

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

MINUTES OF THE AGENDA MEETING

SEPTEMBER 8, 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.

Also present were County Manager George Devanney, County Counsel Robert Barry and Clerk of the Board Nicole L. Tedeschi.

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.

MOMENT OF SILENCE for the victims of Hurricane Katrina which struck New Orleans, Louisiana, parts of Mississippi and parts of Alabama last week.

The Chairman stated that Vice Chairman Mirabella had a Resolution to present. The Vice Chairman presented a Resolution to Sean Carr of the Office of Public Information in recognition for his contributions as a journalist, public relations specialist and writer to that department over the years, as he goes into a new job in Washington, DC. Mr. Carr made remarks thanking the Board.

The Chairman said that on Friday, September 16, the County will hold its annual POW/MIA Remembrance Day on the Courthouse steps. The Chairman called Mr. John Gratacos, State Sergeant-at-Arms of the Vietnam Veterans of America, forward to make an announcement. Mr. Gratacos said that ground will be broken for a memorial for the Vietnam veterans from Elizabeth on September 16th at 2:00. He thanked the Board for its support of this memorial that has been five years in the making.

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I. DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

M. Elizabeth Genievich, Deputy County Manager/Dir. of Administrative Services

There were no questions.

RESOLUTIONS

1. 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: (CH. PROCTOR)**

- a. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES: NPAX, Inc. /AddHealth, Inc., Clifton, New Jersey, to provide a prescription drug discount program which is offered as public service by the Board of Chosen Freeholders for county residents for a contract period of twenty-four (24) consecutive months.
- b. DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: ASTI Transportation Systems, Inc., New Castle, DE., to provide a camera system for a mobile command post in an amount of **\$28,751.94**.
- c. DIVISION OF PUBLIC WORKS: Mid-Atlantic Truck Centre Inc., Linden, New Jersey, to provide one (1) dump truck international model 7400 SFA in an amount of **\$129,408**.
- d. RUNNELLS SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL: Amending Resolution No. 1048-2004 (BA. #107) to the contract with **Greenleaf Landscape Systems, Red Bank, New Jersey**, to provide landscape and shrub maintenance service to maintain the property in an attractive and pest-free condition in an amount of **\$51,800**.
- e. DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS: Amending Resolution No. 757-2005 (BA. #56) to the contract with **Bayway Lumber, Linden, New Jersey**, to provide various lumber and associated materials (estimated total dollar amount based on a twelve (12) months contract) for the contract period of twenty-four (24) months which required additional funds for a new total contract amount of **\$40,000**.
- f. DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & FACILITIES: Mike's Feed Farm, Riverdale, New Jersey, to furnish and deliver (100 tons) horse feed for the contract period of twenty-four (24) months in an amount not to exceed **\$45,000**.
- g. RUNNELLS SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL: Preventive Maintenance Roofing, Inc., Neptune, New Jersey, to provide aluminum roof coating and perform roof inspections & maintenance in an amount of **\$38,576.80**.
- h. DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & FACILITIES: Aggreko, Linden, New Jersey, to deliver, install and maintain a temporary cooling system for the refrigeration system at the Warinanco Skating Center located in Warinanco Park, Roselle, New Jersey, (rental equipment for a seven month period) in an amount not to exceed **\$85,000**.
- i. RUNNELLS SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL: Positive Attitude, Marlboro, New Jersey, to supply janitorial supplies for a contract period of

twenty-four (24) consecutive months in an amount not to exceed **\$111,879.60.**

- j. RUNNELLS SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL; DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES; DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES; DIVISION OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES; DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & FACILITIES AND DIVISION OF BUILDING SERVICES: Maffey's Lock & Safe Company, Inc., Elizabeth, New Jersey, to provide locksmith services and locking hardware for a total contract amount not to exceed **\$283,000.**

II. DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT James Daley, Director

RESOLUTIONS

Freeholder Estrada asked a question regarding funding for item # 1, a bicycle path in Union County. Director Daley said that he would clarify the funding plan.

1. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Division of Planning and Community Development to make an application and enter into an agreement with the **North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority** for the grant funded study entitled, "County-Wide Comprehensive Bicycle Master Plan" for the contract period of July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006, in an amount not to exceed **\$150,000. (FR. SULLIVAN)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Division of Planning and Community Development to make an application and enter into an agreement with the **North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority** for the grant funded study entitled, "Union County Freight Access Study between Port Elizabeth and Tremley Point" for the contract period of July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006, in an amount not to exceed **\$250,000. (FR. SULLIVAN)**
3. Extending the contract with **Development Directions, LLC, Rahway, NJ**, for the administration of the Multi-Jurisdictional Rehabilitation Program (MJHR) and the Union County Lead Environmental Analysis Assistance and Reduction Program (UCLEAAR) for four (4) months from September 1, 2005 – December 31, 2005. **(No Additional Funds) (FR. SULLIVAN)**
4. Authorizing the expenditure of the **Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, HOME Program, American Dream Down-Payment Initiative (ADDI) and Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG)** funding as designated in the US Department of Housing and Urban Development approved 2005 – 2006 Consolidated Action Plan. **(FR. SULLIVAN)**

III. DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING & PUBLIC WORKS
Frank Dann, Director

Director Dann stated that there would be an additional Resolution for a banner to be hung advertising the Kiwanis Club Pancake Breakfast for the next meeting.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Concurring with the **Borough of Fanwood** granting permission to the Fanny Wood Day Committee of Fanwood, New Jersey, to close Martine Avenue from North Avenue to LaGrande Avenue, Fanwood, New Jersey, on Sunday, October 2, 2005 (rain date Sunday, October 9, 2005) from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. for **“Fanny Wood Day 2005.” (CH. PROCTOR)**
2. Concurring with the **Town of Westfield and New Jersey Transit** granting permission to the Westfield Knights of Columbus to hang a banner from the New Jersey Transit Overpass on East Broad Street between North Avenue and South Avenue, Westfield, New Jersey, from Wednesday, September 21, 2005 to Tuesday, October 4, 2005 to advertise their **“Bike For Life”** annual charitable event to be held on Sunday, October 2, 2005. **(CH. PROCTOR)**

Freeholder Estrada asked what the problem is with the lake in item #3. Once the State got involved they had some comments on some further work to be done. He said he would get back to the Freeholder on the details on the work.

3. Awarding a professional engineering service contract to **O’Brien & Gere Engineers, Inc., Edison, New Jersey**, for the redesign of Nomehegan Lake Dam in an amount not to exceed **\$14,000. (CH. PROCTOR)**

Freeholder Ward asked if funding needed to be approved as well as the agreement in item #4. Director Dann said that funding did not need to be approved, there is funding already set for this project. Vice Chairman Mirabella asked to see a complete breakdown of funds for this item even though the funding is not an issue in this resolution.

4. Authorizing an Inter-local Agreement with the **Township of Cranford** for the purpose of providing funding for the construction of Transportation Infrastructure Improvements along Centennial Avenue, County Route 615, Cranford, New Jersey. **(CH. PROCTOR)**
5. Concurring with the **City of Linden** amending a Resolution designating Bus Stops along East Elizabeth Avenue, northbound, on the easterly side, a Union County Road, and along East Elizabeth Avenue, southbound, on the westerly side, a Union County Road. **(CH. PROCTOR)**

6. Concurring with the **City of Linden** granting permission to the **Linden Chamber of Commerce** to hang a banner across North Wood Avenue and Elizabeth Avenue, Linden, New Jersey, from October 17, 2005 to October 27, 2005 to advertise their “**Annual Business to Community Expo**” to be held on Wednesday, October 26, 2005. (CH. PROCTOR)

Freeholder Estrada asked for details on the changes in the project necessitating the increased cost in item #7. Director Dann responded that the project started 5 years ago and technology has changed, requiring the wiring and computer plans to be changed. Also the old building on the site had to be stabilized with steel at a large cost due to the increased price of steel. In addition, he said, the D.O.T. also held up the project with permit delays.

Freeholder Mapp also asked questions on item #7 regarding the total cost including any other change orders for the project. Director Dann answered his questions regarding these earlier change orders.

Freeholder Ward asked if the County had a contract with a structural sub-consultant who was mentioned in a memo. Director Dann said the Architect had contracted with that consultant. Director Dann introduced Joe Paternoster, of the Division of Engineering, who answered Freeholder Ward’s questions in further detail.

Freeholder Ward asked for further cost breakdowns, which Mr. Paternoster outlined.

