

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

MINUTES OF THE AGENDA MEETING

DECEMBER 1, 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, and Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan in attendance.

Freeholder Nancy Ward was absent.

Also present were Deputy County Manager M. Elizabeth Genievich, 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 Clerk of the Board.

County Manager George Devanney entered the meeting at this point.

The Chairman called upon the Union County Law Enforcement Officers who volunteered their services for the relief efforts in the Gulf of Mexico, the hardest hit area by Hurricane Katrina. The Chairman stated that these law enforcement members brought pride to Union County and did an outstanding job. He stated that there were many reports from several organizations speaking to the excellent work of the Union County officers.

The Chairman called upon County Prosecutor Ted Romankow who thanked the Freeholders on behalf of the Union County Officers for the honor of being deployed to the region. Union County had the only group of officers that served in all three deployments. Mr. Romankow recognized Sheriff Ralph Froehlich and the Chiefs of the respective officers.

The Chairman called upon Vice Chairman Mirabella and Freeholder Sullivan to present the awards. Captain Joe Vitale represented the first deployment and thanked the Chiefs and the Freeholders for allowing them to go. He spoke to the forward thinking and aggressiveness, planning and logistics which allowed them to accomplish what they did. He explained the extraordinary preparation that was necessary for them to help in the relief efforts. On behalf of the officers, he thanked the County for the support.

Vice Chairman Mirabella and Freeholder Sullivan ensured that they will continue to work to make sure that the law enforcement officers of Union County continue to have what they need. They presented certificates to the following members of Union County's law enforcement team;

1st Deployment:

Captain Joseph Vitelli, Union County Prosecutor's Office

Lieutenant Martin Mogensen, Union County Police Department
Lieutenant Donald Templasky, Linden Police Department
Sergeant George Marmarou, Union County Sheriff's Office
Detective Daniel Fay, Union County Prosecutor's Office
Sheriff Officer Brendan Sullivan, Union County Sheriff's Office
Sheriff Officer Erik Finne, Union County Sheriff's Office
Patrolman Robert Bartkus, Westfield Police Department
Patrolman Matthew Cove, Hillside Police Department
Patrolman Clint Sporman, Kean University Police Department
Patrolman Sean Young, Hillside Police Department

2nd Deployment:

Lieutenant William Hannon, Kenilworth Police Department
Patrolman Donald Amberg, Mountainside Police Department
Detective Tindaro Caminiti, Plainfield Police Department
Patrolman Jonathan Tilton, Rahway Police Department
Patrolman Art Bruschetii, Scotch Plains Police Department
Detective Oliver Kalebota, Union County Prosecutor's Office
Detective James Weinberg, Union County Prosecutor's Office

3rd Deployment:

Patrolman Ernest Schmidt, Berkeley Heights Police Department
Patrolman Daniel Sims, Kenilworth Police Department
Detective Douglas Fortuna, Linden Police Department
Patrolman Jerry Plum, Plainfield Police Department
Patrolman Thomas Sarnecki, Scotch Plains Police Department
Patrolman Richard Proctor, Summit Police Department
Sergeant Dennis Burke, Union County Sheriff's Office
Lieutenant Richard Cederquist, Union County Sheriff's Office

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COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1. OATHS OF OFFICE: Joseph Paszek, Union County Air Traffic and Noise Advisory Board.**

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I. DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

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

Freeholder Scanlon asked why the County was purchasing multiple tractors. Deputy County Manager M. Elizabeth Genievich explained that there was a tractor for each region: North, South, East and West.

