

**HUNTERDON COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS**

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

Flemington, New Jersey 08822

**March 03, 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.**

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

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 January 06, 2015, 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."

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Ms. Lagay moved and Mr. Lanza seconded these:

**See Page 03/03/15-1A RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Executive Session to receive an update on the Finance Office.

**See Page 03/03/15-1B RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Executive Session to discuss salary requests for the County's Divisions and Departments, (all individuals have been Riced).

**See Page 03/03/15-1C RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Executive Session to discuss the Board of Trustees on the Raritan Valley Community College (RVCC) and the Search Committee for the Board of Trustees for RVCC.

**See Page 03/03/15-1D RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Executive Session to discuss an appointment to the Hunterdon County Vocational Education Board, known as Polytech.

**See Page 03/03/15-1E RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Executive Session to discuss a contract proposal for County Auditor for 2015.

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

The Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders went into Executive Session at 4:02 p.m., recessed at 5:25 p.m., and reconvened in Open Session at 5:33 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PROCLAMATION – American Red Cross**

Mr. Walton moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

**See Page 03/03/15-1F PROCLAMATION**

**RESOLVED**, Declaring March 2015 as American Red Cross Month in the County.

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

Director King recognized the American Red Cross on the contributions they make to society. The Red Cross responds to an emergency every 8 minutes.

Director King recognized Kevin Anderson, Claire Guyer and Sue Schlesinger of the American Red Cross. It was noted that Andrea Orbe-Martinez of the Red Cross came into the meeting later.

Director King presented a copy of the proclamation to Ms. Anderson, Ms. Guyer and Ms. Schlesinger declaring March 2015 as American Red Cross Month in the County of Hunterdon.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Director King opened the meeting to the public.

No one at this time wished to address the Board.

**BUDGET COMMITTEE**  
**Presentation on Capital Budget**

Freeholders Walton and Lanza advised that the capital budget for the County will be the same as it was last year.

Mr. Walton reported the Division of Buildings and Maintenance requested \$275,000 to redo various roofs on County buildings and the Budget Committee was able to find Capital Ordinances from 2006 through 2009 (in the amount of \$300,000), to finance this effort. \$150,000 will be funded for repairs to the Hunterdon County Justice Center for the roof and other amenities.

Mr. Walton stated there is around \$800,000 needed to do various heating, ventilating, and air conditioning (HVAC) repairs needed to be done throughout the County. Past funded ordinances have been found so the County will find \$180,000 in this year's budget for those repairs as \$600,000 will be funded through previous year's ordinances.

Mr. Holt questioned what will be spent on Gauntt Place and what is planned to be spent.

Mr. Walton advised a great deal of money being requested for Gauntt Place (Route 31 County Complex), but before anything is done, the County needs to look at the long term plans for the Complex. If the long term plan is to continue to utilize it, then repairs will be necessary. It is recommended to keep funding in the budget and allowing those funded ordinances to stay open. If a deferred plan is made then those ordinances can be closed out.

Mr. Walton reported that \$400,000 was requested for jail renovations and that is being held off until 2016. The Jail requested a Genie lift, fire alarm system upgrade and security upgrades were requested across the County and that will be discussed more in 2015 to determine what type of security measures should be implemented for the buildings.

Mr. Walton confirmed for Mr. Holt that no funding is being recommended for this in the budget.

Mr. Lanza explained when he and Mr. Walton engaged in the work on the Budget Committee, there was some general principals used: find what is necessary and determine if there are any old ordinances in place to fund this requested work, in order to minimize the impacted on the 2015 budget. Thanks to the County's Chief Finance Officer, Comptroller, Chief of Staff and all department and division heads that came before the Budget Committee, they were able to pare this down. There was a lot on the wish lists but wherever the Budget Committee could expend out capital expenditures that did not absolutely have to be done this year; that could reasonably be extended an extra year or two, was done in order to keep the budget reasonable and to keep the level of funding consistent so there are no wild swings from year to year. Mr. Lanza advised when presented with something that absolutely had to be done this year, funding was found for it, and when there were ordinances from prior year with funds, they were utilized.

