

HUNTERDON COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
60 Water Street, Mountainville, Lebanon, New Jersey 08833
July 07, 2015

The regular meeting of the Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders convened at 4:00 p.m. in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act.

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

Director King 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 June 29, 2015, to the Hunterdon County Democrat, Star Ledger, Trenton Times, Courier News, HCNews (online) and the Express Times, newspapers designated to receive such notices and by filing a copy with the Hunterdon County Clerk."

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Lanza moved and Ms. Lagay seconded these:

See Page 07/07/15-1A RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Executive Session to receive a litigation update on Yaskas vs. Hunterdon County.

See Page 07/07/15-1B RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Executive Session to discuss a property donation in Lebanon Township.

See Page 07/07/15-1C RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Executive Session to discuss the CWA layoff appeal.

See Page 07/07/15-1D RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Executive Session to discuss the CWA Supervisor's Proposal.

See Page 07/07/15-1E RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Executive Session to discuss an appointment to the Mental Health Board.

See Page 07/07/15-1F RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Executive Session to discuss a contract negotiations update.

See Page 07/07/15-1G RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Executive Session to discuss an online auction.

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

The Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders went into Executive Session at 4:02 p.m., recessed at 5:15 p.m. and reconvened in Open Session at 5:30 p.m.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

Director King opened the meeting to public comment.

Shaun Van Doren, Tewksbury Township Committeeman, welcomed the Board to the Township, and thanked the Board for taking their "show on the road". He thanked the Board for their service to the County, on behalf of the rest of the Township Committee.

Mr. Van Doren also wished Director King a Happy Birthday.

Barbara Suchau, Raritan Township resident questioned the Board on the limits on the health insurance options for the Freeholders. Asking is the Freeholders are able to choose which option, or are they subjected to the most expensive?

Director King pointed out that questions are not entertained during public comment but questions can be raised at the end of the meeting, if need be.

Ms. Suchau informed the Board that the lighting in the lobby of the Administration Building in Flemington is poor making it difficult to read notices. Also, another bulletin Board is needed as notices are placed on top of each other.

Ms. Suchau commented that a Consumer Protection Officer would be beneficial to the county, and that the Cultural & Heritage Director position is not needed as the Parks Department does a lot of the cultural events for the County.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITION

Mr. Walton moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

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PROCLAMATION

RESOLVED, Recognizing NORWESCAP on its 50th Anniversary.

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

Director King read the proclamation before presenting it to the Executive Director of NORWESCAP, Terry Newhardt and Elycia Lerman of the Hunterdon County branch.

Terry Newhardt thanked the Board for their recognition. He invited the Board to NORWESCAP's celebration on September 17, 2015, at Fiddlers Elbow to commemorate the anniversary.

Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. Walton seconded this:

See Page 07/07/15-2B

PROCLAMATION

RESOLVED, Recognizing John Graefe for having served on the Hunterdon County's Parks and Open Space Advisory Committee.

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

FARMLAND PRESERVATION/OPEN SPACE

Ms. Lagay moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

See Page 07/07/15-2C

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving the Assignment of Deed from the Heritage Conservancy for the Smith property, Block 2, Lot 9, in Holland Township.

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

FINANCE

Mr. Holt moved and Ms. Lagay seconded this:

See Page 07/07/15-2D

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Authorizing the insertion of an item of revenue in the 2015 County Budget for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant, in the amount of \$43,969.

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

Ms. Lagay moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

See Page 07/07/15-2E

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Authorizing the insertion of an item of revenue in the 2015 County Budget for the 2014 Recycling Enhancement Act Tax Entitlement Grant, in the amount of \$114,000.

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

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

See Page 07/07/15-2F

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Authorizing the insertion of an item of revenue in the 2015 County Budget for the Clean Communities Grant (2015), in the amount of \$82,848.59.

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

Ms. Lagay moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

See Page 07/07/15-2G

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Authorizing the insertion of an item of revenue in the 2015 County Budget for the Medical Reserve Corps-Capacity Building Award, (NACCHO), in the amount of \$3,500.

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

Mr. Lanza moved and Ms. Lagay seconded this:

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RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Authorizing the insertion of an item of revenue in the 2015 County Budget for the Personal Assistance Services Program, for 2015, in the amount of \$38,037.

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

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

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RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Authorizing the insertion of an item of revenue in the 2015 County Budget for the Transportation Improvement Program, in the amount of \$33,768.

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

PURCHASING

Mr. Lanza moved and Ms. Lagay seconded this:

See Page 07/07/15-3C

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving Requisition #CountyClerk.1709, using New Jersey Statute N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(DD), with Dominion Voting, for software and hardware, for the County Clerk's Office, in the amount of \$65,000.

