

**MINUTES OF THE  
UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS  
REGULAR MEETING - FEBRUARY 15, 2007**

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

Also present were County Manager George W. Devanney, County Counsel Robert E. Barry, Esq., and Clerk of the Board Nicole L. DiRado.

The Prayer and Salute to the Flag were lead by the Clerk of the Board

Compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act was read by the Clerk of the Board.

Freeholder Ward entered the meeting.

Several presentations were made at this time. First, Chairwoman Bette Jane Kowalski called upon Board of Public Utilities Commissioner Joseph Fiordaliso to make a check presentation to the Board in the amount of \$52,150 representing a rebate from the Board of Public Utilities for its participation in the SmartStart Buildings Program. The SmartStart Buildings rebate is for lighting improvements at Runnells Specialized Hospital in Berkeley Heights and the Ralph Oriscello Correctional Facility in Elizabeth. Commissioner Fiordaliso commented that more than 71% annually will be saved in energy costs and the actions taken were very environmentally friendly. Chairwoman Kowalski thanked the Commissioner and noted that this Board is very committed to conserving energy and reducing. This rebate is a very encouraging start, she said.

Freeholder Rick Proctor and Freeholder Daniel Sullivan presented a resolution to Bob Colicchio for being recognized by Acting Governor Richard J. Codey for his outstanding service and dedication to people with disabilities. Mr. Colicchio thanked the Board for the presentations and said he hopes to be doing this work for another 20 years.

Freeholder Alexander Mirabella presented a resolution to May Hokanson and Jacob Magiera, for their efforts in bringing awareness to the veterans fighting in Iraq by displaying yellow ribbons. Freeholder Mirabella said that regardless of how one feels about the war, the troops have the support of the American people. Freeholder Mirabella honored Ms. Hokanson for reestablishing the Yellow Ribbon Campaign and Mr. Magiera for establishing the Roselle Park Patriotic Alliance. They both thanked the Board for the resolution and their help in raising awareness of the campaign.

Chairwoman Kowalski called for a motion to approve the minutes of January 18, 2007 – Agenda, and Regular Meetings; February 8, 2007 – Agenda Meeting. On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Mirabella, roll call showed eight votes in the affirmative with Freeholder Proctor abstaining on the Minutes of January 18, 2007 Agenda and Regular Meetings

and eight votes in the affirmative with Chairwoman Kowalski abstaining on the minutes of February 8, 2007 Agenda Meeting.

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## COMMUNICATIONS

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

Chairwoman Kowalski called for a motion to approve the Communications. On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Vice Chairman Estrada, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

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## EXECUTIVE SESSION

**To the extent known, the following item will be discussed in Executive Session:**

- **Contract Negotiations relative to an Inter-Local Services Agreement with the City of Elizabeth**

Chairwoman Kowalski asked County Counsel Barry to make his statement relative to Executive Session.

County Counsel Robert Barry stated that pursuant to provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, a public body may enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing certain enumerated subjects. This Board now wishes to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the Inter-Local Health Services Agreement with the City of Elizabeth.

The minutes of the Executive Session shall be separated from the minutes of the Open Public Session. The minutes of the Executive Session, redacted as appropriate and necessary, shall be available in approximately 30 days. The Clerk to the Board shall retain the original minutes until such time as the confidential limitations have been removed, at which time they shall be made available.

Upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the members present, the Board may retire to Executive Session. Upon the Board's return, it may take formal action on the matters discussed, as this is a Regular Meeting.

Chairwoman Kowalski asked for a motion to enter into Executive Session. On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Ward, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

Chairwoman Kowalski asked for a motion to return to the Regular Meeting. On a motion by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

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Ordinance 642-2007 was read by title by the Clerk of the Board

**The first order of business is the Final Reading of Ordinance No. 642-2007.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 642-2007**

**AN AMENDMENT TO THE UNION COUNTY DISTRICT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN TO 1) INCLUDE THE DELAWARE AND HUDSON RAILWAY COMPANY, INC., D/B/A CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY TRANSFER STATION IN NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, AS THE COUNTY'S DESIGNATED FACILITY TO WHICH SOLID WASTE TYPES 13, 13C, 23 AND 27 ARE DIRECTED, 2) INCLUDE THE CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN THE UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY AND THE DELAWARE AND HUDSON RAILWAY COMPANY, INC., D/B/A CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY FOR SOLID WASTE TYPES 13, 13C, 23 AND 27 DISPOSAL SERVICES, AND 3) TO DIRECT ALL SOLID WASTE TYPES 13, 13C, 23 AND 27 TO THE DELAWARE AND HUDSON RAILWAY COMPANY, INC., D/B/A CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY TRANSFER STATION IN NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, PURSUANT TO REGULATORY WASTE FLOW CONTROL.**

*WHEREAS*, pursuant to the Solid Waste Management Act, N.J.S.A. 13:1E-1 et seq. (the "Act"), each county within the State of New Jersey is designated a solid waste management district with responsibility for the development of a solid waste management plan setting forth the solid waste disposal strategy to be applied in the district; and

*WHEREAS*, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union (the "County") has adopted the Union County District Solid Waste Management Plan, as amended from time to time (the "County Plan"); and

*WHEREAS*, the County has designated the Union County Utilities Authority (the "UCUA") as the agency responsible for implementing the County Plan; and

*WHEREAS*, the UCUA did on January 17, 2007 adopt Resolutions 82-2006 and 83-2006, copies of which are attached hereto, which recommends to the Board of Chosen Freeholders that 1) Include The Delaware And Hudson Railway Company, Inc. D/B/A Canadian Pacific Railway Transfer Station In Newark, New Jersey, As The County's Designated Facility To Which Solid Waste Types 13, 13c, 23 And 27 Are Directed, 2) Include The Contract By And Between The Union County Utilities Authority And The Delaware And Hudson Railway Company, Inc. D/B/A Canadian Pacific Railway For Solid Waste Types 13, 13c, 23 and 27 Disposal Services, and 3) To Direct All Solid Waste Types 13, 13c, 23 and 27 to the Delaware and Hudson Railway Company, Inc. D/B/A Canadian Pacific Railway Transfer Station In Newark, New Jersey, Pursuant to Regulatory Waste Flow Control; and

**WHEREAS**, a copy of this Ordinance together with the attached is available for public inspection at the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders at the Union County Administration Building, Freeholders Meeting Room, Administration Building, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Elizabethtown Plaza, Elizabeth, New Jersey; at the offices of each Municipal Clerk in the County of Union; and at the offices of the Union County Utilities Authority, 1499 Routes 1 & 9 North, Rahway, New Jersey, during regular business hours; and

**WHEREAS**, a Public Hearing on the amendment will be held by the Board of Chosen Freeholders on February 15, 2007 at which time all persons having interest in the amendment will be given an opportunity to be heard and make comments or pose questions concerning the proposed amendment:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union that it hereby approves and adopts the Plan Amendment annexed hereto and that a certified copy of this Ordinance, as finally adopted, together with the Plan Amendment, supporting data and a copy of the transcript of the public hearing be forwarded to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for review and certification as provided by law.

