

**UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**APRIL 14, 2005**

**ROLL CALL**

**PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

**APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING MINUTES: March 17, 2005 – Agenda Meeting;**

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**C O M M U N I C A T I O N S :**

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

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION CONCLUDED**

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

**417-2005      FREEHOLDER ESTRADA,** authorizing the County Manager to award subcontracts pursuant to a Request for Proposal (RFP) procurement process for **2005 Alcohol Grant and Addiction Recovery Program (ARP)**, and funded programs/services would address one or more of the prevention/intervention/treatment modalities identified in the 2005 – 07 Union County Alcoholism & Drug Abuse and Alliance Plan, for the contract period of May 1, 2005 – December 31, 2005.

**418-2005      FREEHOLDER ESTRADA,** authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to the **New Jersey Housing Mortgage Finance Agency, Trenton, New Jersey**, for the participation in the statewide Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) for the contract period of July 1, 2003 – June 30, 2004. This contract makes a payment in the amount of **\$26,448** for Union County's

participation in cost sharing for 2004 Year One start up of the initiative. New Jersey Housing Mortgage Finance Agency was selected by the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development as the entity responsible for the implementation of the federally mandated automated homeless tracking system in New Jersey. Each participating county in the state has been awarded federal grant dollars toward this Collaborative.

**419-2005**      **VOID**

**420-2005**      **FREEHOLDER ESTRADA**, authorizing the County Manager to accept and enter into contract(s) with the **U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)** in the total amount of **\$3,792,411** for the 2004 McKinney-Vento Act Homeless Assistance competitive grant award. The budget cycle includes 12 projects (8 renewals and 4 new) for various program durations, ranging from one (1) year up to five (5) years. The competitive award will be effective immediately upon execution of the various HUD grant agreements, subsequent to completion of the Technical Submission(s) pending receipt in the first quarter of 2004.

**421-2005**      **FREEHOLDER ESTRADA**, appointing the following to the Human Services Advisory Committee:

**Carolyn Cole**  
**Elizabeth, New Jersey**  
**Term: 1/1/05 – 12/31/06**

**Michael A. Petrucci.**  
**Cranford, New Jersey**  
**Term: 1/1/05 – 12/31/07**

**422-2005**      **FREEHOLDER ESTRADA**, amending **Resolution No. 381-2004**, to approve Amendment No. 5 to a Professional Service Contract with **DMR Architects, Maywood, New Jersey**, for additional construction administration services to the Trailside Nature & Science Center in Mountainside in an additional amount not to exceed **\$19,100**, for a new total contract amount not to exceed **\$461,300**.

**423-2005**      **FREEHOLDER ESTRADA**, amending **Resolution No. 2105-2003**, for an additional **\$34,700** for the services of **T&M Associates, Middletown, New Jersey**, related to design work at Esposito Park, Clark, NJ, relative to the changed New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Stormwater Regulations and the addition of a Boundless Playground at the site for the Union County Open Space and Recreation Trust Fund, for a new contract amount of **\$159,450**.

- 424-2005**      **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **David Foster, DVM, Morganville, New Jersey**, to provide routine and emergency veterinary dental services to the horses at the Watchung Stables for the calendar year 2005 in an amount not to exceed **\$4,000**.
- 425-2005**      **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Professional Engineering Service contract with **T&M Associates, Middletown, New Jersey**, for the purpose of providing Professional Architectural Services for the renovation of the Ash Brook Golf Course Clubhouse in an amount not to exceed **\$34,500**.
- 426-2005**      **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, approving the minutes of **Runnells Specialized Hospital (RSH) Advisory Board of Managers Meeting** of October 13, 2004.
- 427-2005**      **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Judy Schmutter, DDS, Visiting Dental Associates, Glen Rock, New Jersey**, to provide dental services to the patients/residents of Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of May 1, 2005 – April 30, 2006. **{This is a Fee for Service Agreement/At No Cost to the County}**
- 428-2005**      **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, amending **Resolution No. 324-2005**, to the contract with **Grainger Industrial Supply, Lake Forest, IL**, to reflect the correct contract account information.
- 429-2005**      **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Spectrum Medical Leasing, Morton Grove, IL**, a division of IFC Credit Corporation, to lease twenty- two (22) Alaris Thermometers and five (5) Alaris vital check with pulse oximetry devices through NJHA for the contract period of May 1, 2005 – April 30, 2009, in an amount of **\$45,360**.
- 430-2005**      **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **Center for Hope Hospice, Scotch Plains, New Jersey**, for the provision of hospice services to Runnells Specialized Hospital residents/patients **{At no cost to the County}**
- 431-2005**      **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Gibbons, Del Deo, Dolan, Griffinger & Vecchione, Esqs, Newark, New Jersey**, to provide legal services concerning several regulatory & reimbursement matters to Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of April 15, 2005 – March 31, 2005, in an amount of **\$50,000**.
- 432-2005**      **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager, through the Division of Cultural & Heritage Affairs to apply for and execute all applications and agreements relating to a **FY 2006/2007 General Operating Support Grant Program from the New Jersey Historical Commission** for the contract period of July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006 in the amount not to exceed **\$125,800**.

