

**HUNTERDON COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS**

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

Flemington, New Jersey 08822

**September 20, 2016**

The regular meeting of the Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders convened at 4:30 p.m. in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

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

"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 September 16, 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. Holt seconded these:

**See Page 9/20/16-1A RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Executive Session to discuss the Title Search contract.

**See Page 9/20/16-1B RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Executive Session to receive a CWA/Communications Unit update.

**See Page 9/20/16-1C RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Executive Session to discuss an appointment to the Shade Tree Commission.

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

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

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

**ABSENT: MS. LAGAY.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Deputy Director Lanza opened the meeting to the public.

John Anderson, Jersey Central Power and Light representative, informed the Board he is temporarily stepping down in his duties with the County to take on a special assignment and Stan Prader will assume the Hunterdon County level responsibilities in his absence.

Barbara Sachau, Raritan Township resident, commented on the taxpayers subsidizing agricultural profiteers through the Open Space taxes, as opposed to land preservation.

Ms. Sauchau also raised concern over the price of the golf course structure and believes it is unfair to taxpayers who do not golf.

**PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITION**

Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded this:

**See Page 9/20/16-1D PROCLAMATION**

**RESOLVED**, Declaring September as Recovery Month in the County.

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

Mr. Lanza presented the proclamation to David Harkness and various members of Hunterdon Medical Center, who expressed their gratitude for the acknowledgment on behalf of the County.

**FINANCE**

Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded these:

**See Page 9/20/16-1E RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Requesting the insertion of an item of revenue and the like sum as an appropriation in the 2016 County Budget for Hazard Mitigation: Fuel Depots Generator Project, in the amount of \$111, 200.

See Page 9/20/16-2A

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Requesting the insertion of an item of revenue and the like sum as an appropriation in the 2016 County Budget for Hazard Mitigation: County Wide Shelter Generator Project, in the amount of \$257,857.

See Page 9/20/16-2B

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Requesting the insertion of an item of revenue and the like sum as an appropriation in the 2016 County Budget for Hazard Mitigation: Library Generator Project, in the amount of \$306,000.

See Page 9/20/16-2C

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Requesting the insertion of an item of revenue and the like sum as an appropriation in the 2016 County Budget for the JARC Round 3 grant, in the amount of \$100,000.

See Page 9/20/16-2D

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Requesting the insertion of an item of revenue and the like sum as an appropriation in the 2016 County Budget for the Mosquito and Vector Control program grant, in the amount of \$29,000.

See Page 9/20/16-2E

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Requesting the insertion of an item of revenue and the like sum as an appropriation in the 2016 County Budget for the Subregional Transportation Planning Program grant, in the amount of \$71,010.

See Page 9/20/16-2F

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Requesting the insertion of an item of revenue and the like sum as an appropriation in the 2016 County Budget for the NJ State Council on the Arts program grant, in the amount of \$66,464.

See Page 9/20/16-2G

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Requesting the insertion of an item of revenue and the like sum as an appropriation in the 2016 County Budget for the County History Partnership Program, in the amount of \$32,490.

See Page 9/20/16-2H

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Requesting the insertion of an item of revenue and the like sum as an appropriation in the 2016 County Budget for the Transportation - TBG grant, in the amount of \$33,768.

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

**PURCHASING**

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. King seconded this:

See Page 9/20/16-2I

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving Requisition #R6-05553, using State Contract No. A-83899, with New Jersey Business Systems, to Furnish and Install a Wireless Microwave Link, for the Division of Information Services, in the amount of \$73,820.88.

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

Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded this:

See Page 9/20/16-2J

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving Requisition #R6-05661, using County Cooperative Purchase #CC-9014-55, with Shepard Brothers, Inc., to purchase two (2) 2016 Ford E-450 Mini Buses (LINK), for the Division of Vehicle Services, in the amount of \$141,154.

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

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. Walton seconded this:

See Page 9/20/16-2K

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Authorizing the award of County Bid #2016-08 for the Painting of Various Bridges, with Aussie Painting Corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$297,097.

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

Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded this:

**See Page 9/20/16-3A**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Authorizing the award of County Bid #2016-14, to Furnish and Deliver Snow and Ice Control Materials (Rock Salt), to Atlantic Salt, in an amount not to exceed \$515,250.00.

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

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. King seconded this:

**See Page 9/20/16-3B**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Authorizing the award of County Bid #2016-14, to Furnish and Deliver Snow and Ice Control Materials (Calcium Chloride Solution), to Setcon Industries, in an amount not to exceed \$29,600.00.

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

Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded this:

**See Page 9/20/16-3C**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Authorizing the award of County Bid #2016-13, to Furnish, Deliver and Install Generators at Various County Facilities, to Innovative Electrical Contracting, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$439,997. (grant funded).

