

**UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS**

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**

**FEBRUARY 10, 2005**

Chairman Rick Proctor presided. Roll call showed Vice Chairman Alexander Mirabella, Freeholder Angel G. Estrada, Freeholder Chester Holmes, Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski, Freeholder Adrian O. Mapp, Freeholder Deborah P. Scanlon, Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan and Freeholder Nancy Ward in attendance.

**PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG** were led by the Clerk of the Board.

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT** was read by the Clerk of the Board.

The Chairman called for a motion to approve the minutes. On a motion by Vice Chairman Mirabella, seconded by Freeholder Kowalski, roll call showed eight members of the Board voted in the affirmative on the minutes of January 20, 2005 with Chairman Proctor abstaining, and nine members of the Board voting in the affirmative on the minutes from the other dates.

**APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING MINUTES: January 20, 2005 – Agenda Meeting; January 26, 2005 – Regular Meeting; January 26, 2005 – Executive Meeting and February 3, 2005 – Agenda Meeting.**

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Chairman Proctor called upon Freeholder Estrada and Darryll Hatchett, Director, Division of Youth Services to join him in presenting resolution 1286-04 to the members of the Union County Juvenile Expediting Team who participated in the Youth Services Bureau's "Journey of Life for Youth" Annual Conference, an event that targets at-risk youth by exposing them to young people who are already incarcerated in order to show them the difficulty of this circumstance.

16 members of the Team were present. Director Hatchett thanked Director Frank Guzzo of the Human Services Department and Bonita Herrmann of the Youth Services Bureau for their support and he thanked the Board for the recognition.

The Chairman called for a motion to approve the Communications. On a motion by Vice Chairman Mirabella, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

**OATHS OF OFFICE: (Note & file)**

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The first order of business was the Final Reading of Ordinance No. 608-2005.

**BOND ORDINANCE NO. 608-2005**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY IN THE TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS FOR OPEN SPACE CONSERVATION AND RECREATIONAL PURPOSES IN, BY AND FOR THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$13,075,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO APPROPRIATE A CONTRIBUTION FROM THE TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.**

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BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The County of Union, State of New Jersey (the "County") is hereby authorized to acquire real property located at 11-31 and 26-32 Stanford Drive and 244-276 Snyder Avenue in the Township of Berkeley Heights, New Jersey (the "Township") for open space conservation and recreational purposes. Said property to be acquired is designated as Block 1901, Lots 1, 2, 3, and 51-56 (inclusive) on the Tax Assessment Map of the Township. Said improvement shall include real estate transaction expenses and all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. The sum of \$13,075,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvement described in Section 1 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purpose"). Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized, and the contribution from the Township and the down payment appropriated, by this ordinance. Said improvement shall be made as a general

improvement and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefitted.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) said purpose is not a current expense of said County, and (2) it is necessary to finance said purpose by the issuance of obligations of said County pursuant to the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes, as amended; the "Local Bond Law"), and (3) the estimated cost of said purpose is \$13,075,000, and (4) \$5,000,000 of said sum is to be provided by a contribution from the Township hereinafter appropriated, and (5) \$385,000 of said sum is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance said purpose, and (6) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes necessary to be issued for said purpose is \$7,690,000, and (7) the cost of such purpose, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$75,000 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purpose, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 4. It is hereby determined and stated that the sum of \$5,000,000 received or to be received as a contribution from the Township is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of such purpose.

Section 5. It is hereby determined and stated that the sum of \$385,000 in the County of Union Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund is now available to serve as the down payment on said purpose. The sum of \$385,000 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purpose.

Section 6. To finance said purpose, bonds of said County of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$7,690,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 7. To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of said County of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$7,690,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 8. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Chairman of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, by the County Manager and by the County Treasurer and shall be under the seal of said County and attested by the Clerk or Deputy Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the County Treasurer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 9. It is hereby determined and declared that the period of usefulness of said purpose, according to its reasonable life, is a period of forty years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 10. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of said County, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said County, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$7,690,000 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 11. Any funds received from the Township, the State of New Jersey or any of its agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purpose (other than the Township contribution hereinbefore appropriated which shall be applied to the cost of such purpose, but shall not be applied to the payment of outstanding bond anticipation notes and the reduction of the amount of bonds authorized), shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purpose, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purpose shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 12. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders and is available for public inspection.