- 433-2005**      **FREEHOLDER MAPP**, supporting the **Mayors for Peace Campaign** and endorsing the Resolution adopted by the U.S. Conference of Mayors supporting the commencement of negotiations on the elimination of nuclear weapons
- 434-2005**      **FREEHOLDER MAPP**, urging President Bush to restore funding for the Army Corps of Engineers **Green Brook Flood Control Project**.
- 435-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, authorizing the County Manager, through the Department of Economic Development to execute any and all agreements for Program Year 2004 **New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development Supplemental Workforce Fund for Adult Literacy Program** for Basic Skills/ESL instruction for the contract period of April 1, 2005 through June 30, 2005, in an amount not to exceed **\$100,000**.
- 436-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, amending **Resolution No. 680-2004**, to the contract with **Union County College, Cranford, New Jersey** to provide a local Official Trilingual GED Test Center in an additional amount of **\$22,000**, for a new total contract amount not to exceed **\$137,142**.
- 437-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, authorizing the County Manager, through the Department of Economic Development to execute an agreement with **Union County College, Cranford, New Jersey** to provide a local Official Trilingual GED Test Center for the contract period of July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006 in an amount not to exceed **\$106,612.08**.
- 438-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, amending the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$3,792,411**, as a result of notification received from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development for a program entitled: **"McKinney – Vento Homeless Assistance."**
- 439-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, amending the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$929,040**, as a result of notification received from the New Jersey Department of Transportation for a program entitled: **"Signs and Markings 2005."**
- 440-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, amending the 2005 Temporary Budget in the amount of **\$84,960**, as a result of notification received from the New Jersey Department of Transportation for a program entitled: **"Traffic Standards 2005."**
- 441-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, appointing **Linda Foreman, Roselle New Jersey and Bertram Warren, MD, Fanwood, New Jersey**, to the Mental Health Board for a term to commence on January 1, 2005 to June 31, 2007.

**442-2005**      **VICE CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA**, amending **Resolution No. 98-2005**, to contract with **This Is It! Concept and Event Production, Hoboken, New Jersey**, to plan, produce and promote the 2005 Musicfest at Echo Lake Park, Cranford, New Jersey, Saturday, September 17, 2005, in an additional amount of **\$44,000**, for a total contract amount not to exceed **\$144,300**.

**443-2005**      **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. Department of Engineering & Public Works: **LaFarge North American, DBA QPR, Alphrette, GA**, to provide the County of Union and the Union County Cooperative Pricing System with a vendor to furnish and deliver road material to various locations in the amount of **\$3,000**.
- b. Department of Engineering & Public Works: **Micro Pave Systems, Inc., Cedar Knolls, New Jersey**, to provide the County of Union and the Union County Cooperative Pricing System with a vendor to furnish and deliver road material to various locations in the amount of **\$63** (Contract awarded to solicit price for the entire Co-Op).
- c. Division of Building Services: **Emco Elevator, Kearny, New Jersey**, to provide services to maintain and repair elevators (21) in various County buildings. The term of the contract shall be for 12 months upon the signing of the contract with provisions for two (2) twelve (12) month extensions, in the amount of **\$357,072**.
- d. Department of Parks, Recreation & Facilities: Awarding the following contracts for the Department of Parks, Recreation & Facilities, Division of Golf Operations / Horticulture for the purposes of providing grass seed. Multiple vendors were awarded separate lots of specific kinds of seed: **Lesco, Inc., Cleveland, OH**, in the amount of **\$10,879.50**; **Reed & Perrine Sales, Inc., Tennent, New Jersey**, in the amount of **\$5,640**; and **the Terre Co, of New Jersey, Clifton, New Jersey**, in the amount of **\$4,251.50**.
- e. Department of Economic Development / Division of Information Technologies: **XTEL Communications, Marlton, NJ**, to provide internet services at the Union County Administration Building in the amount of **\$32,393**.

