

# HUNTERDON COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

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

Flemington, New Jersey 08822

**June 07, 2016**

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

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

Director Lagay 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 05, 2016, 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 SESSION

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. King seconded these:

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**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Executive Session to discuss a public member appointment to the Human Services Advisory Council.

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**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Executive Session to discuss the appointment of a Communications Division Head.

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**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Executive Session to discuss a volunteer early retirement program response from the State of New Jersey.

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**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Executive Session to receive an Attorney proposal update.

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**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Executive Session to discuss a collection issue at the Library.

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**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Executive Session to discuss the Schick property.

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**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Executive Session to discuss a property in High Bridge Borough.

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

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Director Lagay opened the meeting to the public.

Stan Prater, representative of Jersey Central Power and Light, reported to the Board that information has been sent out with regards to the STEM grant. Mr. Prater verified the STEM grant is not just for schools but also for youth groups, such as Boy and Girl Scout organizations.

## CULTURAL & HERITAGE COMMISSION

Carrie Fellows, Executive Director of the Culture & Heritage Commission came before the Board to present a new logo for the Commission. The original logo was created several decades ago and is outdated. In keeping with the new energy in the Commission and its activities, former Commissioner Beth Rice, a graphic designer, was asked to create a new logo with a stylized silhouette of the Historic Courthouse. Mrs. Fellows advised the design of the logo was at no cost to the County. The only costs associated with the change will be to the electronic documents, the website and Facebook page, etc. which will entail some staff time.

The Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders directed Mrs. Fellows to move forward in getting the new logo change for the Cultural and Heritage Commission in place.

Ms. Fellows reported that World Music Day will take place on Saturday, October 01, 2016, from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at Deer Path Park.

**POLYTECH, Dr. Kim Metz, Superintendent**

Dr. Kim Metz updated the Board on recent recognitions and achievements received by Hunterdon County's Polytech students.

- New Jersey Association of Counties annual Cook Off held during its conference in May, 2016, the student's received the: The People's Choice - Silver Award, Judge's Award for Taste -Silver Award, Food Presentation, and Bronze Award for Taste.
- Polytech took 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> place at the Future Farmers of American Rutgers Veterinary Science Career Development Event.
- Polytech took a total of twenty-three awards at the Skills USA Contest Winners 2016, with placings in esthetic, nail care, advertising design, PS Action Skills, Fantasy Makeup and Wedding Cake. The Nationals will be held on June 20<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> in Louisville, KY.
- Polytech placed 1<sup>st</sup> Place gold (four recipients) and 1<sup>st</sup> Place Silver (one recipient) at the FCCLA. Adriana Pasquale, a recipient of the one of these awards, was present at the meeting and spoke of her involvement in the FCCLA.

Dr. Metz reported that graduates from Polytech received \$1.7 million dollars in scholarships to continue their education, so far this year. .

Mr. Walton commended Dr. Metz for Polytech's integration of Firefighter 101 curriculum into the Polytech program, which is slated to start in the Fall.

**PURCHASING**

Mr. King moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

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**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Authorizing the award of County Bid #2016-01, for the Operation of Hunterdon County Transportation (LINK), with First Transit, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$5,297,460.00, for a three year contract, to run from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017; July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018; and July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

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

**PROJECT UPDATE**

Frank J. Bell, AIA, County Project Administrator, updated the Board on various County facilities and projects.

- Emergency Services Training Center, the County will be meeting with the State to review the specifics of the lease in Trenton, June 30, 2016.
- Rt. 31 HVAC System for Buildings 2 & 3, proposals are scheduled to be obtained from vendor by June 10, 2016.
- Historic Courthouse, a proposal has been received and is being evaluated for scope with the Architect. Final scope and pricing will be submitted by June 10 by Project Administration and Cultural and Heritage.
- Generators, work has begun on the design phase, starting with field measurements and load usage by evaluating the JCP&L bills.
- Everittstown Garage Salt Building Renovations and Addition, the project will be Bid June 23, 2016.
- Mt. Airy Garage Wash Bay System, the project is out for quoting.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Director Lagay 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."