7. Approving **Change Order No. 8** to the contract with **Paley Construction Company, Springfield, New Jersey**, for general condition costs incurred due to a one month delay for contract execution in underpinning issues; in addition to three months added time due to untimely steel shop drawing reviews and approvals; structural modifications for additional steel and detailing; temporary building heat due to late start and D.O.T Permit delay for gas utility work; as well as meter set work by utility in the amount of **\$90,445.53** for a new contract amount of **\$3,399,576.42**. (CH. PROCTOR)

Previous Contract Amount:	\$3,309,130.89
Change Order No. 8:	<u>\$ 90,445.53</u>
New Contract Amount:	\$3,399,576.42

IV. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
Lawrence Caroselli, Director

RESOLUTIONS

1. Modifying the 2005 Union County adopted budget in the amount of **\$548,103** as a result of notification received from New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services for a program entitled: **“Local Core Capacity Infrastructure for Bioterrorism Preparedness (LINCS).” (FR. SULLIVAN)**

Freeholder Estrada asked if item #2 is a yearly grant from the state. Director Caroselli said that it is annual and this is a renewal. He deferred to Chief Vaniska who is the 911-coordinator for the County. Chief Vaniska commented further on the 911 funding, noting that this grant offsets costs for educational materials, meetings and seminars and is given to the County to be distributed for the benefit of the towns. He also commented on enhancements to the 911 program.

2. Modifying the 2005 Union County adopted budget in the amount of **\$25,000** as a result of notification received from the New Jersey Office of Information Technology for a program entitled: **“UC 9-1-1 Coordinator Grant.” (FR. SULLIVAN)**
3. Modifying the 2005 Union County adopted budget in the amount of **\$4,000** as a result of notification received from the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety for a program entitled: **“You Drink, You Drive, You Lose Program.” (FR. SULLIVAN)**
4. Modifying the 2005 Union County adopted budget in the amount of **\$6,500** as a result of notification received from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts for a program entitled: **“NJ Senior Citizen Arts Show.” (FR. SULLIVAN)**
5. Modifying the 2005 Union County adopted budget in the amount of **\$120,000** as a result of notification received from the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority for a program entitled: **“Countywide Comprehensive Bicycle Master Plan.”** In addition, appropriating **\$30,000** from the matching fund for a grant entitled: **“Match Countywide Comprehensive Bicycle Master Plan.” (FR. SULLIVAN)**
6. Modifying the 2005 Union County adopted budget in the amount of **\$200,000** as a result of notification received from the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority for a program entitled: **“Freight Access Study between Port Elizabeth & Tremley Point.”** In addition, appropriating **\$50,000** from the matching fund grant entitled: **“Match-Freight Access Study between Port Elizabeth and Tremley Point.” (FR. SULLIVAN)**

7. Modifying the 2005 Union County adopted budget in the amount of **\$84,124** as a result of notification received from the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority for a program entitled: **“Subregional Transportation Planning Program.”** In addition, appropriating **\$21,031** from the matching fund grant entitled: **“Match-Subregional Transportation Planning Program.”** (FR. SULLIVAN)
8. Modifying the 2005 Union County adopted budget in the amount of **\$180,000** as a result of notification received from the New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice for a program entitled: **“Gang Suppression Grant.”** In addition, appropriating **\$60,000** from the matching fund grant entitled: **“Match-Gang Suppression Grant.”** (FR. SULLIVAN)

The figure in #9 may be higher next week, Director Caroselli noted.

9. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with the **Union County Alliance** for long range strategic planning for the contract period of July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006 in the amount of **\$245,000.** (FR. SULLIVAN)
10. Modifying the 2005 Union County adopted budget in the amount of **\$43,986** as a result of notification received from the City of Newark for a program entitled: **“Housing Opportunities for Persons with Aids (HOPWA).”** (FR. SULLIVAN)
11. Modifying the 2005 Union County adopted budget in the amount of **\$1,000** as a result of notification received from the New Jersey Theatre Alliance for a program entitled: **“New Jersey Theatre Alliance Grant.”** In addition, appropriating **\$1,000** from the matching fund grant entitled: **“Match-Theatre Alliance.”** (FR. SULLIVAN)
12. Modifying the 2005 Union County adopted budget in the amount of **\$6,000** as a result of notification received from the New Jersey Division of Mental Health Services for a program entitled: **“Mental Health Services Program.”** (FR. SULLIVAN)
13. Modifying the 2005 Union County adopted budget in the amount of **\$18,000** as a result of notification received from the New Jersey Division on Aging for a program entitled: **“Office on Aging – State Grant.”** (FR. SULLIVAN)
14. Entering into an agreement with **Pino Consulting Group, Inc., West Windsor, New Jersey**, to provide consulting services for the development of Union County’s 2004 and 2005 Central Service Cost Allocation Plan in an amount not to exceed **\$92,000.** (FR. SULLIVAN)

V. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Frank Guzzo, Director

Director Guzzo stated that there will be one more Resolution for next week, a laudatory for Sandy Ehrwin, the Education Director for the Union Way of Union County, who is retiring and leaving the County.

