

HUNTERDON COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

71 Main Street, Freeholder's Meeting Room, 2nd Floor

Flemington, New Jersey 08822

April 16, 2019

4:30 PM

"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 15, 2019, 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 SESSIONS

RESOLUTION -Introduction to the finalist for the Human Services Administrator position.
See Page 4/16/2019 – 1A

RESOLUTION – Discussion of appointments to the Shade Tree Commission, HSAC, and goHunterdon Advisory Board.
See Page 4/16/19 – 1B

RESOLUTION – Discussion of potential land acquisition of properties along the riverfront in Milford Borough.
See Page 4/16/19 – 1C

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNSEL ON EXECUTIVE SESSION

FREEHOLDERS REPORTS

Director Lagay reported on the date change for the first Freeholder meeting in May. The meeting will take place on Monday, May 6, 2019 as opposed to Tuesday, May 7, 2019. Director Lagay also noted that Freeholder Holt was unable to attend today's meeting due to his travel schedule for his full-time job.

Freeholder Soloway reported on the Seasoned Years newsletter that is sent by the Division of Senior Services. Ms. Soloway also reflected on the many classes that are available to seniors at the Hunterdon County Senior Center.

Freeholder Van Doren reported that the Hunterdon County Department of Public Works recently released their annual report. Mr. Van Doren noted that the annual report provides a comprehensive overview of the various infrastructure projects that were undertaken by the Department of Public Works in 2018. Freeholder Van Doren thanked the staff for their hard work and informed the public that they can access the report on the Hunterdon County website.

Freeholder Van Doren also reflected on a joint public meeting that was held in Readington Township by NJTPA and the Hunterdon County Division of Engineering concerning a proposed roundabout. Mr. Van Doren praised the public information sessions and noted they provide an excellent opportunity for the public to share concerns and ideas which can be incorporated into a project.

Freeholder Van Doren added that he recently attended a Hunterdon Drug Awareness graduation with Freeholder Susan Soloway and Sheriff Brown and noted that the event was very moving. He praised all of those involved in helping with drug addiction.

Freeholder John Lanza reported on the "walk out" ceremony for former Prosecutor Anthony Kearns, III which he attended. Mr. Lanza noted the many dignitaries in attendance including two New Jersey State Senators. Mr. Lanza noted that the ceremony was very nice, well attended and fitting for someone who was as accomplished and respected as Mr. Kearns. Freeholder Lanza extended his best wishes to Mr.

Kearns in his future endeavors. Mr. Lanza also thanked Communications Division Head Jim Curry for playing bagpipes at the event.

Freeholder Lanza also reported on the proposed education cuts to Hunterdon County school districts. Mr. Lanza noted the overwhelming amount of support for the online petition that he started opposing the proposed school aid cuts. Mr. Lanza stated that the County would make sure that legislative leaders in Trenton receive the online petition and that he would continue along with his colleagues to fight these proposed cuts.

Director Lagay updated the public on the Cultural and Heritage Commission including the Young Historian Program. Ms. Lagay noted that the program is on hold as the State of New Jersey revamps the program.

Director Lagay also reported that the Polytech Board opposed a proposed program elimination by Polytech's administration. Ms. Lagay said there was a large turnout for the Polytech Board meeting (which she attended) by parents and students alike opposing the proposed computer science program elimination. Director Lagay noted that the Polytech Board was responsive to the students and their parents and her colleagues should be reassured by the Polytech Board's response.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITION

Mr. Lanza moved and Ms. Soloway seconded this:

See Page 4/16/19 -2A

PROCLAMATION

RESOLVED, Recognizing April 14 through 20, 2019, to be National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week, in Hunterdon County.

**ROLL CALL (AYES): MR. LANZA, MS. SOLOWAY, MR. VAN DOREN, MS. LAGAY
(ABSENT): MR. HOLT**

Mr. Van Doren moved and Ms. Soloway seconded this:

See Page 4/16/19 – 2B

PROCLAMATION

RESOLVED, Recognizing Mac Breazzano, Venturing Crew 593, on attaining the designation of Eagle Scout.

**ROLL CALL (AYES): MR. VAN DOREN, MS. SOLOWAY, MR. LANZA, MS. LAGAY
(ABSENT): MR. HOLT**

PUBLIC COMMENT

FINANCE

Ms. Soloway moved and Mr. Van Doren seconded this:

See Page 4/16/19 - 2C

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Certification of Compliance with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's Enforcement Guidance Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

**ROLL CALL (AYES): MS. SOLOWAY, MR. VAN DOREN, MR. LANZA, MS. LAGAY
(ABSENT): MR. HOLT**

Ms. Soloway moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

See Page 4/16/19 – 2D

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, To exceed the County Budget Appropriations to establish a Cap Bank (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4 45.14).

