providing information and assistance to seniors (age 60 years and older and/or their caregivers) regarding the State Health Insurance Program (SHIP) for the period of April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020, contract year 2 of a 3 year contract, in an amount not to exceed \$28,500. **(Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Ron Zuber, Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Union County Improvement Authority, to apply for and execute an application and agreement relating to a grant from the New Jersey Historic Trust in the amount of and not to exceed \$750,000. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Union County Office of Cultural & Heritage Affairs, to apply for and execute an application and agreement relating to a grant from the New Jersey Historic Trust in the amount of and not to exceed \$450,000. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to award a proposed contract obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.,

to National Lawn Sprinklers, Inc., of White Plains, New York for the Galloping Hill Golf Course 2019 Irrigation Improvement Project for an amount not to exceed \$198,450.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2019-002) **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**

4. Amending Resolutions Number 2017-85, a resolution authorizing the use of US Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Wildlife Service for a period of 24 months for wildlife damage management program aimed at reducing wildlife damage, to adjust the 2018 amount not to exceed \$120,331.18. (No change in total contract amount of \$237,862.00 for the contract period of the period of March 1, 2017 through February 28, 2019) **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to award CY2019 Union County History Grants to thirteen (13) recipients in the total amount of \$24,000.00. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Vice Chairman Mirabella asked Director Zuber to cite some of the recipients of the awarded grant.

Director Zuber listed the recipients which included, Cranford Historical Society, duCret School of Art, Plainfield Historical Society, Scotch Plains Library, and Union Township Historical Society, among others.

Chairman Kowalski noted that this was an annual grant awarded to qualified recipients, facilitated through the Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs.

6. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Office of Cultural & Heritage Affairs, to reallocate funds received from the NJSCA to Union County agencies and organizations. Proposals were evaluated by a professional review committee and funding levels were recommended by the arts grant committee of the Cultural & Heritage Programs Advisory Board which were subsequently approved by the entire Advisory Board. The total amount of \$67,000 will be reallocated to 31 agencies and organizations to present or produce high quality arts activities. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

Robert Barry, County Counsel

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. A Resolution appointing Kologi & Simitz of Linden, NJ as special counsel to represent Corrections Officer Wadlyne Stelus in the matter entitled Deandra Wallace v. County of Union. et als in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
2. A Resolution appointing DiFrancesco Bateman of Warren, NJ as special counsel to represent the County of Union and Union County Department of Corrections in the matter entitled Deandra Wallace v. County of Union. et als in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
3. A Resolution appointing Genova Burns, LLC, of Newark, NJ as special counsel to represent the County of Union in the matter entitled Philip Kandl v. County of Union, et als in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**

4. Amending Resolution Number 2018-1001, dated November 28, 2018 to increase the appropriation to Weiner Law Group, LLP of Parsippany, NJ in the matter entitled Stephen Repella v UC, et als. in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 for a sum not to exceed \$115,000.00. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
5. A resolution authorizing Settlement of pending litigation in the matter entitled Stephen Repella v. UC, et als, Docket No. UNN-L-2306-16, in the total amount not to exceed \$185,000.00 to be charged to Account No. T-03-56-850-000-537 (County Contribution is \$174,282.50, remainder from carrier AIG \$10,717.50). **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
6. Amending Resolution Number 2018-1126 dated December 20, 2018 to increase the appropriation to DeCotiis Fitzpatrick Cole & Giblin of Teaneck, NJ in the matter entitled H.C. Equities, LP v County of Union in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00 for a sum not to exceed \$80,000.00. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**

FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

1. Proclaiming the month of May as Older Americans' Month throughout the County of Union. **(Freeholder Angel Estrada & The Entire Board)**
2. Congratulating Gary Pfarr, IBEW Local 102 upon his retirement after 34 years of dedicated service. **(Freeholder Angel Estrada, Freeholder Granados, & Freeholder Hudak)**

Chairman Kowalski suggested the entire Board join.

3. Resolution acknowledging the great efforts of the YWCA of Union County; and further congratulating the honorees at their Annual & Partner Recognition Celebration on April 25, 2019. **(Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**

Chairman Kowalski suggested the entire Board join.