Director Guzzo also talked about the enrollment plan for the Discount Prescription Program and noted that the cost of enrollment is going down this year. He stated there are 8,971 card members as of now, which works out to being 22,000 people, one card per household. He said the average savings for the enrollment is 0 to 33%.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **Trinitas Hospital, Elizabeth, New Jersey**, for the purpose of providing Inpatient/Outpatient and Emergency Room services to UC Jail inmates and Juvenile Detention detainees for the contract period of October 1, 2005 – December 31, 2007 in an amount not to exceed **\$250,000** in 2005. {**Local funding: \$250,000**} (FR. ESTRADA)

2. Amending **Resolution No. 558-2005** between the **Mercer County Board of Social Services** and the County of Union in order to accept an additional **\$40,871** to provide intensive case management services to TANF families receiving public assistance through the Supplemental Assistance to individuals and Families (SAIF) program from October 1, 2004 – September 30, 2005 increasing the contract amount to **\$141,125**. {**State funding: \$40,871; Total funding: \$141,125**} (FR. ESTRADA)

Freeholder Estrada said he just wanted to highlight this Resolution that he had been working on for some time.

3. Authorizing the submission of the **2006-2008 Youth Services Commission Comprehensive Plan and Application** to the Juvenile Justice Commission. (FR. ESTRADA)

4. Amending **Resolution No. 1150-2004** between the County of Union and **Immaculate Conception Church, Elizabeth, New Jersey**, to provide an additional 25 parking spaces at a monthly cost of **\$1,000** for the contract period of September 1, 2005 – December 31, 2005. This will bring the total number of parking spaces to 75 and the new monthly cost will be **\$3,000** (from 50 parking spaces at **\$2,000** a month to 75 parking spaces at **\$3,000**, changing the annual amount from **\$24,000 - \$28,000** for the four months remaining in the contract).

**{State funding: \$14,000; Local funding: \$14,000; Total funding: \$28,000}
(FR. ESTRADA)**

**VI. DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & FACILITIES
Charles Sigmund, Director**

Freeholder Sullivan asked about the temporary cooling system for Warinanco Ice Skating Center, wondering how much longer it would be before a permanent system would be installed. Director Sigmund discussed where the planning and design for the cooling system and other renovations stands for this year. He stated that the County will be renting a cooling system for one more year before the permanent system will be completed. He also discussed the planning and design process in detail and proposed renovations.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **Resurfix, Inc., Flanders, New Jersey**, to provide technical consultation, inspection and preventive maintenance of the two (2) Zamboni Ice Resurfacers at the Warinanco Skate Center in an amount not to exceed **\$4,900. (FR. KOWALSKI)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and accept **\$14,000** awarded through a **New Jersey Tree Foundation “Second Cities Initiative” Grant**. A **\$14,000** County in-kind match, as required by the grant, is also requested. The funds would allow for the development of a Union County supplement plan to add to the existing Community Forestry Management Plan and enable the County to implement a tree planting project that would generate community support and involvement in urban forestry. The grant would provide technical assistance, training for staff and other resources. **{New Jersey Tree Foundation: \$14,000; County: In-Kind Services Match: \$14,000; Total funding: \$28,000} (FR. KOWALSKI)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a professional architectural engineering service contract with **The Musial Group, Mountainside, New Jersey**, for the purpose of providing services as the County’s Architect of Record. These services are for minor renovation projects or space planning projects on an as needed basis for a two (2) year period commencing September 1, 2005 – September 1, 2007 in an amount not to exceed **\$100,000. (FR. KOWALSKI)**

VII. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
Harold Gibson, Director

RESOLUTIONS

1. Authorizing an exception to the purchasing law allowable under NJSA 40A11-5:1dd for the purchase of propriety computer software and hardware upgrades” for the **Countywide Fire Mutual Aide Computer Assisted Dispatch System** purchased under the Union County Homeland Security Grant Program in an amount of **\$250,000. {State funding: \$250,000} (CH. PROCTOR)**

Freeholder Estrada asked why the department could find no pathologist in NJ for the position. Director Gibson replied that there are not a lot of pathologists in NJ, many of them work for more than one county.

