

# HUNTERDON COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

71 Main Street, Freeholder's Meeting Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

Flemington, New Jersey 08822

**April 02, 2013**

The regular meeting of the Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders convened at 2:45 p.m. in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act.

**PRESENT: MR. WALTON, MR. HOLT, MR. KING, MR. MELICK, MR. MENNEN.**

## **OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

Director Walton 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 March 28, 2013, to the Hunterdon County Democrat, Star Ledger, Trenton Times, Courier News and the Express Times, newspapers designated to receive such notices and by filing a copy with the Hunterdon County Clerk."

## **FOR DISCUSSION**

### **Polytech Budget**

The Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders met to discuss what direction to provide to the Freeholder members who make up the Polytech Board of School Estimate.

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. King seconded a motion to authorize the members of the Freeholder Board sitting on the Board of School for the Hunterdon County Vocational School District (known as Polytech) to approve Polytech's budget as submitted.

**ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. HOLT, MR. KING, MR. WALTON.  
(NAYS) MR. MELICK, MR. MENNEN.**

### **Old Business/Personnel matters (budget) Prosecutor's Office.**

The Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders discussed a request from the County Prosecutor for an increase in staff of 7 new positions (detectives and clerical). Mr. Mennen reminded the Board that the fringe benefit costs for law enforcement is 79%.

After further discussion, Mr. Melick moved and Mr. Mennen seconded a motion to adopt the Study Commission's resolution discussed at last year's budget discussions.

**ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. MELICK, MR. MENNEN.  
(NAYS) MR. HOLT, MR. KING, MR. WALTON.**

Mr. Mennen made a motion that the County Prosecutor be asked to come before the Board to represent his request. Motion died for lack of a second

Director Walton moved and Mr. Holt seconded a motion to approve the increase in personnel as requested by the Hunterdon County Prosecutor in his memorandum dated March 13, 2013.

**ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. WALTON, MR. HOLT, MR. KING,  
(NAYS) MR. MELICK, MR. MENNEN.**

The Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders recessed at 3:22 p.m.

## **POLYTECH BOARD OF SCHOOL ESTIMATE MEETING**

The Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders recessed while Freeholders' Melick and Mennen attended the Hunterdon County Vocational School District Board of Estimate meeting.

The Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders returned to Open Session at 4:00 p.m.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Mennen moved and Mr. King seconded these:

**See Page 04/02/13-1A RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Executive Session to discuss the future of the Public Works Department. (8)

**See Page 04/02/13-1B RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Executive Session to discuss the salary considerations for unclassified personnel. (8)

**See Page 04/02/13-1C RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Executive Session to discuss various appointments.

**See Page 04/02/13-1D RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Executive Session to discuss right of way negotiations for County Bridge E-174, in East Amwell Township for the the Public Works Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-2A**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Executive Session to discuss an update of contractual obligations for the County's Labor Attorney.

**See Page 04/02/13-2B**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Executive Session to receive an update of ongoing litigations.

**ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. MENNEN, MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MR. MELICK, MR. WALTON.**

The Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders went into Executive Session at 4:02 p.m., recessed at 4:38 p.m. and reconvened in Open Session at 5:30 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Director Walton asked all present to stand during a moment of silence for Jeffrey Scheuerer who died in the line of duty. Mr. Scheuerer was a member/professional with the New Jersey Fire Service, as well as a resident of Raritan Township and a 21 year volunteer with the Readington Fire Company.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Director Walton opened the meeting to the public.

Barbara Suchau, Raritan Township resident, questioned the Board about title changes listed under the Consent Agenda and also questioned if these employees are given yearly raises, longevity raises and promotion raises.

Ms. Suchau asked about the Educational Services Commission listed on the Consent Agenda.

Director Walton explained that the personnel actions for the Public Works Department were held at bay for several years due to the economy, they are overdue and deserved. Director Walton explained raises are not given every year and depending upon how long someone has served, someone may receive a longevity raise. This is done in accordance with the bargaining unit contracts covering those individuals.

Director Walton explained the Educational Services Commission is not affiliated with County Government, they are a resource for schools and they provide busing, joint purchases of books and paper. They are a cooperative organization for the school districts in the County.