Mr. Walton stated \$100,000 is being placed in the budget for the demolition of buildings; \$10,000 will be used for renovations to the Historic Court House as requested by Cultural and Heritage.

The Office of Emergency Management requested \$200,000 for the mobile command post which is a reasonable request but it was pared down to \$50,000 to take care of the necessities.

The Closed Circuit TV System at the Dispatch Center needs to be replaced for the Division of Communications, at the Emergency Services Center; because it is a security issue, and the cost will be around \$30,000. Another \$500,000 is being budgeted for tower upgrades and all the equipment used to answer the telephones at 9-1-1 must be replaced. This is a necessary, expensive improvement that must be done, and the cost is around \$650,000.

Director King expressed concern over not knowing about the tower upgrade and the equipment replacement over the past few years. He is curious as to why the County did not start putting money into the previous year's budgets towards these projects. The cost for this is \$1.1 million.

Mr. Walton stated the County has been doing \$500,000 for tower work, like clockwork, as it is a regular expense.

George Wagner, Chief of Staff/Director of Public Safety and Health Services, reported that the PSAP (Public Safety Answering Point) equipment update is the planned CML, which is the brains of the 911 Center and it will end being supported at the end of 2015; which is why it needs to be replaced this year.

Mr. Walton explained while the cost is \$1.1 million, the amount in this year's budget will be \$650,000; the \$500,000 has been placed in past budgets regularly.

Director King questioned how many towers are being upgraded.

Mr. Wagner advised the towers aren't being replaced; it is the equipment on the towers since the County has done away with low band for the fire service and the County changed over to UHF; plus another frequency is being added onto the Raritan-Flemington Police Departments because of the amount of their radio traffic. He confirmed this is a constant upgrade. Originally when the County had RCC Consulting, they were suggesting a \$16 million replacement of everything and the County has done introspection in Public Safety and Emergency Services to determine how to do this better In-House.

Mr. Wagner confirmed for Director King that these \$500,000 amounts will be placed in the budgets for another few years. The County is trying to site another tower at the Whitehouse area and that will be the County's next big endeavor, and that is because that area does not get good reception.

Mr. Holt questioned the life expectancy of the new upgrade for Emergency Services.

Mr. Wagner stated the CML runs 8 to 10 years before the technology is outdated and is no longer supported. The key is the support.

Director King suggested money be placed aside in future budgets to accommodate the necessary upgrades that will be necessary.

Mr. Walton reported the rescue tools and equipment for the Emergency Services Training Center need to be updated, in the amount of \$68,000; plus a 2 passenger gator, which is used at events and by other mutual aid organizations including rescue squads, at a cost of \$11,000.

Mr. Walton explained since the County is looking at building a new Training Center, it was decided not to make technology upgrades to the current Training Center.

Director King questioned if the County could share someone else's gator, because he is aware there are a few gators around.

Mr. Walton advised Hunterdon County is the sharing entity; the County has several gators and shares them with all the departments and various municipalities.

Mr. Wagner reported that the gator being discussed for the Emergency Training Center is an onsite gator used for multiple training scenarios. It is a workhorse/utility gator used onsite but it can be used for emergency requests.

Mr. Walton reported that the Jail had requested a Stair Chair and more property storage but they will be using funds they already have to fund those projects. The Jail also requested a restraint chair and if it is found to be necessary, it will be funded out of an operating account.

Information Technology will receive funding of \$176,000 to replace computers; this is the continual upgrade of computers to keep the County current and modern. IT is asking for an upgrade to the Microwave System and it will be spaced out over a two year period of \$200,000 for each year. The CR/COOP is a backup system for the County's email and it will cost \$75,000 for network and switch upgrades. The PC Imaging Tech Desk will replace one tech position which will not be backfilled. A wireless upgrade for the public and private Wi-Fi in the County's buildings, will cost \$100,000.

Mr. Walton reported the database system for the County's Records Management System will be replaced and the forklift at the warehouse will be replaced, at a cost of \$35,000 for each.