4. Recognizing April, 2019 as Autism Awareness Month in Union County. **(Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**

Chairman Kowalski suggested the entire Board join.

5. Designating April as Esophageal Cancer Awareness Month in Union County. **(Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**

Freeholder Palmieri-Mouded asked to join this resolution.

6. Designating the Month of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Union County. **(Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**

Chairman Kowalski suggested the entire Board join.

7. Appointing Stephen Thorpe as a delegate member to the Transportation Advisory Board to represent the Township of Winfield for a term ending December 31, 2019. **(Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**

8. Resolution congratulating longtime Hillside resident Mary Garcia as she celebrates her 90th birthday. **(Freeholder Angela R. Garretson)**
9. Congratulating the award recipients of the Urban League of Union County Young Professionals. **(Freeholder Sergio Granados)**

Chairman Kowalski suggested the entire Board join.

10. Congratulating Kenilworth upon becoming the 10th Chapter to join UNICO District X. **(Freeholder Sergio Granados & Freeholder Kimberley Palmieri-Mouded)**
11. Laudatory resolution acknowledging the efforts of the Aksyon Kominote Entenasyonal Developman Pisto as they celebrate their 21 years of community service at their Annual Banquet on April 27, 2019. **(Freeholder Sergio Granados)**
12. Congratulating Dianne Spinelli for being selected as the 2019 Outstanding Senior Citizen of the Year by the Linden Department of Parks and Recreation at its 61st annual Senior Citizen Day celebration on May 3, 2019. **(Freeholder Christopher Hudak)**
13. Recognizing the month of May as Mental Health Awareness month throughout the County of Union. **(Freeholder Andrea Staten & Freeholder Hudak)**

Chairman Kowalski suggested the entire Board join.

14. Congratulating Jaimie DeDea of the Westfield Municipal Alliance on receiving the 2019 County Volunteer of the Year Award at the Local Advisory Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (LACADA) at its Recognition Dinner on May 7, 2019. **(Freeholder Andrea Staten)**
15. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with the Union County Performing Arts Center in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 for the purposes of developing support for the arts in Union County and creating cultural and educational opportunities for Union County residents. **(Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella & The Entire Board)**
16. Congratulating Terence Johnson and the Yes League Hoyas for a successful season on winning the Plainfield 2019 Red Division Championship. **(Freeholder Rebecca Lynne Williams)**
17. Resolution proclaiming the month of April 2019 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month throughout the County of Union; and further recognizing the efforts of the Office of the Union County Prosecutor, the Office of Victim Witness Advocacy, the Office on Women, and Union County College in promoting "Denim Day" to increase awareness of Sexual Assault. **(Freeholder Rebecca Williams & The Entire Board)**
18. Appointing Fredrick O'Brock to the Air Traffic and Noise Advisory Board to represent the Township of Winfield as a Delegate member for a two year term ending December 31, 2020. **(Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**

19. Resolution determining that the 2019 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. **(Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
20. Resolution sponsoring the Clark Girls Softball League for their annual Valerie Fund Walk in Oak Ridge Park on April 28, 2019 in the amount of \$250. **(Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella & The Entire Board)**
21. Resolution sponsoring the City of Plainfield's Taste of Plainfield at Library Park on May 18, 2019 in the amount of \$400. **(Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella & The Entire Board)**
22. Resolution supporting the Union County Performing Arts Center and the U4GUYS organization in the amount of \$550 towards the annual Hot Rods for Harley's event held on May 11, 2019. **(Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella & The Entire Board)**
23. Resolution supporting the Borough of Roselle's 4th Annual Cinco De Mayo event on May 4, 2019 in the amount of \$450. **(Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella & The Entire Board)**
24. Resolution declaring the month of May as "Cancer Awareness Month" and further recognizing the week of May 12 through May 18, 2019 as "Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness Week" through Union County. **(Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**

Chairman Kowalski suggested the entire Board join.