**RELAY FOR LIFE PROCLAMATION**

Mr. Walton moved and Mr. Mennen seconded this:

**See Page 04/02/13-2C**

**PROCLAMATION**

**RESOLVED**, declaring June 14 and 15, 2013 as RELAY FOR LIFE days in Hunterdon County.

**ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. WALTON, MR. MENNEN, MR. HOLT, MR. KING, MR. MELICK.**

Director Walton presented Daniel Torrone representing the Hunterdon County Relay for Life with a proclamation.

**FINANCE**

Mr. Melick moved and Mr. Mennen seconded these:

**See Page 04/02/13-2D**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving the cancellation of a grant receivable for the 2011 PASP, in the amount of \$8,131.

**See Page 04/02/13-2E**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving the cancellation of a grant receivable for the 2011-2012 Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner/ Response Team, in the amount of \$35,941.50.

**See Page 04/02/13-2F**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving the cancellation of a grant receivable for the 2011-2012 Kids Are Riding Safe Grant, in the amount of \$1,415.

**See Page 04/02/13-2G**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving the cancellation of a grant receivable for the 2011-2012 State Health Services (BT), in the amount of \$35.00 and the grant reserve in the amount of \$25.93.

**See Page 04/02/13-2H**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving the cancellation of a grant receivable for the 2011 Municipal Alliance Program, in the amount of \$1,613.20 and the grant reserve in the amount of \$1,610.20.

**RESOLVED**, Approving the cancellation of a grant receivable for the 2011 HIV Counseling & Testing, in the amount of \$35,365 and the grant reserve in the amount of \$35,364.88.

**ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. MELICK, MR. MENNEN, MR. HOLT, MR. KING, MR. WALTON.**

**PURCHASING**

Mr. Mennen moved and Mr. King seconded this:

**RESOLVED**, Approving Requisition #40032849, using Quote #0021-2013, with MSC Industrial, for an air compressor, for the Division of Garage Services, Public Works Dept., in the amount of \$16,093.73.

**ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. MENNEN, MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MR. MELICK, MR. WALTON.**

Mr. King moved and Mr. Melick seconded this:

**RESOLVED**, Authorizing the award of County Bid #2013-04, to furnish and deliver Long Life Traffic Stripe Epoxy, to Epoplex, Division of Stoncor Group, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$73,125.

**ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. MELICK, MR. HOLT, MR. MENNEN, MR. WALTON.**

**ROADS and BRIDGES update**

John P. Glynn, Public Works Director came before the Board to provide an update of various County road and bridge projects.

- The Design work for County Route 513, from High Bridge Borough to the Morris County Line will be completed in late April.
- The contractor is working for the release for the mechanic's lien, with regard to County Route 523 in Readington Township and County Route 517 in Tewksbury Township.
- A contractor has been named for the County Route 579/602 project in Ringoes and work has started as of last week.
- Final plans and specifications for County Route 614, in Union Township is 90% complete. This is a High Risk Rural Road (HRRR) project.
- Hard rock was hit as the gasline was being relocated for County Bridge E-140-M, on County Route 518. An alternative plan is being researched on how to relocate the gasline. The bridge work is tentatively set to begin in July 2013.
- Once warmer weather comes, grass seed will be planted at Inter-County Bridge L-97-W, on Stephensburg Road, in Lebanon Township/Hunterdon County and Mansfield Township/Warren County.
- County Culvert HA-11, on Sweet Hollow Road, in Alexandria and Holland Townships is due for a super-structure replacement this summer. The culvert was damaged during Hurricane Irene.
- County Culvert HA-13, on Sweet Hollow Road, in Alexandria and Holland Townships is due for a super-structure replacement in the Fall of 2013. The culvert was damaged during Hurricane Irene.
- Bids were received on March 21, 2013 for County Culvert U-18, on Race Street, in Union Township. Shop drawings are being done and the project has a June 15, 2013 deadline with NJDEP.
- Purchasing is working on a contractor contract for the Columbia and Landsdown Rail Improvements. Bids were received on March 14, 2013.
- NJDOT needs to authorize a preconstruction meeting for County Bridge F-45, on Whitebridge Road, in Franklin Township. The right of way is already in place.
- A tentative start date for construction of County Bridge D-300, on Raven Rock-Rosemont Road, in Delaware Township.
- The County is waiting on concurrence from NJDOT on County Bridge RQ-179, in Raritan and Readington Townships.
- A stakeout is being done for the County Routes 512/513 intersection, in Califon Borough.
- The County is waiting on the right of way for the County Routes 600/612 intersection.
- Authorization is needed from the Board to have the

Mr. Glynn informed the Board that Freeholder approval is needed for the annual Accomplishment Report for Hunterdon County's Community Forestry Management Plan. Mr. King moved and Mr. Melick seconded a motion authorizing the Freeholder Director to sign, on behalf of the County, the Annual Accomplishment Report for Hunterdon County's Community Forestry Management Plan.

**ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. MELICK, MR. MENNEN, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON.**

**COUNTY Update**

Cynthia J. Yard, County Administrator informed the Board that the County had visitors today, arranged through the Rotary from Pakistan and they were very impressed with Hunterdon County. They visited the County's Departments of Purchasing and Finance, along with the County Superintendent of School's Office.

Mrs. Yard reported to the Freeholder Board that progress for the 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for the County of Hunterdon is going well. Events will be kicked off on January 01, 2014 as part of the 2014 Reorganization meeting the Freeholder Board will be reenacting an earlier historical Freeholder meeting. So far, 20 municipalities have been visited and they have been very gracious and enthusiastic about the 300<sup>th</sup>. At this point, there are between 80 to 100 different events being planned. There will not be two events on any one day so that if people want to attend every event will be able to do that.

Mrs. Yard advised there will be a calendar coming out in October 2013; 25,000 will be printed up and they will be the official calendar of events. General meetings of the group are held the second Wednesday of every month and at least 100 people attend those meetings at the Choir School building and they are volunteering. If anyone is interested, there are still areas that volunteers are needed.

Mrs. Yard stated in May of 2014, a one man Lindberg Show will be taking place. This individual is from Florida. This show is not just about the Lindberg/Hautmann trial; it is about Lindberg's whole life. This individual is rewriting the opening of the show, as it is done in the first person, in order to reflect Hunterdon County. While this will cost the 300<sup>th</sup> Committee a little money, it is a 5013c and money is being raised for events and it is the intent to raise \$250,000 for the 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the County. No taxpayer funds will be spent.

Mrs. Yard reported the County's Director for 2013 was dedicated to the County's 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The municipalities and the County's employees and residents are rising to participate.

Mr. Holt thanked Mrs. Yard for her time she spent last week taking on WDVR's radio station talking about the County's 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and planned events. Mrs. Yard did a great job in helping to promote this.

Mr. Holt further thanked Mrs. Yard, on behalf of the County, for the time she spent, as well as organized departments to meet with the Rotary's visitors. They were part of a Rotary Program for a Group Study Exchange which has been going on for a number of years. This is a program where individuals come into the United States; it is a highly competitive program; and on average there is a Rotarian within the country and four positions filled to come through this program. Mr. Holt stated there are usually several hundred applications for that program. Mr. Holt also thanked all the County employees who participated in receiving these visitors and giving them a glimpse of how Hunterdon County works.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Director Walton 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."

Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded a motion to approve claims in accordance with the Claims Register dated April 02, 2013, minus Check #140967.

**See Page 04/02/13-4A**

#### **CLAIMS REGISTER**

**ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MR. MENNEN, MR. MELICK, MR. WALTON.**

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. Melick seconded a motion to approve Check #140967 in accordance with the Claims Register dated April 02, 2013.

**ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. HOLT, MR. MELICK, MR. MENNEN, MR. WALTON.  
(ABSTAIN) MR. KING.**

Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded a motion to approve the regular minutes of March 19, 2013.

**ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MR. MENNEN, MR. MELICK, MR. WALTON.**

Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded these:

**See Page 04/02/13-4B**

#### **RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Thomas Kachnowski appointed permanent, part time Coordinator of Volunteers, Division of Health Services, Public Safety and Health Services Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-4C**

#### **RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Lisa Piazza appointed permanent, full time Family Service Supervisor, Division of Social Services, Human Services Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-4D**

#### **RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Jonathan Webb, Roads and Bridges Division of Public Works, salary adjustment. (rec'd CDL).