The County received grant funding to have design work done for the Prescott Bridge, which connects Echo Hill and the Arboretum, on Route 31, in Readington Township. The County had rejected funding the bridge even though the design work was done, because it wasn't a necessity. The Parks and Recreation Director, Carol Bodder, has managed to find through different reserve funds, \$120,000 to get the bridge project done. Since funding was found and the taxpayers do not have to pay for the work, it can be done.

Parks and Recreation also requested doing an ADA Pier for one of the County's ponds, and this project will also be funded through Parks reserve funds.

The County will fund the replacement of portable radios for the Parks and Recreation Rangers in the amount of \$5,000; plus a Kubota Tractor which has outlived its usable life, in the amount of \$30,000.

Mr. Walton reported a request was received regarding Heron Glen Golf Course for a Rough Mower, Green Sprayer, Sod Cutter, Fertilizer Spreader, and a greens roller totally \$165,000; bunker renovations in the amount of \$110,000; plus landscaping work in the amount of \$12,000; which totals \$322,000 in capital for the Golf Course which is under their average of \$375,000 to \$400,000 yearly request.

Mr. Walton advised the Planning Services Division is again requesting funding for their allocation of the Open Space Tax towards the purchase of easements, in the amount of \$2,935,000.

The County Prosecutor has requested several vehicles in the amount of \$210,000 which will be included in the Fleet Committee's request.

Mr. Walton stated a kennel will be provided for the new K-9 which the Prosecutor has acquired. The K-9 used to have a home at the Prosecutor's area and at the keeper's home, in the amount of \$25,000. Also, the SWAT team's radios and equipment will be phased in over time (3 years); the NTF radios will be purchased this year because they have to be encrypted radios; plus a SWAT Repeater will be purchased to allow them to choose their signal, in the amount of \$10,000.

Mr. Walton reported that each year, the Freeholder Board sets aside \$400,000 for vehicle replacement; this year that will go towards four pool vehicles, a traffic vehicle, a Parks 4x4, a 4x4 for Engineering's Surveyors, a Parks van and a jail vehicle; the Prosecutor will get two police vehicles (SUV's), and a Fire Coordinator Vehicle will be purchased for Emergency Management.

Mr. Walton reported that \$8.3 million will be placed in the budget for road projects and many of them will be offset in the future with grant funding.

Director King noted that the County will receive \$2.2 million from the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority towards those road projects.

Mr. Walton stated \$5.8 million will be placed in the budget to replace and repair bridges and culverts in the County. Many of those projects are also reimbursable but the funding has to be placed in the budget first.

The Public Works Department asked for various equipment: including 2 dump trucks, 16 plows, Utility/Crane body, Dump Body/Hook Loader, a Thermoplastic Application System (used for striping), a gas driver welder, a trailer mounted mortar mixers, and to upgrade the wash bay at the Mt. Airy (South County) garage. The wash bay will be combined with the Bridge Shop work.

Mr. Walton advised the grand total is \$21,500,000 and the grand total in 2014 was \$21,500,000; making this year's capital requests flat.

Mr. Walton stated the County's staff only requests what they need so it makes it easier for the Budget Committee for reviews.

Director King thanked Mr. Walton and Mr. Lanza for their hard work on the Budget.

Director King thanked the County's staff for coming to the table with an understanding of what the County's needs were.

### **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

Brayden Fahey, Emergency Management Coordinator in the Department of Public Safety and Health Services came before the Board to introduce the consultant from TetraTech, Paul Miller, who will be assisting the County in its Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Mr. Fahey reported that back in January 2015, he came before the Board to discuss the Hazard Mitigation Update. At that time, the County was in the process of selecting a vendor to assist him with the Hazard Mitigation Update. A grant was received through Hurricane Sandy to complete this project. TetraTech is the agency the contract was awarded to and he is here this event to explain the process.

Mr. Miller advised TetraTech is the contractor to update the Hunterdon County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Every 5 years as per the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, Hazard Mitigation Plans must be updated. The plan needs to be updated to allow eligibility to all participates: the County as well as each municipality. When the plan is completed, after input from the Freeholders/County, the public, stakeholders, municipalities and other counties, if they so choose, the plan would need to be formally adopted. The County Annex/Plan needs to be formally adopted by the County; the municipal annexes/plans, need to be adopted by each and every municipality. This is a formal process. The current plan expires July 2016; so there is roughly more than a year to update the plan. The draft plan would be placed online for public comment. There will be pamphlets made available to the public (including online/County's website) explaining the plan and allowing for public comments. FEMA requires a big push to notify everyone and that is what is being done today, he's notifying the public present at this meeting about this plan kickoff that needs to be done. Today, the first requirement is being fulfilled that FEMA requires of the plans.

