

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

MINUTES FOR THE AGENDA MEETING

MARCH 23, 2006

Chairman Alexander P. Mirabella presided. Roll call showed Freeholder Angel G. Estrada, Freeholder, Adrian O. Mapp, Freeholder Deborah P. Scanlon and Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan in attendance. Freeholder Rick Proctor, Freeholder Chester Holmes, Vice Chair Bette Jane Kowalski and Freeholder Nancy Ward were absent. Also present were M. Elizabeth Genievich, Deputy County Manager, 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.

The Chairman noted that Vice Chair Kowalski, Freeholder Holmes and County Manager Devanney entered the meeting at this time.

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COMMUNICATIONS:

OATHS OF OFFICE: Carmen Centuolo; Joe Espinosa; Fernando Fernandez; Maryann Fulmore; Ken Kraly; Julio Sabater and Rick Smiley to the Workforce Investment Board (WIB); Michael D'Agostino; and Livio Mancino; Union County Planning Board; Conrad Person, Union County Cultural and Heritage Advisory Board; Bertha Little Matthews, Union County Hospice & Home Health Care Advisory Board; John Malcolm, Union County Labor Advisory Board; Thomas Boland, Union County Transportation Advisory Board.

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I. DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

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

M. Elizabeth Genievich, Deputy County Manager/Director of Administrative Services, also asked to add a resolution to next weeks Regular meeting agenda that is for the ambulance service for Runnells Hospital.

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. MIRABELLA)**

- a. DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS: **Marbelite Company, Inc., Manasquan, New Jersey**, to purchase six (6) flashing warning sign assemblies with solar panels in an amount of **\$25,440**.
- b. DIVISION OF GOLF OPERATIONS: **The Terre Company of New Jersey, Inc., Clifton, New Jersey**, in an amount of **\$10,598**; and **Lesco Inc., Cleveland, Ohio**, in an amount of **\$21,297**, to purchase various types of grass seed for a total amount of **\$31,895**.
- c. DIVISION OF GOLF OPERATIONS: **Stoor Tractor, Somerville, New Jersey**, to purchase one (1) Turf Tender Dakota 410 in an amount of **\$10,240**.
- d. DIVISION OF GOLF OPERATIONS: **Stoor Tractor, Somerville, New Jersey**, to purchase one (1) Utility Vehicle Toro 3200 in an amount of **\$19,319**.
- e. DIVISION OF GOLF OPERATIONS: **Wilfred MacDonald, Inc., South Hackensack, New Jersey**, to purchase one (1) Utility Cart Cushman in an amount of **\$17,727**.
- f. DIVISION OF FACILITIES MANAGEMENT: **Waste Management, Newark, New Jersey**, to exercise the 3rd year option to extend the existing contract in an amount of **\$65,131.20**.
- g. DIVISION OF PUBLIC WORKS: **Nature's Choice Corp., Union, New Jersey**, to provide road sweeping disposal service at various location in Union County (optional twenty-four (24) months) in an amount not to exceed **\$211,850**.
- h. DIVISION OF BUILDING SERVICES; DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & FACILITIES; AND RUNNELLS SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL: **New Jersey Door Works, Inc., Hillside, New Jersey**, routing maintenance and/or repair of the doors and door systems of the buildings owned or leased by the County of Union in an amount not to exceed **\$470,000**.

Freeholder Estrada wanted to know if there was supporting documentation for this particular work to be done by New Jersey Door Works, Inc., Hillside and how much did the county spend previously. Mike Yuska responded that in the worst case scenario this might be the total amount spent to fix all the doors for two (2) years, including the doors in the jail and the emergency doors. Freeholder Estrada asked what last year's figure was for this project. Mike Yuska said he would supply those figures to Freeholder Estrada before the next meeting.

- i. DIVISION OF GOLF OPERATIONS: **Feldman Lumber, Brooklyn, New York**, to supply and deliver building materials in an amount of **\$11,041**.