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

Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. Holt seconded this:

See Page 07/07/15-3D

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a modification to County Quote #0054-2014, for professional services for the implementation of the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Planning Grant, for additional services to encompass the task of "Enhanced Severe Repetitive Loss Property (SLR) Strategy", increase of \$11,800.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Director King 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."

Items Held: Check #150074 and 150248.

Ms. Lagay moved and Mr. Lanza seconded a motion to approve the claims in accordance with the Claims Register dated July 07, 2015, with the exception of checks #150074 and #150248.

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CLAIMS REGISTER

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

Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. Holt seconded a motion to approve Check #150074 in accordance with the Claims Register dated July 07, 2015.

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

Mr. Lanza moved and Ms. Lagay seconded a motion to approve Check #150248 in accordance with the Claims Register dated July 07, 2015.

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

Ms. Lagay moved and Mr. Lanza seconded a motion to approve the regular session minutes of May 19, 2015 and June 02, 2015.

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

Ms. Lagay moved and Mr. Lanza seconded these:

See Page 07/07/15-3F

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Michael Bazarnicki appointed temporary, Seasonal Laborer, Roads and Bridges Division, Public Works Department.

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RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Thomas Canize appointed temporary, Seasonal Laborer, Roads and Bridges Division, Public Works Department.

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RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, William Wolfe appointed temporary, Seasonal Laborer, Roads and Bridges Division, Public Works Department.

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RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Shane Saydek appointed temporary, Seasonal Laborer, Roads and Bridges Division, Public Works Department.

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RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, William Britt appointed temporary, Seasonal Laborer, Roads and Bridges Division, Public Works Department.

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RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Lucas Huizinga appointed temporary, Seasonal Summer Recreation Leader, Parks and Recreation Division, Land Use and Planning Department.

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RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Scott Bartok appointed full time, Senior Plumber, Buildings and Maintenance Division, Administrative Services Department.

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RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Dean Cerdeira appointed full time, Detective, in the County Prosecutor's Office.

See Page 07/07/15-4A

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Thomas Quinn appointed full time, Detective, in the County Prosecutor's Office.

See Page 07/07/15-4A

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Brian Stull appointed full time, Network Administrator, Information Services Division, Administrative Services Department.

See Page 07/07/15-4A

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Deborah Morrison appointed full time, unclassified Special Deputy Surrogate, Surrogate's Office.

See Page 07/07/15-4A

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Kera Thomas appointed full time, Family Service Worker, Social Services Division, Human Services Department.

See Page 07/07/15-4A

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Nichole Draheim appointed full time, Family Service Worker, Social Services Division, Human Services Department.

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RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Teagen Wooldridge appointed full time, Family Service Worker, Social Services Division, Human Services Department.

See Page 07/07/15-4A

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Lorraine Steever, Senior Library Assistant, County Library, increase in hours.

See Page 07/07/15-4A

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Anthony Porto, County Tax Administrator, Board of Taxation, salary adjustment.

See Page 07/07/15-4A

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Andrew Camp appointed full time, unclassified Confidential Assistant, Division of Health Services, Department of Public Safety and Health Services.

See Page 07/07/15-4A

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a Memorandum of Agreement with AFSCME, Council 73, Local 2097, for 2015.

See Page 07/07/15-4A

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a Memorandum of Agreement with the Hunterdon County Sheriff's Officers Association, FOP Lodge #94, for January 01, 2012 through January 01, 2016.

See Page 07/07/15-4B

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving an agreement with Morris County for the housing of youth, at the Morris County Youth Shelter, at the rate of \$175 per day.

See Page 07/07/15-4C

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving plans and specifications for Site Improvements for Communications/Emergency Services, on County Route 617, (Cherryville Road), in Franklin Township.

See Page 07/07/15-4D

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a property damage release with New Jersey Manufacturers Insurance Group, amount paid to the County shall be \$1,920.36.

See Page 07/07/15-4E

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving the renewal of a Blue Light Permit for Patrick Appello II, a volunteer member of the County's HAZ-MAT Team.

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RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving the renewal of a Blue Light Permit for Mark Conover, a volunteer member of the County's HAZ-MAT Team.

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RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving the renewal of a Blue Light Permit for Albert P. Enea Jr., a volunteer member of the County's HAZ-MAT Team.

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RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving the renewal of a Blue Light Permit for Albert P. Enea III, a volunteer member of the County's HAZ-MAT Team.

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RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving the renewal of a Blue Light Permit for Donn Gordon, a volunteer member of the County's HAZ-MAT Team.

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RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a professional services agreement with Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri and Jacobs, LLC, to provide services as special counsel, on an as needed basis, in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.