Director King thanked Mr. Fahey and Mr. Miller for their work.

### **FARMLAND PRESERVATION/OPEN SPACE**

Mr. Walton moved and Ms. Lagay seconded this:

**See Page 03/03/15-4A**

**COUNTY POLICY #2008-02 – revision**

**RESOLVED**, Approving revisions to County Policy #2008-02, for the Open Space, Farmland Preservation and Historic Preservation Policy.

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

Mr. Walton moved and Ms. Lagay seconded this:

**See Page 03/03/15-4B**

**RESOLUTION – POSAC ByLaws**

**RESOLVED**, Approving Bylaws for the recently created Parks and Open Space Advisory Committee (December 2014).

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

### **PURCHASING**

Mr. Walton moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

**See Page 03/03/15-4C**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving Requisition #27438, using NJSA 40A:11-5(1)DD, with Queues Enforth Development, for software maintenance, for Emergency Services, in the amount of \$52,935.

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

Mr. Walton moved and Ms. Lagay seconded this:

**See Page 03/03/15-5A**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Authorizing the extension of County Bid #2011-02, for Operation of the County Consolidated Transportation System (LINK), with First Transit, Inc., through June 30, 2016, in an amount not to exceed \$1,414,972.51.

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

Mr. Walton moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

**See Page 03/03/15-5B**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a modification to County Bid #2014-19, for Snow and Ice Control Materials, with Atlantic Salt, Inc., for rock salt, increase in the amount of \$408,000.

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

Mr. Holt asked Tom Mathews, Public Works Director, the County's position regarding the amount of salt that might be necessary for the rest of this winter. He also questioned how much the County has spent on snow and ice control materials this season.

Mr. Mathews stated 17 more days until Spring; another 4 to 7 inches of snow is expected this week; he's hoping the above change order will suffice for this season. The County has spent roughly \$1 million for snow and ice control materials this year.

**PROJECT UPDATE**

Frank J. Bell, AIA, County Project Administrator came before the Board to provide an update on various County buildings and projects.

- The Emergency Services Training Center, a meeting was held on February 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015 with the consultants to review all program items. The architects are now putting that information and putting together a program for the County to review on March 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015. That meeting will include the users of the facility to go through the program, accepting changes and recommendations.
- Route 31 County Complex HVAC system, bids will be received on March 19, 2015.
- The Drainage System for the South County Park drainage system will be advertised the end of March.
- The Records Retention/Warehouse shelving project, bids will be received on March 05, 2015.
- The bids for sidewalk repair will also be received on March 05, 2015.
- Traffic Maintenance Building will be advertised this week for bids.
- Mr. Bell has prepared a draft program/outline for the Facilities Evaluation Committee on what will be looked at for future facilities and what it will cost to run the facilities. Also to be reviewed is whether the County has too few or too many facilities.

**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."

At this time Checks #148674, 148678 and 148685 were held at this time. Also held were items 8, 9 and 10 (provider agreements). Item #17 (Employee Handbook was pulled until 3/17/15 agenda).

Ms. Lagay moved and Mr. Walton seconded a motion to approve claims in accordance with the Claims Register dated March 03, 2015, minus Check #'s 148674, 148678 and 148685.

**See Page 03/03/15-5B**

**CLAIMS REGISTER**

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

Ms. Lagay moved and Mr. Walton seconded a motion to approve the regular session minutes of January 20, 2015 and February 03, 2015.

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

Ms. Lagay moved and Mr. Walton seconded these:

**See Page 03/03/15-5C**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving the addition of Joseph Pacella, Collective Bargaining Agreement, CWA Non-Supervisory Agreement, salary for 2015. (omitted from original resolution adopted on 2/17/15).