2. Amending **Resolution No. 1240-2004** replacing **Dr. Albert Wayne Williams, Montclair, New Jersey** with **Dr. Joann Habermann, New York, New York**, as a forensic pathologist to perform autopsies and/or external examinations during weekends at a rate of **\$600** per autopsy; **\$100** per external examination; **\$325** per 24 hours on-call and **\$700** per court appearance. {There is a remaining balance of **\$16,000** which will not be exceeded} **(CH. PROCTOR)**

Freeholder Estrada asked if the Medical Reserve Corps project would cost more than the \$25,000 in item #3. Director Gibson said this amount is the part the County must put forth now toward starting this Corps. Chairman Proctor also answered the question, noting that this is a grant and just for initiating the program for the first year.

3. Entering into an agreement with the **Union County Alliance** for the purpose of starting the Union County Medical Reserve Corps., for Union County in an amount of **\$25,000. {State funding: \$25,000} (CH. PROCTOR)**

Freeholder Ward asked why the money in item #4 is from a grant from Human Services when it appears to be going to Homeland security. She questioned why it was not Homeland Security money. Chairman Proctor answered that it is CDC money from the state and that the State health department handles it.

4. To accept and adopt the **New Jersey Department of Health & Senior Services Grant 06-1165-BT-L-3** to fund the development and coordination of Bioterrorism Preparedness within Union County through the LINCS for the contract period of August 31, 2005 – August 30, 2006 in an amount of **\$538,133. (CH. PROCTOR)**

VIII. RUNNELLS SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL
Joseph Sharp, Director

Director Sharp commented on a recent fund raising event held for the benefit of Runnells Specialized Hospital, thanking the employees of the Parks and Recreation Department who helped to make the event a big success. County Manager Devanney also commented on the fund raising event and commended Director Sharp on its success.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Renewing the contract with **Harish K. Bhatt, MD, Edison, New Jersey**, to provide professional physiatry services to the patients/residents of Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of October 1, 2005 – September 30, 2006. **{This is a Fee for Service Agreement, at No Cost to the County} (FR. KOWALSKI)**
2. Renewing the contract with **Alice C. Tzeng, MD, Associates in Rehabilitation Medicine, Morristown, New Jersey**, to provide professional physiatry services to the patients/residents of Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of October 1, 2005 – September 30, 2006. **{This is a Fee for Service Agreement, At No Cost to the County} (FR. KOWALSKI)**
3. Renewing the contract with **Ostap Tershakovec, DDS, Westfield, New Jersey**, to provide professional dental services to the patients/residents of Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of October 1, 2005 – September 30, 2006. **{This is a Fee for Service Agreement, at No Cost to the County} (FR. KOWALSKI)**

Freeholder Scanlon asked what Hyperalimentation is. Director Sharp stated that it involves working with feeding tubes. He also said that offering this service to patients and residents can also be revenue producing. He stated that the man chosen is an expert in this area.

4. Entering into a contract with **Kenneth Storch, MD, Florham Park, New Jersey**, to serve as the Director of Metabolic Services and Hyperalimentation to the patients/residents of Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of September 1, 2005 – August 31, 2006 in an amount of **\$12,000. (FR. KOWALSKI)**

Freeholder Scanlon asked what the daily rate was prior to the change in item #5. The Director responded that it was \$355. He stated that services in this department have a much higher staffing level than other areas of the hospital. Director Sharp also outlined how the patients pay the fees through their insurance.

5. Requesting to change the **Private Rate for the Sub Acute Unit (1 West Sub Acute)** to a daily rate of **\$375** a day. **(FR. KOWALSKI)**
6. Amending **Resolution No. 428-2005** to the contract with **Grainger Industrial Supply, Lake Forest, IL**, to purchase materials needed to repair equipment for the contract period of March 1, 2005 – February 28, 2006 in an additional amount of **\$1,500** for a new total contact amount of **\$33,200**. **(FR. KOWALSKI)**
7. Amending **Resolution No. 124-2005** to the contract with **Welco-CGI Gas Technologies** through NJHA Group Purchasing for the purchase of portable oxygen and related products for the contract period of January 1, 2005 – December 31, 2005 in an additional amount of **\$3,000** for a new total contact amount of **\$23,000**. **(FR. KOWALSKI)**

IX. OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK
Joanne Rajoppi

Clerk of the Board Nicole Tedeschi responded to questions for the Office of the County Clerk. Vice Chairman Mirabella asked about the contract period. The Clerk of the Board said that she would inquire as to why the contract extension was for so long and goes back to April and will get a response for the Vice Chairman.