- 444-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, amending **Resolution No. 267-2005**, expanding the **Senior Citizen Home Improvement Program** (Chairman Initiative for 2005) to include the **City of Elizabeth and the Township of Union adding \$100,000** in project funds and **\$20,000** for administrative funds for Development Directions, LLC for the contract period March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2008 for a new contract amount not to exceed **\$620,000** (allocated \$500,000 in project funds and \$120,000 in administrative funds).
- 445-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, authorizing the County Manager to apply for and enter into a Grant Agreement between the County of Union and the **State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP)** for the purpose of implementing the Municipal Stormwater General Permit in the amount of **\$10,000**.
- 446-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, supporting the Resolution adopted by the **Linden City Council** on February 15, 2005, designating bus stops at specific locations along various County roadways in the City of Linden.
- 447-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, granting permission to the **Township of Scotch Plains**, to hang a banner across Park Avenue in the Center of Scotch Plains, New Jersey near the Municipal Building from April 25, 2005 to May 6, 2005 to publicize the National Day of Prayer Observance to be held on Thursday, May 5, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. on the Village Green.
- 448-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, granting permission to the **Borough of Roselle Park**, to close Chestnut Street from Grant Avenue to Webster Avenue, Roselle Park, New Jersey on Monday, May 30, 2005 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for a "Memorial Day Parade."
- 449-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, granting permission to the **Township of Springfield** and the **225<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee of the Battle of Springfield**, to close Mountain Avenue between Echo Plaza and North Trivett Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey, to all but emergency traffic on Sunday, June 26, 2005 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. for a **Parade Commemorating the 225<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of Springfield**; granting permission to the **Township of Springfield and the 225<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee of the Battle of Springfield** to hang two (2) **banners**, one on Mountain Avenue at North Trivett Avenue, and one on Meisel Avenue at Meisel Park, Springfield, New Jersey, from May 17, 2005 to June 27, 2005 to publicize the "225<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of Springfield Event".
- 450-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, granting permission to the **Township of Springfield** and the **Springfield Chamber of Commerce**, to close Mountain Avenue between Caldwell Place and Morris Avenue to all but emergency traffic on Saturday, May 14, 2005 and Saturday, September 17, 2005 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. for the **Springfield Chamber of Commerce Street Fair**; granting

permission to the **Township of Springfield and the Springfield Chamber of Commerce** to hang two (2) banners, one on Mountain Avenue at North Trivett Avenue, and one on Meisel Avenue at Meisel Park, Springfield, New Jersey, from April 25, 2005 to May 16, 2005 and August 29, 2005 to September 19, 2005 to advertise the **“Street Fair.”**

- 451-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, granting permission to the **Town of Westfield**, to close South Avenue, from Central Avenue to the Traffic Circle, Westfield, NJ, from 7:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 16, 2005 for the **“Second Annual Westfield Classic Criterium Bike Race;”** granting permission to the **Town of Westfield** to hang a banner on South Avenue, at the intersection of Westfield Avenue and Summit Avenue, Westfield, New Jersey, from April 8, 2005 to April 18, 2005 to publicize the **“Second Annual Westfield Classic Criterium Bike Race.”**
- 452-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, amending **Resolution No. 1241-2004**, removing **Rudy Graddy, Madison, New Jersey** and adding the following **Forensic Technicians: John D. Valdivia, South Amboy, New Jersey, Michael S. Jorda, Jr., Harrison, New Jersey, and Kevin M. Toler, East Orange, New Jersey**, to assist the Medical Examiner during autopsies and external examinations for the contract period of January 1, 2005 – December 31, 2005 in an amount not to exceed **\$60,000**.
- 453-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the **City of Elizabeth**, for the purpose of outlining the procedure for procuring, housing and deploying specialized firefighter equipment purchased through the Urban Area Security Initiative.
- 454-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, authorizing the County Manager, through the **New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Office of the Attorney General**, to apply for and to accept grant funding from the FY05 Homeland Security Grant Program to enhance Union County’s ability to prevent, detect, deter, respond to, and recover from threats and acts of terrorism in the amount of federal funding of **\$1,727,710**.
- 455-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, authorizing the County Manager to execute and enter into a Mutual Aid Agreement between the **County of Union Division of Environmental Health and Emergency Management** and the **Somerset County Office of Emergency Management. {No County Funding}**
- 456-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, authorizing the County Manager to execute and sign any and all documents in order to effectuate the receipt of overtime traffic reimbursement grant in the amount of **\$4,000** from the Highway Safety Grant with the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety for a **“Click It or Ticket” Seat Belt Campaign** from May 23 to June 5, 2005.