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. DIVISION ON AGING: Waste Management of New Jersey, Ewing, New Jersey, to exercise the 3rd year option to extend the existing contract for Waste Disposal in an amount of **\$13,570.20**.
- b. RUNNELLS SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL: Waste Management of New New Jersey, Ewing, New Jersey, to exercise the 3rd year option to extend the existing contract for Waste Disposal in an amount of **\$19,848.72**.
- c. DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & FACILITIES: Alliance Commercial Pest Control, Inc., to exercise the 1st year option to extend the existing contract for Exterminating Service in an amount of **\$2,295.20**.
- d. DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & FACILITIES: Cammps Hardware & Lawn Products Inc., Bellemead, New Jersey, to provide four (4) John Deere 4520 Utility Tractors or equal in an amount not to exceed **\$92,240**.
- e. DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & FACILITIES: Fremgen's Power Equipment Inc., Midland Park, New Jersey, to furnish and deliver three (3) Woodsman 15X Drum Chippers in an amount of **\$89,076**.
- f. DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & FACILITIES: Stephan L. Green, Farmingdale, New Jersey, to furnish and deliver two (2) Cross Country Trailers in an amount of **\$6,598**.
- g. DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & FACILITIES: Cammps Hardware & Lawn Products Inc., Bellemead, New Jersey, to provide one (1) John Deere HPX 4x4 Gas Gator or equal in an amount not to exceed **\$8,910**.
- h. DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & FACILITIES: Seely Equipment & Supply Co., Farmingdale, New Jersey, to furnish and deliver one (1) Brush Bandit Chipper 254 XP in an amount of **\$36,300**.
- i. DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & FACILITIES: Wilfred MacDonald Inc., S. Hackensack, New Jersey, to furnish and deliver one (1) Smithco Super Rake 13-550D in an amount of **\$13,926**.

- j. OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK: Data Management Internationale Inc., New Castle, DE, to back image all recorded Deeds and Mortgages from 1977 – 1991 in an amount of **\$89,396**.
- k. DIVISION OF ENGINEERING: Technica Inc., Butler, New Jersey, to provide Unit Lighting Retro-Fit at Runnells Specialized Hospital in an amount of **\$36,990**.
- l. DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND DEPARTMENT OF PARKS RECREATION & FACILITIES: Beyer Bros. Corp., Fairview, New Jersey, to furnish and deliver one (1) Chevrolet 3500 Dump Truck with Snowplow in an amount of **\$39,300**.
- m. DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND DIVISION OF FACILITIES MANAGEMENT: PNC FLM, LLC, Princeton, New Jersey, to purchase and deliver one (1) Ford F-250 Pickup in an amount of **\$27,417**.
- n. DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES: Cammps Hardware & Lawn Products Inc., Bellemead, New Jersey, to provide one (1) Tractor 2006 – John Deere 5320 or equal in an amount of **\$39,840**.

II. DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
James Daley, Director

Freeholder Estrada stated that he was not aware that they had changed the frequency mentioned in the resolution and asked who would be paying for the change. Director Daley explained that nationwide there were problems, not within Union County. The SCC called for separation and the company has to pick up any and all costs associated with the change. The proposed plan is to hire a consultant. The FCC has set an arbitrator to settle any disputes. In a series of questions Freeholder Estrada wanted to ensure that the County would not be responsible for the costs of the change and that the County was prepared to meet the requirements. Director Daley ensured that the company would pay for any and all costs and that the County is prepared for all changes.

Freeholder Sullivan inquired as to whether or not the First Responders within Union County had the ability to communicate without any problems or gaps in services. Ben Laganga, Director of Environmental Health and Emergency Management, responded to the question stating that the departments are on the same system and for the most part can communicate interoperability. Freeholder Sullivan wanted assurances that we had the ability. Mr. Laganga assured the Freeholders that while interoperability is definitely a goal which they are working toward, however some municipalities are not on the same frequency. Freeholder Sullivan wanted to ensure that Union County does not have such gaps and wanted to be made aware of what the Freeholder Board can do to facilitate that process.

Freeholder Mirabella wanted to know how the issue at hand is an Economic Development issue. Director Daley explained that the communication division falls under the Department of Economic Development.

Chairman Proctor asked about the timing of the process. Director Daley explained that there were many phases. Al Faella of the Telecommunications Department added that Phase One should be completed at the end of the 1st quarter of 2006 and Phase Two should be finished by the end of 2006. He also explained the effort included schools and the County effort to improve interoperability.