RESOLUTION

1. Amending **Resolution No. 452-2004**, to the contract with **Wisolmerski Associates, Inc., Pembroke Pines, FL.**, to provide computer consulting services for enhancement of the County Clerk's imaging and recording system extending the contract period to April 11, 2005 to April 11, 2006. **(CH. PROCTOR)**

X. OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTOR
Theodore J. Romankow

Albert Cernadas, Jr., First Assistant Prosecutor, represented the Office of the Prosecutor.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Entering into a professional service agreement with **Trinitas Hospital, Elizabeth, New Jersey**, to provide individual therapy sessions to victims of sexual assault in Union County for the contract period of July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006 at a rate of **\$50** per hour in an amount not to exceed **\$6,600**. **(CH. PROCTOR)**
2. Entering into a professional service agreement with **United Family & Children Society of Plainfield, Plainfield, New Jersey**, to provide victim support services

to child abuse victims in the western part of Union County for the contract period of July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006 at a rate of **\$50** per hour in an amount not to exceed **\$6,000**. (CH. PROCTOR)

Freeholder Estrada said many cadets who graduated from the Police Academy were from other counties, and he asked about the exam rate for out-of-county cadets. Mr. Cernadas explained about the rates.

3. Entering into a service agreement with **Complete Care, Scotch Plains, New Jersey**, to provide medical examinations to Alternate Route Candidates of the John H. Stamler Police Academy (maximum of 60) for the contract period of June 1, 2005 – May 31, 2006 at a rate of **\$300** per exam in an amount not to exceed **\$15,000**. (CH. PROCTOR)
4. Entering into a service agreement with **Comprehensive Psych Services, Clark, New Jersey**, to provide pre-employment evaluations for County Investigator applicants (maximum of 20) for the contract period of July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006 at a rate of **\$350** per evaluation in an amount not to exceed **\$7,000**. (CH. PROCTOR)

XI. COUNTY COUNSEL
Robert E. Barry, Esq.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Amending **Resolution 778-2005** to increase the appropriation to **Garrubbo and Capece, Westfield, New Jersey**, as special counsel in the matter entitled **Ewanus v. County of Union, et als.** in an additional amount of **\$4,013.06 (final)** for the final total contract amount not to exceed **\$49,013.06**. (CH. PROCTOR)
2. Amending **Resolution 777-2005** to increase the appropriation to **Brownstein, Booth & Associates, Union City, New Jersey**, as special counsel in the matter entitled **Estate of Edward Sinclair v. County of Union, et als.** in an additional amount of **\$10,000** for a new total contract amount not to exceed **\$25,000**. (CH. PROCTOR)
3. Approving the settlement of pending litigation entitled **Orlando Nazario v. UC, et al.** Civil Action No. 03-5245 (WHW). (CH. PROCTOR)
4. Appointing **John DeMassi, Esq., Scotch Plains, New Jersey**, as special counsel to represent Sgt. William Ahle, replacing Jorge Batista, Esq., in the matter entitled **Nadir Baptiste v. County of Union, et als.** in an amount not to exceed **\$5,000**. (CH. PROCTOR)
5. Appointing **Joseph Spagnoli, Esq., Cranford, New Jersey**, as special counsel to represent Captain Peter Mastrogiamomo, replacing Jorge Batista, Esq., in the

matter entitled **Francis Roberts v. County of Union, et als.** in an amount not to exceed \$5,000. (CH. PROCTOR)

6. Appointing **Joseph Spagnoli, Esq., Cranford, New Jersey**, as special counsel to represent Captain Peter Mastrogiacomo, replacing Jorge Batista, Esq., in the matter entitled **Brian & Anna Murphy v. County of Union, et als.** in an amount not to exceed \$5,000. (CH. PROCTOR)

XII. COUNTY MANAGER
George Devanney

RESOLUTIONS

XIII. FREEHOLDERS

Vice Chairman Mirabella stated he would have two laudatory resolutions for the next meeting.