This Ordinance shall take effect at the time and in the manner provided by law.

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Clerk of the Board DiRado announced that the Board received a written objection to Ordinance 642-2007 from the Somerset County Freeholder Director Robert Zaborowski.

**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR THE  
PURPOSE OF COMMENTING ON  
ORDINANCE NO. 642-2007 ONLY**

Steven Changaris, National Solid Wastes Management Association Northeast Region: Mr. Changaris expressed his opposition and that of the National Solid Wastes Management Association Northeast Region to Ordinance Number 642-2007, citing concerns regarding permitting issues, licensing and personnel disclosure. Mr. Changaris distributed his comments to the Board, which are attached to these minutes.

Jane Kosinski, Esq., Waste Management of New Jersey, Inc.: Ms. Kosinski expressed her opposition and the opposition of Waste Management of New Jersey to Ordinance Number 642-2007, citing concerns regarding permitting issues. Ms. Kosinski distributed his comments to the Board, which are attached to these minutes.

William Gay, Waste Solutions Group / Bridgewater Resources, Inc.: Mr. Gay echoed the sentiments of the previous speakers but also suggested that he Board compile a list of back up facilities in the Solid Waste Plan in the event The Delaware And Hudson Railway Company is either not awarded the contract as the outcome of pending litigation or they cannot perform in the manner in which they should. Mr. Gay distributed his comments to the Board, which are attached to these minutes.

Dr. Sunil Garg, Executive Director, Union County Utilities Authority: Dr. Garg addressed all of the concerns raised by the previous speakers. Dr. Garg explained that the current contract with Waste Management of New Jersey, Inc. is due to expire at the end of June. As such, the Union County Utilities Authority released bid specifications and received proposals for the service. The Delaware And Hudson Railway Company was the least expensive at \$62.86 per ton; where as Waste Management submitted a proposal for \$82 per ton. Over the life of the five year contract, \$18.5 million dollars in savings will be realized.

Dr. Garg did his due diligence with respect to the facility. On May 24, 2006, the Department of Environmental Protection, after a lengthy review, granted certification to add this facility to the Essex County Solid Waste Plan. The railroad is not required to be permitted by the State but must adhere to all health and safety standards set by the State.

Dr. Garg stated that by adding the facility to the Plan will take thousands of trucks off the roads. The facility will add cars to an existing train, which travels three times per week already.

Dr. Garg added that there is no need for back up facilities. Under State law, the Union County Utilities Authority has the ability to enter into an emergency contract if necessary.

Ken Hollenbeck, Scarinci and Hollenbeck: Mr. Hollenbeck's firm represents the Delaware And Hudson Railway Company. He stated that the facility is Class 1 Railway Facility. They have been operating in New Jersey since 1976 and have recently invested \$6 million into the facility. The Essex County Ordinance was adopted in 2005 and was certified by the Department of Environmental Protection in 2006. Delaware and Hudson is the only rail carrier transload facility. In July 2006, the Department of Environmental Protection did a second endorsement of the facility, designating it a transload facility. This facility will take over 68,000 truck movements off the roads increasing safety, reducing traffic congestion and saving money on infrastructure improvements.

Kevin Retcho, Linden: Mr. Retcho asked if the County would be receiving a host fee for including this facility into the Solid Waste Plan and suggested tabling the ordinance for further review.

County Counsel Robert Barry listed the following items which were submitted into the record: Correspondence from Somerset County Freeholder Director Robert Zaborowski dated January 31, 2007; Testimony of the New Jersey Chapter of the National Solid Wastes Management Association dated February 15, 2007; Testimony of the Waste Management of New Jersey, Inc., dated February 15, 2007; and Comments of Waste Solutions Group / Bridgewater Resources, Inc., dated February 15, 2007. Mr. Barry referenced the on going litigation regarding the award of the contract. Mr. Barry mentioned he was present at the order to show cause and there is nothing to preclude the Board from taking action this evening. The Union County Utilities Authority cannot act on the contract at this time as it will not commence until July 1, 2007, at which time the litigation is expected to be resolved.

Freeholder Sullivan asked Chairwoman Kowalski to recall Dr. Garg to answer some questions. First, Freeholder Sullivan asked if there any host fees that the County would be receiving. Dr. Gard explained because the facility is located in Newark and not Union County, the County will

not be receiving host fees. However, the County will realize a significant reduction in the pricing structure. Freeholder Sullivan asked Dr. Garg to explain the permitting issues which were discussed tonight. Dr. Garg explained that as it relates to federal railways, under the Interstate Commerce Commission Act, States are restricted from staying interference with commerce, but they can force a facility to comply with 2-D, safety and health requirements. This facility is regularly inspected for these requirements. Dr. Garg stated that he has over 20 years experience in looking at and working with these facilities and Delaware And Hudson Railway Company is a well-managed facility and is similar if not identical to other facilities that perform the same function. Although they have no physical permit, they must adhere to the same standards. Freeholder Sullivan asked if this arrangement is the same as in Essex County. Dr. Garg explained that it is the same arrangement and they have not had any problems and is performing quite well.

Freeholder Scanlon asked Dr. Garg about the particulars of the operations. Freeholder Scanlon is in favor of removing the trucks from the roads for environmental reasons. She asked how many cars will be added to the train. Dr. Gard explained that there will be approximately 8-10 additional cars, which is approximately 30 cars per week. The cars will be added to an existing train which runs three times per week, after 8:00pm. The route will not change. The train runs from Newark, New Jersey to Allentown, Pennsylvania. The train already carries waste from Essex County.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION CONCLUDED**

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Freeholder Holmes moved Ordinance No. 642-2007 for Final Reading and authored the Clerk of the Board to advertise the same in accordance with the law. The motion was seconded by Freeholder Ward and roll call showed seven votes in the affirmative with Freeholder Mapp voting in the negative and Freeholder Proctor abstaining.

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Ordinance 643-2007 was read by title by the Clerk of the Board.

**The next order of business is the Final Reading of Ordinance No. 643-2007.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 643-2007**

**AN AMENDMENT TO THE UNION COUNTY DISTRICT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN TO INCLUDE ALLSTATE POWER-VAC, INC., BLOCK 343, LOTS 1 AND 2, IN THE CITY OF RAHWAY, NEW JERSEY INTO THE UNION COUNTY DISTRICT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN AS AN INTERMODAL CONTAINER FACILITY.**

**I. INTRODUCTION**

The Solid Waste Management Act, N.J.S.A 13:1E-1 et seq. (the “Act”), in pertinent part, constitutes each of the State’s twenty-one (21) counties and the Hackensack Meadowlands

Development Commission as a solid waste management district. The Act further provides that each solid waste management district, including the County of Union (“County”) develop a solid waste management plan setting forth the solid waste disposal strategy to be applied in the district. The Union County District Solid Waste Management Plan (the “County Plan”) was approved, with modifications, by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (“NJDEP”) on August 13, 1980, and has since been amended and modified from time to time. The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders has designated the Union County Utilities Authority (“UCUA”) as the agency responsible for the implementation of the County Plan in accordance with the Act.