Section 13. The County intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvement described in Section 1 of this bond ordinance. If the County incurs such costs prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes, the County hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 14. The full faith and credit of the County are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the County, and the County shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the County for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 15. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

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**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR THE  
PURPOSE OF COMMENTING ON  
ORDINANCE NO. 608-2005 ONLY**

There were no comments.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION CONCLUDED**

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Chairman Proctor moved Bond Ordinance No. 608-2005 for Final Reading and authorized the Clerk of the Board to advertise the same in accordance with the law. Seconded by Vice Chairman Mirabella, Freeholder Holmes interjected a comment that he was opposing the Ordinance due to his opposition to subdividing the property. Roll call showed 8 members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Holmes abstaining.

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The next order of business was the First Reading of Ordinance No. 609-2005.

**ORDINANCE NO. 609-2005**

**BOND ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTIONS 1 AND 4.E. OF THE BOND ORDINANCE (ORD. NO. 516-00) ENTITLED: "BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$9,836,770 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE STATE AND FEDERAL GRANTS, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS", ADOPTED OCTOBER 11, 2000.**

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BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. Section 1 of Ordinance No. 516-00 entitled:

"BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$9,836,770 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE STATE AND FEDERAL GRANTS, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE

FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS"

adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union, New Jersey (the "County") on October 11, 2000 (the "Prior Ordinance") is hereby amended to add the acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery to the categories of purposes authorized to be undertaken, and shall hereafter read as follows:

"Section 1. The County of Union (the "County"), State of New Jersey is hereby authorized to make various public improvements and to acquire new additional or replacement equipment and machinery and new automotive vehicles, including original apparatus and equipment, in, by and for said County, as more particularly described in Section 4 hereof. The cost of the improvements and acquisitions includes all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor."

Section 2. Section 4.E. of the Prior Ordinance is hereby amended to add the acquisition of a filing system for the use of the Department of Human Services, Division of Social Services, to the specific purposes authorized to be undertaken, and shall hereafter read as follows:

"[Section 4.]E. Project Seniors in Motion; Department of Human Services, Division of Social Services - (A) Acquisition of new automotive vehicles, including original apparatus and equipment, consisting of ten vans for Project Seniors in Motion and (B) acquisition of a filing system for the use of the Department of Human Services, Division of Social Services.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$ 400,000  
 Down Payment Appropriated \$ 20,000  
 Bonds and Notes Authorized \$ 380,000  
 Period of Usefulness 5 years."

Section 3. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local



Government Services, is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders and is available for public inspection.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

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Chairman Proctor moved Ordinance No. 609-2005 for First Reading and authorized the Clerk of the Board to advertise the same in accordance with the law. (Final Reading: 2/24/2005) Seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

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**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR THE  
PURPOSE OF COMMENTING ON RESOLUTIONS  
ON THE AGENDA ONLY**

Bruce Patterson, Garwood, commented on Resolution 173-2005, asking a question regarding if the money in this item came from the increased golf fees. The County Manager responded to his question in the affirmative. Mr. Patterson then asked questions regarding Resolution 174-2005 and the County Manager responded to his questions on the program for replanting up to 4000 trees, which would continue year-to-year until the goal is met. Mr. Patterson then commented on Resolution 177-2005 and asked what the contract was about since the museum is not yet built. The County Manager explained how this item was an extension of an agreement the County already has with the Children's Museum organization. Mr. Patterson then asked a question regarding the impact on the County Budget and taxes of item 194-2005. The County Manager responded that this item would not increase the tax budget.

Vincent Lehotsky, Rahway, commented on Resolution 174-2005, requesting the replanting of a tree that had been torn down near his house.

Freeholder Estrada interjected that the Department of Environmental Protection had committed to replanting all trees torn down due to Asian Long-Horned Beetles.