**See Page 04/02/13-5A**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, William Weinreich appointed provisional, full time Senior Bridge Repairer, Roads and Bridges Division of Public Works Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-5B**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Craig Kollmer appointed provisional, full time Senior Bridge Repairer, Roads and Bridges Division of the Public Works Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-5C**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Robert McElroy appointed provisional, full time Senior Bridge Repairer, Roads and Bridges Division of the Public Works Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-5D**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Tim Dellatore appointed provisional, full time Senior Bridge Repairer, Roads and Bridges Division of the Public Works Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-5E**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Joseph DeJesso appointed provisional, full time Senior Bridge Repairer, Roads and Bridges Division of the Public Works Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-5F**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Daniel Zmuda appointed provisional, full time Senior Mechanic, Roads and Bridges Division of the Public Works Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-5G**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Daniel Waisempacher appointed provisional, full time Senior Mechanic, Roads and Bridges Division of the Public Works Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-5H**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Paul Bolanowski appointed provisional, full time Senior Mechanic, Roads and Bridges Division of the Public Works Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-5I**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Paul Fandel appointed provisional, full time Senior Mechanic, Roads and Bridges Division of the Public Works Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-5J**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Joshua Burk appointed provisional, full time Senior Road Repairer, Roads and Bridges Division of the Public Works Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-5K**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Corey Colaluce appointed provisional, full time Senior Road Repairer, Roads and Bridges Division of the Public Works Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-5L**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Jonathan James appointed provisional, full time Senior Road Repairer, Roads and Bridges Division of the Public Works Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-5M**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, John Gamatko appointed provisional, full time Senior Road Repairer, Roads and Bridges Division of the Public Works Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-5N**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Donn Brown appointed provisional, full time Senior Road Repairer, Roads and Bridges Division of the Public Works Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-5O**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Jacob Cole Jr. appointed provisional, full time Supervisor Roads, Roads and Bridges Division of the Public Works Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-5P**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Robert Silva appointed provisional, full time Supervisor of Garage Services, Roads and Bridges Division of the Public Works Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-6A**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Patrick Masterson appointed provisional, full time Supervising Bridge Repairer, Roads and Bridges Division of the Public Works Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-6B**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Bryan Williamson appointed temporary, as needed Seasonal Laborer, Roads and Bridges Division of the Public Works Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-6C**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving the Emergency Operating Plan for the County of Hunterdon.

**See Page 04/02/13-6D**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a Business Associate Agreement for State Contract #SH13010, Social Services for Homeless, required by NJ Division of Family Development.

**See Page 04/02/13-6E**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a Municipal Alliance Subgrant, with West Amwell Township, for the South Hunterdon Regional Alliance, in the amount of \$14,700.

**See Page 04/02/13-6F**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a Municipal Alliance Subgrant, with Tewksbury Twp., for the Voorhees Regional Alliance, in the amount of \$20,300.

**See Page 04/02/13-6G**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a contract modification with The ARC of Hunterdon County, setting the 2013 not to exceed amount at \$92,861.

**See Page 04/02/13-6H**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a contract modification with the Hunterdon Medical Center/Hunterdon Behavioral Health, setting the 2013 not to exceed amount at \$383,507.

**See Page 04/02/13-6I**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a contract modification with Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen, setting the 2013 not to exceed amount at \$45,715.

**See Page 04/02/13-6J**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a contract modification with the Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission, setting the 2013 not to exceed amount at \$27,360.

**See Page 04/02/13-6K**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a contract modification with Hunterdon Prevention Resources, setting the 2013 not to exceed amount at \$48,739.

**See Page 04/02/13-6L**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Opposing S-2364 and A-3553, proposing to create a system of early voting in the State of New Jersey.

**See Page 04/02/13-6M**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving the release of a cash maintenance bond, for frontage improvements of County Route 12, in Raritan Township, to HTSI Realty Company, LLC, in the amount of \$2,013.

**See Page 04/02/13-6N**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving the release of a cash maintenance bond, for frontage improvements of County Route 600, in Raritan Township, to HCS Realty Company, LLC, in the amount of \$3,756.

**See Page 04/02/13-6O**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving the release of a cash performance bond, for frontage improvements of County Routes 620 and 627, in Readington Township, to Calvary Bible Church, in the amount of \$6,736.

**See Page 04/02/13-6P**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving the appointment of Kathleen Bross and Michael Champion to the Solid Waste Advisory Council.

**See Page 04/02/13-7A**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a blue light permit for Christopher Conley, volunteer County Emergency Management.

**See Page 04/02/13-7B**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Patrick Chandler appointed provisional, full time Public Safety Telecommunicator Operator Trainee, Public Safety and Health Services Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-7C**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Amna Hijab appointed provisional, full time Public Safety Telecommunicator Operator Trainee, Public Safety and Health Services Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-7D**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Angela Richold appointed provisional, full time Public Safety Telecommunicator Operator Trainee, Public Safety and Health Services Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-7E**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Keith Tickle appointed provisional, full time Public Safety Telecommunicator Operator Trainee, Public Safety and Health Services Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-7F**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Adam Prokofiew appointed temporary, as needed Seasonal Laborer, Roads and Bridges Division of the Public Works Department.