- j. DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & FACILITIES: **Hertrich Fleet Services, Inc., Milford, Delaware**, to furnish and deliver one (1) 2006 Chevrolet Silverado Model 2500 HD Truck in an amount of **\$29,715**.
 - k. DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES: **Trimalawn Equipment Inc., Staten Island, New York**, to provide one (1) All Terrain Deweze Mower ATM – 72LC or Equal in an amount of **\$33,970**.
 - l. DIVISION OF PUBLIC WORKS: **Aramark Uniform Services, Burbank, California**, to exercise the 2nd year extension option for the purchase of various uniforms in an amount not to exceed **\$28,000**.
 - m. DIVISION OF GOLF OPERATIONS: **E-Z GO Textron, Augusta, Georgia**, to operate a concession for the rental of golf carts for County owned golf courses: Ash Brook, Galloping Hill and Oak Ridge for a period of thirty-six (36) consecutive months. **{77.1% – Gross Rental Revenue}**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to renew the following **Policies** as recommended by the **Citizens Insurance Review Committee (CIRC) dated February 6, 2006: (CH. MIRABELLA)**
- a. Renewing the **Contractor’s Equipment Policy and Inland Marine Form for Computer Electronic Data Processing** with **Hartford Insurance Company, Rockaway, New Jersey**, for the contract period of March 1, 2006 – March 1, 2007 in an amount not to exceed **\$58,569. (Premium is \$2,439 less than expiring premium)**

II. DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Al Faella, Director

The Chairman congratulates Director Faella on his becoming Director of the Department of Economic Development.

Freeholder Ward enters the dais at this time.

There were no questions.

RESOLUTIONS

- 1. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Department of Economic Development, to enter into an agreement with the **Union County Economic Development Corporation, Union, New Jersey**, to provide procurement training/technical assistance to private businesses within Union County and associated general economic

development services to the County for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an amount not to exceed **\$80,000. (FR. SULLIVAN)**

2. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Department of Economic Development, to enter into an agreement with the **Union County Economic Development Corporation, Union, New Jersey**, to provide general economic development services within Union County for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an amount not to exceed **\$80,000. (FR. SULLIVAN)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager, through the through the Department of Economic Development, to receive and administer funds as the Public Housing Agency (PHA) from the **US Department of Housing & Urban Development, for the Union County Housing Assistance Payments Program (HAP – Section 8 Vouchers)** commencing January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an amount not to exceed **\$3.2 million dollars** or the amount approved by HUD. **(FR. SULLIVAN)**

III. DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING & PUBLIC WORKS

Frank Dann, Director

RESOLUTIONS

1. Supporting the **Green Brook Flood Control Commission's Resolution No. 030106**, calling for the United States Congress to provide for **\$30 million** to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in the federal budget for FY07, which commences on October 1, 2006, to continue the design and construction of flood control measures in the Green Brook Sub-Basin. **(CH. MIRABELLA)**

Freeholder Estrada asked Director Dann what the funding would be on this project in the future. Director Dann said that previously this project for the flood control commission has run-out of funds. Freeholder Mapp, the liaison to the committee supporting this project, made mention of five million dollars that was received previous that went quickly and these funds are very much needed. Freeholder Mapp also asked for support from all the counties for this project. Chairman Mirabella added that Plainfield is already adversely affected by not getting the flooding situation under control.

2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Loan Agreement between the **State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP)** and the County of Union for the rehabilitation of the Milton Lake Dam in the amount of **\$800,000. (CH. MIRABELLA)**

Freeholder Scanlon asked if it is common for the county to enter into agreements with the State of New Jersey in regards to dams. Director Dann gave details that this a one-time deal, a 2% loan that the county applied for this a few months back.

3. Concurring with the **Borough of Springfield** granting permission to **St. James the Apostle Roman Catholic Church, Springfield, New Jersey**, to hang a banner across Mountain Avenue at North Trivett Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey, from May 2, 2006 – to May 6, 2006 to advertise their annual Festival. Also concurring with the **Borough of Springfield** to close South Springfield Avenue from Mountain Avenue to Shunpike Road, Springfield, New Jersey, on Tuesday, May 2, 2006 – Friday, May 5, 2006 from 5:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., and on Saturday, May 6, 2006 from 1:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. for the Festival. **(CH. MIRABELLA)**