ROLL CALL (AYES): MS. SOLOWAY, MR. LANZA, MR. VAN DOREN, MS. LAGAY

(ABSENT): MR. HOLT

MR. Van Doren moved and Ms. Soloway seconded this:

See Page 4/16/19 – 2E RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approval of the 2019 Budget Statement Certification by Welfare Agency and authorization for the Freeholder Director to sign on behalf of the County.

**ROLL CALL (AYES): MR. VAN DOREN, MS. SOLOWAY, MR. LANZA, MS. LAGAY
(ABSENT): MR. HOLT**

Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. Van Doren seconded this:

See Page 4/16/19 – 2F RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Authorizing County Entity to exceed the County Entity (Board of Taxation) Budget request Cap (P.L. 2015, c. 249) for Calendar Year 2019.

**ROLL CALL (AYES): MR. LANZA, MR. VAN DOREN, MS. SOLOWAY, MS. LAGAY
(ABSENT): MR. HOLT**

Mr. Lanza moved and Ms. Soloway seconded this:

See Page 4/16/19 - 2G RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Authorizing County Entity to exceed the County Entity (Surrogate) Budget Request Cap (P.L. 2015, c. 249) for Calendar Year 2019.

**ROLL CALL (AYES): MR. LANZA, MS. SOLOWAY, MR. VAN DOREN, MS. LAGAY
(ABSENT): MR. HOLT**

Mr. Lanza moved and Ms. Soloway seconded this:

See Page 4/16/19 - 2H RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Authorizing County Entity to exceed the County Entity (Board of Elections) Budget Request Cap (P.L. 2015, c. 249) for Calendar Year 2019.

**ROLL CALL (AYES): MR. LANZA, MS. SOLOWAY, MR. VAN DOREN, MS. LAGAY
(ABSENT): MR. HOLT**

Ms. Soloway moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

See Page 4/16/19 – 2I RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Introduction of the 2019 Calendar Year Budget for the County of Hunterdon.

**ROLL CALL (AYES): MS. SOLOWAY, MR. LANZAM MR. VAN DOREN, MS. LAGAY
(ABSENT): MR. HOLT**

PURCHASING

Mr. Van Doren moved and Ms. Soloway seconded this:

See Page 4/16/19 – 2J RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving County Bid #2019-02, Furnishing and Delivery of Maintenance and Repair Materials for Roads and Bridges, for the Department of Public Works, with Stavola Construction Materials, Inc., in the amount of \$404,025.00.

**ROLL CALL (AYES): MR. VAN DOREN, MS. SOLOWAY, MR. LANZA, MS. LAGAY
(ABSENT): MR. HOLT**

Mr. Van Doren moved and Ms. Soloway seconded this:

See Page 4/16/19 – 2K

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving County Bid #2019-02, Furnishing and Delivery of Maintenance and Repair Materials for Roads and Bridges, for the Department of Public Works, with Eastern Concrete Materials, in the amount of \$16,797.50.

**ROLL CALL (AYES): MR. VAN DOREN, MS. SOLOWAY, MR. LANZA, MS. LAGAY
(ABSENT): MR. HOLT**

Mr. Van Doren moved and Ms. Soloway seconded this:

See Page 4/16/19 – 2L

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving County Bid #2019-02, Furnishing and Delivery of Maintenance and Repair Materials for Roads and Bridges, for the Department of Public Works, with Trap Rock Industries, LLC, in the amount of \$52,100.00.

**ROLL CALL (AYES): MR. VAN DOREN, MS. SOLOWAY, MR. LANZA, MS. LAGAY
(ABSENT): MR. HOLT**

Mr. Van Doren moved and Ms. Soloway seconded this:

See Page 4/16/19 – 2M

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving County Bid #2019-02, Furnishing and Delivery of Maintenance and Repair Materials for Roads and Bridges, for the Department of Public Works, with Hei-Way, LLC, in the amount of \$15,000.00.