Freeholder Scanlon stated that trees planted to replace lost trees would be a resistant strain to the Asian Long-Horned Beetles.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION CONCLUDED**

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The Chairman called for a motion to move resolutions 173-2005 through 188-2005 and 190-2005 through 256-2005. On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS WERE BEING OFFERED FOR ADOPTION:**

**173-2005 FREEHOLDER ESTRADA**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement(s) to encumber and allocate funds from the Union County Open Space, Recreation & Historic Preservation Trust Fund for the **Kids Recreation Trust Grant Program** in an amount not to exceed **\$992,600**.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**174-2005 FREEHOLDER ESTRADA**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into agreement(s) with municipalities for reimbursement in accordance with the Freeholder Initiative **“Greening Union County”** Matching Grant Program, to be allocated from funds encumbered from the Union County Open Space, Recreation & Historic Preservation Trust Fund in an amount not to exceed **\$300,000**.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**175-2005 FREEHOLDER ESTRADA**, authorizing the County Manager to apply for, and if awarded, to accept funding from the **New Jersey Office of Green Acres Land Acquisition and Park Development** grant program for the following projects: Esposito Farm Park in Clark for a combination of passive and active park recreation in an amount of **\$2,000,000** and the Skating Center at Warinanco Park, Roselle, New Jersey, for update and repair work in an amount of **\$1,500,000**.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**176-2005**     **FREEHOLDER ESTRADA**, authorizing the County Manger to engage the services of **T&M Associates, Middletown, New Jersey**, for the purpose of providing technical support and development of Local Government Assistance Applications to the State of New Jersey, Land Acquisition and Park Development, Green Acres Program for two projects: Esposito Farm Park in Clark, New Jersey and the Skating Center at Warinanco Park, Roselle, New Jersey, in an amount not to exceed **\$14,500**.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**177-2005**     **FREEHOLDER ESTRADA**, amending **Resolution No. 650-2003**, extending the contract with **Children’s Museum of Central of New Jersey, Westfield, New Jersey**, for eighteen (18) months, commencing January 1, 2005 – May 31, 2006. (**No additional funds**)

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**178-2005**     **FREEHOLDER HOLMES**, appointing **James Aiello, Westfield, New Jersey, (Delegate)**, and **John Salerno, Westfield, New Jersey, (Alternate)** to the Union County Solid Waste Advisory Board effective January 1, 2005 – December 31, 2005.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**179-2005**     **FREEHOLDER HOLMES**, authorizing the County Manager to sponsor the **United Youth of New Jersey, (UYNJ) African Heritage Day Parade, Inc.**, which is being held on May 1, 2005 in the City of Elizabeth, New Jersey, in the amount of **\$4,000**.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**180-2005**     **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to sponsor the **Union County Baseball Association** for its Youth League activities in the amount of **\$2,000**.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 181-2005**      **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the **Model Railroad Club, Inc., Union, New Jersey**, to name their building “**A. Paul Mallery Model Railroad Center.**”

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 182-2005**      **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, amending **Resolution No. 380-2004**, to the contract with **Preservation Possibilities, Inc., Summit, New Jersey**, to allow for the continued development of the Archival Preservation Plan for the Union County Park System in an additional amount of **\$2,500**, for a new total contract amount of **\$6,500**.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 183-2005**      **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, retaining the services of **Reimbursement Specialists, Inc., (T/A Health Care Resources) Princeton, New Jersey**, as consultants to complete and file all 2004 cost reports and analyze initial rate determinations in an amount not to exceed **\$17,500**.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 184-2005**      **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Amerikem Laboratories, (through N.J.H.A. Group Purchasing) Bloomfield, New Jersey**, to purchase hospital housekeeping chemicals for Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of February 1, 2005 – January 31, 2006, in an amount not to exceed **\$38,000**.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 185-2005**      **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Bunzl Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA, through N.J.H.A. Group Purchasing**) to purchase hospital housekeeping supplies for Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of February 1, 2005 – January 31, 2006, in an amount not to exceed **\$20,000**.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**186-2005**      **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing County Manager to sign any and all documents for the payment of the annual dues for membership with the **New Jersey Hospital Association (NJHA)** in an amount of **\$15,382**, and the **American Hospital Association (AHA)** in an amount of **\$3,680**, for Runnells Specialized Hospital for the period of January 1, 2005 – December 31, 2005, for a total amount not to exceed **\$19,062**.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**187-2005**      **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to renew the annual membership dues with the **Healthcare Association of New Jersey, (HCANJ) Hamilton, New Jersey**, for the period of January 1, 2005 – December 31, 2005, in an amount of **\$13,837.95**.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**188-2005**      **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, amending **Resolution No. 463A-1996, (Policy)** which allowed for compensatory time as reimbursement for authorized overtime for the County departments, to now include Runnells Specialized Hospital Maintenance Department staff.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**189-2005**      **VOID**