4. Approving **Change Order No. 1 (Final)** to the contract with **Mazzocchi Wrecking, Inc., East Hanover, New Jersey**, for the demolition of the Old Union County Engineering Building, Scotch Plains, New Jersey. This change order will **decrease** the contract amount by **\$14,650** for a new total contract amount of **\$78,350**. **(CH. MIRABELLA)**

Original Contract Amount:	\$93,000
<u>Change Order No. 1 (final): (-)</u>	<u>\$14,650</u>
New Contract Amount:	\$78,350

5. Authorizing an **Inter-Local Agreement** between the County of Union and **Township of Cranford** for the purpose of construction Flood Control Improvements to the Rahway River. (The Township of Cranford is implementing a five (5) phase project to improve drainage and flood control measures in the Rahway River Drainage area, south of Lenape Park. This agreement will provide for County participation in the amount of **\$800,000** for Phase One (1) and Two (2). The Township of Cranford is the lead agency for this project). **(CH. MIRABELLA)**

Freeholder Sullivan asked if this \$800,000 was the amount of money expected to complete this project or is this in addition to monies already received. Freeholder Sullivan also mentions that the \$800,000 was the original figure suggested in 2001 when the project began, but is only a resolution now and the figure might change. Director Dann comments that it is a large project and he is sure that this will be a topic in the future. Freeholder Sullivan asked Director Dann if there were any projected future costs for this project. Director Dann said that it is a \$10 million dollar project, but will break ground this year. This money was appropriated in 2001 and is finally being used because Cranford is now ready to move forward on the project.

6. Approving **Change Order No. 1 (Final)** to the contract with **Tarheel Enterprises, Morgan, New Jersey**, for 2002 Milling, Resurfacing and Handicap Ramp Construction on various County roads. This change order will **decrease** the contract amount by **\$31,813.69** for a new contract amount of **\$2,006,307.43**. **(CH. MIRABELLA)**

Original Contract Amount:	\$2,038,121.12
<u>Change Order No. 1 & Final</u>	<u>-\$ 31,813.69</u>
Final Contract Amount:	\$2,006,307.43

IV. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
Lawrence Caroselli, Director

RESOLUTIONS

1. An Amendment to the **Temporary 2006 Budget** in the amount of **\$173,793,453.37** as a result of notification received from the following agencies: **(FR. ESTRADA)**

Freeholder Estrada asks to clarify the amount of \$173,793,453.37. Director Caroselli explains that this a temporary budget, and that the amount is correct as it stands as the figure represents the temporary budget with the added grants.

- a. New Jersey Department of Human Services: **“County Health Enforcement Act – CEHA”** in an amount of **\$16,250.**
- b. New Jersey Division of Highway Safety: **“Child Passenger Safety Program”** in an amount of **\$37,250.**
- c. New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice: **“Law Enforcement – John Stamler Academy”** in an amount of **\$28,940.**
- d. North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority: **“Countywide Comprehensive Bicycle Master Plan”** in an amount of **\$120,000; Match – “Countywide Comprehensive Bicycle Master Plan”** in an amount of **\$30,000.**
- e. North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority: **“Freight Access Study between Port Elizabeth and Tremley Point”** in an amount of **\$200,000; Match – Freight Access Study between Port Elizabeth and Tremley Point”** in an amount of **\$50,000.**

V. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
Frank Guzzo, Director

Director Guzzo would like to add an additional resolution. Director Guzzo had just received, from the review committee, a resolution to lease commercial space in Elizabeth, a relocation for the One-stop labor offices.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an EUS contract with **TAB Products, Mountainside, New Jersey**, for the purpose of designing, installing, and computerizing both active and inactive client case records for the Division of Social Services in Elizabeth, New Jersey, in an amount not to exceed **\$273,973.04. {State funding: \$136,986.52; Local funding: \$136,986.52; Total funding: \$273,973.04} (FR. ESTRADA)**

2. Renewing the agreement with **Unitronix Data System, Raritan, New Jersey**, for the purpose of providing services and maintenance for the Department of Human Services, Division of Social Services for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an amount not to exceed **\$55,217.48**. {**State funding: \$27,608.74; Local funding: \$27,608.74; Total funding: \$55,217.48**} (FR. ESTRADA)

