

HUNTERDON COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
71 Main Street, Flemington, New Jersey 08822
May 03, 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. King moved and Mr. Lanza seconded these:

See Page 5/3/16-1A RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Executive Session to meet a candidate for fill the position of Human Services Administrator. (Rice Noticed).

See Page 5/3/16-1B RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Executive Session to discuss the Buyer vacancy in the Purchasing Division.

See Page 5/3/16-1C RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Executive Session to discuss the vacancy in Weights and Measures.

See Page 5/3/16-1D RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Executive Session to provide an update on the Prosecutor's bargaining units negotiations.

See Page 5/3/16-1E RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Executive Session to receive an update on the CWA Negotiations.

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

The Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders went into Executive Session at 4:31 p.m., recessed at 5:03 p.m. and reconvened in Open Session at 5:30 p.m.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

Director Lagay opened the meeting to the public.

Barbara Sachau, Raritan Township resident, advised she attended the public meeting for the Parks plan and in speaking with others, feels not many people knew the meeting was taking place. She asked that meetings be more widely advertised.

Ms. Sachau commented on the gas tax revenue and questioned Mr. Holt's attendance on the New Jersey Transportation Board. She questioned the budget for that board and read it was \$2 Billion dollars and asked if that figure was accurate.

Mr. Holt explained the budget is not \$2 billion but rather there is approximately a need for \$2 billion dollars for road projects that are in the cycle. The budget is roughly \$40 million. What that board approves is federal dollars on transportation projects including NJ Transit. Most projects typically take ten years to process and this board ensures that municipalities and counties are able to receive the federal dollars needed for important road projects.

MENTAL HEALTH BOARD/STIGMA TASK FORCE PRESENTATION

Mr. Walton moved and Mr. Holt seconded this:

See Page 5/3/16-1F PROCLAMATION

RESOLVED, Recognizing May, 2016 as Mental Health Awareness Month in Hunterdon County.

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

Director Lagay presented Cathy Zahn with this proclamation.

Ms. Zahn presented a short video illustrating many facts and figures about mental illness in America and encouraged the audience to reframe their thought process around this illness, in an effort to remove the stigma surrounding those with mental illness.

Ms. Zahn stated she will also be hosting a presentation at Hunterdon Central High School on May 23, 2016 with former Governor Codey's wife, Mary Jo Codey, as the keynote speaker.

Freeholder Walton commended Ms. Zahn and those who assisted in preparing and presenting today's information, and for their role they plan in increasing awareness.

Freeholder Walton spoke of his personal family experience and his father's battle with depression after his wife and mother passed away within a few months of one another. He expressed the need to be as comfortable talking about mental illness as people who talk about cancer and other common illnesses that illicit compassion amongst colleagues.

The Board thanked Ms. Zahn for today's presentation.

PROCLAMATION/RECOGNITION

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. King seconded this:

See Page 5/3/16-2A

PROCLAMATION

RESOLVED, Declaring May 21 and 22, 2016 as "Relay for Life of Hunterdon County Days" and encouraging citizens to participate in the fight against cancer by joining in the American Cancer Society Relay for Life event at Hunterdon Central Regional High School.

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

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. King seconded this:

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PROCLAMATION

RESOLVED, Recognizing Jake Moore, Troop 187, for attaining the designation of Eagle Scout.

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

PURCHASING

Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. King seconded this:

See Page 5/3/16-2C

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving Requisition #R6-02510, using N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)L, for printing 2016 Primary Ballots, with Sky Printing, for the County Clerk's Office, in the amount of \$76,000.

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

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

See Page 5/3/16-2D

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Authorizing the award of Bid #2016-06, to furnish and deliver Transit Concrete, to Ralph Clayton & Sons, in an amount not to exceed \$160,225.

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

FARMLAND/OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. King seconded this:

See Page 5/3/16-2E

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving the purchase of Block 9, Lot 3, in Union Township, from Brian Plushanski and Alexander Plushanski III, for general open space, park, recreation and conservation purposes, in an amount of \$319,000.

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

PROJECT UPDATE

Frank J. Bell, AIA, County Project Administrator was unable to come before the Board to provide his update.

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. Lanza seconded a motion to accept Frank Bell's Project Update as written. The update has been posted to the County's webpage.

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

COUNTY ORDINANCE

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

See Page 5/3/16-3A

COUNTY ORDINANCE #2016-02

INTRODUCTION, Approving County Ordinance #2016-02, allowing for an adjustment charged for administrative services for the shared service of Gasoline purchased at the County's Garages by other entities.

A public hearing will be held on May 17, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.

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

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."

Items held at this time: Check #18057 and #153508; Resolution #2.

Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. Holt seconded a motion to approve claims in accordance with the Claims Register dated May 03, 2016, with the exception of checks #18057 and #153508.

See Page 5/3/16-3B

CLAIMS REGISTER

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

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. Lanza seconded a motion to approve the regular session minutes of March 15, 2016.

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

Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. Holt seconded these:

See Page 5/3/16-3C

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Christine Hammerstone appointed unclassified, full time Human Services Administrator, Human Services Department.

See Page 5/3/16-3D

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Alison Yanulevich appointed temporary Clerk, County Clerk's Office.

See Page 5/3/16-3E

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Maryjean Bakaletz appointed part-time, Library Assistant, Library.