**190-2005**      **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **U.S. Postal Service, (Neopost Postage On Call) Philadelphia, PA**, to purchase postage for the Neopost Postage On Call computerized meter resetting system for Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of February 1, 2005 – February 28, 2006, in an amount not to exceed **\$12,000**.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**191-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, authorizing the County Manager, through the Division of Planning and Community Development to enter into an agreement with **Planner's Diversified, Summit, New Jersey**, to provide consultant services to assist with the development of the 2005-2010 Five Year Consolidated Plan for Union County in the amount of **\$48,500**.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**192-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, amending **Resolution No. 6-2005**, to include **Synergy Bank** as an eligible depository for the County.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**193-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, transferring **2004** appropriations pursuant to **N.J.S.A. 40A:4-59**.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**194-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$48,646**, as a result of notification received from the New Jersey Department of Human Services for grant entitled: **“Human Services Planning/Missing Children Program.”** In addition appropriating the sum of **\$11,900**, from the matching funds for grant account and entitled: **“Match-Human Services Planning/Missing Children Program.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**195-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$469,932**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Department of Youth and Family Services for a program entitled: **“Social Services to the Homeless.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**196-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$75,000**, as a result of notification received from the Union County Department of Human Services for a program entitled: **“Intoxicated Drivers Resource Center.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**197-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$456,369**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Department of Human Services for a program entitled: **“Personal Attendant Demonstration Program.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 198-2005** **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$691,601**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Department of Health and Senior Services for a program entitled: **“County Comprehensive Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Grant.”** In addition appropriating the sum of **\$150,000**, from the matching funds for grant account and entitled: **“Match-County Comprehensive Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Grant.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 199-2005** **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$432,910**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse for a program entitled: **“Alliance to Prevent Alcoholism and Drug Abuse.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 200-2005** **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$260,478**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Department of Health and Human Services for a program entitled: **“Respite Care Program.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 201-2005** **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$7,500**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Department of Community Affairs for a program entitled: **“Handicapped Person’s Program.”** In addition appropriating the sum of **\$1,500**, from the matching funds for grant account and entitled: **“Match-Handicapped Person’s Program.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 202-2005** **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$344,726**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Department of Health and Human Services for a program entitled: **“Community Care for the Elderly – Title XX.”** In addition

appropriating the sum of **\$115,485**, from the matching funds for grant account and entitled: **“Match-Community Care for the Elderly.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**203-2005** **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$2,728,241**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Department of Aging for a program entitled: **“Older Americans Act – Title III.”** In addition appropriating the sums of **\$13,044** and **\$29,234**, from the matching funds for grant account and entitled: **“Match-Home Delivered Meals and Match-Safe Housing”** respectively.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**204-2005** **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$102,260**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Department of Human Services for a program entitled: **“Paratransit Elderly – Title XX.”** In addition appropriating the sum of **\$23,455.00**, from the matching funds for grant account and entitled: **“Match-Paratransit Elderly – Title XX.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**205-2005** **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$1,015,336**, as a result of notification received from NJ Transit for a program entitled: **“Senior Citizen Transportation Program.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**206-2005** **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$375,000**, as a result of notification received from the Union County Department of Human Services for a program entitled: **“Transportation for the Elderly – Title XIX.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**207-2005** **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$75,000**, as a result of notification received from



