

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

AGENDA MEETING

MAY 19, 2005

ROLL CALL

PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

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

OATHS OF OFFICE: Shirley B. Cathie and Fanny Jaramillo, to the Union County Commission on the Status of Women; Oscar Ocasio to the Union County Open Space & Historic Preservation Trust Fund Public Advisory Committee.

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I. DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

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

RESOLUTIONS

1. Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contracts obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with **Local Public Contracts Law 40A:11-1 et seq: (CH. PROCTOR)**
 - a. **DIVISION ON AGING: PNC FLM, LLC, DBA/Princeton Nassau Conover FLM, Princeton, New Jersey**, one (1) 2005 Ford F-150 XL Super Cab with Chassis fitted with a Hot Shot II XL Heated and Refrigerated Food Transport Unit, in an amount of **\$36,625**.
 - b. **BUREAU OF MOSQUITO CONTROL: Best Uniform, Westville, New Jersey**, optional 1st year extension, to provide uniforms in an amount of **\$3,000**.
 - c. **DIVISION OF PUBLIC WORKS: The Sherwin-Williams Company, Westfield, New Jersey**, to furnish and deliver traffic paint for the County of Union and the Union County Cooperative Pricing System, for a contract period of twenty-four (24) consecutive months in an amount of **\$76,640**.

- d. BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES FOR PARKS, RECREATION AND FACILITIES: **Seely Equipment & Supply Company, Farmingdale, New Jersey**, to furnish and deliver one (1) Brush Bandit Chipper Model 250XP, in an amount of **\$30,600**.
- e. BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES FOR PARKS, RECREATION AND FACILITIES: **Storr Tractor Company, Somerville, New Jersey**, to furnish and deliver one (1) Buffalo Turbine Blower Model BT-KB10G2, in an amount of **\$5,975**.
- f. BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES FOR PARKS, RECREATION AND FACILITIES: **Wilfred MacDonald, Inc., Hackensack, New Jersey**, to furnish and deliver one (1) Jacobsen Turbo Mower Model HR9016, in an amount of **\$77,497**.
- g. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE: **Iron Mountain, East Brunswick, New Jersey**, optional 2nd year extension, offsite storage, provision of records management services for various County Departments including storage, retrieval, and destruction of County government hard copy records in an amount not to exceed **\$100,000**.
- h. DIVISION OF ENGINEERING: **Cobra Construction Co., Inc., North Arlington, New Jersey**, first floor renovation & security system upgrade – Oriscello Correctional Facility for a total amount of **\$6,325,000**.
- i. DIVISION OF ENGINEERING: **Fai-Gon Electric Inc., Piscataway, New Jersey**, intersection improvements – Vauxhall Road with Burnet Avenue and Fire Station No. 2, Township of Union, New Jersey in an amount of **\$449,773.53**.
- j. OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK: **Alltech Business Solutions, Whippany, New Jersey**, furnish, deliver, install and maintain four (4) coin operated copy machines for Union County Clerk’s Office for twenty-four (24) months with the option for a twenty-four (24) month extension and shall start when the County/vendor agreement is executed and upon expiration of the previous contract. This agreement is revenue producing and the County shall realize 66% of the gross proceeds.
- k. OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTOR: **Absolute Fire Protection Co., Inc., South Plainfield, New Jersey**. Mask Communications System is a battery-powered, self-contained communications unit for use with full-face respirators (120). It provides hands-free voice amplification for local, short-range communication to be used by the Union County Emergency Respond Team (UCERT) in an amount of **\$30,361.20**.

2. Authorizing the County Manager to renew the following policies as recommended by the **Citizen Insurance Review Committee (CIRC): (CH. PROCTOR)**
 1. Event Cancellation/Weather Insurance including weather watch service for the following Events: **Rhythm & Blues by the Brook, Plainfield, New Jersey, June 11, 2005 and MusicFest, Mountainside, New Jersey September 17, 2005.** These events will be insured through **AIG – ASU International Agency, Woburn, MA,** in an amount no to exceed **\$13,233.10.**
 2. Renewing the **Lawyer’s Professional Liability Policy** for the Prosecutor’s Office with **Lloyd’s of London c/o William Malone, Paramus, New Jersey,** for the period of May 1, 2005 – May 1, 2006, in an amount not to exceed **\$106,736.**
 3. Renewing the **Risk Control Consulting Agreement** with **Hale Insurance Brokerage, LLC, Cranford, New Jersey,** for the period of June 1, 2005 – June 1, 2006, in an amount not to exceed **\$32,400.** (Increase of **\$6,900** due to the fact that Loss prevention services now include work that has been previously handled in part by PMA Insurance)
 4. Renewing the **Medical Malpractice/Professional Policy** for Part-Time Runnells Hospital Physicians with **Princeton Insurance Company, Princeton, New Jersey,** for the period of July 1, 2005 – July 1, 2006, in an amount not to exceed **\$53,023.72.** (Decrease of **\$270.95).**

II. DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
James Daley, Director

RESOLUTIONS

1. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Division of Information Technologies, to enter into an agreement with **Vital Communications, Inc., Trenton, New Jersey,** to provide maintenance and technical support for MODIV front end application software for the period of July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006, in an amount not to exceed **\$36,000.** (FR. SULLIVAN)
2. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, to execute any and all agreements for the **2005 HEART Grant Program 1st Round** in an amount not toe exceed **\$30,745:** (FR. KOWALSKI)

Mario Lombardo, Cranford	\$500.00
Morton Weinstein, Mountainside	\$500.00
Nancy J. Ori, Berkeley Heights	\$1,000.00
Regina Brennan-Furlan, Springfield	\$500.00
Arts Guild of Rahway	\$2,000.00

City of Summit/Outdoor Art Project	\$1,000.00
Clark Historical Society	\$1,000.00
Elizabeth Avenue Partnership, Inc.	\$2,000.00
Free Public Library of Berkeley Heights	\$895.00
Hanson Park Conservancy, Cranford	\$500.00
Kenilworth Public Library	\$2,000.00
Merchants & Drovers Tavern Assoc., Rahway	\$2,000.00
Mother Seton Regional High School, Clark	\$1,000.00
Mystic Vision Players, Inc., Linden	\$2,500.00
Occupational Center of UC, Inc., Roselle	\$2,500.00
Outreach Center for Multiple Sclerosis, Inc., Roselle	\$1,500.00
Playhouse Association, Inc., Summit	\$500.00
Reeves-Reed Arboretum, Summit	\$500.00
Scotch Plains-Fanwood Rotary Frazee House, Inc.	\$850.00
Suburban Chambers of Comm. Foundation, Inc., Summit	\$1,000.00
Summit Music Festival	\$1,500.00
The Newark Museum Association	\$2,000.00
The Theater Project/UC College Foundation, Cranford	\$2,000.00
YM-YWHA of Union County	\$1,000.00

3. Approving the **Fiscal Year 2005 Five-Year Consolidated Plan and One-Year Action Plan**, to be submitted to the US Department of Housing & Urban Development. **(FR. SULLIVAN)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Division of Planning & Community Development, to enter into a contract with **Nicholas J. Netta Architects, Springfield, New Jersey**, to provide architectural services for Phase I for the Meals on Wheels Facility for the contract period of June 1, 2005 – May 31, 2006, in an amount not to exceed **\$10,200. (FR. SULLIVAN)**

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

RESOLUTIONS

1. Concurring with the **City of Linden**, granting permission to the Special Improvement District of Linden (SID) to hang banners across Wood Avenue at the corner of North Wood Avenue and Elizabeth Avenue and across North Wood Avenue and Curtis Street, Linden, New Jersey, from May 27, 2005 to June 6, 2005 and from July 25, 2005 to August 8, 2005 to promote their Annual Sidewalk Sales. **(CH. PROCTOR)**

2. Concurring with the **Township of Scotch Plains**, granting permission to the Scotch Plains – Fanwood Chapter Unico to hang a banner across Park Avenue, Scotch Plains, New Jersey, in the center of town, in front of the monument, from August 1, 2005 to September 6, 2005 to publicize their Annual Labor Day Italian Festival to be held September 2, 2005 through September 5, 2005 in the parking lot of Saint Bartholomew’s Church, Scotch Plains, New Jersey. **(CH. PROCTOR)**
3. Authorizing the **County of Somerset** to obtain Temporary Construction Easements in the City of Plainfield, along Madison Avenue, adjacent to the Duer Street/Madison Avenue Bridge over the Green Brook, for the purpose of constructing a new bridge at this location. (Somerset County is the lead agency for this project). **(CH. PROCTOR)**

IV. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Lawrence Caroselli, Director

RESOLUTION

1. Accepting the **Public Archives and Records Infrastructure Support (PARIS) Grants** from the **NJ Department of State, Division of Archives and Records Management and the State Records Committee**, for grant programs to meet the strategic records management, preservation and storage needs of the County of Union totaling **\$1,010,638.59**. **(FR. SULLIVAN)**

V. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Frank Guzzo, Director

RESOLUTION

1. Entering into a contract with the **Department of Community Affairs, Division on Women**, and accept Rape Prevention Education (RPE) funds in the amount of **\$39,780**, for the Rape Crisis Center to operate a twenty – four (24) hour sexual assault crisis and informational hotline, and reduce sexual violence by developing and conducting prevention education activities for the period of June 30, 2005 – June 29, 2006. **{Federal funding: \$39,780} (FR. ESTRADA)**