See Page 5/3/16-3F

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Kyle Weiss appointed temporary, Seasonal Intern, Parks and Recreation Division, Department of Planning, Economic Development and Land Use.

See Page 5/3/16-3G

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Evan Jordan appointed provisional, full time Bridge Repairer (CDL Class A), Department of Public Works.

See Page 5/3/16-3H

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving speed limits along County Route 610 (Kingwood Avenue), in Frenchtown Borough.

See Page 5/3/16-3I

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Brianna Skripko appointed temporary, Administrative Assistant, Board of Elections.

See Page 5/3/16-3K

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Megan Simons appointed temporary, Intern, Board of Elections.

See Page 5/3/16-3L

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving an interdepartmental transfer for Jesse Cvecich from Corrections Division to the Sheriff's Office.

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RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving an interdepartmental transfer for Sonia Noriega-Scielzo from Corrections Division to the Sheriff's Office.

See Page 5/3/16-4B

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving speed limits along County Route 604 (Rosemont-Sergeantsville Road), from County Route 519 to County Route 523, in the Township of Delaware.

See Page 5/3/16-4C

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving final payment for County Bid #2015-11, for Septic Construction and Drainage Improvements to the South County Park, in East Amwell Township, with S.F. Lutzky Contracting, Inc., in the amount of \$168,486.74.

See Page 5/3/16-4D

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving an agreement with J.A.R. Engineering, Inc., for professional electrical engineering design services, for the new generator installations, at the Mount Airy and Everittstown Garage sites, in the amount not to exceed \$7,000.

See Page 5/3/16-4E

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Supporting the opposition to Assembly Bill 1916 to increase the motor fuel tax to fund the Transportation Trust Fund.

See Page 5/3/16-4F

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving the appointment of Neil Hendrickson to the Shade Tree Commission.

See Page 5/3/16-4G

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving Artists' Waivers for participation in the 42nd Senior Art Show.

See Page 5/3/16-4H

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving the solicitation of bids for the Everittstown Garage Salt Barn Addition.

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

Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. Holt seconded a motion to approve Check #18057 in accordance with the Claims Register dated May 3, 2016.

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

Mr. King moved and Mr. Lanza seconded a motion to approve Check #153508 in accordance with the Claims Register dated May 3, 2016.

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

GRANTS

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

See Page 5/3/16-4I

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a grant application for administration of the Low Income Heating and Energy Assistance Program, from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, in the amount of \$1,724.

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

Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. King seconded this:

See Page 5/3/16-4J

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a grant application with the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of State Police, for Emergency Management Agency Assistance Funds, in the amount of \$55,000 with a County Match of \$55,000, total amount of \$110,000, for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

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

INTRODUCTION

Director Lagay introduced Christine Hammerstone the newly appointed Human Services Administrator for the County.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was received from the American Diabetes Association, request to use County roads during their Annual Northern New Jersey Tour de Cure, on Sunday, June 05, 2016, from 6:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded a motion granting approval provided this event is coordinated through the County's Department of Public Works.

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

A request was received from the High Bridge Borough Business Association, requesting permission to use County Route 513, on Saturday, June 04, 2016, from 7:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m., for their Soap Box Derby. Mr. King 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. KING, MR. LANZA, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.

Correspondence was received from the Three Bridges Volunteer Fire Co., requesting permission to use County Roads during their 6th Annual Three Bridge 5 Mile Run, on Saturday, August 13, 2016. Mr. King 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. KING, MR. LANZA, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.

The Raritan Township Police Department, is requesting permission to use the County's shredder to destroy documents at their facility. Mr. King moved and Mr. Lanza seconded a motion granting permission provided this event is coordinated through the County's Division of Records Management.

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

A request was received from the Fairmount Fire Company, requesting permission to hold a Coin Toss at the intersection of County Routes 512 and 517, in Tewksbury Township on Saturday, May 14, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Mr. King moved and Mr. Lanza seconded a motion granting permission provided this event is coordinated through the County's Division of Records Management.

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

FREEHOLDERS COMMENTS/REPORTS

Criminal Justice Reform Bill

Mr. King reported on support for criminal justice reform at the county level. While the law is well intended there will be financial consequences to New Jersey's counties. This bill could have a \$45 million dollar price tag to the counties. The New Jersey Association of Counties will be meeting to discuss the Criminal Justice Reform Bill.

Mr. King requested that the resolution on tonight's agenda be moved until further notice.

Mr. Lanza agreed saying he does not believe it is urgent enough to pass tonight and believes the Legislature should consider the consequences before forcing unfunded mandates onto counties.

Diocese of Metuchen

Mr. Walton reported that Hunterdon County has a new Bishop; Jim Checchio is the fifth Bishop of the Diocese of Metuchen.

Heron Glen Golf Course

Director Lagay reported Hunterdon's Golf Course, Heron Glen, was listed as the #1 golf course by Golf Advisors. She believes the golf course is an asset for the County and an attraction that needs to be taken care of.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Director Lagay again opened the meeting to the public.

Ms. Sachau questioned the County's One Stop.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Director Lagay adjourned the meeting at 6:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise B. Doolan, CLERK

Transcribed by:

Dana Gootman, Deputy Clerk