Hold Item #19, and Checks #'s 1469, 153755, and 153931.

Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. Holt seconded a motion to approve the claims in accordance with the Claims Register dated June 07, 2016, absent checks #1469, #153-755 and #153-931.

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**CLAIMS REGISTER**

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

Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded a motion to approve Check #1469, in accordance with the Claims Register dated June 07, 2016.

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

Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. King seconded a motion to approve Check #'s 153755 and 153931, in accordance with the Claims Register dated June 07, 2016.

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

Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. Holt seconded a motion to approve the regular session minutes of April 19, 2016 and the special session minutes of May 02, 2016.

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

Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. Holt seconded these:

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**RESOLVED**, Bryan D. Stem appointed permanent, full time Senior Construction Inspector, Division of Engineering, Department of Public Works.

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**RESOLVED**, Bryan Manning appointed permanent, full time Road Repairer 2, Division of Roads and Bridges, Department of Public Works.

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**RESOLVED**, Charles M. Puha appointed permanent, full time Road Repairer 2, Division of Roads and Bridges, Department of Public Works.

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**RESOLVED**, Dawn Paulmeno appointed permanent, full time Program Development Specialist, Division of Human Services, Department of Human Services.

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**RESOLVED**, James Mackin appointed permanent, full time Road Repairer 2, Division of Roads and Bridges, Department of Public Works.

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**RESOLVED**, James G. Martin appointed unclassified, full time Assistant County Engineer, Engineering Division, Department of Public Works.

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**RESOLVED**, Kevin B. Ohler appointed permanent, full time Senior Construction Inspector, Engineering Division, Department of Public Works.

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**RESOLVED**, Kevin Gonzalez appointed permanent, full time Road Repairer 2, Division of Roads and Bridges, Department of Public Works.

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**RESOLVED**, Paul Oceanak appointed permanent, full time Construction Inspector, Division of Engineering, Department of Public Works.

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**RESOLVED**, Kenneth Ceva appointed full time, provisional Registered Environmental Health Specialist, Health Services Division, Public Safety and Health Services Department.

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**RESOLVED**, Sabrina Baarda appointed permanent, full time Program Development Specialist, Department of Human Services.

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

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**RESOLVED**, Approving a one-time stipend for Paul Bolanowski, Jr. Senior Mechanic in the Division of Vehicle Services, for completion of the Diesel Emissions Certification.

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**RESOLVED**, Approving a Memorandum of Agreement with the Prosecutor's Office, FOP Lodge #186 (Sergeants), covering January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2017.

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**RESOLVED**, Approving a Memorandum of Agreement with the Prosecutor's Office, FOP Lodge #186 (Lieutenants), covering January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2017.

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**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a Memorandum of Agreement with the Prosecutor's Office, FOP Lodge #186 (Investigators), covering January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2017.

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**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a Mutual Assistance Agreement with Flemington Borough, for specialized law enforcement services, through the County's SWAT Team.

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**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a Volunteer Agreement with William Musacchio (Flemington Borough), for specialized law enforcement services, through the County's SWAT Team.

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**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Authorizing the sale of Truck #72 and two plows, declared surplus, in the amount of \$14,000.

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**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving the solicitation of bids for County Bid #2106-11, to furnish and deliver fine paper and envelopes.

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**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving Change Order #1, for County Bid #2015-19, for the 2015 Resurfacing and Surface Treatment of various County Roads, with Trap Rock Industries LLC, for a decrease of \$124,694.77.

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**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Authorizing the sale of surplus equipment/goods through govdeals.com., to be held the week of June 13, 2016 through June 24, 2016.

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**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving an agreement with the Township of Raritan for the acceptance of the Closed Drainage System (formerly County Culvert Q-44), situated on Johanna Farms Road, Raritan Township.