The purpose of this Plan Amendment is to modify the County Plan to include an intermodal container facility (“Facility”) to be operated by Allstate Power-Vac, Inc. (“Allstate”). Allstate has proposed, and is hereby being admitted to the County Plan, to accept in closed containers up to 770 tons per day of solid waste generated outside of the County at its location on 928 East Hazelwood Avenue, Rahway, New Jersey, that will then be subsequently shipped off-site to an appropriate facility for treatment, recycling or disposal.

**II. INCLUSION OF ALLSTATE POWER-VAC, INC., BLOCK 343, LOTS 1 & 2, IN THE CITY OF RAHWAY, NEW JERSEY INTO THE UNION COUNTY DISTRICT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN AS AN INTERMODAL CONTAINER FACILITY**

Appendix ‘A’ contains a copy of Allstate’s “Application for Inclusion of a Solid Waste Facility or Recycling Center in the Union County Solid Waste Management Plan,” as supplemented, that is attached hereto and incorporated herein.

Appendix ‘B’ contains a Resolution of the UCUA, duly adopted on January 17, 2007, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, recommending that the Facility to be owned and operated by Allstate Power-Vac, Inc. be included in the County Plan as an intermodal container facility.

The County Plan is hereby amended to include the following solid waste facility:

<u>Facility</u>	<u>Lot and Block</u>
Allstate Power-Vac, Inc. 928 East Hazelwood Avenue Rahway, New Jersey 07065 Intermodal Container Facility	<u>Rahway</u> Lots 1 and 2, Block 343

**III. SCOPE OF PLAN AMENDMENT**

This Plan Amendment incorporates by reference, as if set forth herein at length, the Union County District Solid Waste Management Plan, as certified by the NJDEP on August 13, 1980, and all subsequent Plan Amendments so certified, to the extent that they are not inconsistent with this Plan Amendment. A copy of the Union County District Solid Waste Management Plan, along with all subsequent Amendments and NJDEP Plan Certifications, is available for review at the offices of the Union County Utilities Authority, 1499 Routes 1&9 North, Rahway, New Jersey, during normal business hours, for public review and inspection. Copies of the County Plan, Plan

Amendments and NJDEP Plan Certifications are available in accordance with the Authority's policy with respect to photocopying and at the offices of the Clerk of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

If any clause, provision, subsection, section or article of this Plan Amendment shall be ruled invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, or administrative agency, the invalidity of such clause, provision, subsection, section or article, shall not affect any of the remaining provisions, unless such ruling adversely impacts the purpose and effect of the remaining portions of this Plan Amendment.

**IV. EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Plan Amendment shall become effective upon adoption by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union, and certification by the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

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**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR THE  
PURPOSE OF COMMENTING ON  
ORDINANCE NO. 643-2007 ONLY**

There were no comments.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION CONCLUDED**

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Freeholder Holmes moved Ordinance No. 643-2007 for Final Reading and authorized the Clerk of the Board to advertise the same in accordance with the law. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Estrada and roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

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

Warren Hehl, Cranford Health Officer, President, Union County Health Officers' Association: Mr. Hehl supports Resolution 2007-196, the inter-local health services agreement with the City of Elizabeth and asks the Board to seek to fill the position of Health Officer as expeditiously as possible.

County Counsel Robert Barry advised the public that the amendment will be revised to reflect a new contract term. The old contract is a one year contract with an option to terminate with 30 days

notice. The new contract will be for six months, with a provision for review if an additional six months if needed. The option to terminate the contract with 30 days notice remains the same.

Bob Sherr, Westfield Health Officer and Chairman of the Union County Government Public Health Officers: Mr. Sherr commended the Board on their action to enter into an Inter-Local Agreement and urged the Board to make the search for a new Health Officer a priority. Mr. Sherr also offered assistance in securing a person for the position.

Bruce Paterson, Garwood: Mr. Paterson asked what an “extraordinary unspecifiable service” is as it relates to Resolution 2007-168. County Counsel Barry explained that extraordinary unspecifiable service is a legal term within the Local Public Contracts Law which defines a service as neither quantifiable nor qualifiable in such a way so that bid specifications can be drafted. It is therefore deemed an exception to bidding under the Local Public Contracts Law. Mr. Paterson also asked if the Community Development Block Grant funding is being cut by \$600,000.

Tina Renna, Cranford: Mrs. Renna asked if the \$600,000 in Resolution 2007-188 being awarded to Trinitas Hospital was in line with previous years. Mrs. Renna also made reference to Resolution 2007-191 and stated that she did not approve of the care provided by Correctional Health Services.

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Chairwoman Kowalski called for a motion to adopt Resolutions 2007-140 through 2007-217. On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-140**      **FREEHOLDER HOLMES**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Tyco Simplex Grinnell, Rockaway, New Jersey**, for the maintenance and repair of the Runnells Specialized Hospital fire alarm system and fire sprinklers for the contract period of January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007 in an amount not to exceed **\$48,013.50**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-141**      **FREEHOLDER HOLMES**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Posey Company, Arcadia, California**, through NJHA pursuant to N.J.S.A. 30:9-87 and 88, to purchase physical and occupational therapy supplies for Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of February 1, 2007 through January 31, 2008 in an amount not to exceed **\$4,000**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-142**      **FREEHOLDER HOLMES**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Penn Jersey Paper Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania**, through NJHA pursuant to N.J.S.A. 30:9-87 and 88, for the purchase of linens for

Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007 in an amount not to exceed **\$75,000**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-143**      **FREEHOLDER HOLMES**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Partners Healthcare, LLC, Cranford, New Jersey**, to provide pharmaceutical services to the residents/patients at Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of March 1, 2007 through February 29, 2008 for a total contract amount of **\$1,200,000**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-144**      **FREEHOLDER HOLMES**, appointing the following members to the **Advisory Council on Aging** effective January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2009: **Yvonne Thomas, Plainfield, New Jersey** and **Sharron Brown, Plainfield, New Jersey**, and also rescinding the appointment of **Theresa Hale, Hillside, New Jersey**, pursuant to Resolution No. 2007-28.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-145**      **FREEHOLDER MAPP**, re-appointing the following members to the **Local Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse** effective January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2009: **Carol Berger (Criminal Justice Sector)**, **Dr. Rev. Donald Hummel (Clergy/Religious Group)** and **Charles Watts (Education)**, and also rescinding the appointment of **Ronald Ginsberg, Cranford, New Jersey**, pursuant to Resolution No. 2007-33.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-146**      **FREEHOLDER MIRABELLA**, an amendment to the Temporary 2007 Budget pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 96, P.L. 1951 (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20) as a result of notification received from the following agencies in the aggregate amount of **\$11,458,739**:

- NJ Department of Health and Human Services – in the amount of **\$728,025**.  
**“County Comprehensive Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Grant.” Match – “County Comprehensive Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Grant”** – in the amount of **\$150,000**.
- State of New Jersey – in the amount of **\$39,312** – **“Body Armour.”**

