The regular meeting of the Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders convened at 4:30 p.m. in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

PRESENT: MR. LANZA, MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MS. LAGAY, MR. WALTON.

Director Lanza announced: "This meeting is being held in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act. Adequate notice has been given by posting throughout the year a copy of the notice on Bulletin Boards on the First and Second Floor of the Main Street County Complex, Building #1, Flemington, New Jersey, a public place reserved for such announcements. A copy was mailed on or before January 13, 2017, to the Hunterdon County Democrat, Star Ledger, Trenton Times, Courier News, TAPinto (online) and the Express Times, newspapers designated to receive such notices and by filing a copy with the Hunterdon County Clerk."

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. King seconded these:

See Page 1/17/17-1A RESOLUTION
RESOLVED, Executive Session to discuss backfills in the Roads Department.

See Page 1/17/17-1B RESOLUTION
RESOLVED, Executive Session to discuss backfills in the Health Department.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. HOLT, MR. KING, MS. LAGAY, MR. WALTON, MR. LANZA.

The Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders went into Executive Session at 4:31 p.m., recessed at 4:55 p.m. and reconvened in Open Session at 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: MR. LANZA, MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MS. LAGAY, MR. WALTON.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Director Lanza remembered Marilyn Rule, mother of Hunterdon County's Purchasing Agent, Raymond E. Rule, Jr., during the moment of silence.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Director Lanza opened the meeting to the public.

There were no public comments at this time.

PURCHASING

Mr. King moved and Ms. Lagay seconded this:

See Page 1/17/17-1C RESOLUTION
RESOLVED, Approving Requisition #R6-07800, using State Contract #A-42270, for underground fuel storage tank removal and installation of above-ground fuel storage tanks, with Independence Constructors, Inc., for the Department of Public Works, in the amount of $89,075.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MS. LAGAY, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MR. LANZA.

Ms. Lagay moved and Mr. Holt seconded this:

See Page 1/17/17-1D RESOLUTION
RESOLVED, Approving Requisition #R6-07798, using State Contract #A-42261, for a fuel storage tank, with E.O. Habhegger Co., Inc., for the Department of Public Works, in the amount of $83,600.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MS. LAGAY, MR. HOLT, MR. KING, MR. WALTON, MR. LANZA.

Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded this:

See Page 1/17/17-1E RESOLUTION
RESOLVED, Authorizing the award of County Bid #2016-18, for Home Health Services, with Anita’s Angels, Inc., in an amount not to exceed $4,000.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MS. LAGAY, MR. WALTON, MR. LANZA.
Mr. Holt moved and Mr. King seconded this:

See Page 1/17/17-2A RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Authorizing the award of County Bid #2016-18, for Home Health Services, with Orions Home Healthcare, in an amount not to exceed $20,000.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. HOLT, MR. KING, MS. LAGAY, MR. WALTON, MR. LANZA.

Mr. King moved and Ms. Lagay seconded this:

See Page 1/17/17-2B RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Authorizing the award of County Bid #2016-18, for Home Health Services, with Preferred Health Care and Nursing Services, Inc., in an amount not to exceed $20,000.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MS. LAGAY, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MR. LANZA.

Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded this:

See Page 1/17/17-2C RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Authorizing the award of County Bid #2016--18, for Home Health Services, with Visiting Health and Supportive Services, Inc., in an amount not to exceed $4,000.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MS. LAGAY, MR. WALTON, MR. LANZA.

Ms. Lagay moved and Mr. King seconded this:

See Page 1/17/17-2D RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Authorizing the extension of County Bid #2016-18, for Home Health Services, with Visiting Nurse of Northern New Jersey, in an amount not to exceed $4,000.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MS. LAGAY, MR. WALTON, MR. LANZA.

Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded this:

See Page 1/17/17-2E RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Authorizing the extension of County Bid #2016-18, for Home Health Services, with ResCare New Jersey Inc., in an amount not to exceed $180,000.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MS. LAGAY, MR. WALTON, MR. LANZA.