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

**FARMLAND PRESERVATION/OPEN SPACE**

Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded this:

**See Page 9/20/16-3D**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving an application to the Highlands Open Space Partnership Funding Program for the Denton Property, Block 56, Lot 11 and Block 57, Lots 13, 13.01 and 13.02, in Lebanon Township.

Mr. Walton advised he will abstain from this vote due to his multiple associations with the Highlands Council, the HDC Bank which supervises the grant programs, and the Land Owner Equity Subcommittee which has purview for all applications for this program as well as the HDC credit program.

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

**FACILITIES COMMITTEE UPDATE**

George Wagner, Chief of Staff, reported on the status of the County's Facilities Committee. The Facilities Committee has been identifying spaces that can be consolidated or relocated for optimal efficiencies. An inventory and evaluation has taken place, the Facilities Committee has established the current and future facility needs; as well as estimating long range program costs and defining an action plan for capital improvements.

Mr. Wagner advised a report was done in 1995 which assumed the County's population would continue to grow and therefore County Government would grow with it. The population has not grown to predicted levels and County employment has not grown. Therefore, the Facilities Committee has completed an inventory of all existing properties which have been reviewed for operational efficiencies; the current focus is on the Main Street County Complex. The Finance and Purchasing have been consolidated to one floor; Human Resources and the Legal Office have moved to third floor. It is expected that Administration, the Freeholders Offices and their support staff will move to the top floor as well.

Mr. Wagner requested direction from the Board based on the suggestion of the Facilities Committee that the Board of Chosen Freeholders consider moving their offices to the top floor from the current location of the first floor. Should that be approved, the first floor would be used for another County department.

Mr. Wagner reported to the Board on security for the Main Street County Complex stating recently installed were access control systems. He feels there is a need for a centralized reception area in each County building.

Mr. Walton questioned the necessity of moving everyone from the first floor up to the third floor.

Mr. Wagner advised from an operational perspective and the potential new occupants of the first floor, it makes the most sense to move upstairs.

Mr. Walton and Mr. Holt had questions and asked for more information and plan details before making a decision is made to move the Freeholders upstairs.

### **PUBLIC WORKS**

Tom Mathews, Director of Public Works, came before the Board to present an update on various road and bridge projects.

#### **Roads:**

- Application of Traffic Stripes on Various Roads, this is project began on September 7, 2016 and will take approximately 4 to 5 weeks, it started in the western part of the County.
- Resurfacing & Surface Treatment of Various Roads, construction starts this week, beginning with the resurfacing of County Route 518 from County Route 601 to Lambertville.
- Drainage Improvements on County Routes 635 and 519, is on tonight's agenda for approval to advertise to bid. The project consists of installing a closed drainage system where deep roadside ditches exist; County Route 519 southbound across from Kingwood Township School; and County Route 635 southbound between Mine Road and Skyland Way.

#### **Bridges:**

- 2016 Bridge Painting of Various Bridges, the contract is on tonight's agenda for approval. This is a temperature sensitive project and it will begin in late Spring 2017.
- Culvert E-249, Back Brook Road, East Amwell Township, is a stone wall replacement. The project will be closed approximately 4 weeks, starting September 19, 2016 and a detour will be posted.
- Culvert FU-5, County Route 513 Pittstown-Clinton Road, Franklin and Union Townships, is the replacement of concrete culvert, road closure and construction began July 5, 2016 and it is expected to be reopened on August 30, 2016. Punchlist items remaining.
- K-93, Horseshoe Bend Road, Kingwood Township, reopened September 13, 2016. .
- K-138, Union Road, Kingwood Township, reopened September 9, 2016.
- Bridge T-65, Vlietown Road, Tewksbury Township, is a deck replacement. The bridge will be closed 4 to 6 weeks, starting September 28, 2016.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Deputy Director Lanza 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."

Check #154-980 was held at this time.

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. King seconded a motion to approve the claims in accordance with the Claims Register dated September 20, 2016, absent Check #154-980

**See Page 9/20/16-4A**

#### **CLAIMS REGISTER**

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

Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded a motion to approve Check #154-980, in accordance with the Claims Register dated September 20, 2016.

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

Mr. King moved and Mr. Walton seconded a motion to approve the regular and executive session minutes of September 06, 2016.

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

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. King seconded these:

**See Page 9/20/16-4B**

#### **RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, James Curry Jr. appointed unclassified, full time Communications Division Head, Department of Public Safety and Health Services.

**See Page 9/20/16-4C**

#### **RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Brett Floyd appointed full time Laborer, Public Works Department.

**See Page 9/20/16-4D**

#### **RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Matt Cibula appointed full time Laborer, Public Works Department.