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

Director Sigmund would like to add an additional Resolution for next weeks meeting. The resolution will be an inter-local agreement with the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Fishing and Wildlife to create a nesting structure on the courthouse complex for the Falcons. Chairman Mirabella asks what the cost of this project will be. Director Sigmund does not know the total cost at this time, but knows the structure is small and looks somewhat like a small igloo. Freeholder Mapp asked who would be liable. Director Sigmund replied that the liability will be with the State for this project. Director Sigmund adds that some of the details still need to be ironed-out, but mentions that there are other similar projects throughout the state. Freeholder Scanlon asks Director Sigmund if he knows where these structures are. Director Sigmund replied one is in Jersey City, Hudson County, New Jersey.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Entering into an agreement with **“Ed Palermo Big Band”, West Orange, New Jersey, with Rob Papparozi** to perform a live concert at the Union County Summer Arts Festival, Echo Lake Park, August 23, 2006 from 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm in an amount of **\$5,600**. (VC. KOWALSKI)
2. Entering into an agreement with the **City of Elizabeth, Recreation Department, Elizabeth, New Jersey**, to run a summer playground program at Mattano Park from July 5, 2006 – August 26, 2006 in an amount of **\$6,300**. (VC. KOWALSKI)
3. Waiving the fees for the **Township of Union Annual Senior Golf Tournament** to be held at Galloping Hill Golf Course on Thursday, June 8, 2006. (rain date June 9, 2006) (VC. KOWALSKI)
4. Approving **Amendment No. 1 (Final)** to the contract with **PMK Group, Cranford, New Jersey**, for professional engineering services for the purpose of designing electrical lighting for the tennis courts in the Rahway River Park and Field #8 in Warinanco Park, Roselle, New Jersey. This amendment will **decrease** the contract amount by **\$8,717.38** for a new total contract amount of **\$16,282.62**. (VC. KOWALSKI)

Original Contract Amount:	\$25,000.00
<u>Amendment No. 1 (Final):</u>	<u>-\$ 8,717.38</u>
Final Contract Amount:	\$16,282.62

5. Amending **Resolution No. 1281-2005**, authorizing the change of ownership listed on the original lease agreement **from Antonia Lingwood, Plainfield, New Jersey to Plainfield Madison Park, LLC, Plainfield, New Jersey**, effective January 20, 2006, for the premises known as the Union County Probation Office, 313-315 East Front Street, Plainfield, New Jersey. Agreement will continue on a month-to-month basis for a term of twelve (12) months starting January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an amount not to exceed **\$69,408.16 annually. (VC. KOWALSKI)**

Freeholder Mapp questions how many square feet is being occupied in the facility and does the rent cover the cost of utilities. Director Sigmund will get that information for Freeholder Mapp.

VII. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Harold Gibson, Director

RESOLUTIONS

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Douglas C. Miller, MD, Belle Meade, New Jersey**, to provide forensic neuropathology consultation when the Medical Examiner needs assistance in determining the cause of death in difficult cases for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an amount not to exceed **\$8,000. {This is an increase of \$100 per case from the 2005 contract; Price based on an estimated 15 cases at \$400 per case; and \$10 per histology slide} (CH. MIRABELLA)**

Freeholder Sullivan concerns himself with the increase in cost per a case on the contract. Director Gibson replied that it is inconsistent with cost paid by others who use the same services, it is increased but within a reasonable cost factor.

2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Comprehensive Psychological Services, Clark, New Jersey**, to provide psychological evaluation for Union County Correctional Officers for the contract period of March 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an amount not to exceed **\$4,200. {Pre-Employment Screening: \$350 per candidate; Psychological Evaluation: \$700 per candidate} (CH. MIRABELLA)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Kanen Psychological Associates, Ridgewood, New Jersey**, to provide psychological evaluation for Union County Correctional Officers for the contract period of March 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an amount not to exceed **\$7,500. {Pre-Employment Screening: -- \$250 per candidate; Fitness for Duty: \$900 per candidate; and Re-evaluation: \$600 per candidate} (CH. MIRABELLA)**

4. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Comprehensive Psychological Services, Clark, New Jersey**, to provide psychological evaluations for Union County Police Officers for the contract period of March 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an amount not to exceed **\$9,000**. {**Pre-Employment Screening: \$350 per candidate; Fitness for Duty: \$700; Critical Incident Debriefing: \$250 Appearance; and Testimony before Medical Review Board: \$750 per case**} (CH. MIRABELLA)

VIII. RUNNELLS SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL
Joseph Sharp, Director

RESOLUTIONS

1. To approve the minutes of the **Runnells Specialized Hospital Advisory Board of Managers** Meeting of November 30, 2005. (VC. KOWALSKI)
2. Amending the contract with **Hill Rom Corp., Bates, Indiana**, through NJHA Group Purchasing for the rental of therapeutic beds to add the purchases of a specialty bed for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an additional amount of **\$5,039.75** for a new total contract amount of **\$60,039.75**. (VC. KOWALSKI)
3. Authorizing the County Manager to reimburse **Overlook Hospital, Summit, New Jersey**, at a discount rate (30% per charge) for emergency services provided to residents/patients at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in the amount of **\$25,000**. (VC. KOWALSKI)

Freeholder Mapp questions the amount set for this particular project, the Freeholder asks what would happen if this estimated cost is exceeded. Director Sharp responded by saying he was aware that this is an estimated cost, that it would be very difficult to guess the cost of emergency services, however, he has chosen to look at the cost historically. He had given an example of a long term care patient having to be transported to Overlook Hospital. Overlook Hospital would not bill Medicare for that trip, Overlook bills Runnells, Runnells (where the long term patient has been) would then bill Medicare for that trip. The Director also made mention that this is the first year Runnells Specialized Hospital has created a plan of this kind.

IX. OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK

Joanne Rajoppi, County Clerk

Deputy County Clerk, Alan Falcone, represented the department.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Authorizing the **County Clerk** to pay any and all such bills as they become due and owing for the payment of all expenditures related to conducting and preparing an election and to add **Inlingua**, (translation from English to Spanish) for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006, in an amount not to exceed **\$195,000**. (CH. MIRABELLA)

Deputy Falcone stated that the above resolution will be split into two separate resolutions as per County Counsel. Chairman Mirabella asks why that would be the case. Robert Barry, Count Counsel, explains that some of the services being provided are those that come under the “pay to play” and others that do not. It would be better to split the two costs out into two separate agenda items. County Counsel goes on to explain that there are things like postage and newspapers added into the cost. Those items can be broken-out separately.

2. Renewing the contract with **Wisolmerski Associates, Inc., Pembroke Pines, Florida**, to provide computer support services and enhancements to the Union County Clerk’s Imaging and Recording System in an amount not to exceed **\$35,280. (This will be charged to the County Clerk’s Trust Fund) (CH. MIRABELLA)**

Vice Chair Kowalski questions why the county would use support from Florida. The Deputy Clerk made mention that Wisolmerski Associates, Inc., of Pembroke Pines Florida, has been working with the county for approximately twenty years. Wisolmerski was originally from New Jersey and has since relocated.

X. OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTOR

Theodore Romanko, Prosecutor

Albert Cernadas, Jr., First Assistant Prosecutor represented the department.

The First Assistant Prosecutor Albert Cernadas, stated that he would like to add a Resolution. The Resolution would be for a professional services agreement with Trinitas Hospital for a program for victims of sexual abuse. The services in this program were for individual therapy for the victims. Freeholder Ward needed more clarification to this resolution. First Assistant Prosecutor Cernadas talked about sexual victims needing individual therapy, but also non-offending parents or step parents might also have additional needs in order to care for the victims of sexual abused victim.

RESOLUTION

1. To apply for and accept funding from the **New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice, Police Training Commission** in an amount of **\$28,940** to be used for equipment and training at the John H. Stamler Police Academy. **{There is no County match required} (CH. MIRABELLA)**

XI. COUNTY COUNSEL

Robert E. Barry, Esq.