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. King seconded this:

See Page 1/17/17-2F RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving the extension of County Bid #2014-16, for the exterior advertising on the County’s LINK System, with HFT Management, Inc., in an amount not to exceed 63% of the gross advertising revenue generated from the sale of advertising on the Transportation Fleet.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) (NAY) MR. HOLT, MR. KING, MS. LAGAY, MR. LANZA.

MR. WALTON.

Mr. King moved and Ms. Lagay seconded this:

See Page 1/17/17-2G RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving the extension of County Bid #2016-04, for Landscape Maintenance and Mowing Services, with D’Onofrio & Sons, Inc., in an amount not to exceed $35,800.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MS. LAGAY, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MR. LANZA.

CONSENT AGENDA

Director Lanza announced: “All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Hunterdon and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.”

Check #158-258 held at this time.

Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded a motion to approve the claims in accordance with the Claims Register dated January 17, 2017, absent check #156-258.

See Page 01/17/17-2H CLAIMS REGISTER.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MS. LAGAY, MR. WALTON, MR. LANZA.
Mr. Holt moved and Mr. King seconded a motion to approve Check #156-258, in accordance with the Claims Register dated January 17, 2017.

**ROLL CALL:** (AYES) MR. HOLT, MR. KING, MS. LAGAY, MR. LANZA. (ABSTAIN) MR. WALTON.

Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded a motion to approve the regular and executive session minutes of December 20, 2016, the special session minutes of December 28, 2016 and the Reorganization minutes of January 03, 2017.

**ROLL CALL:** (AYES) MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MS. LAGAY, MR. WALTON, MR. LANZA.

Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded these:

See Page 1/17/17-3A RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Andrea Schell, full time Public Safety Telecommunicator, Division of Communications, salary adjustment in accordance with the Memorandum of Agreement with CWA Local 1036.

See Page 1/17/17-3B RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Emily Stiff, full time Public Safety Telecommunicator, Division of Communications, salary adjustment in accordance with the Memorandum of Agreement with CWA Local 1036.

See Page 1/17/17-3C RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Tyler Case, full time Public Safety Telecommunicator, Division of Communications, salary adjustment in accordance with the Memorandum of Agreement with CWA Local #1036

See Page 1/17/17-3D RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, John Sadusky, full time Sergeant, Sheriff’s Office, salary adjustment in accordance with the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the FOP, Lodge #94.

See Page 1/17/17-3E RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Carol S. Potter appointed part-time Library Assistant, Hunterdon County Library.

See Page 1/17/17-3F RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Christopher Leffler appointed full-time Laborer, Department of Public Works.

See Page 1/17/17-3G RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Garrett Dunlap appointed full-time Laborer, Department of Public Works.

See Page 1/17/17-3H RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Gloria Lamborn appointed part-time Library Assistant, Hunterdon County Library.

See Page 1/17/17-3I RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Belan Ludovit appointed per-diem Dance Instructor, Division of Senior Services, Department of Human Services.

See Page 1/17/17-3J RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a salary adjustment for Tom Mathews, Director of Public Works, Division of Engineering

See Page 1/17/17-3K RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving salaries for individuals covered under the Collective Bargaining Unit for FOP, Lodge #29.

See Page 1/17/17-3L RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving salaries for Keyboarding Clerks covered under the Collective Bargaining Agreement with CWA Local 1036.

See Page 1/17/17-3M RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving the appointment of Carol Rickard to the Mental Health Board.

See Page 1/17/17-3N RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving an Employment and Reimbursement Agreement with Jason Snyder, Sheriff’s Officer.
RESOLVED, Approving the renewal of a Lease Agreement with the State of New Jersey (Lease/RPR #16-13), for property at the Annandale Youth Correctional Facility, to be utilized for a proposed Police-Fire-Rescue School, for twenty years.