RESOLUTION

1. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Division of Information Technologies to enter into an agreement with **V-COMM Telecommunications Engineering, Cranbury, New Jersey**, to perform the tasks associated with the frequency coordination and assist in negotiations for the County's 800MHz systems in an amount not to exceed **\$29,750. (FR. SULLIVAN)**

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

Freeholder Mapp inquired as to what efforts the County takes to enforce the requirements found in Municipal Storm Water General Permit in the second resolution. Director Dann explained that enforcement is not the responsibility of Union County and that some municipalities are better at enforcement than others. Further, he explained, that this year everyone is still on a learning curve.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Granting permission to the **Borough of Kenilworth** to close the Boulevard from 24th Street to 22nd Street, Kenilworth, New Jersey, on Sunday, December 11, 2005 from 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm for an **Annual Holiday Celebration** sponsored by the Borough of Kenilworth's Pride in Kenilworth Committee. **(CH. PROCTOR)**
2. Amending **Resolution No 445-2005**, a grant agreement between the County of Union and the **State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection** in the amount of **\$10,000** for the purpose of implementing the requirements of the Municipal Storm water General Permit. (This grant provides **75% or \$7,500** up front and **25% or \$2,500** to be reimbursed upon completion of the items in the Statement of Work) **(CH. PROCTOR)**
3. Supporting the **Township of Scotch Plains** Ordinance No. 23-2005, providing a dedicated left turn lane in the westbound direction at the entrance of the Union County Vocational-Technical School. **(CH. PROCTOR)**

4. Granting permission to the **Township of Scotch Plains** to hang a banner across Park Avenue at Front Street, Scotch Plains, New Jersey, from December 8, 2005 through December 24, 2005 to advertise the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Rotary's Annual Luminary Sale. (**CH. PROCTOR**)

IV. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Lawrence Caroselli, Director

Director Caroselli had one item to add to the Regular Agenda. He explained that yesterday he received the 2004 Audit report and that it needed to be published with a group affidavit and resolution. Freeholder Proctor asked about the timing required for the report. Clerk of the Board Nicole Tedeschi responded that it needed to be published within thirty (30) days and the group affidavit and resolution was needed within forty-five (45) days.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and accept grant funding from the State of New Jersey Department of Public Safety, Division of Criminal Justice in an amount of **\$16,000** for a program entitled: **Sheriff's Department Booking Station.** (**FR. SULLIVAN**)
2. Modifying the 2005 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of **\$54,270** as a result of notification received from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for a program entitled: **"Sexual Assault, Abuse and Rape Care Program."** (**FR. SULLIVAN**)
3. Modifying the 2005 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of **\$11,220** as a result of notification received from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for a program entitled: **"Rape Prevention Education and Crisis Hotline."**(**FR. SULLIVAN**)
4. Authorizing the cancellation of various **Grant Receivables** and **Grant Appropriations** for prior year balances. (**FR. SULLIVAN**)
5. A transfer resolution according to **N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58.** (**FR. SULLIVAN**)
6. Modifying the 2005 Union County Adopted Budget in the amount of **\$53,100** as a result of notification received from the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety for a program entitled: **"Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) Mall Initiative."** (**FR. SULLIVAN**)

V. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Frank Guzzo, Director

Freeholder Sullivan asked whether the Federal Transit Administration funding found in the third resolution was a new grant. Director Guzzo responded that it was and that it was part of a grant to infuse money into the Paratransit system.

Chairman Proctor asked whether the funds from CSBG in the second resolution were an increase or decrease from last year. Director Guzzo responded that it was the amount equal to the previous year.