County Counsel, Robert Barry asked to add three additional items. The first Resolution is in regard to legal services for mental health patients. The second is an ordinance in regard to the solid waste plan. The third is in Resolution regarding a case, Aaron Pitman v. the County of Union, and adding an additional attorney to that case.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Amending **Resolution 1230-2005** 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 **\$5,000** for a new total contract amount not to exceed **\$65,000**. (CH. MIRABELLA)
2. Amending **Resolution 2006-221** to increase the appropriation to **Schenck, Price, Smith & King, Morristown, New Jersey**, special counsel in the matter entitled **Roberts v. County of Union, et als.** for an additional sum of **\$10,000** for a new total contract amount not to exceed **\$45,000**. (CH. MIRABELLA)
3. Amending **Resolution 2006-123** to increase the appropriation to **Edward Kologi, Esq., Linden, New Jersey**, special counsel in the matter entitled **Brunson v. Dougherty, et als.** for an additional sum of **\$5,000** for a new total contract amount not to exceed **\$30,000**. (CH. MIRABELLA)
4. Amending **Resolution 1022-2004** to increase the appropriation to **Schenck, Price, Smith & King, Morristown, New Jersey**, special counsel in the matter entitled **Espinosa v. County of Union, et als.** for an additional sum of **\$15,000** for a new total contract amount not to exceed **\$192,500**. (CH. MIRABELLA)

XII. COUNTY MANAGER

George Devanney

Chairman Mirabella wanted to wish the County Manager good luck on his up coming presentation to the Jets as they prepare for their decision to relocate.

There were no questions at this time.

RESOLUTION

XIII. FREEHOLDERS

RESOLUTIONS

FREEHOLDER ESTRADA

Freeholder Estrada said that he would be adding several additional resolution requests to the Regular meeting schedule.

1. Appointing **Raymond J. Colandrea, Union, New Jersey**, to the **Construction Board of Appeals** as Fire Inspector.
2. Expressing sincere appreciation to the **Elizabethtown Gas Company** for its willingness to serve as a supporter and partner of “Planning for Emergencies in Child Care” workshop for the promotion of the health and safety of young children enrolled in 301 state licensed child care centers and 133 home care providers in Union County.

FREEHOLDER HOLMES

Freeholder Holmes would like to add an additional condolence laudatory for the next Regular meeting agenda.

All Freeholders would like to join Freeholder Holmes in declaring April 23-29 “County Government Week” in Union County.

1. Proclaiming April 23 – 29, 2006 as “**County Government Week**” in Union County.

FREEHOLDER HOLMES AND CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA

1. Congratulating **Darrion Caldwell, Rahway, New Jersey**, for his impressive third consecutive State Championship in Wrestling.

FREEHOLDER MAPP

Freeholder Mapp would like to add two (2) Resolutions to the agenda.

FREEHOLDER PROCTOR

1. Proclaiming the month of April 2006 as “**National Autism Awareness Month**” in Union County.

FREEHOLDER SCANLON

1. Congratulating **Bryan Richard Wilson, Boy Scout of America**, on attaining his Eagle Scout Award.
2. Amending **Resolution No. 1058-2005**, to the contract with **PMK Group, Cranford, New Jersey**, to provide further environmental assessment of the property located at 249 Glenside Avenue, Block 4803, Lot 12, Summit, New Jersey, to address Areas of Concern (AOC) identified in the recently completed Preliminary Environmental Assessment; for the purpose of future acquisition of said property, in conjunction with and for the Union County Open Space, Recreation and Historical Preservation Trust Fund for a total amount not to exceed **\$8,950**.

FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN

1. Appointing the following to the **Union County Transportation Advisory Board**.

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Officer Michael Delia, Berkeley Heights, New Jersey
John Morgan, Westfield, New Jersey

George Lanzano, Westfield, New Jersey (Alternate)
Rosemary Bariexc, Summit, New Jersey
Ludwig Anton Evers, Summit, New Jersey (Alternate)
Edward Dec, Roselle Park, New Jersey (Alternate)
William Wright, Cranford, New Jersey
Hugh Welsh, Cranford, New Jersey (Alternate)
Jack Molenaar, Fanwood, New Jersey
William Populus, Fanwood, New Jersey (Alternate)
Robert Beiner, Kenilworth, New Jersey
Tony Hall, Rahway, New Jersey
Andre Luboff, New Providence, New Jersey
Thomas R. Boland, Linden, New Jersey