Freeholder Scanlon said she would have one laudatory resolution.

Freeholder Estrada suggested that the items regarding Rolling Thunder and POW/MIA Day be from the entire Board.

Chairman Proctor stated that he may have a couple of appointment resolutions.

Freeholder Sullivan suggested that since County Police Chief Vaniska was in attendance along with Ben Laganga, Director of the Division of Environmental Health and Emergency Management, that perhaps they could speak about the officers who were sent down to New Orleans to assist with the rescue and recovery efforts in the wake of Hurricane Katrina. Chairman Proctor said there would be a briefing on this during the Executive Session.

RESOLUTIONS

FREEHOLDER ESTRADA

1. Proclaiming September 26, 2005 as **“Family Day: A Day to Eat With Your Children.”**
2. Commending **Eduardo del Valle** of Kean University for his experience in architecture and extending best wishes to him as Director of Facility Management and Construction at City University of New York.
3. Congratulating **Joseph Keenan, Library Director of Elizabeth**, upon his retirement from the Free Public Library, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

FREEHOLDER HOLMES

1. Congratulating **Jim Pfeiffer of the Westfield Fire Department** on his brave and courageous rescue of sixteen (16) month old Jonathan Butterfield who was trapped underground at Tamaques Park.
2. Congratulating **Ebenezer A.M.E. Church, Rahway, New Jersey**, for 179 years of service to the community.
3. Congratulating **Bill Smith** on his retirement from Ash Brook Golf Course Pitch and Putt “Golf Lessons for People with Disabilities” program.

FREEHOLDER MAPP

1. Congratulating the **Plainfield Municipal Utilities Authority** as they celebrate their tenth (10th) Anniversary.
2. Appointing **Gary Grass, Rahway, New Jersey**, to serve on the Senior Citizen Disabled Resident Transportation Advisory Board for a term commencing January 1, 2005 – December 31, 2007.

FREEHOLDER SCANLON

1. Appointing **Donna Brothers, Cranford, New Jersey**, to serve on the Union County Commission on the Status of Women for a term commencing January 1, 2005 – December 31, 2006.

FREEHOLDER WARD

1. Congratulating **Danuta Sieminski** on being selected as the Grand Marshal for the 2005 General Pulaski Memorial Parade.
3. Congratulating **Iwona Chmielewska** who has been crowned the 2005 Miss Polonia of Linden, New Jersey.
4. Congratulating **Ania Januszko** who has been crowned the 2005 Junior Miss Polonia of Linden, New Jersey.

VICE CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA

1. Congratulating **Matthew J. Coppola, Boy Scouts of America, Troop 75, Cranford, New Jersey**, on receiving his Eagle Scout Award.

VICE CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA AND CHAIRMAN PROCTOR

1. Welcoming ‘**Rolling Thunder, Inc.,**’ to Union County on Sunday, September 18, 2005.

2. Proclaiming September 16, 2005 as **“POW/MIA Remembrance Day”** in Union County.

CHAIRMAN PROCTOR

1. Congratulating **Elida Menendez, Union, New Jersey**, upon her retirement from the Union County Board of Elections after 18 years of dedicated service.
2. Congratulating **Ann C. Lord, Hillside, New Jersey**, upon her retirement from the Union County Clerk of the Board’s Office.
3. Congratulating the following which is this year’s recipient of The Greater Elizabeth Chamber of Commerce Awards: **NJ American Water, “President’s Award;” Michelino’s Pizzeria, “Member to Member Award” and Hehl & Hehl, Esq., “Member to Chamber Award.”**
4. Proclaiming the week of October 16-22, 2005 as **“School Safety Week”** in Union County.
5. Congratulating **Steven Bearden, Summit, New Jersey, Boy Scouts of America, Troop 1, New Providence, New Jersey**, on attaining his Eagle Scout Award.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Re: Pending Litigation

The Chairman called for a motion to re-enter the Agenda Meeting. On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Vice Chairman Mirabella, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn the Agenda Meeting. On a motion by Freeholder Sullivan, seconded by Freeholder Scanlon, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

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ADJOURNMENT

The next **Agenda Meeting** of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders will be held on **September 22, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Freeholders Meeting Room, Administration Building, 6th Floor, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

Nicole L. Tedeschi
Clerk of the Board

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