the Union County Department of Human Services for a program entitled: **“Home Health Care – Title XX.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**208-2005** **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$136,910**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Council on the Arts for a program entitled: **“Council on the Arts Program.”** In addition, appropriating the sum of **\$29,580**, from the matching funds for grant account and entitled: **“Match-Council on the Arts.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**209-2005** **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$30,000**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Department of Health and Senior Services for a program entitled: **“Office on Aging – State Grant.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**210-2005** **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$11,196**, as a result of notification received from the Division on Women for a program entitled: **“Violence Against Women.”** In addition, appropriating the sum of **\$3,815**, from the matching funds for grant account and entitled: **“Match-Violence Against Women.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**211-2005** **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$338,000**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Division of Criminal Justice for a program entitled: **“Victim Witness Advocacy Program.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**212-2005** **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$178,000**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Office of Insurance Fraud for a program entitled: **“Insurance Fraud Program.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 213-2005**     **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$232,000**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Division of Solid and Hazardous Waste for a program entitled: **“Solid Waste Services Fund Program.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 214-2005**     **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$8,500**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Department of Senior Services for a program entitled: **“State Health Insurance Program (SHIP).”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 215-2005**     **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$4,500**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Division of Health and Senior Services for a program entitled: **“Mental Health Program.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 216-2005**     **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$181,272**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Department of Community Affairs for a program entitled: **“Youth Services – Courts.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 217-2005**     **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$598,014**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Department of Community Affairs for a program entitled: **“Community Service Block Grant.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 218-2005**     **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$325,021**, as a result of notification received from

the NJ Juvenile Justice Commission for a program entitled: **“Community Partnership Grant.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**219-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$12,201**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Department of Health and Human Services for a program entitled: **“Right to Know.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**220-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$231,014**, as a result of notification received from the City of Newark for a program entitled: **“HOPWA.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**221-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$376,000**, as a result of notification received from the Department of Human Services for a program entitled: **“Community Care for Persons Elderly & Disabled.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**222-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$266,854**, as a result of notification received from the US Department of Labor for program entitled: **“WIA – Workforce.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**223-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$52,170**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Juvenile Justice Commission for a program entitled: **“Juvenile Accountability Block Program.”** In addition appropriating the sum of **\$5,800**, from the matching funds for grant account and entitled: **“Match - Juvenile Accountability Block Grant.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**224-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$67,500**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Juvenile Justice Commission for a program entitled: **“State Facilities Education Act Program.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**225-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$434,000**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Juvenile Justice Commission for a program entitled: **“State Incentive Program.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**226-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$71,428**, as a result of notification received from NJ Division of Criminal Justice for a program entitled: **“Community Justice Program.** “In addition appropriating the sum of **\$23,809**, from the matching funds for grant account and entitled: **“Match-Community Justice Program.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**227-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$50,896**, as a result of notification received from the NJ Division of Criminal Justice for a program entitled: **“Body Armor Replacement Program.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**228-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, an amendment to the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$9,500,000**, as a result of notification received from US Department of Transportation for a program entitled: **“Elizabeth Ferry Project.”**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**229-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, amending **Resolution No. 616-2004, Homeland Security Program**, to allow flexibility in purchasing to include the federal list in addition to the currently authorized state vendor list.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**230-2005**      **FREEHOLDER WARD**, appointing **Anita Szary, Roselle Park, New Jersey, Jacob Magiera, Roselle Park, New Jersey, Alex Balaban (Alternate), Roselle Park, New Jersey, Dennis Hardie, Scotch Plains, New Jersey and Ira Bernstein, Scotch Plains, New Jersey (Alternate)** to the Union County Air Traffic Noise Advisory Board effective January 1, 2005 – December 31, 2006.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**231-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contracts obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with **Local Public Contracts Law 40A:11-1 et seq.**

- a.      Division of Motor Vehicles, **National Fuel Oil Inc., Newark, New Jersey**, to deliver gasoline to various locations, for 24 months, in an amount not to exceed **\$1,485,000.**
- b.      Department of Operations & Facilities, **Preventive Maintenance Roofing Inc., Neptune, New Jersey**, to provide roofing maintenance/repair services for County buildings, for 24 months, in an amount not to exceed **\$180,000.**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**232-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, authorizing **Change Order No. 1, (final)** to the contract with **H&G Contractors, Ridgewood, New Jersey**, for the replacement of the Jefferson Avenue Bridge, Rahway, New Jersey. This Change Order will *reduce* the contract amount by **\$48,765.09**, for a new contract amount of **\$869,545.61.**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**233-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a professional engineering service contract with **PMK Group, Cranford, New Jersey**, for the purpose of continuing NJDEP mandated groundwater and storm sewer monitoring and sampling at the Veneri Complex, 300 North Avenue, Westfield, New Jersey, in amount not to exceed **\$22,320**.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**234-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a professional engineering service contract with **T&M Associates, Middletown, New Jersey**, for the purpose of providing design services for the installation of new traffic signal systems at New Brunswick Avenue and East Inman Avenue, Rahway, New Jersey and North Avenue at Crossway Place, Westfield, New Jersey in an amount not to exceed **\$79,765**.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**235-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a professional engineering services contract with **Greenman-Pedersen, Inc., (GPI) Lebanon, New Jersey**, for the purpose of providing professional engineering services for the Bridge Management System, Phase II, in an amount not to exceed **\$300,000**.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**236-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Kanen Psychological, Ridgewood, New Jersey**, to provide psychological exams for the Sheriff's Office for the contract period of January 1, 2005 – December 31, 2005, in an amount not to exceed **\$5,000**.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**237-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, amending **Resolution 1187-2004**, to increase the appropriation to **Schenck, Price, Smith & King, Morristown, New Jersey**, special counsel in the matter entitled **Roberts v. County of**