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**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving an agreement with the Student Conservation Association, Inc., for work at the Musconetcong Gorge Preserve, installing a trail from the new parking area to the blue trail, in the amount of \$24,000.

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**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a Deferred Compensation Plan to be provided by AXA Equitable for County employees.

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**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving the purchase of three 2016 Ford E-450 Mini Buses for the LINK from Shepard Brothers, Inc. using a cooperative purchase agreement with Somerset County, in the amount of \$211,731.

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**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Michelle Nodes, Assistant County Counsel, Human Services Department, salary adjustment.

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

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

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**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving the appointment of Marianne S. Rampulla as a Member of the County Board of Elections.

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

## **GRANTS**

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

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### **RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a Letter of Agreement with the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, for receipt of State funding in the amount of \$181,380.00, for the purpose of substance abuse prevention and education programming through the County's Municipal Alliance Programs.

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

Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. King seconded this:

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### **RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving the receipt of a Clean Communities Entitlement Grant, for the purpose of providing a clean, litter-free environment, in an amount not less than \$94,177.14.

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

Mr. King moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

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### **RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving Contract #TS17010, with the New Jersey Department of Human Services, for \$33,768.00 in Transportation Block Grant, to assist TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) consumers with employment related transportation through the County's LINK system.

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

Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded this:

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### **RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving State Contract #SH17010, with the New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development, for an amount of \$128,844.00, to assist family and individuals at risk of homelessness and who are ineligible for Work First New Jersey Emergency Assistance.

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

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

A letter was received from The Garden State Underwater Recovery Unit, requesting permission to hold a Coin Toss, at the intersection of the intersection of County Route 519 and Bridge Street, in Milford, New Jersey, on Saturday, June 18, 2016, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Mr. Walton moved and Mr. King seconded a motion granting approval provided this event is coordinated through the County's Department of Public Works.

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

A second letter was received from The Garden State Underwater Recovery Unit requesting permission to hold a Coin Toss, at the intersection of County Route 519 and Bridge Street in Milford, New Jersey, on Saturday, December 17, 2016, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Mr. Walton moved and Mr. King seconded a motion granting approval provided this event is coordinated through the County's Department of Public Works.

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

## **FREEHOLDERS COMMENTS/REPORTS**

### **Highlands Act**

Mr. Walton commented on the proposed rule change to the Highlands Acts that would reduce the amount of acres needed for homes to be placed on these areas. The old rule was 88 acres per septic system/per home; that was based on poor data. The NJDEP has investigated that and they are proposing to reduce the acreages to 23. Mr. Walton feels this is a step in the right direction. The NJDEP is accepting comments on the rule change until July 15, 2016.

Mr. Walton feels the Board should comment on the positive impact of the rule change.

### **Mental Health Event/HCRHS**

Mr. Walton reported on the Mental Health Stigma-Free event recently held at Hunterdon Central High School, featuring former New Jersey First Lady, Mary Jo Codey. The event was well attended and Ms. Codey's words were very moving.

### **Primary Election**

Mr. Lanza congratulated the local Hunterdon County elected officials who he anticipates winning their primaries later this evening; specifically County Clerk Mary Melfi and Sheriff Fred Brown.

Mr. King and Mr. Holt reported they are proud to serve with those on the County level who are up for re-election.

Plan Small New Jersey

Mr. Holt reported that he was the keynote speaker for an organization called Plan Smart New Jersey this morning. He was able to present much of the data which was amassed in the CEDS report. Plan Smart is focused on stranded assets throughout the state; their focus would be a large revenue boost for the state.

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Director Lagay opened the meeting to the public.

No one from the press or public wished to address the Board at this time.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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Denise B. Doolan  
Clerk of the Board

Transcribed by:

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Dana A. Gootman  
Deputy Clerk of the Board