Director Guzzo deferred a sensitive question by Freeholder Holmes, citing that bids were still out but that he would be happy to discuss it further in Executive Session.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Authorizing the County Manager to award subcontracts pursuant to a Request For Proposals (RFP) procurement process for **2006 Personal Assistance Services Program (PASP)** in a total amount of **\$486,705** for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006. **{State funding: \$486,705} (FR. ESTRADA)**
2. Amending **Resolution No. 1056-2005** to accept additional FFY 2005 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) funds in the amount of **\$199,503**, increasing the initial grant agreement from **\$399,007 to \$598,510**, and to execute the NJ Department of Community Affairs (NJDCA) modified grant agreement for the contract period of October 1, 2004 – September 30, 2006. **{State funding: \$199,503} (FR. ESTRADA)**
3. To submit an application for Federal Transit Administration funding in the amount of **\$200,000 to New Jersey Transit** for UC Paratransit System's inclusion in the 2007 New Jersey Consolidated Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) grant application for the contract period of January 1, 2007 – December 31, 2007. **{Federal funding: \$200,000 application for funding only} (FR. ESTRADA)**
4. Renewing the lease agreement with **Hersh Towers Corp., c/o ACHS Management Corporation, New York, New York**, for office space occupied by the Division of Workforce Development and Operations' Eastern Center on a month-to-month basis in the amount of **\$5,836 per month**, that includes the pro-rata share of real estate taxes for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an amount not to exceed **\$70,032 per year** **{Federal funding: \$70,032} (FR. ESTRADA)**

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

Freeholder Kowalski asked why there is the need for an increase in the amount of the contract with Joseph Jingoli & Son, Inc. seen in the first resolution. Director Sigmund explained that there was a nine month delay for many reasons including weather and

redesigns that were by no fault of the construction company. They remained on site and continued to manage the work being done, but some construction was delayed.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Authorizing **Amendment No. 1** to the contract with **Joseph Jingoli & Son, Inc., Lawrenceville, New Jersey**, for construction services at Trailside Nature and Science Center above and beyond the terms of their original contract in an additional amount of **\$129,319** for a new total contract amount of **\$489,976**. (FR. KOWALSKI)

Original Contract Amount:	\$360,657
<u>Amendment No. 1:</u>	<u>\$129,319</u>
New Contract Amount:	\$489,976

2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **Public Service Electric & Gas Company, New Brunswick, New Jersey**, for the purpose of installing gas utility service to the Deserted Village of Feltville, Watchung Reservation in the amount of **\$25,949**. (FR. KOWALSKI)
3. Authorizing **Amendment No. 1** to the contract with **The Musial Group, Mountainside, New Jersey**, for additional design services for the County Clerk's Office Computer Room in an additional amount of **\$10,000** for a new total contract amount of **\$140,000**. (FR. KOWALSKI)

Previous Contract Amount:	\$130,000
<u>Amendment No. 1:</u>	<u>\$ 10,000</u>
New Contract Amount:	\$140,000

4. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **New Jersey American Water Company, Short Hills, New Jersey** for the purpose of installing water utility service to the Deserted Village of Feltville, Watchung Reservation in the amount of **\$640,250.52**. (FR. KOWALSKI)
5. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a partnership with the **Passaic River Coalition and the Berkeley Heights Environmental Commission** allowing the Passaic River Coalition to apply for a grant to extend an existing hiking trail along Union County' Passaic River in Berkeley Heights, committing a **cash match of \$2,000** and an **in-kind match of \$6,000**. {The State will be committing **\$20,120 in grant funding**} (FR. KOWALSKI)

VII. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY **Harold Gibson, Director**

Vice Chairman Mirabella asked about the purpose of the “Edward Byrne Memorial Justice” Grant referred to in the second resolution. Director Gibson explained that the money was already provided through a long process and that the County is a conduit for already dedicated funds. Vice Chairman Mirabella asked specifically the purpose of the grant. Director Gibson said that he would bring details to the next meeting.

Freeholder Estrada asked if the County has ever had training for correction officers in the facilities. Director Gibson explained that this has not been the case and in the past the County has sent trainers and the need for this expenditure was for the current year and the upcoming year’s training. Freeholder Estrada inquired into the possibility of having the training in house and Director Gibson explained that it is something that the County is not prepared to do at the current moment.