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

RESOLUTIONS

1. Authorizing applications for a **New Jersey Lake Dredging and Restoration Loans** for the following projects: Upper Echo Lake Dredging in the amount of **\$1,700,000**; and Cedar Brook Lake Dredging in the amount of **\$750,000**. (This program authorizes loans at 2% for up to 20 years to assist lake owners in dredging and restoring their lakes) (FR. KOWALSKI)
2. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and obtain a grant from the **New Jersey Department of Community Affairs**, for **\$10,000** State with **\$2,000** hard cash match for a total contract of **\$12,000**, for Recreation Opportunities for Individuals with Disabilities. {State funding: **\$10,000**; County funding: **\$2,000**; Total funding: **\$12,000**} (FR. KOWALSKI)
3. Authorizing payment in an amount not to exceed **\$5,529** to the **City of Elizabeth, Department of Recreation**, to run a summer playground program at Mattano Park for the period of July 5, 2005 – August 26, 2005. (FR. KOWALSKI)
4. Amending **Resolution No. 182-2005**, to the contract with **Kathleen P. Galop, Esq., of Preservation Possibilities, Summit, New Jersey**, to allow for the continued development of the Archival Preservation Plan for the Union County Parks System, in an amount not to exceed **\$11,000**. (FR. KOWALSKI)

Original Contract Amount:	\$4,000.00
Amendment No. 1:	\$2,500.00
<u>Amendment No. 2:</u>	<u>\$11,000.00</u>
New Contract Amount:	\$17,500.00

VII. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
Harold Gibson, Director

RESOLUTIONS

1. Authorizing the County Manager to accept and sign a **Memorandum of Understanding** between participating local, state, federal and military agencies and the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General to establish policy and procedures for the activation, use and deactivation of an interoperability communication system. This system will be known as the **New Jersey Interoperability Communication System (NJICS)**. In addition, **Christopher J. Scaturo, Deputy County Emergency Management Coordinator** should be appointed as the contact person. (CH. PROCTOR)

2. Authorizing the County Manager to formerly adopt the **National Incident Management System (NIMS)** as the County's emergency response system as per Homeland Security Presidential Directives (HSPD) 5 & 8. **(CH. PROCTOR)**
3. Authorizing the Department of Finance through the County Manager to increase the **Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI)** budget (Z-02-40-309-825-100) in an amount of **\$7,500**. The initial grant was for **\$163,000** for the two year salary of the Domestic Preparedness Planner. The increase must be used to fund the Emergency Management Blackberry Project as per the Attorney General's Office. **{Federal funding: \$163,000; Requested increase \$7,500; Total funding: \$170,500} (CH. PROCTOR)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for, accept, and expend **\$303,877**, in **Homeland Security/Department of Justice Grant** funding from "**Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Program**", to detect, deter, prevent and respond to acts of terrorism. **{Federal funding: \$303,877} (CH. PROCTOR)**

VIII. DEPARTMENT OF RUNNELLS SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL
Joseph Sharp, Director

RESOLUTIONS

1. Renewing the contract with **JoAnn Duffy, RRT, Springfield, New Jersey**, to provide professional respiratory therapy services for the patients/residents of Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of August 1, 2005 – July 31, 2006, in an amount not to exceed **\$12,000. (FR. KOWALSKI)**
2. Renewing the contract with **Jacqueline Napper, PsyD, Plainfield, New Jersey**, to provide professional psychology services to the patients/residents of Runnells Specialized Hospital for the contract period of August 1, 2005 – July 31, 2006, in an amount of **\$2,400. (FR. KOWALSKI)**

IX. OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTOR
Theodore J. Romankow

RESOLUTIONS

1. Authorizing the County Manager through the Union County Prosecutor's Office to extend the service agreement with **Appriss, Louisville, KY**, to continue the VINE system that operates between the Union County Jail and the Union County Prosecutor's Office to provide statutorily mandated notification of offender release from custody on an automated basis to crime victims for the contract period of April 1, 2005 – March 31, 2006, in an amount of **\$33,072**, to be billed monthly at **\$2,756. (CH. PROCTOR)**

2. Authorizing the County Manager through the Union County Prosecutor's Office to enter into an agreement with the **Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Office of Investigations, Newark, New Jersey**, for the purpose of receiving reimbursable costs incurred while providing resources to joint operations/task forces. **{This agreement is effective on the date it is signed by both parties and terminates September 30, 2005}**
(CH. PROCTOR)