**Union, et als.** in an additional amount of **\$5,000**, for a new total contract amount not to exceed **\$15,000**.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 238-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, amending **Resolution 909-2004**, to increase the appropriation to **Brownstein, Booth & Associates, Union City, New Jersey**, special counsel in the matter entitled **The Borough of Kenilworth v. County of Union, et als.** in an additional amount of **\$10,000**, for a new total contract amount not to exceed **\$20,000**.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 239-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, approving form of Interlocal Agreements and authorizing the County Manager and the Union County Sheriff to enter Interlocal Agreements with municipalities for the **Sheriff's Local Assistance Program (S.L.A.P.)**.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS WERE LAUDATORY IN CONTENT:**

- 240-2005**      **FREEHOLDERS ESTRADA AND WARD**, congratulating **Joseph Adair, Elizabeth, New Jersey**, who was recently called upon to pastor the Second Macedonia Baptist Church.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 241-2005**      **FREEHOLDER HOLMES**, proclaiming the month of February 2005 as **"Black History Month."**

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 242-2005**      **FREEHOLDER HOLMES**, extending deepest condolences to the family of **Florence Thomas, Plainfield, New Jersey**, in this, their time of sorrow.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**243-2005 FREEHOLDERS KOWALSKI, ESTRADA AND SULLIVAN,** commending and congratulating **Wayne Avery, Elizabeth, New Jersey,** on his induction into the Union County Baseball Hall of Fame.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**244-2005 FREEHOLDERS KOWALSKI, ESTRADA AND SULLIVAN,** commending and congratulating **Bob Brescher, Toms River, New Jersey,** on his induction into the Union County Baseball Hall of Fame.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**245-2005 FREEHOLDERS KOWALSKI, ESTRADA AND SULLIVAN,** commending and congratulating **Frank Catale, New Providence, New Jersey,** on his induction into the Union County Baseball Hall of Fame.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**246-2005 FREEHOLDER MAPP,** proclaiming March 6, 2005 as “**National Lymphedema Awareness Day**” in Union County.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**247-2005 FREEHOLDER MAPP,** congratulating **Anthony Davis, Plainfield, New Jersey,** for his athletic career in Union County and The University of Wisconsin. He is being honored at the Union County Baseball League’s Hot Stove Dinner.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**248-2005 CHAIRMAN PROCTOR AND FREEHOLDER HOLMES,** congratulating **Police Officer William Oplinger, Rahway Police Department,** on receiving a Letter of Commendation for his outstanding acts of bravery in the line of duty on June 17, 2004.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.