- 457-2005** CHAIRMAN PROCTOR, authorizing the County Manager to do all things necessary to apply for and accept an **Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Grant** in the amount of **\$45,264** with a required County (in kind) match in the amount of **\$158,743** for a total of **\$204,007**.
- 458-2005** CHAIRMAN PROCTOR, amending **Resolution No. 1254-2004**, to increase the appropriation to **Garrubbo & Capece, Westfield, New Jersey**, special counsel in the matter entitled **Todaro v. County of Union, et als.** for an additional sum of **\$10,000** for a new total contract amount not to exceed **\$35,000**.
- 459-2005** CHAIRMAN PROCTOR, appointing **Mark Ruderman, Esq. of Ruderman and Glickman, Springfield, New Jersey**, to represent the County of Union in the EEOC matter of **Tecia L. Bulle v. County of Union** in an amount not to exceed **\$5,000**.
- 460-2005** CHAIRMAN PROCTOR, approving the **settlement of an outstanding patient's balance** (patient #364208) in the amount of **\$6,400** owed to Runnells Specialized Hospital for an amount of **\$750**.
- 461-2005** CHAIRMAN PROCTOR, approving a **Settlement Agreement** between the **County of Union and K. Hovnanian**, relative to the property known as "The Reserve."
- 462-2005** CHAIRMAN PROCTOR, authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **Media Squared, New Brunswick, New Jersey**, to provide media consulting services for production and marketing of initiative and programs for the contract period of May 1, 2005 – April 30, 2006, in an amount of **\$72,000**.

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

- 463-2005** **FREEHOLDERS ESTRADA AND HOLMES**, proclaiming the week of April 4 – 10, 2005, as "**National Public Health Week 2005**" in Union County.
- 464-2005** **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, proclaiming the month of April as "**Occupational Therapy Recognition Month**" and in particular honoring the Occupational Therapists at Runnells Specialized Hospital.
- 465-2005** **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, recognizing the outstanding contributions of the "**Volunteers of Runnells Specialized Hospital**" at their annual awards luncheon to be held on May 11, 2005.
- 466-2005** **FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI**, proclaiming the month of April as "**National Poetry Month**" in Union County.
- 467-2005** **FREEHOLDER SCANLON AND THE ENTIRE BOARD**, proclaiming the month of April as "**National Child Abuse Prevention Month**" in Union County.



- 468-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SCANLON**, congratulating the following individuals on their **Irish-American Society Student Athlete Awards: Thomas Conneely, Katelyn Sileo, Molly Peters, Matthew Melody, Samantha Maffei, Thomas Duffy, Dana N. Czapla and Jennifer Lynn Kaminski** and also honoring **Coach Chris Flinn** for his committed services to the community in the area of athletics.
- 469-2005**      **FREEHOLDER SCANLON**, extending deepest condolences to the family of **Thomas Plaia, Union, New Jersey**, in this, their time of sorrow.
- 470-2005**      **FREEHOLDER WARD**, congratulating **Linden High School** for their outstanding job presenting their cases, both as attorneys and witnesses on winning the **“Mock Trial,”** created by the New Jersey State Bar Association and the Union County Bar Association.
- 471-2005**      **VICE CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA**, extending deepest condolences to the family of **Joseph A. LaMonaco, Roselle Park, New Jersey**, in this, their time of sorrow.
- 472-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, proclaiming the week of April 10 – 16, 2005, as **“County Government Week”** in Union County.
- 473-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, congratulating **Union County Sheriff’s Officer Scott Jones**, on his award for Valor from the Two Hundred Club of Essex County.
- 474-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR**, congratulating **Union County Sheriff’s Sergeant Melissa DeFilippo**, on her acceptance as a member of Session XII of the National Forensic Academy at the University of Tennessee.
- 475-2005**      **CHAIRMAN PROCTOR AND THE ENTIRE BOARD**, thanking **TOPOFF3 Volunteers** for their help and assistance in making the Bioterrorism exercise a tremendous success.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION CONCLUDED**

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**THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION IS FROM THE FLOOR:**

**476-2005**      **FREEHOLDER HOLMES**, appointing **Mayor James J. Kennedy, Rahway, New Jersey**, to the Union County Utilities Authority to fill the unexpired term of James C. Jones (resigned), for a term commencing April 14, 2005 – February 1, 2007.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION CONCLUDED**

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**REPORTS: STANDING & SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**Re: Pending Litigation & Contract Negotiation**

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The voucher list through **April 5, 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 **April 28, 2005 at 7:00 P.M.** in the Freeholders Meeting Room, Administration Building, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Elizabeth.

**ADJOURNMENT**