IX. COUNTY COUNSEL
Robert E. Barry, Esq.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Amending **Resolution No. 831-2004**, to increase the appropriation to **Edward Kologi, Linden, New Jersey**, special counsel in the matter entitled **Roberts v. County of Union, et als.** in an additional amount of **\$5,000**, for a new total contract amount not to exceed **\$10,000**. **(CH. PROCTOR)**
2. Amending **Resolution No. 903-2004**, to increase the appropriation to **Edward Kologi, Linden, New Jersey**, special counsel in the matter entitled **Baptiste v. County of Union, et als.** in an additional amount of **\$5,000**, for a new total contract amount not to exceed **\$10,000**. **(CH. PROCTOR)**
3. Amending **Resolution No. 296-2005**, to increase the appropriation to **Schenck, Price, Smith and King, LLP, Morristown, New Jersey**, special counsel in the matter entitled **Scala v. County of Union, et als.** in an additional amount of **\$5,000**, for a new total contract amount not to exceed **\$10,000**. **(CH. PROCTOR)**
4. Amending **Resolution No. 907-2004**, to increase the appropriation to **Palumbo & Renaud, Cranford, New Jersey**, special counsel in the matter entitled **Chambers v. County of Union, et als.** in an additional amount of **\$5,000**, for a new contract amount not to exceed **\$10,000**. **(CH. PROCTOR)**
5. Amending **Resolution No. 901-2004**, to increase the appropriation to **Palumbo & Renaud, Cranford, New Jersey**, special counsel in the matter entitled **Baptiste v. County of Union, et als.** in an additional amount of **\$5,000**, for a new total contract amount not to exceed **\$10,000**. **(CH. PROCTOR)**

XI. COUNTY MANAGER
George Devanney

RESOLUTIONS

1. Entering into an agreement with **Melly Mell Productions, Inc., Elizabeth, New Jersey**, for sponsorship support of the 2005 Elizabeth Waterfront Festival – May 28 & 29, 2005; and Carnival Elizabeth – September 4 & 5, 2005, in an amount not to exceed **\$10,000. (CH. PROCTOR)**

XII. FREEHOLDERS

RESOLUTIONS

FREEHOLDERS ESTRADA AND SULLIVAN

1. Congratulating **St. Adalbert's Roman Catholic Church, Elizabeth, New Jersey**, who will be celebrating their 100th Anniversary on May 21, 2005.

FREEHOLDER KOWALSKI

1. Recognizing and honoring **Gail Driscoll** and many other employees of Merck and Company, for their efforts to remove invasive plants (one that compete aggressively with native vegetation) at the Rahway River Parkway, Rahway Section, Michael S. Bezega Wetland Observation Area.
2. Recognizing and honoring **Melissa Quinn** and many other employees of Martindale-Hubbell of New Providence, for their help in improving the ecological balance and aesthetic nature of Union County's Passaic River Park, Berkeley Heights.

FREEHOLDER MAPP

1. Congratulating **Pete Jones, Plainfield, New Jersey**, on his retirement as President of Faith, Bricks & Mortar, Plainfield, New Jersey, for his outstanding and dedicated service to the City of Plainfield and the County of Union.
2. Congratulating **Helen Clark, Plainfield, New Jersey**, on her Relocation Moving Party given by her grateful neighbors in appreciation for her many years of tireless devotion to the City of Plainfield.

FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN

1. Congratulating **Jim Eddleton** on his retirement after serving the residents of Union County for over 21 years.

FREEHOLDER WARD

1. Re-appointing the following to serve on the Union County Air Traffic Advisory Board commencing January 1, 2005 – December 31, 2005: **William Entriken, Union, New Jersey, Warren Henderson, Union, New Jersey and Richard Obrock, Scotch Plains, New Jersey (representing Winfield, NJ)**

VICE CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA

1. Congratulating **Jillian Cullen, Roselle Park, New Jersey**, who was named the first place winner and received the Raoul Wallenberg Award for Area 4 Finalists (Union and Hudson Counties) for demonstrating courage and compassion.

CHAIRMAN PROCTOR

1. Congratulating **Brian T. Allen, Scotch Plains, New Jersey, Thomas Del Guercio, Union, New Jersey, Phillip G. Laroche, Union, New Jersey and Edward A. Wachter, Union, New Jersey, Boy Scouts of America, Troop 69**, on attaining their Eagle Scout Awards.
2. Recognizing the month of June as “**National Safety Month**” to encourage injury prevention awareness at the workplace, home, and in our communities.

CHAIRMAN PROCTOR AND THE ENTIRE BOARD

1. Extending deepest condolences to the family of **Doris McGuire, Toms River, New Jersey**, in this, their time of sorrow.

CHAIRMAN PROCTOR AND VICE CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA

1. Congratulating the **Fall 2004/Spring 2005** graduates of the Union County Fire Academy.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Re: Pending Litigation

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The next **Agenda Meeting** of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders will be held on **June 9, 2005 at 7:00 PM** in the Freeholders Meeting Room, Administration Building, 6th Floor, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

ADJOURNMENT