- NJ Department of Health and Human Services – in the amount of **\$400,050** - **“Community Care for Persons Elderly & Disabled - CCPED.”**
- NJ Department of Health and Human Services - in the amount of **\$352,293** **“Community Care for the Elderly-Title XX” – Match- “Community Care for the Elderly - Title XX” - \$137,417.**
- NJ Juvenile Justice Commission - in the amount of **\$330,855** **“Community Partnership Grant.”**
- NJ Department of Community Affairs - in the amount of **\$296,826** - **“Community Service Block Grant.”**
- NJ Council on the Arts - in the amount of **\$124,063** - **“Council on the Arts Program”- Match - “Council on the Arts Program” - in the amount of \$31,012.**
- NJ Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse - in the amount of **\$437,182** - **“Governor Alliance to Prevent Alcoholism and Drug Abuse.”**
- NJ Department of Community Affairs - in the amount of **\$5,130** - **“Handicapped Person’s Program” – Match - “Handicapped Person’s Program”- in the amount of \$1,026.**
- NJ Department of Human Services - in the amount of **\$75,000** - **“Home Health Care - Title XX.”**
- NJ Department of Human Services - in the amount of **\$49,879** - **“Human Services Planning/Missing Children Program” – Match - “Human Services Planning/Missing Children Program” - in the amount of \$11,925.**
- NJ Office of Insurance Fraud - in the amount of **\$187,500** - **“Insurance Fraud Program.”**
- Union County Department of Human Services - in the amount of **\$133,500** - **“Intoxicated Drivers Resource Center.”**
- NJ Juvenile Justice Commission - in the amount of **\$72,900** - **“Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC)” – Match - “Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC)” - in the amount of \$48,600.**
- NJ Juvenile Justice Commission - in the amount of **\$39,019** - **“Juvenile Accountability Block Program” – Match - “Juvenile Accountability Program” - in the amount of \$4,336.**

- NJ Department of Health and Senior Services - in the amount of **\$30,000** - **“Office on Aging - State Grant.”**
- NJ Department of Aging - in the amount of **\$2,586,010** - **“Older Americans Act - Title III” – Match - “Home Delivered Meals”** - in the amount of **\$13,158 – Match – “Safe Housing”** - in the amount of **\$35,481**.
- NJ Department of Human Services - in the amount of **\$104,293** - **“Paratransit Elderly - Title XX” – Match - “Paratransit Elderly”** - in the amount of **\$23,216**.
- NJ Department of Human Services - in the amount of **\$463,917** - **“Personal Attendant Demonstration Program.”**
- NJ Department of Community Affairs - in the amount of **\$51,862** - **“Rape Care Services Grant.”**
- NJ Department of Health and Human Services - in the amount of **\$285,440** - **“Respite Care Program.”**
- NJ Department of Health and Human Services – in the amount of **\$12,301** - **“Right to Know.”**
- NJ Transit - in the amount of **\$1,416,856** - **“Senior Citizen Transportation Program.”**
- NJ Department of Community Affairs - in the amount of **\$26,379** - **“Sexual Assault, Abuse and Rape Grant.”**
- NJ Department of Senior Services - in the amount of **\$7,350** - **“State Health Insurance Program (SHIP).”**
- NJ Juvenile Justice Commission - in the amount of **\$443,070** - **“State Incentive Program.”**
- NJ Department of Youth and Family Services - in the amount of **\$474,541** - **“Social Services to the Homeless.”**
- NJ Division of Solid and Hazardous Waste - in the amount of **\$240,137** - **“Solid Waste Services Fund Program.”**
- NJ Department of Health and Human Services - in the amount of **\$375,000** - **“Transportation for the Elderly - Title XIX.”**
- NJ Department of Community Affairs - in the amount of **\$184,911** - **“Youth Services - Courts.”**

- NJ Department of Labor and Workforce Development - in the amount of **\$24,184** - **“Workforce Investment Act (WIA).”**
- NJ Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness – in the amount of **\$726,638** - **“FY 06 Homeland Security Grant.”**
- NJ Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness - in the amount of **\$268,000** -**“UASI Grant Program.”**
- NJ Department of Labor and Workforce Development - in the amount of **\$4,795** - **“Workforce New Jersey.”**
- NJ Department of Law and Public Safety - in the amount of **\$5,350** - **“Union County Prosecutor’s Office Laboratory.”**

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-147**      **FREEHOLDER MIRABELLA**, an amendment to the 2007 Temporary Budget, pursuant to the provisions of **CH. 96, P.L. 1951 (N.J.S.A: 40A:4-20)**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-148**      **FREEHOLDER MIRABELLA**, pursuant to the authority of **N.J.S.A. 40A:4-59** approving transfers of 2006 appropriations.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-149**      **FREEHOLDER PROCTOR**, appointing the following person to the **Advisory Board of the Disabled** effective January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2009: **Susan Spurr, Springfield, New Jersey.**

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-150**      **FREEHOLDER SCANLON**, authorizing the County Manager to renew the following Policies as recommended by the **Citizens Insurance Review Committee (CIRC): dated February 2, 2007:**

- Renewing the following insurance policies for **Runnells Specialized Hospital with Princeton Insurance Company, Princeton, New Jersey**, from March 1, 2007 through February 28, 2008:

- **Health Care Professional Liability in the amount of \$32,823.04**

- **Excess Umbrella Liability in the amount \$194,702.70**
- **Renewing Bonds for the following employees with the Hartford Insurance Group, Hartford, Connecticut:**
  - **George W. Devanney:** from March 16, 2007 through March 15, 2008 in an amount not to exceed \$200.
  - **Alan J. Falcone:** from March 23, 2007 through March 22, 2008 in an amount not to exceed \$1,750.
  - **David P. Wright:** from March 23, 2007 through March 22, 2008 in an amount not to exceed \$1,750.
- **Renewing the Horse Livestock Policy for the horses at Watchung Stables with Great American Insurance Company from February 8, 2007 through February 7, 2008 in an amount not to exceed \$692.**

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-151 FREEHOLDER SCANLON AND THE ENTIRE BOARD,** authorizing the County Manager to make available to the **Union County St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee** the sum of **\$4,000.**

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-152 FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN,** appointing the following members to the Transportation Advisory Board effective January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007: **Officer Michael Delia, Berkeley Heights, New Jersey, William R. Wright, Cranford, New Jersey, and Hugh Welsh, Cranford, New Jersey (Alternate), Councilman William Schadewald, III, Garwood, New Jersey, Thomas R. Mezzo, Garwood, New Jersey (Alternate), Robert Beiner, Kenilworth, New Jersey, Andre Luboff, New Providence, New Jersey, John Morgan, Scotch Plains, New Jersey, Rosemary Bariexca, Summit, New Jersey, and Ludwig Anton Evers, Summit, New Jersey (Alternate), John Morgan, Westfield, New Jersey and George Lanzano, Westfield, New Jersey (Alternate).**

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-153 FREEHOLDER WARD,** appointing and re-appointing the following members to the **Union County Air Traffic and Noise Advisory Board: Jeffery Robinson, Rahway, New Jersey (Representative), Joseph Paszek, Rahway, New Jersey,**

**(Alternate), Victor DeFilippo, Garwood, New Jersey**, (Effective January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007), **John Nicholas, Summit, New Jersey and David Santoriello, Summit, New Jersey (Alternate)**, (Effective January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2008).