25. Resolution offering this Board's deepest condolences to the family of Renato Biribin, Scotch Plains attorney and co-founder of the Plainfield Chapter of UNICO, who entered into eternal rest on April 17, 2019 at the age of 79. **(Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella)**
26. Resolution offering this Board's deepest condolences to the family of Mr. Joseph Gary Luciano, who entered into eternal rest on April 21, 2019 at the age of 68. **(Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella & Freeholder Christopher Hudak)**
27. Supporting the Passage of New Jersey Senate Bill 2815 and Assembly Bill 4382; enabling the paint manufacturing industry to work with State of New Jersey and its citizens to develop and implement a post-consumer paint management system for the reuse, recycling, and proper disposal of leftover consumer paint. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
28. Amending Resolution 2019-173, a contract with Groundwork Elizabeth for the administration and implementation of the Union County Means Green Community Garden Grants and the Union County Kids Dig In!: A School Garden Grant, to reflect an increase in the amount of \$18,580 for the Union County Means Green Community Garden Grants, and an increase in the amount of \$6,000 for the Union County Kids Dig In!: A School Garden Grant, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$124,580. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski & Freeholder Sergio Granados)**

Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Garretson asked to join this resolution.

29. Congratulating Luke K. O'Brien of Boy Scout Troop 75, Cranford, upon attaining the rank of Eagle Scout. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski, Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella & Freeholder Christopher Hudak)**

30. Resolution recognizing the Township of Union, Department of Public Safety, congratulating numerous recipients for their distinguished heroic acts above and beyond the call of duty at their 9th Annual Valor Awards ceremony. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski & The Entire Board)**
31. Congratulating Joseph R. Gannon of Boy Scout Troop 75, Cranford, upon attaining the rank of Eagle Scout. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski, Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella & Freeholder Christopher Hudak)**
32. Congratulating Dr. Paula Rodriguez Rust, Spectrum Diversity LLC, upon receiving the Unity Award for Special Achievement by the Union County Human Relations Commission (UCHRC) to be held on May 6, 2019. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**
33. Resolution proclaiming the week of May 12 through May 18, 2019 as National Police Week throughout the County of Union. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski and Freeholder Sergio Granados)**

Freeholder Garretson asked to join this resolution.

34. Resolution recognizing the Roselle Branch NAACP and further congratulating the six (6) 2019 Freedom Fund Honorees for the work they have done in helping to advance the mission of the NAACP and the role they have played in helping to promote its values within the community. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski & The Entire Board)**
35. Resolution recognizing the month of May of 2019 as Better Hearing and Speech Month; and further commending the Union County Performing Arts Center on its involvement in the County of Union's Sensory Friendly Theatre Program being recognized as the 2019 Recipient of the Year award at its annual convention on Thursday, May 2, 2019. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski & The Entire Board)**
36. Congratulating the winners of the 2019 Arbor Day Poetry Contest. **(Chair Bette Jane Kowalski)**

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Kowalski asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. On a motion made by Vice Chairman Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Granados a voice vote showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative. The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 P.M.

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS 2019 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 6, 2019 at 12:00 pm
 Assignment Judge Karen M. Cassidy’s Courtroom, 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ

AGENDA SETTING SESSION

REGULAR MEETINGS

January 17, 2019

January 24, 2019

February 7, 2019
 February 21, 2019

February 14, 2019
 February 21, 2019

March 7, 2019
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March 14, 2019
 March 28, 2019

April 4, 2019
 April 25, 2019

April 11, 2019
 April 25, 2019

May 2, 2019*
 May 23, 2019**

May 16, 2019
 May 23, 2019**

June 13, 2019
 June 27, 2019

June 20, 2019
 June 27, 2019

July 25, 2019

July 25, 2019

August 22, 2019

August 22, 2019

September 5, 2019
 September 26, 2019

September 12, 2019
 September 26, 2019

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 October 24, 2019

November 7, 2019

November 14, 2019

December 5, 2019
 December 19, 2019

December 5, 2019
 December 19, 2019

AMENDMENTS TO THE 2019 FREEHOLDER MEETING SCHEDULE

* The Agenda Setting Session of May 9, 2019 has been rescheduled to be held on May 2, 2019. Same time and location.

**The Agenda Setting Session and the Regular Meeting of May 30th has been rescheduled to be held on May 23, 2019. Same time and location.