See Page 07/07/15-4K

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Authorizing the County Purchasing Agent to advertise for County Bid #2015-23, for Snow and Ice Control Materials.

See Page 07/07/15-4L

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving the salary for employees covered under the Hunterdon County Sheriff's Officers Association FOP Lodge #94, in accordance with the collective bargaining agreement.

GRANTS

Mr. Holt moved, and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

See Page 07/07/15-4M

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a Memorandum of Understanding with the New Jersey Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness, and the Northwest Regional Counties, regarding the use of Federal Homeland Security Grant funds.

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

Mr. Lanza moved, and Ms. Lagay seconded this:

See Page 07/07/15-4N

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a renewal with the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Criminal Justice, for the Gangs, Guns and Narcotics Task Force subgrant #JAG 1-10FT-14, for the period of July 01, 2015 through June 30, 2016, in the amount of \$43,969.

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

Mr. Lanza moved, and Mr. Holt seconded this:

See Page 07/07/15-5A

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving receipt of a grant award from the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of State Police, Office of Emergency Management, for Subgrant #14-EMPG-EMAA-1000, for the distribution of \$15,000 each to the Townships of Clinton, Holland and Readington; as well as the receipt of the FY14 Emergency Management Performance Grant in the amount of \$140,000 (\$70,000 - Federal Funds; County Match - \$70,000), from the New Jersey State Police Office of Emergency Management.

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

Ms. Lagay moved, and Mr. Holt seconded this:

See Page 07/07/15-5B

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a Letter of Agreement with the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, for the receipt of State funding for the period of July 01, 2015 to June 30, 2016, for the purpose of substance abuse prevention and education programming, through the County's Municipal Alliance Programs, in the amount of \$181,380.

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

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was received from the Union Fire Co. 1, requesting permission to hold a Coin Toss, the weekends of July 11 and 12, 2015 and September 5 and 6, 2015, from 8:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., at the intersection of Kingwood Avenue and Race Street, in Frenchtown Borough. Mr. Holt moved and Mr. Lanza seconded a motion granting permission provided this event is coordinated through the County's Department of Public Works.

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

FREEHOLDERS COMMENTS/REPORTS

Police Study/South County

Mr. Walton reported on the police study for East Amwell Township and Lambertville City; stating it looks to be a good project.

Last Call/Lebanon Fire

Mr. Walton received a letter from the Lebanon Township Fire Department regarding a "Last Call" that was orchestrated for Past Fire Chief Race's funeral by Hunterdon County's Dispatchers. Thomas Carlucci, the current Chief of the Lebanon Township Fire Department was very thankful and commented on how these dispatchers routinely go above and beyond their duties and they often go unrecognized. Mr. Walton wanted to publicly recognize Hunterdon's Dispatchers for their appreciated efforts. He noted that the family, as well as those in attendance of the funeral services, was very touched by the Last Call.

Shared Services

Director King advised the Acting Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs came before the New Jersey Association of Counties to discuss shared services and what the activity of the DCA is going to be. He spoke very highly of the efforts in the southern part of Hunterdon County and mentioned Mr. Walton by name.

Director King/Happy Birthday

Mr. Lanza wished Director King a happy birthday and thanked Tewksbury Township for hosting the meeting.

Ms. Lagay also wished a happy birthday to Mr. King and thanked the township as well.

Firefighter 1 Graduation

Ms. Lagay attended the Firefighter 1 Graduation ceremony last week, stating the ceremony was very well attended, and very moving. Ms. Lagay was impressed by the number of people who step up to volunteer on the community's behalf to keep everyone safe. Volunteering to become a firefighter takes a toll not just on that individual but on their entire families. Ms. Lagay noted that two individuals who attended the ceremony have told her how nicely done it was.

Chief Wagner thanked Ms. Lagay for attending the ceremony.

CEDS

Mr. Holt wished Director King a happy birthday.

Mr. Holt reported to the Board that the first of the "on the road" CEDS (County Economic Development Strategy) presentations to the municipalities will begin on July 13th at 7:30 p.m. The presentation should last about thirty minutes and the question and answer session typically lasts longer than the presentation. The purpose is to demonstrate where the county is now moving with the CEDS program.

THANKS

Director King again thanked Tewksbury Township Committeeman, Shaun Van Doren for playing host for the evening.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Director King opened for public comment.

Ms. Suchau questioned if the Board would make the Executive Session list on the Agenda more subject specific.

County Counsel, Shana Taylor, advised the Board does not list specifics on the agenda but at the beginning of each meeting, a list is provided to the public and it is recorded in the minutes.

Mr. Lanza mentioned that the public will never hear about union contracts in public meetings because they are not subject to Open Public Meetings Act.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Director King adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Denise Doolan, Clerk

Transcribed by:

Dana Gootman, Deputy Clerk