**249-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR AND FREEHOLDER HOLMES,**  
congratulating **Police Officer Dawn Rodger, Rahway Police Department,** on receiving the “Live Saving Award” for her outstanding acts of bravery in the line of duty on September 16, 2004.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**250-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR AND FREEHOLDER HOLMES,**  
congratulating **Police Officer Nicholas Robles and Lt. Richard Tomshaw, Rahway Police Department,** on receiving the “Life Saving Award” for their outstanding acts of bravery in the line of duty on November 7, 2004.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**251-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR AND FREEHOLDER HOLMES,**  
congratulating **Captain John Rodger, Police Officer Herbert Glass, Rahway Police Department,** on receiving the “D” Award for their outstanding acts of bravery in the line of duty on December 12, 2003.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**252-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR AND FREEHOLDER HOLMES,**  
congratulating **Sgt. Frank D’Errico, Rahway Police Department,** on receiving the “D” Award, for their outstanding acts of bravery in the line of duty.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**253-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR AND FREEHOLDER HOLMES,**  
congratulating **Capt. Paul Wohltman, Lt. David Jackson, Sgt. Dominick Sforza, Sgt. Raymond Baksys, Cpl. Thomas Brougham, Police Gary Kostura, Police Officer Charles Sabba, Det. Jon Miller, Det. John Wagenhoffer, Det. William White, Det. Roy Gerberville, Police Officer Dawn Rodger, Police Officer Tara Hannan, and Cpl. Anthony Apice, Rahway Police Department,** on receiving the “D” Award for their outstanding acts of bravery in the line of duty on July 5, 2004.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**254-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR AND FREEHOLDER HOLMES,** congratulating **Det/Sgt., Robert Conroy, Det. James Crowell and Det. Richard Stefanick, Rahway Police Department,** on receiving the “D” Award for their outstanding acts of bravery in the line of duty on July 10, 2004.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**255-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR AND FREEHOLDER HOLMES,** congratulating **Police Officer Jon Tilton, Rahway Police Department,** on receiving the “Letter of Commendation” for his outstanding acts of bravery in the line of duty.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**256-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR AND THE ENTIRE BOARD,** proclaiming the week of February 13 - 19, 2005 as “**National Career and Technical Education Week**” in Union County.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

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**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR  
THE PURPOSE OF COMMENTING  
ON RESOLUTIONS FROM THE FLOOR ONLY**

There were no comments.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION CONCLUDED**

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Chairman Proctor called for a motion to suspend the rules. On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Sullivan, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

Chairman Proctor called for a motion to move the Resolution from the floor. On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Vice Chairman Mirabella, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

**THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS FROM THE FLOOR:**

**257-2005 FREEHOLDER SCANLON AND THE ENTIRE BOARD**, extending deepest condolences to the family of **John F. Cryan, Union, New Jersey**, in this, their time of sorrow.

On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Vice Chairman Mirabella, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

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**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR  
THE PURPOSE OF COMMENTING  
ON ANY MATTER**

Vincent Lehotsky, Rahway, congratulated Ronald Zuber on his new position as Acting Director of Operations and Facilities.

Bruce Patterson, Garwood, made remarks on job performance measurements and this year's County budget, county taxes, and taxes in Garwood. The County Counsel interjected via a Point of Order with instructions to Mr. Patterson regarding the proper form public comments may take in the meeting.

Nancy Piowar, Plainfield, commended the Board on passing resolution 246-2005 recognizing March 6, 2005 as "National Lymphedema Awareness Day" in Union County. She stated that this Board was the first county in the state to pass this resolution. She stated that Assemblywoman Linda Stender is sponsoring a similar resolution in the State Assembly. Ms. Piowar remarked on the nature of the disease and the need for further research. She said the disease is an after-effect of cancer survival and can sometimes be prevented. She urged the Board to reach out to the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey to encourage further study of the lymphatic system and also commended Merck & Co. of Rahway stating that they are one company that is helping the poor in other countries with this disease. She also thanked Charles Newman of the Union County Office for the Disabled for his support.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION CONCLUDED**

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**REPORTS: STANDING & SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

Freeholder Estrada had no comments.  
Freeholder Holmes had no comments.

Freeholder Kowalski commented on the Courthouse Centennial Committee, stating that it is proceeding with plans for celebrations that will soon be starting. She commended Andrea Bauman, a teacher at the Holy Trinity School whose 8<sup>th</sup> grade class the Freeholder addressed on civic matters recently. The Freeholder stated that the class was well informed and asked excellent questions.

Freeholder Kowalski also commended the New Jersey Intergeneration Orchestra on an impressive performance a few weeks ago. She noted that the Orchestra was begun with a grant from the Freeholder Board's Heart Grant program. She also stated that the Orchestra would be having a fundraising performance in May of this year.