See Page 9/20/16-5A

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving the appointment of Emily M. Flesher, to the Mental Health Board.

See Page 9/20/16-5B

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving Master Service Agreement Addendum #2, for Facilities and Services, Mailroom Services and Vehicular Services, with the State of New Jersey Judiciary, Administrative Office of the Courts, for the Vicinage of Somerset, Hunterdon and Warren Counties, for Mailroom Services, Facilities Services and Vehicular Services for the Superior Court of New Jersey (Compensation period: July 01, 2015 through June 30, 2016).

See Page 9/20/16-5C

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with Essex County Joint Purchasing System, for Hospital Medical Services for inmates.

See Page 9/20/16-5D

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving the specifications for Drainage Improvements for County Route 519 and County Route 635, in the Townships of Bethlehem and Kingwood, and directing the County Purchasing Agent to advertise for bids.

See Page 9/20/16-5E

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Authorizing the solicitation of bids for the construction documents for the Pre-Trial Services Unit for the Administrative Office of the Courts, at the Justice Center.

See Page 9/20/16-5F

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a Subcontract Award Agreement with the County of Somerset for coordination of to-work services for WFNJ and GA clients, in the amount of \$27,334.00.

See Page 9/20/16-5G

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving Change Order #1, for County Bid #2015-29, for the Reconstruction of County Culvert FU-5, County Route 513 (Clinton-Pittstown Road), over the Capoolong Creek, increase of \$3,268.50.

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

Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded this:

See Page 9/20/16-5H

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a Memorandum of Agreement with the Sheriff's Officers, FOP Lodge 94.

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

**GRANTS**

Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded this:

See Page 9/20/16-5I

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a grant with the New Jersey Historical Commission for the administration of a County History Partnership Program to distribute awards to Warren County applicants, in the amount of \$32,490.

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

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. King seconded this:

See Page 9/20/16-5J

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, Approving a State/Federal Grant Agreement, from the State of New Jersey, Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness, for funding under the FFY16 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP-Local Share), for the purposes of building, maintaining and sustaining national preparedness capabilities, in the amount of \$154,861.07

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

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

A letter was received from the Milford Merchants Association, requesting permission to close a portion of County Route 519, on Sunday, October 30, 2016, for their annual Halloween Parade, for approximately 20 minutes. Mr. Holt 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. HOLT, MR. KING, MR. WALTON, MR. LANZA.  
(ABSENT) MS. LAGAY.**

An email request was received from Anne Hercek, asking permission to use the historic Court House steps on Saturday, October 15, 2016, from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., for the annual Rosary Rally for America. Mr. Walton moved and Mr. Holt seconded a motion granting permission provided this event is coordinated through the County's Cultural and Heritage Commission and the Buildings and Maintenance Division.

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

Correspondence was received from the Lambertville Historical Society, requesting permission to hire the County's LINK buses for their annual fundraiser, the Lambertville Autumn House Tour, to be held on Sunday, October 16, 2016, from 10:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. King seconded a motion granting permission provided the use of the buses' is coordinated through the County's Human Services Department.

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

Denise Doolan, Clerk of the Board informed Deputy Director Lanza that a last minute request has been received from the Fairmont Fire Company Coin Toss No. 1, to hold a Coin Toss on Saturday, September 24, 2016 at the intersection of County Routes 517 and 512. Mr. Walton moved and Mr. Holt seconded a motion granting permission provided this event is coordinated through the County's Department of Public Works.

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

## **FREEHOLDERS COMMENTS/REPORTS**

### Milford Alive Festival

Mr. King reported the Milford Alive Festival is this Saturday, September 24, 2016 and urges all to attend.

### Black Fly Eradication Program

Mr. King reported on The Black Fly Eradication program advising that the State of New Jersey had stopped funding this program. He would like to see the County potentially enter into a partnership with neighboring counties on this issue, as black flies are a nuisance to all.

### Governor Christie's School Fairness Plan

Mr. Walton advised the County received a resolution from Passaic County which strongly opposes Governor Christie's School Fairness Plan. This Board previously passed a resolution supporting this plan and he would like this Board to pass an additional resolution supporting this plan.

### Painting Blue Lines of Support

Mr. Walton reported on a newspaper story from Wayne, New Jersey regarding painting a blue line down the middle of their Main Street in support of local law enforcement. He would like the County to do something similar; perhaps on County Route 513 which cuts through most of the County. He is aware the County no longer has a line-painting truck. Mr. Walton did not have the specifics on cost if this were to be outsourced but is asking the Board to consider it all the same.

## **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Deputy Director Lanza opened the meeting to the public.

Barbara Sachau questioned the resolution on the Consent Agenda regarding the Sheriff's Office agreement.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Deputy Director Lanza adjourned the meeting at 6:17 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**