RESOLVED, Approving the Hunterdon County Municipal Alliance Strategic Plan and recommending its transmittal to the Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Addiction, in order to access $181,380 in state funds.

RESOLVED, Approving plans and specifications for the Reconstruction of Culvert #58, on Pulaski Road, over a branch of Chambers Brook, in Readington Township and authorizing the County Purchasing Agent to advertise for bid.

RESOLVED, a Joint Funding Agreement with the US Department of the Interior, U.S. Geological Survey for the annual maintenance of the Neshanic River Gauge, for the Golf Course, in the amount of $1,700.

RESOLVED, Approving a contract extension for RFP #0032-2015, with Briteside Adult Day Centers, Inc., for an additional 12 months (2017), in the amount of $76,647.

RESOLVED, Approving a contract extension for RFP #0032-2015, with Legal Services of Northwest Jersey, Inc., for an additional 12 months (2017), in the amount of $14,040.

RESOLVED, Approving a contract extension for RFP #0032-2015, with Meals on Wheels in Hunterdon, Inc., for an additional 12 months (2017), in the amount of $219,659.

RESOLVED, Authorizing the County Purchasing Agent to bid for the Hunterdon County Justice Center Hydraulic Elevator Modernization.

RESOLVED, Approving a professional services agreement with David Ciarracca, C.P.A., LLC, for accounting services for the Division of Housing, in the Human Services Department, in the amount of $14,300 for a one year period.

RESOLVED, Approving a professional services agreement with KBD Associates, LLC, Karen Burd Demarco, M.P.H., for County Health Officer services, for 2017, for the Department of Public Safety and Health Services, in the amount of $61,200.

RESOLVED, Approving a professional services agreement with Supplee, Clooney and Company, to perform an audit of financial statements for the Division of Public Housing, in the amount of $9,000.

RESOLVED, Approving a professional services agreement with Wiss and Company, LLP, to perform the 2017 County Audit and for budget preparation services, for the County, in the amount of $74,900.

RESOLVED, Approving the reappointment of Violet Kocsis, to the Greater Raritan Workforce Investment Board, effective immediately.

RESOLVED, Kathleen Shive appointed temporary Confidential Assistant, Hunterdon County Prosecutor’s Office.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MS. LAGAY, MR. WALTON, MR. LANZA.
Ms. Lagay moved and Mr. Holt seconded this:

See Page 1/17/17-5A RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a contract extension for RFP #0032-2015, with the Hunterdon County YMCA, for an additional 12 months (2017), in the amount of $23,793.

ROLL CALL:  (AYES) MS. LAGAY, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MR. LANZA.  (ABSTAIN) MR. KING.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITION

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. King seconded this:

See Page 1/17/17-5B PROCLAMATION

RESOLVED, Declaring January 22-28, 2017 as Hunterdon County School Choice Week.

ROLL CALL:  (AYES) MR. HOLT, MR. KING, MS. LAGAY, MR. WALTON, MR. LANZA.

Mr. King moved and Ms. Lagay seconded this:

See Page 1/17/17-5C PROCLAMATION

RESOLVED, Recognizing Robert Bernot for having served on the Local Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Addiction.

See Page 1/17/17-5D PROCLAMATION

RESOLVED, Recognizing Ann Boyle for having served on the Senior, Disability and Veterans Advisory Board.

See Page 1/17/17-5E PROCLAMATION

RESOLVED, Recognizing Linda Bryant for having served on the Senior, Disability and Veterans Advisory Board.

See Page 1/17/17-5F PROCLAMATION

RESOLVED, Recognizing Roberta Caulkins for having served on the County Transportation Advisory Committee.

See Page 1/17/17-5G PROCLAMATION

RESOLVED, Recognizing Diane Clapp for having served on the Human Services Advisory Council.

See Page 1/17/17-5H PROCLAMATION

RESOLVED, Recognizing Scott Cline for having served on the Local Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Addiction.

See Page 1/17/17-5I PROCLAMATION

RESOLVED, Recognizing Shirley Czajkowski for having served on the Senior, Disability and Veterans Advisory Board.