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-154**      **VICE CHAIRMAN ESTRADA**, authorizing the County Manager, through the Division of Planning and Community Development to enter into an agreement with **Development Directions, LLC, Rahway, New Jersey**, to administer the Multi-Jurisdictional Housing Rehabilitation Program. This program is funded by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development / Community Development Block Grant, and provides assistance to lower income homeowners for repair and rehabilitation of their homes for the contract period of January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007 in an amount not to exceed **\$160,000**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-155**      **VICE CHAIRMAN ESTRADA**, amending **Resolution No. 1207-2005** to the contract with **V-COMM Telecommunications Engineering, Cranbury, New Jersey**, to reflect a **change in account number only**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-156**      **VICE CHAIRMAN ESTRADA**, amending **Resolution No. 2006-879** for roof replacement at the **Scotch Plains Senior Housing Corporation**, in an additional amount of **\$13,000** from Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) contingency funds for a new total amount of **\$40,000**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-157**      **VICE CHAIRMAN ESTRADA**, granting permission to the **Elizabeth Board of Education** to park at the **Andrew K. Ruotolo Building, 32 Rahway Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey**, on February 27, April 5, April 19, and May 17, 2007 from the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. to conduct medical screening tests (vision, hearing, etc) for 45 pre-school students enrolled in Herb's House.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-158**      **VICE CHAIRMAN ESTRADA**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **Unitronix Data Systems, Raritan, New Jersey**, for the

purpose of providing services and maintenance for the Department of Human Services, Division of Social Services software and hardware systems for the contract period of January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007 in the amount of **\$60,739.23**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-159**      **VICE CHAIRMAN ESTRADA**, authorizing the County Manager to renew the lease agreement with **Immaculate Conception Church, Elizabeth, New Jersey**, for the rental of 75 parking spaces located at 425 Union Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey, for the Division of Social Services' employee parking for the contract period of January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007 in the amount of **\$36,000**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-160**      **VICE CHAIRMAN ESTRADA**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract pursuant to, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4 to competitive contracting, **Community Access Unlimited, Elizabeth, New Jersey**, for the operation of the Union County Children's Shelter for the contract period of April 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007 at a per diem amount of \$270 plus additional start-up costs of \$51,550 for a total contract amount not to exceed **\$497,050** for year one, with a four year option to renew the contract at the prices quoted in the agency's competitive contract proposal.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-161**      **VICE CHAIRMAN ESTRADA**, to allocate **Ryan White Funds** to various agencies to provide primary medical and support services to people with HIV/AIDS for the contract period of March 1, 2006 through February 28, 2007 in an amount not to exceed **\$2,434,250**; and also authorizing the County Manager to transfer funds among the various agencies during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any of the agencies fail to meet its contractual obligation.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-162**      **VICE CHAIRMAN ESTRADA**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with the **John J. Heldrich Center for Workforce Development, Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy, at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey**, for the purposes of identifying and addressing the workforce and economic competitive advantages within Union County. Phases I & II will be funded at a cost not to exceed **\$96,450**. Phase III will be

recommended for funding if time frames and deliverables are met as specified in the contract.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-163**      **VICE CHAIRMAN ESTRADA**, amending **Resolution No. 659-2003** changing the agency's name from **Interfaith Council for the Homeless to Homefirst** as it is warranted to adhere to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Rules and Regulations and to concur with the commencement of Homefirst, HUD Project #: NJ39-B1-15-004, incurring expenses for services rendered between April 1, 2003 through March 31, 2006 in the amount of **\$490,834**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-164**      **VICE CHAIRMAN ESTRADA**, amending **Resolution No. 2006-278** to the contract with **Homefirst, formerly Interfaith Council**, as a result of a U.S. Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funding award from the 2005 SuperNOFA grant application, for the period of June 1, 2006 through May 31, 2009 in the amount of **\$1,228,283**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-165**      **VICE CHAIRMAN ESTRADA**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Richard Boris Management Developers, Westfield, New Jersey**, to provide research and consultation services, planning and meeting coordination and support in the development and preparation of grant documents in support of Union County's competitive grant application to become a pilot for the State of New Jersey's Differential Response Initiative in an amount not to exceed **\$17,250**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-166**      **VICE CHAIRMAN ESTRADA**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Prevention Links, Clark, New Jersey**, under a grant from the State of New Jersey, Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse for the period of January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2008 in accordance with Union County's Municipal Alliance Plan in the amount of **4,149**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-167**      **VICE CHAIRMAN ESTRADA**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into “extraordinary unspecifiable service” contracts with various agencies for the period of January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2008 pursuant to the **Union County Alcoholism and Drug Abuse and Alliance Plan** in the amount of **\$833,150** for the 2007 contract year. Funding for year two (January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008) will be contingent upon the receipt of additional grant funding. This resolution would further authorize the transfer of funds among the various agencies during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any of the listed agencies fails to meet its contractual obligation.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-168**      **VICE CHAIRMAN ESTRADA**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into an “extraordinary unspecifiable service” contract with various agencies for the period of October 1, 2006 through September 30, 2008 under the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG). Funding for the first year (October 1, 2006 through September 30, 2007) will be in the total amount of **\$705,244**. Funding for year two (October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008) will be contingent upon the receipt of additional grant funding from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs. This resolution would further authorize the transfer of funds among the listed agencies during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any of the listed agencies fails to meet its contractual obligation.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-169**      **VICE CHAIRMAN ESTRADA**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into an “extraordinary unspecifiable service” contract with various agencies for the period of January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2008 under the Personal Assistance Services Program (PASP). Funding for the first year (January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007) will be in the total amount of **\$525,773**. Funding for year two (January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008) will be contingent upon the receipt of additional grant funding from the New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Disability Services. This resolution would further authorize the transfer of funds among the listed agencies during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any of the listed agencies fails to meet its contractual obligation.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-170**      **VICE CHAIRMAN ESTRADA**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into contracts with municipalities within Union County under a grant from the State of New Jersey, Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse for the period of January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2008 in accordance with Union County’s

Municipal Alliance Plan. Funding for the first year (January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007) will be in the total amount of **\$619,379.68**, with **\$85,000** received for the County coordination and administration of the programs. Recipients of funding have an obligation to make a matching cash appropriation equal to 25% of the grant and an in-kind contribution equal to 75% of the grant. Funding for year two (January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008) will be contingent upon the receipt of additional grant funding from the State of New Jersey Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse. This resolution would further authorize the transfer of funds among the listed agencies during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any of the listed agencies fail to meet its contractual obligation.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-171**      **VICE CHAIRMAN ESTRADA**, to accept the recommendation of the review committee and name **ACHS Management Corp/Hersh Tower LLC, New York, New York**, as a qualified proposer as a result of submitting a response to the Request for Qualification to lease commercial space in the City of Elizabeth.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-172**      **VICE CHAIRMAN ESTRADA**, appointing the following person to the **Human Services Advisory Committee** effective January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2009: **Sidney Blanchard, Community Access, Elizabeth, New Jersey**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-173**      **CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contracts obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with **Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq**:

- a. Bureau of Data Processing and Telecommunications: **Millennium Communications Group, Inc., East Hanover, New Jersey**, to furnish and deliver cables for a contract period of twenty-four (24) consecutive months in an amount not to exceed **\$62,598**.
- b. Bureau of Data Processing and Telecommunications: **BCI Communications, Inc., Elmwood Park, New Jersey**, to furnish and deliver cables for a contract period of twenty-four (24) consecutive months in an amount not to exceed **\$1,425**.