Freeholder Mapp stated that Senator Jon Corzine's office had asked him to serve on a host committee selected to reach out to members of the African American community tomorrow at 8 pm at the African Methodist Episcopal Church on Perry Street in Trenton. Freeholder Mapp also drew attention to programming coming on this month on the PBS network celebrating Black History Month and encouraged everyone to watch that channel because one can always gain more information and appreciation for the diversity of this country.

Freeholder Ward had no comments.

Freeholder Sullivan stated that the New Jersey Department of Transportation has authorized money to repair the Gordon Street bridge between Roselle and Roselle Park. He stated that temporary repairs on the bridge will start this spring. He also remarked that Congress has re-authorized major transportation funding for another two years, and that we will soon find out what federal dollars will be available for Union County.

The Freeholder also remarked that this Sunday, Wayne Avery of the Public Information department would be inducted into the Union County Baseball Hall of Fame. The Freeholder commended Wayne on this honor.

Freeholder Scanlon commented on the death of John Cryan who passed away on Sunday. She stated that Mr. Cryan was a true success story coming from Ireland and ending up owning or being a partner in 19 restaurants. She stated that he was the Sheriff of Essex County and held several other public service positions. She stated that he truly loved politics and loved his family very deeply. She said that he would certainly be missed and she offered her and the Board's condolences to his family.

Vice Chairman Mirabella stated that yesterday Union County Vocational – Technical Schools entered into an agreement with the Central Region of the New Jersey Regional Council of Carpenters to create a program that provides students with a transition

between the school's carpentry program and apprenticeships with Millwrights Local Union #715 of Cranford. The agreement creates the School to Registered Apprenticeships Program, which will feature some curriculum from the Carpenters Union giving students in the carpentry program a chance to better prepare for the test to join the union. This is the first agreement of its kind in the state, the Vice Chairman said. He added that Local #715 will guarantee 10 apprenticeship positions for Union County Vo-Tech carpentry students who pass the entry examination. The Vice Chairman thanked The County Manager, Mike D'Agostino of the Union and Dr. Bistocchi of the Vo-Tech school for their work in creating this agreement.

The Vice Chairman also thanked Dean Talcott, who serves as an educator to 4<sup>th</sup> grade students on trees and the environment. The Vice Chairman sat in on a class Mr. Talcott gave at St. Barts school in Scotch Plains.

The Vice Chairman also offered his congratulations to Wayne Avery upon being inducted into the Union County Baseball Hall of Fame. He noted that Mr. Avery joins the ranks of other Union County employees in the Hall of Fame such as Charles Sigmund, Director of the Parks and Recreation Department and Michael Murray, formerly Director of the Public Information Department.

The County Manager reported that he and the County Directors hosted a workshop for business administrators from the municipalities who work with the County at Kean University. He said this was the second one he has hosted and that the meeting addressed what programs and initiatives were available from the County. The County Manager noted that the County has aided every municipal in the County either through shared services or economic development projects, such as the office building in Plainfield, funding for refurbishing train stations, the County print shop and other things. He stated the function of this meeting was to let the municipalities know that the County is there as a resource. He thanked the Directors and Tony Texiera and the rest of the County Manager's staff for organizing the event. He also wished the Deputy County Manager M. Elizabeth Genievich a speedy recovery from a recent illness.

The County Counsel had no comments.

The Chairman commented on President Bush's release this week of the Federal Budget, and called attention to one cut in it – a 50% reduction in community development block grant funding. The Chairman stated that this will affect many municipalities and programs for seniors. He stated that the County will be contacting the municipalities soon and that the Union County congressional delegation will also be mobilized on the need to try to get this funding restored.

The Chairman then called for a motion to enter into Executive Session. On a motion by Vice Chairman Mirabella, seconded by Freeholder Scanlon, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION****Re: Pending Litigation**

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The Chairman called for a motion to re-enter the Regular Meeting. On a motion by Freeholder Holmes, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed eight members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Scanlon absent.

The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn. On a motion by Freeholder Sullivan, seconded by Freeholder Estrada, roll call showed eight members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Scanlon absent.

The voucher list through **February 3, 2005** will be available for public perusal in the Office of the Clerk of the Board.

The next **Regular Meeting** of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders will be held on **February 24, 2005 at 7:00 P.M.** in the Freeholders Meeting Room, Administration Building, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Elizabeth.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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**Nicole L. Tedeschi**  
**Clerk of the Board**

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