See Page 1/17/17-5J PROCLAMATION

RESOLVED, Recognizing Bonnie Duncan for having served on the Human Services Advisory Council.

See Page 1/17/17-5K PROCLAMATION

RESOLVED, Recognizing Laura Jones for having services on the Hunterdon County Cultural and Heritage Commission.

See Page 1/17/17-5L PROCLAMATION

RESOLVED, Recognizing Peter Lisi for having served on the Local Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Addiction.

See Page 1/17/17-5M PROCLAMATION

RESOLVED, Recognizing Nicholas Meligukes III for having served on the County Transportation Advisory Committee.

See Page 1/17/17-5N PROCLAMATION

RESOLVED, Recognizing Reverend Pamela Reed for having served on the Senior, Disability and Veterans Advisory Board.
RESOLVED, Recognizing Virginia Romanelli for having served on the Senior, Disability and Veterans Advisory Board.

RESOLVED, Recognizing Nicole Sautner for having served on the Local Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Addiction.

RESOLVED, Mark Titus for having served on the Greater Raritan Workforce Investment Board.

RESOLVED, Recognizing Georjean Trinkle for having served on the Human Services Advisory Council.

RESOLVED, Recognizing Karen Widico for having served on the Human Services Advisory Council.

RESOLVED, Recognizing Michael Yates for having served on the Hunterdon County Vocational Education School District, known as Polytech.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MS. LAGAY, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MR. LANZA.

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving an application with the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for administration of the Low Income Heating and Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), in the amount of $1,695.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MS. LAGAY, MR. WALTON, MR. LANZA.

Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded this:

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a grant award for the 2017 State/Community Partnership and Family Court Services, from the New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission, in the amount of $283,709, for 2017, ($132,544 SCP Service funds; $55,550 in SCP Management Funds; and $95,615 in Family Service Funds.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MS. LAGAY, MR. WALTON, MR. LANZA.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was received from Fred Ghanim, requesting a Road Opening Permit due to a hardship, to open County Route 602 (recently paved), to connect to gas. After a brief discussion, Mr. Holt moved and Mr. King seconded a motion granting permission provided this is coordinated through the County’s Department of Public Works.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MS. LAGAY, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MR. LANZA.

A requesting was received from Dan Brannen, representing Gran Fondo NJ, again requesting to use a portion of the North Branch Library parking during the 7th Annual Grand Fondo NJ, to be held on Sunday, September 10, 2017, as a “Rest and Refreshment” area, from 7:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Mr. King moved and Ms. Lagay seconded a motion granting permission provided this is coordinated through the County’s Department of Public Works.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MS. LAGAY, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MR. LANZA.

FREEHOLDER COMMENTS/REPORTS

Baseball Season

Mr. Walton reported that there are twenty-six days until pitchers and catchers report and seventy days until Opening Day.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Director Lanza opened the meeting to the public.

Harvey Lester, former County Employee (twenty-five years), and current retiree, approached the Board on behalf of retirees wishing to keep Delta Dental insurance once the switch to State Health Benefits is complete.
Mr. Lester explained there are options through the SHBP for dental insurance options which allows the premium to be deducted directly from a retiree’s pension check; however, Delta Dental is not one of them. He wishes to keep this benefit and continue to pay the premium through the third party biller as he has done in the past, which is no cost to the County.

Brad Myhre, Human Resources Director, advised the Board that the County is able to allow retirees to continue with Delta Dental and bill them appropriately. The idea was to transition all retirees to State Health Benefits because of the direct deduction from pension checks, but if the Board wants to give retirees the option of either, it is not a hardship for the County to do so.

After a brief discussion, the Board agreed to make a decision on the matter at the next meeting.

There being no further business before the Board, Director Lanza adjourned the meeting at 6:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise B. Doolan, CLERK

Transcribed by:

Dana A. Gootman, Deputy Clerk