- c. Bureau of Data Processing and Telecommunications: Interstate Electronics, Inc., t/a I.E.I, Hazlet, New Jersey, to furnish and deliver Telecommunications Antennae for a contract period of twenty-four (24) consecutive months in the amount of **\$1,996**.
- d. Bureau of Data Processing and Telecommunications: Tessco Incorporated, Hunt Valley, Maryland, to furnish and deliver Telecommunications Antennae for a contract period of twenty-four (24) consecutive months in the amount of **\$8,321.06**.
- e. Division of Engineering: Fai-Gon Electric, Inc., Piscataway, New Jersey, to provide traffic signal improvements at the intersection of Mountain Avenue and South Street/Glenside Avenue in the Borough of New Providence, New Jersey, in the amount of **\$110,778**.
- f. Division of Motor Vehicles: Chas S. Winner, Inc., d/b/a Winner Ford, Cherry Hill, New Jersey, to provide one (1) 2007 Ford Super Duty F-350 XLT 4x4 Crew Cab SRW with snow plow and liftgate in an amount not to exceed **\$35,669**.
- g. Office of the Sheriff: Hertrich Fleet Services, Inc., Milford, Delaware, to furnish and deliver two (2) Ford Econoline Prisoner Vans with inserts in the amount of **\$61,378**.
- h. Bureau of Mosquito Control: Aramark Uniform Services, Burbank, California, to measure, provide and deliver various uniforms for a contract period of twenty-four (24) consecutive months in an amount not to exceed **\$10,074.18**.
- i. Division of Engineering: Emerald Technologies, LLC, Edison, New Jersey, to provide a CCTV Surveillance System for all 18 park facilities and one full year maintenance for a total amount of **\$1,297,000**.
- j. Division of Engineering: Grafas Painting Contractors, Inc., Millburn, New Jersey, to provide window replacement at the Ash Brook Golf Course Clubhouse and renovations to the rear observation deck in the amount of **\$373,610**.
- k. Division of Engineering: Liberty Mechanical Contractors, Inc., Newark, New Jersey, to provide installation of and upgrades to the domestic water system at the Oriscello Correctional Facility in the amount of **\$40,420**.
- l. Division of Emergency Management: Ahura Corporation, Wilmington, Massachusetts, purchasing an Ahura First Defender Raman Spectrometer

First Defender XLS for the purpose of identifying unknown liquids and solids in an amount not to exceed **\$39,200**.

- m. Runnells Specialized Hospital: **Labor Management Concepts, North Arlington, New Jersey**, to provide unarmed security guard service in the amount of **\$526,830.72**.
- n. Division of Data Processing and Telecommunications: **Multiplier Industries Corp., Mt. Kisco, New York**, to furnish and deliver various radio batteries for a contract period of twenty-four (24) consecutive months in the amount of **\$1,610.10**.
- o. Division of Data Processing and Telecommunications: **Star Data Products Company, Ramsey, New Jersey**, to furnish and deliver various radio batteries for a contract period of twenty-four (24) consecutive months in the amount of **\$1,100**.
- p. Division of Data Processing and Telecommunications: **Holzberg Communications, Inc., Totowa, New Jersey**, to furnish and deliver various radio batteries for a contract period of twenty-four (24) consecutive months in the amount of **\$297.50**.
- q. Division of Data Processing and Telecommunications: **Battery Zone, Bridgewater, New Jersey**, to furnish and deliver various radio batteries for the contract period of twenty-four (24) consecutive months in the amount of **\$14,285**.
- r. Department of Parks, Recreation and Facilities: **The Active Network, Inc., Burnaby, British Columbia**, to exercise option 2 - 4<sup>th</sup> year 12-month extension for the integrated telecommunication computerized reservation, point of sale, registration and photo golf identification card system in an amount not to exceed **\$34,800**.
- s. Division of Golf Operations: **Mitchell Products, LLC, Millville, New Jersey**, to provide and deliver top dressing material for a contract period of twenty-four (24) consecutive months in an amount not to exceed **\$56,750**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-174**      **CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, announcing the **prequalification of bidders** pursuant to the “Local Unit Technology Pilot Program and Study Act (PL 2001, C30)” (“**NJLOWESTBID.COM.LLC**”). These bidders will subsequently be

allowed to participate in an online public bid for **Diesel Fuel and Gasoline** on February 16, 2007: **Rachles/Michele's Oil Company, Inc., Clifton, New Jersey; National Fuel Oil, Inc., Newark, New Jersey; and Petroleum Traders Corporation, Fort Wayne, Indiana.**

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-175 CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, re-authorizing the **Union County Commodity Resale System** to allow its registration with the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services with Union County acting as the Lead Agency, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.17(f).

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-176 CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, authorizing the use of **state contracts** as an exception to public bidding as allowed by **N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a, state contract purchases.**

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-177 CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to retain the services of arbitrators, mediators and fact finders, through the New Jersey State Board of Mediators, New Jersey Public Employee Relation Commission Staff, Certified Panel of Interest Arbitrators, or Certificate Panel of Grievance Arbitration in connection with collective negotiations and employment litigation and to pay them the appropriate compensation for the contract period of January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007 in an amount not to exceed **\$17,500 per arbitrator.**

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-178 CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **PDS, Blue Bell, Pennsylvania**, to provide system maintenance and support to the automated personnel system for the contract period of January 26, 2007 through January 25, 2008 in an amount not to exceed **\$44,672.62.**

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-179 CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **Kean University, Union, New Jersey**, for the continuation of the employee tuition reimbursement program for the **Undergraduate Certificate**

**Program in Public Administration** for the contract period of January 1, 2007 – December 31, 2007, in an amount not to exceed **\$7,500.**

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-180**      **CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **Kean University, Union, New Jersey**, for the continuation of the employee tuition reimbursement program for candidates pursuing the **Graduate Enhancement Program in Public Administration** for the contract period of January 1, 2007 – December 31, 2007, in an amount not to exceed **\$18,000.**

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-181**      **CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **Kean University, Union, New Jersey**, to provide tuition reimbursement at one-half of the tuition costs and fees exclusive of books and materials for participation in **Graduate Certificate Program in Public Administration** for the period of January 1, 2007 – December 31, 2007 in an amount not to exceed **\$18,000.**

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-182**      **CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, amending **Resolution No. 1041-2005** to the contract with **County Business Systems, Inc., Pennington, New Jersey**, for final payment for completion of index book project in an additional amount of **\$1,053.50** for a total contract amount of **\$32,658.50.**

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-183**      **CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **iTera, Inc., Salt Lake City, Utah**, for the purchase of Echo2 High Availability Software: P10 for IBM A/S400 Redundancy System as well as installation, licensing and staff training in the amount of **\$47,000.**