FOR A TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2006 – DECEMBER 31, 2008:

Stephen Thorpe, Winfield, New Jersey

FREEHOLDER WARD

1. Appointing **Arthur Kobitz, Hillside, New Jersey**, to the **Union County Air Traffic Noise Advisory Board** commencing March 15, 2006 – December 31, 2006.
2. Approving an **Inter-local Services Agreement** with the **Union County Improvement Authority** in connection with the site selection, development and financing of a County Animal Shelter.

VICE CHAIR KOWALSKI

1. Appointing **Connie Hamlin, Roselle, New Jersey**, to the **Union County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board** effective January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2008.
2. Proclaiming the week of March 12 – 18, 2006 as “**Long Term Care Administrator’s Week**” in Union County.
3. Congratulating **Pat Hogan, Cranford, New Jersey**, (171) on winning the Wrestling State Championship at the NJSIAA Tournament, Atlantic City Boardwalk Hall on March 12 and 13, 2006.

CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA

1. Congratulating **Kate Douglas, Westfield, New Jersey**, who won an essay writing contest for the Opera Show.
2. Congratulating **Andrew Hatfield, Westfield, New Jersey, Boy Scouts of America**, on attaining his Eagle Scout Award.

3. Congratulating **Thomas Galuppo, Jr, Union, New Jersey, Boy Scouts of America, Troop 68**, on attaining his Eagle Scout Award.
4. Congratulating **Edward M. Hartnett, Union County Educational Services Commission**, for being honored at the Union County Educational Services Foundation Annual Awards Reception for his leadership and dedication as an educator for almost 40 years.
5. Congratulating **Infineum USA L.P.**, for being honored by the **Union County Education Services Foundation, (UCESF)** at its Annual Awards Reception for support of numerous educational programs for students as well as teachers.
6. Extending sincerest and warmest best wishes to **Elana Celano, Metuchen, New Jersey**, for her continued strength and courage for a complete recovery from a brain tumor.
7. Authorizing competitive contracting for proprietary software.
8. Proclaiming March 28, 2006 as the Union County Town Hall Meeting kick-off for the **“Start Talking Before They Start Drinking” Campaign**.
9. Urging the **Commissioner and the State Board of Education** to take any and all actions necessary to reinstate funding for adult high school students throughout the State of New Jersey.

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County Counsel Robert Barry states pursuant to provisions of the Open Public Meeting Act a public body may enter into Executive Session for the Purpose of discussing certain enumerated subjects. This Board will now enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Security matters and labor negotiations.

The minutes of the Executive Session shall be separated from the minutes of the Open Public Session and retained by the Clerk of the Board until such time as the confidential limitations have been removed.

Upon the Board’s return, it may not take formal action on the matters discussed, as this is an agenda meeting.

The Board may now retire to Executive Session.

Chairman Mirabella calls for a motion to enter executive session. A motion was made by Freeholder Scanlon and seconded by Vice Chair Kowalski, roll call showed eight members of the Board in the affirmative. Freeholder Proctor was absent.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Re: Security Matter and Labor Negotiation

Chairman Mirabella asks for a motion to return to the Agenda meeting. The motion was made by Freeholder Scanlon and seconded by Vice Chair Kowalski, roll call showed eight members of the Board in the affirmative. Freeholder Proctor was absent.

County Manager states that there will be two (2) additional resolutions as a result of the Executive Session. One is to approve the Corrections Officers contract and the other is to authorize an Early Retirement Plan.

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ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Mirabella asked for a motion to adjourn. On a motion made by Freeholder Holmes and seconded by Freeholder Scanlon roll call showed eight Board members in the affirmative. Freeholder Proctor was absent. The Agenda meeting was adjourned.

The next **Agenda Setting Session** of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders will be held on **Thursday, April 6, 2006 at 7:00 pm** in the Meeting Room, Administration Building, 6th Floor, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

Nicole L. Tedeschi
Clerk of the Board

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