**See Page 03/03/15-5C**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Vanessa Jimenez appointed full time, Detective Trainee, Prosecutor's Office.

**See Page 03/03/15-6A**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Amy Yashkas appointed full time, County Correction Sergeant, Division of Corrections, Department of Public Safety and Health Services.

**See Page 03/03/15-6B**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Salaries for employees covered under FOP Lodge #29, Corrections-Superior Officers, for 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014.

**See Page 03/03/15-6C**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving an agreement with Mercer County for the Rehabilitation of Inter-County Bridge W-35-M, on Pleasant Valley-Harbourton Road, over the Tributary of Moore's Creek, in West Amwell Township. All costs to be shared on a 50/50 basis.

**See Page 03/03/15-6D**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a mortgage cancellation for Margaret DeRose, as it is paid in full.

**See Page 03/03/15-6E**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving reappointments to the Hunterdon County Voting Accessibility Advisory Committee.

**See Page 03/03/15-6F**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving the appointment of Betsy Hornberger to the Human Services Advisory Committee.

**See Page 03/03/15-6G**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving the appointment of Larry Cartwright to the County Mental Health Board.

**See Page 03/03/15-6H**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a Service and Occupancy Agreement for use of the Lechner House, at Echo Hill Preserve, with the United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps.

**See Page 03/03/15-6I**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a modification to the professional financial accounting services agreement with PM Consultants, LLC, for an additional \$50,000.

**See Page 03/03/15-6J**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a revised Handbook for County Employees.

**See Page 03/03/15-6K**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Authorizing Harrison Street be dedicated to the Borough of Frenchtown.

**See Page 03/03/15-6L**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Michael Franchini appointed full time, Principal Account Clerk, Finance Office.

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

Mr. Walton moved and Mr. Lanza seconded these:

**See Page 03/03/15-6M**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving an agreement with Hunterdon Prevention Resources, for a Law Enforcement Adolescent Program, in the amount of \$15,000; and authorizing a provider service contract reflecting the County's cost.

**See Page 03/03/15-6N**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a contract modification with Hunterdon Prevention Resources, to remove the Law Enforcement Adolescent Program and its funding from the current agreement; and to approve funding through 2015, in the amount of \$110,506.

**See Page 03/03/15-6O**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a contract modification with Hunterdon Behavioral Health to remove the Family Crisis Intervention Unit Program from the current agreement and amend the Grant Agreement in terms of funding for 2015, in the amount of \$648,912.

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

Mr. Walton moved and Mr. Lanza seconded a motion to approve Check #'s 148674 and 148678, in accordance with the Claims Register dated March 03, 2015.

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

Mr. Walton recused himself and left the podium at 6:05 p.m.

Ms. Lagay moved and Mr. Lanza seconded a motion to approve Check #148685, in accordance with the Claims Register dated March 03, 2015.

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

**FOR DISCUSSION – PennEast Pipeline**

Director King advised this is a secondary step, the County has already taken with notification to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission that it is in opposition of the pipeline as it is proposed for four (4) principal reasons: (1) objections are based on the alternate paths using existing easements that may result in the use of eminent domain to destroy conservation easements and preempt the County's Open Space Policy; (2) there is the insufficiency of proposed compensation to affected land owners; (3) the threat of construction generated water contamination in specific neighborhoods serviced by private wells; and (4) the absence of a lasting public benefit outweighing the burdens upon homeowners in the project's path.

Director King advised the County has already testified before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) on February 26, 2015. Those documents are on file with FERC and this resolution will become a public document and forwarded to all the appropriate senators; as well as the Governor's Office, with respect to the legislative leaderships of the 23<sup>rd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> districts and all the mayors of the affected municipalities.

Mr. Lanza moved and Ms. Lagay seconded this:

**See Page 03/03/15-7A RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Authorizing a resolution opposing the proposed routing of the Penn East pipeline.

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

Mr. Walton returned to the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

**GRANTS**

Mr. Walton moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

**See Page 03/03/15-7B RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving an agreement with the National Association of County and City Health Officials, to provide support to MRC (Medical Response Corps) units, in the amount of \$3,500.