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-184**      **CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, approving Change Order No. 1 (final) to a contract with **Marbro, Inc., Montclair, New Jersey**, for the replacement of Bi-County Bridge No. 1400-520 (Su71) on Mt. Vernon Avenue over the Passaic River in the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, and the City of Summit,

County of Union. This request will decrease the contract amount by **\$14,700.58** for a new contract amount of **\$1,283,857.92**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-185**      **CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, concurring with the **City of Linden**, granting permission to the **Morning Star Community Development Corporation, Inc., Linden, New Jersey**, to hang a banner at the Wood Avenue and Elizabeth Avenue intersection, advertising “Exercise Your Faith” to be held Saturday, July 14, 2007. Also concurring with the **City of Linden** to close Elizabeth Avenue, Wood Avenue and the County’s portion of Linden Avenue to accommodate the annual fitness event in conjunction with the “Exercise Your Faith” event.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-186**      **CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to engage the services of certain non-professional individuals (i.e. entertainers and instructors) and to make purchases of livestock (i.e. Stable school horses) for the Department of Parks and Recreation as circumstances dictate in an individual, case by case basis in an amount not to exceed **\$5,000**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-187**      **CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, sponsoring the **Union County Baseball Association, Elizabeth, New Jersey** for the speakers fee support for the 2007 Hot Stove Dinner in an amount not to exceed **\$2,000**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-188**      **CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, amending **Resolution No. 2006-894** to the contract with **Trinitas Hospital, Elizabeth, New Jersey**, in an additional amount of **\$600,000** to provide inpatient/outpatient and emergency room services to Union County Jail inmates and Juvenile Detention detainees for the contract period of January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007 for a total contract amount of **\$1,800,000**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-189**      **CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Dr. Junaid Shaikh, M.D., Montville, New Jersey** and **Dr. Margaret Prial, M.D., Tuckerton, New Jersey**, to perform autopsies and

external examinations on weekends and/or while the medical examiner is on vacation or on sick leave for the contract period of January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007 in an amount not to exceed **\$60,000**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-190**      **CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, amending **Resolution No. 1318-2005** to the contract with **Funeral Services of New Jersey, Inc., Hillside, New Jersey**, for a three (3) month extension of the livery services for pickup, transport and storage of deceased persons, burial of indigents and transport of viral organs for neuropathological consultation for the contract period of January 1, 2007 through March 31, 2007 in an amount not to exceed **\$17,500**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-191**      **CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, to accept the recommendation of the review committee and name **Correctional Health Services, Verona, New Jersey**, as a qualified respondent to a recently released Request for Qualification to provide medical services for the Union County Jail and Juvenile Detention Center.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-192**      **CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, amending **Resolution 2006-357** to increase the appropriation to **Scheck, Price, Smith & King, Morristown, New Jersey**, special counsel in the matter entitled **Juan Espinosa v. UC, et als.** in an additional amount of **\$10,000** for a new total contract amount not to exceed **\$197,500**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-193**      **CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **Thompson West, Stamford, Connecticut**, for the purchase of such law books and materials as is necessary for various departments, constitutional officers and agencies within the County of Union in an amount not to exceed **\$170,755**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-194**      **CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to enter agreements with **Gann Law Books, Newark, New Jersey**, for the purchase of such law books and materials as is necessary for various departments,

constitutional officers and agencies within the County of Union in an amount not to exceed **\$37,995**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-195**      **CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to enter agreements with various vendors for the purchase of such law books and materials as is necessary for various departments, constitutional officers and agencies in a total amount not to exceed **\$126,695**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-196**      **CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to enter into an Interlocal Health Services Agreement between the **City of Elizabeth** and the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-197**      **CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, amending **Resolution No. 2006-1268 (P.A.R.I.S Grant)** to increase the amount of the grant application by **\$250,000** to allow the County to apply for shared services projects, for a new total Grant application in the amount of **\$1,250,000**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-198**      **CHIARWOMAN KOWALSKI**, authorizing the County Manager to apply for and accept grant funding from **New Jersey Department of Community Affairs SHARE program** in the amount of **\$35,000**. This grant offers financial assistance to county governments to facilitate study, develop and establish new shared and regional services.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-199**      **CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, approving a pre-qualified list of firms to provide **general engineering services**.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

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

**2007-200**      **FREEHOLDER MIRABELLA**, extending deepest condolences to the family of **Michael A. Barone, Clark, New Jersey.**

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-201**      **FREEHOLDERS PROCTOR AND HOLMES**, congratulating the following on receiving the Rahway Police Department “Combat Cross” Award for their outstanding acts of bravery in the line of duty: **Lieutenant Joseph Simonetti, Sergeant Frank D’Errico, Sergeant Robert Conroy, Detective Joseph Holley,**

**2007-202**      **Detective Richard Long, Police Officer Jonathan Tilton, Detective James Crowell, Detective Richard Stefanick, Police Officer William Sherrier, Police Officer Thomas Brougham, Detective John Burket, Police Officer Andrew Tkach, Police Officer Scott Rayack and Police Officer Herbert Glass.**

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-203**      **FREEHOLDERS PROCTOR AND HOLMES**, congratulating **Sergeant Dominick Sforza**, on receiving the Rahway Police Department “Certificate of Commendation” Award for his outstanding acts of bravery in the line of duty.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-204**      **FREEHOLDERS PROCTOR AND HOLMES**, congratulating the following on receiving the Rahway Police Department “Honor Guard Unit Citation” Award for their commitment and dedication: **Detective Joseph Holley, Detective Jon Miller, Police Officer Nicholas Robles, Police Officer William Sherrier, Police Officer Robert Zarzycki, Police Officer Scott Rayack, Police Officer Steven Guinta, Police Officer Edward O’Donnell, Detective Richard Long, Detective Paul Meo and Detective William White (Retired).**

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-205**      **FREEHOLDERS PROCTOR AND HOLMES**, congratulating the following on receiving the Rahway Police Department “Certification of Commendation” Award for their outstanding acts of bravery in the line of duty: **Police Officer Frank Wietry and Police Officer Scott Rayack.**

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-206**      **FREEHOLDERS PROCTOR AND HOLMES**, congratulating **Police Officer Shawn Ganley**, on receiving the Rahway Police Department “Certification of Commendation” Award for their outstanding acts of bravery in the line of duty.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-207**      **FREEHOLDERS PROCTOR AND HOLMES**, congratulating **Police Officer Thomas McComb**, on receiving the Rahway Police Department “Life Saving” Award for their outstanding acts of bravery in the line of duty.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-208**      **FREEHOLDERS PROCTOR AND HOLMES**, congratulating **Police Officer Nicholas Robles**, on receiving the Rahway Police Department “Life Saving” Award for their outstanding acts of bravery in the line of duty.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-209**      **FREEHOLDER SCANLON**, congratulating **William J. Lavin, Woodbridge, New Jersey**, for being named as the 2007 Grand Marshal of the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Union County St. Patrick’s Day Parade.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-210**      **FREEHOLDER SCANLON**, congratulating **James Dennis Cogan, Clark, New Jersey**, for serving as the 2007 General Counsel for the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Union County St. Patrick’s Day Parade.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-211**      **FREEHOLDER SCANLON**, congratulating **John E. Peters, Union, New Jersey**, for serving as the 2007 Adjutant for the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Union County St. Patrick’s Day Parade.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-212**      **FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN**, proclaiming the month of February 2007 as “**Women’s Heart Health Month**” in Union County.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-213**     **FREEHOLDERS SULLIVAN AND SCANLON**, extending deepest condolences to the family of **Peter Moran, Jr., Clark, New Jersey**, in this, their time of sorrow.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-214**     **VICE CHAIRMAN ESTRADA**, recognizing **Reverend Carla Palin, New Life Restoration Church, Plainfield, New Jersey**, who provided Thanksgiving dinner for 24 youth residents at the Union County Secure Detention Facility.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-215**     **VICE CHAIRMAN ESTRADA**, commending the **Roselle Boys Track and Field Team** who won the **NJSIAA Group I State Relay Championship** on Friday, January 12, 2007:

- Shuttle Hurdle Relay: **Gerkenz Sensca, Terrel Guy, Jared Washington and Rahdel Savage – 1<sup>st</sup> New State Record.**
- 800 Meter Relay: **Courtney Roberts, Woddie Charles, Gerkenz Senesca and Rahdel Savage – 1<sup>st</sup>.**
- High Jump: **Rahdel Savage and Courtney Roberts – 1<sup>st</sup>.**
- 1600 meter relay: **Terrel Guy, Carl Jean Louis, Rahdel Savage and Gewrkenz Senesca – 2<sup>nd</sup>.**
- Spring Medley Relay: **Courtney Roberts, Woodie Charles, Keon Paris and Moses Jean Louis – no placement.**

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-216**     **VICE CHAIRMAN ESTRADA**, extending sincerest respect and admiration to **Francisco J. Verdecia**, who passed away on September 25, 2005, before his book was published, “A Skillful Escape from Hell.” The book describes his continuing struggle and devotion for the freedom of his country, Cuba.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-217**     **CHAIRWOMAN KOWLASKI**, congratulating **Raymond Anthony Felipe, Cranford, New Jersey**, Boy Scouts of America, Troop 75, on attaining his Eagle Scout Award.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

**2007-218 CHAIRWOMAN KOWALSKI**, proclaiming February as “**National Career and Technical Education Month**” in Union County.

On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Freeholder Holmes, roll call showed nine votes in the affirmative.

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

Kevin Retcho, Linden: Mr. Retcho asked who handles the recertification of handguns for corrections officers.

Tina Renna, Cranford: Mrs. Renna spoke in opposition to Resolution 2006-162. Mrs. Renna is also opposed to the assignment of County vehicles.

Bruce Paterson, Garwood: Mr. Paterson thanked the Freeholder Board for their actions on several matters including the resolution of the Ponderosa Farm utilization; planting 80 trees in Unami Park, which is near Garwood; not funding the reactivation of the M&E Rail line; attempting to coerce the Jets to relocate to Union County; awarding one of the largest grant awards to Garwood; mobile meetings; advising on content in the Directions newsletter and giving Chairwoman Kowalski the opportunity to be Chair of the Board.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION CONCLUDED**

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**FREEHOLDER REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

Freeholder Adrian O. Mapp addressed an email which came from a young Latina woman who is in the process of applying to colleges and by no fault of her own has found herself in a situation where she will not be eligible for financial aide. Freeholder Mapp is asking the Board to make a plea to our congressional leadership, using this woman as an example and inspiration, to review the legislation and remedy this ill of the system. Spending money to remedy the situation now, will certainly save money in the long run by helping young students earn their degrees, he stated.

Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan explained that Resolution number 2007-188 is the final part of a three-year contract, which was discussed at the agenda meeting, for \$600,000 for each of the three years, for a total of \$1.8 million. Freeholder Sullivan explained that last year, there was a prisoner who needed emergency surgery which cost taxpayers \$400,000; Freeholder Sullivan believes he did in fact get first class treatment.

Freeholder Sullivan read a letter received by the New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission praising the County for the manner in which the County's Juvenile Detention Center is managed and how quickly and efficiently problems in the JDC were addressed.

Freeholder Deborah P. Scanlon sadly announced the passing of her friend, and General Chairman of the St. Patrick's Day Parade Dennis Kogen of Westfield. Freeholder Scanlon read a letter written by a friend of Mr. Kogen which beautifully detailed his dedication to the Parade and his love of life, family and friends. Freeholder Scanlon requested a condolence resolution for the family for the next meeting.

Freeholder Alexander Mirabella had no comments.

Freeholder Nancy Ward had no comments.

Freeholder Chester Holmes mentioned that he participates in a scholarship fund which awards money to students who wish to attend college. Freeholder Holmes asked Freeholder Mapp to forward the information of the young woman he spoke of so he can forward a scholarship application to her for consideration by his board.

Freeholder Rick Proctor had no comments.

Vice Chairman Angel G. Estrada had no comments.

County Counsel Robert Barry had no comments.

County Manager George W. Devanney thanked Director Graziano and Director Sigmund and the employees of the Department of Public Works and the Department of Parks, Recreation and Facilities for their work during the snow storm making Union County's road safe for travel. Mr. Devanney commented that he visited the DPW facility at 3:45am and everyone was out working. He also commented that when he went to drop his son off at school on Wednesday morning, one of his teachers commented that the roads in New Providence were terribly dangerous, but once she got onto a County road, the driving conditions were great.

Chairwoman Bette Jane Kowalski added her thanks to the employees of the Department of Public Works and the Department of Parks, Recreation and Facilities. She also congratulated the staff at Runnells Specialized Hospital and the Corrections Facility on energy rebate received from the State of New Jersey.

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Chairwoman Kowalski called for a motion to adjourn the Regular meeting. On a motion made by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Scanlon, all were in favor of adjourning the meeting.

The voucher list through February 7, 2007 will be available for public perusal in the Office of the Clerk of the Board.

## ADJOURNMENT

Listed below is the schedule for upcoming Freeholders Meetings. Meetings are generally held on **Thursday at 7:00 pm** in the Meeting Room, Administration Building, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Elizabeth, New Jersey, unless otherwise specified.

### AGENDA/WORK SESSIONS

#### 7:00 P.M.

**February 22\***

**March 1**  
**March 22**

**April 12**  
**April 26 \***

**May 3**  
**May 17**

**June 7**                      **Summer Session**

**July 19**                      **Summer Session**

**August 9**                      **Summer Session**

**September 6\***  
**September 20**

**October 4**  
**October 18**

**November 8\***  
**November 29\***

**December 6**  
**December 20\***

### REGULAR/PUBLIC MEETINGS

#### 7:00 P.M.

**February 22\***

**March 8**  
**March 29**

**April 19**  
**April 26\***

**May 10**  
**May 24**

**June 21**

**July 26**

**August 23**

**September 6\***  
**September 27**

**October 11**  
**October 25**

**November 8\***  
**November 29\***

**December 13**  
**December 20\***

**\*COMBINED AGENDA SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING**

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