Freeholder Proctor asked if the money in the grant referred to in the second resolution was in addition to the money from the Prosecutor. Director Gibson deferred to Salena Carroll of the Office of Emergency Management, who explained that it was different money.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **Somerset County Police Academy, Somerville, New Jersey**, for basic courses for Union County Jail Correction Officer recruit classes for the contract period of January 1, 2005 – December 31, 2006 in an amount not to exceed **\$15,000. (CH. PROCTOR)**
2. Amending **Resolution No. 618-2005**, entitled: **“Edward Byrne Memorial Justice” Grant** for a total grant amount of **\$303,877** to reflect the correct account number only. **(CH. PROCTOR)**

VIII. RUNNELLS SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL Joseph Sharp, Director

Vice Chairman Mirabella inquired as to any other options to the cable contract referred to in the 15th resolution. Director Sharp explained other options were not feasible. County Manager George Devaney explained that if the municipality has an agreement with the company you have to use that company. Further, that although there is an effort pushing for a system that would encourage competition, there are no other options available at this time.

Freeholder Estrada inquired as to whether or not the company providing pharmaceuticals to Runnells has changed and what the company’s duties include. Director Sharp responded that the company has not changed and that the company provides all the pharmaceuticals through approximately four trips a day and in addition the company is responsible for all the record keeping related to said pharmaceuticals. Director Sharp

also responded to Freeholder Estrada's concern by explaining that the County is reimbursed through Medicare for the third party.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Renewing an agreement with **Epicare Associates, Inc., West Caldwell, New Jersey**, to provide six half-day programs of Crisis Intervention Update, three full day programs of Crisis Intervention Certification and twelve two hour programs of Medical Emergency/Mock Code for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006, in the amount of **\$18,450. (FR. KOWALSKI)**
2. Renewing the contract with **Amerikem Laboratories, Ltd., Bloomfield, New Jersey**, (through N.J.H.A. Group Purchasing) to continue to supply laundry chemicals to Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in the amount of **\$38,955. (FR. KOWALSKI)**
3. Renewing the contract with **Penn Jersey Paper Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania**, for continuation in supplying trash can liners, equipment, paper & plastic chemical supplies and laundry cart covers to Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in the amount of **\$93,680. (FR. KOWALSKI)**
4. Amending **Resolution No. 185-2005** with **Bunzl Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania**, to purchase additional housekeeping supplies for the contract period of February 1, 2005 – February 28, 2006 in an additional amount of **\$9,000** for a new total contract amount of **\$29,000. (FR. KOWALSKI)**
5. Renewing a contract with **Father Peter Igwilo, Hackensack, New Jersey**, to provide chaplaincy services for the catholic residents/patients at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an amount of **\$12,000. (FR. KOWALSKI)**
6. Renewing a contract with **Choice Rehab, Inc., Marlton, New Jersey**, to continue to provide physical therapy services for the residents/patients at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in the amount of **\$147,900. (FR. KOWALSKI)**
7. Renewing a contract with **InterStaff, Inc., Owings Mills, Maryland**, to provide physical therapy services for the residents/patients of Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in the amount of **\$317,475. (FR. KOWALSKI)**
8. Renewing a contract with **Mobile Diagnostic Services, Inc., Wayne, New Jersey**, to continue to provide X-ray, EKG, Doppler studies, holter monitoring and ultrasonography services for the residents/patients at Runnells Specialized

Hospital for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in the amount of **\$40,000. (FR. KOWALSKI)**