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

Mr. Walton moved and Mr. Holt seconded this:

**See Page 03/03/15-7C RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a subcontract for the 2015 Subregional Transportation Program, with the New Jersey Institute of Technology and the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority, Inc., in the amount of \$64,880 (federal funds - \$51,904 and a County Match of \$12,976).

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

Ms. Lagay moved and Mr. Lanza seconded these:

**See Page 03/03/15-7D RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving, upon the recommendation of the Cultural and Heritage Commission, Special Project Grant Awards, in the amount of \$22,500.

**See Page 03/03/15-7E RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving, upon the recommendation of the Cultural and Heritage Commission, Local Art Program Grant Awards, in the amount of \$66,464.

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

## **PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITION**

Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. Walton seconded this:

**See Page 03/03/15-8A**

### **PROCLAMATION**

**RESOLVED**, Declaring April 18, 2015 as Caregivers Appreciation Day in the County, to increase awareness of the needs of Family Caregivers.

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

Mr. Walton moved and Ms. Lagay seconded these:

**See Page 03/03/15-8B**

### **PROCLAMATION**

**RESOLVED**, Recognizing Philip Gerard D'Armiento for attaining the designation of Eagle Scout.

**See Page 03/03/15-8C**

### **PROCLAMATION**

**RESOLVED**, Recognizing Jack Thomas Kolodziej for attaining the designation of Eagle Scout.

**See Page 03/03/15-8D**

### **PROCLAMATION**

**RESOLVED**, Recognizing Nicholas James Sarnelli for attaining the designation of Eagle Scout.

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

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

A letter was received from the High Bridge Fire Department, requesting permission to hold Coin Tosses on Saturday, April 04, 2015 and Saturday, November 28, 2015, at County Route 513 between Grayrock Road and Arch Street. Mr. Walton 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. WALTON, MR. LANZA, MR. HOLT, MS. LAGAY, MR. KING.**

Correspondence was received from the Morris Area Freewheelers Foundation, request to use County Route 523, in Readington and Tewksbury Townships, during their 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Revolutionary Ramble, (100 miles), to take place on Sunday, June 14, 2015. Mr. Walton 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. WALTON, MR. LANZA, MR. HOLT, MS. LAGAY, MR. KING.**

A request was received from the Flemington Business Improvement District, asking permission to use the Main Street County Complex rest rooms and parking area, on Friday, September 18, 2015, during their Second Annual Central Jersey Jazz Festival, between 5:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. Walton seconded a motion granting permission provided this event is coordinated through the County's Division of Buildings and Maintenance.

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

The Team Somerset Bicycling Club, requesting permission use County roads (County Route 620 and 629), to conduct individual time trails during their bicycling event on Saturday, May 09, 2015, from 7:30 a.m. until 9:30 p.m. Mr. Walton 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. WALTON, MR. LANZA, MR. HOLT, MS. LAGAY, MR. KING.**

## **FREEHOLDERS COMMENTS/REPORTS**

### **Penn East Pipeline**

Mr. Lanza stated the Freeholder Board just voted on a resolution opposing the Penn East Pipeline. He wants to make clear, even though it is brought out in the resolution, that not all pipelines are bad; gas pipelines don't become bad because they come to Hunterdon County; this resolution contains specific objections that could have been avoided. Mr. Lanza stated there are items that Penn East has neglected to address and that is the reason why he is personally opposing, at this point, the pipeline. There are avoidable conflicts that Penn East did not advert.

This Freeholder Board has not rushed to judgment; judgment was reserved; the County studied the maps and looked at County property interests that would be affected by this; and tonight's resolution was the result of all that work.

### **County Budget**

Ms. Lagay acknowledged the work of Mr. Lanza and Mr. Walton on the Budget Committee.

### **Cultural and Heritage**

Ms. Lagay reported that the Chair of the County's Cultural and Heritage Commission, Laura Jones, is being awarded with the 2015 Hiram Deats award, for her heritage and historic preservation contributions she has made.

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Questions answered for the press.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders returned to Executive Session at 6:22 p.m. and returned to Open Session at 7:05 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Director King adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Denise B. Doolan  
Clerk of the Board