**See Page 04/02/13-7G**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Gene Robbins appointed temporary, as needed Seasonal Recreational Leader, Parks and Recreation Division of the Department of Land Use and Facilities Management.

**See Page 04/02/13-7H**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Gaudalupe Fowler appointed unclassified, full time Confidential Assistant, Human Resources Department.

**ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MR. MENNEN, MR. MELICK, MR. WALTON.**

**PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITION**

Mr. Melick moved and Mr. King seconded these:

**See Page 04/02/13-7I**

**PROCLAMATION**

**RESOLVED**, Declaring April 2013 as Autism Awareness Month.

**See Page 04/02/13-7J**

**PROCLAMATION**

**RESOLVED**, Recognizing Matthew Jaszyn for attaining the designation of Eagle Scout.

**See Page 04/02/13-7K**

**PROCLAMATION**

**RESOLVED**, Recognizing John F. McKeivitt III for attaining the designation of Eagle Scout.

**See Page 04/02/13-7L**

**PROCLAMATION**

**RESOLVED**, Recognizing Daniel Bitters for attaining the designation of Eagle Scout.

**See Page 04/02/13-7M**

**PROCLAMATION**

**RESOLVED**, Recognizing Patrick Cozza for attaining the designation of Eagle Scout.

**See Page 04/02/13-7N**

**PROCLAMATION**

**RESOLVED**, Recognizing Paul Klauser for attaining the designation of Eagle Scout.

**See Page 04/02/13-7O**

**PROCLAMATION**

**RESOLVED**, Recognizing Michael Stefkovich for attaining the designation of Eagle Scout.

**See Page 04/02/13-7P**

**PROCLAMATION**

**RESOLVED**, Recognizing Pearson Treanor for attaining the designation of Eagle Scout.

**PROCLAMATION**

**RESOLVED**, Recognizing Andrew James Ingraham for attaining the designation of Eagle Scout.

**ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. MELICK, MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MR. MENNEN, MR. WALTON.**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

A request was received from the Kingwood Township Volunteer Fire Company, asking permission to hold a Coin Toss, on June 22 and 23, 2013, at the County Route 519 and Route 12 Intersection. Mr. Mennen moved and Mr. King seconded a motion granting permission provided this event is coordinated through the County's Department of Public Works.

**ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. MENNEN, MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MR. MELICK, MR. WALTON.**

Correspondence was received from the Cherryville Repeater Association II, requesting permission to again use the Route 12 field to hold their annual Amateur Radio Operators field event, from June 21 to 23, 2013. Also, asking the County to mow the field prior to the event as has been done in the past. Mr. Mennen moved and Mr. King seconded a motion granting permission provided this event is coordinated through the County's Department of Public Works.

**ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. MENNEN, MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MR. MELICK, MR. WALTON.**

**GRANT**

Mr. Mennen moved and Mr. Melick seconded this:

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving, upon the recommendation of the Cultural and Heritage Commission, the Local Arts Program re-grantees awards, in the amount of \$63,908.

**ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. MENNEN, MR. MELICK, MR. HOLT, MR. KING, MR. WALTON.**

**FREEHOLDERS COMMENTS/REPORTS**

Director Walton reported that the Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders received a letter another letter complimenting a County employee, Betty Fatula, in the Tax Board, saying she is always available, polite and helpful.

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Barbara Sauchau, Raritan Township resident questioned if Director Walton said the economy has gotten better, which is why the roads employees are listed on the Consent Agenda.

Director Walton advised he did not make that statement that the economy has gotten better. He explained the raises are warranted because they are long overdue. In addition, the County has a problem in keeping employees and that is what is being addressed by making these promotions and small increases with salaries.

Ms. Sauchau feels the Freeholders' meeting is going quickly and questioned if the members of the public who are in attendance are getting the "meat" of what is going on and what is being spent in the County and the efforts being made for the tax dollars. Ms. Sauchau asked if someone could come in and explain what they do and where money goes. The meetings should also have the purpose of explaining what is going on.

Director Walton stated the Freeholders try to answer all questions as thoroughly as possible. If there are further questions, just ask.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Director Walton adjourned the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Denise B. Doolan  
Clerk of the Board