9. Renewing a contract with **Direct Supply, Milwaukee, Wisconsin**, for the purchase of hospital supplies and equipment for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in the amount of **\$63,000. (FR. KOWALSKI)**
10. Renewing a contract with **Sammons Preston Rehabilitation Products, Bolingbrook, Illinois**, for the purchase of Occupational and Physical Therapy supplies, adaptive utensils and nursing supplies for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in the amount of **\$29,000. (FR. KOWALSKI)**
11. Renewing a contract with **McKesson Medical/Surgical Products, Golden Valley, Minnesota**, (through NJHA, Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 30:9-87 and 88) to provide comprehensive medical/surgical product procurement and inventory management systems for Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006, in the amount of **\$536,000. (FR. KOWALSKI)**
12. Renewing a contract with **Welco-CGI Gas Technologies, Pine Brook, New Jersey**, for the purchase of portable oxygen and supplies as needed for residents for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 for the contract amount **\$40,000. (FR. KOWALSKI)**
13. Awarding a contract to **KCI, San Antonio, Texas**, for the rental of the “Vacume Assisted Closure” system and purchase of supplies for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in the amount of **\$70,000. (FR. KOWALSKI)**
14. Amending **Resolution No. 907-2005**, to the contract with **Welco-CGI Gas Technologies, Pine Brook, New Jersey**, for the delivery of portable oxygen and related products for the contract period of January 1, 2005 – December 31, 2005 for an additional amount of **\$9,000** for a total contract amount of **\$32,000. (FR. KOWALSKI)**
15. Authorizing a contract with **Comcast Cablevision of New Jersey, Union, New Jersey**, to provide all necessary equipment, wiring and programming to residents and patients of Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in the amount of **\$30,000. (FR. KOWALSKI)**
16. Renewing a contract with **Air Products & Chemicals Inc., Pittsburg, Pennsylvania**, for the purchase of liquid oxygen (through NJHA, Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 30:9-87 and 88) for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an amount of **\$12,000. (FR. KOWALSKI)**

17. Renewing a contract with **Hill Rom, Bates, Indiana**, for the rental of therapeutic beds (through NJHA, Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 30:9-87 and 88) for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 for an amount of **\$55,000. (FR. KOWALSKI)**
18. Renewing a contract with **Josephine Sapp, MS, CS, NPP, Summit, New Jersey**, to provide psychiatric services to the Cornerstone Units patients at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an amount of **\$65,000. (FR. KOWALSKI)**
19. Renewing a contract with **Center for Acupuncture & Holistic Health/Donna Templeton, RN, APNC, Chatham, New Jersey**, to provide psychiatric services to the Cornerstone Units patients at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an amount of **\$110,500. (FR. KOWALSKI)**
20. Providing for professional fees for **Specialty Medical Consultants** who provide services to the patients/residents of Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2006 for an amount of **\$5,000. (FR. KOWALSKI)**
21. Renewing a contract for the **Associate Attending Physicians** who provide on call medical coverage for the patients/residents of Runnells Specialized Hospital for nights, weekends, holidays, and emergencies for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an amount of **\$317,500. (This is an “open-ended” contract) (FR. KOWALSKI)**
22. To provide for professional services for evening beeper coverage (Monday-Friday) for psychiatric coverage for the Cornerstone Units at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an amount of **\$6,500. (FR. KOWALSKI)**
23. Renewing a contract with **Amerikem Laboratories, Bloomfield, New Jersey** (through NJHA, Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 30:9-87 and 88) to continue to provide cleaning products for the dietary department at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 for a contract amount of **\$24,592. (FR. KOWALSKI)**
24. Renewing a contract with **NeighborCare, Whippany, New Jersey**, to continue to provide pharmaceutical services to the residents/patients at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an amount of **\$950,000. (FR. KOWALSKI)**

IX. OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTOR
Theodore J. Romankow

There were no questions on the proposed resolutions. Prosecutor Romankow was not present.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Authorizing the Office of the Prosecutor to apply for and accept funding from the **New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice 2005 Multi-Jurisdictional Narcotics Task Force Grant** for the purpose of meeting the goals and objectives as defined in the Statewide Narcotics Action Plan in Union County in the amount of **\$117,990. {A County match in the amount of \$117,990 is required}** (CH. PROCTOR)
2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a special agreement with the **Boys & Girls Club of Union County, Plainfield Club, Plainfield, New Jersey**, to provide transportation from the Hubbard Middle School and Maxson Middle School, Plainfield to the Plainfield Boys & Girls Club for the Project Vision. **{Grant Funding: 19,500}** (CH. PROCTOR)

X. OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF Ralph Froehlich

There were no questions. Chairman Proctor deferred future questions to County Manager George Devanney or Clerk of the Board Nicole Tedeschi. Sheriff Froehlich was not present.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **T&M Associates, Red Bank, New Jersey**, to upgrade and improve the Union County Firing Range in an amount not to exceed **\$32,000. (CH. PROCTOR)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Copius Consultants, Inc.**, representing site evaluation and inspection to and consulting fees to ensure EPA standards are adhered to in the amount of **\$8,575. (CH. PROCTOR)**
3. Amending **Resolution No. 293-2005**, an agreement with **Stephen Parker, MD, Roselle Park, New Jersey**, to continue to provide medical evaluations for Sheriff's Officer candidates for the remainder of the year in the amount of **\$5,000** for a total contract amount of **\$10,000. (CH. PROCTOR)**
4. Amending **Resolution No. 236-2005**, an agreement with **Kanen Psychological Associates, Ridgewood, New Jersey**, to continue to provide psychological evaluations for Sheriff's Officer candidates for the remainder of the year in the amount of **\$5,000** for a total contract amount of **\$10,000. (CH. PROCTOR)**

**XI. COUNTY COUNSEL
Robert E. Barry, Esq.,**

The office has received billings for ongoing litigation, no new matters. Mr. Barry requested permission to add such billing.

RESOLUTIONS

**XII. COUNTY MANAGER
George Devanney**

RESOLUTIONS

XIII. FREEHOLDERS

FREEHOLDER ESTRADA

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **PMK Group, Cranford, New Jersey**, for the purpose of providing a Preliminary Environmental Assessment (Phase I) at the property commonly known as the **Union County Arts Center & Bank Property** located on Irving Street, Block 59, Lots 4 & 5, Rahway, New Jersey. This is in accordance with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Technical Requirements for Site Remediation; in conjunction with and for the Union County Office of Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund in an amount not to exceed **\$4,000**.
2. Amending **Resolution No. 651-2005**, authorizing the County Manager to convey to the **Township of Berkeley Heights**, through agreement and approval of an Interlocal Agreement, Block 1901, Lot 1.01 and Block 1901, Lot 1.03 in the Township of Berkeley Heights upon the County of Union's acquisition of this real property; in conjunction with and for the Union County Office of Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund.
3. Congratulating **Nicholas Murray Butler Elementary School No. 23, Elizabeth, New Jersey**, for being named one of the 2005 Governors School of Excellence.

FREEHOLDERS ESTRADA AND SULLIVAN

1. Extending deepest condolences to the family of **Ron Goldman, Cranford, New Jersey**, in this, their time of sorrow.

FREEHOLDER HOLMES

1. Congratulating **Dr. Maulana Karenga, a Professor of Black Studies at California State University – Long Beach**, author of the authoritative book on **“KWANZAA” a celebration of Family, Community Culture**.
2. Congratulating **Stop & Shop Supermarket of Elizabeth** for their contribution to the community this holiday season.

FREEHOLDER MAPP

1. Extending deepest condolences to the family of **Mark C. Dunn, Plainfield, New Jersey**, in this, their time of sorrow.

FREEHOLDER SCANLON

1. Approving the plan of financing in accordance with the provisions of Section 147(f) of the **Internal Revenue Code of 1986**, as amended with respect to bonds to be issued by the Union County Improvement Authority for a project to be located within the Borough of Roselle.

VICE CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA

1. Proclaiming December 7th as **“National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day.”**

CHAIRMAN PROCTOR AND VICE CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA

1. Designating Monday before Thanksgiving as **“Public Health Thank You Day”** to honor the state and local public health professionals who safeguard our lives and our health every day by helping us prevent injuries, infectious disease and chronic illness.

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Chairman Proctor explained that anyone with information regarding the cell tower could speak to the Freeholders or give information to the Clerk of the Board. The Clerk of the Board received a petition asking the County of Union to rescind their decision to build a 150 ft cell tower.

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The Chairman called for a motion to enter into executive session. On a motion by Vice Chairman Mirabella, seconded by Freeholder Sullivan, roll call showed eight members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Ward absent.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Re: Personnel Matters

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

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

The next **Agenda Meeting** of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders will be held on, **December 15, 2005 at 7:00 PM** in the Freeholders Meeting Room, Administration Building, 6th Floor, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

ADJOURNMENT

Nicole L. Tedeschi
Clerk of the Board

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