**ROLL CALL (AYES): MR. VAN DOREN, MS. SOLOWAY, MR. LANZA, MS. LAGAY
(ABSENT): MR. HOLT**

Mr. Van Doren moved and Ms. Soloway seconded this:

See Page 4/16/19 – 2N

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving County Bid #2019-02, Furnishing and Delivery of Maintenance and Repair Materials for Roads and Bridges, for the Department of Public Works, with Green Rock Recycling, in the amount of \$20,000.00.

**ROLL CALL (AYES): MR. VAN DOREN, MS. SOLOWAY, MR. LANZA, MS. LAGAY
(ABSENT): MR. HOLT**

HISTORIC COURTHOUSE UPDATE

Planning Director Carrie Fellows and County Architect Frank Bell presented an overview of the historic County Courthouse exterior structural assessment that is underway. In addition, Ms. Fellows and Mr. Bell presented an overview of the grant application process that is going to be undertaken to obtain funding to fix the water penetration issues currently impacting the historic Hunterdon County Courthouse.

Mr. Van Doren asked questions of Mr. Bell regarding lessons learned from the previous renovation of the historic courthouse nearly 20 years ago. Mr. Bell said the HVAC system will need to be reconfigured as water penetration is occurring near some of the exterior HVAC units.

The Board acted on the grant applications on the agenda at this time.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Discussion of the proposed NJDEP regulations for Surface Water Quality Standards.

Mr. Lanza moved and Ms. Soloway seconded this:

There was an extensive discussion by David Glass of Alaimo Group and Marc Saluk about how the proposed C-1 water quality standards by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection could have a profound negative impact on various Hunterdon County municipalities and the Raritan Township Municipal Utilities Authority. There was specific concern about the ability of Raritan MUA to provide sewer service to existing growth areas and Flemington Borough given these new regulations.

Mr. Glass noted that additional data, maps and an extended comment period were needed.

Margaret Carmeli, Esq. of Tyler & Carmeli spoke on behalf of their client (Raritan MUA) to present their client's concerns with the proposed C-1 stream regulations. Ms. Carmeli noted that there are concerns with the science behind the NJDEP's proposed regulations along with the stakeholder process that has been initiated thus far. In addition, Ms. Carmeli noted that there is a great deal of concern with the ability of the Raritan MUA to expand wastewater treatment given the "no measurable change" in waste water discharge after the rule implementation.

Raritan MUA Commissioner John Tulley presented information to the Freeholder Board concerning the extent of the impact of the proposed NJDEP C-1 stream regulations. Mr. Tulley focused his remarks upon the impact to homeowners and the extension permitting process that will be involved going forward. Mr. Tulley also noted that the Raritan MUA will likely be negatively impacted in its ability to provide sewer capacity to Flemington Borough.

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RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Authorizing a contract modification #1 with Alaimo Group in the amount of \$15,000.00 for consulting services to advise on NJDEP Surface Water Quality Standards.

**ROLL CALL (AYES): MR. LANZA, MS. SOLOWAY, MR. VAN DOREN, MS. LAGAY
(ABSENT): MR. HOLT**

See Page 4/16/19 – 3B

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving an award of an Economic Development Municipal Grant to the Township of Alexandria, in the amount of \$11,250.00, for the purpose of conducting a review of site planning issues related to agri-tourism.

Mr. Van Doren moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

**ROLL CALL (AYES): MR. VAN DOREN, MR. LANZA, MS. SOLOWAY, MS. LAGAY
(ABSENT): MR. HOLT**

PUBLIC WORKS

County Engineer/Public Works Director Tom Mathews presented an overview of various roads and bridges in the County of Hunterdon that are currently being completed. Mr. Mathews also noted that extensive masonry work has been needed at various County bridges including a partial masonry wall collapse in Holland Township.

Mr. Van Doren moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

See Page 4/16/19 - 4A

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving speed limit changes on County Route 579 (Quakertown-Croton Road), in the Townships of Raritan, Delaware and Franklin.

ROLL CALL (AYES): MR. VAN DOREN, MR. LANZA, MS. SOLOWAY, MS. LAGAY

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

CONSENT AGENDA

"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."

Mr. Van Doren moved and Mr. Lanza seconded these:

Motion to approve the claims in accordance with the Claims Register dated April 16, 2019.

See Page 4/16/19 – 5A

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Susan Nekola, Division Head, Department of Human Services, being granted the following salary adjustment in accordance with her duties, responsibilities and assignment as Mental Health Administrator.

See Page 4/16/19 – 5B

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Appointing Stacey Becker as the Assistant Mental Health Administrator in the Hunterdon County Department of Human Services.

See Page 4/16/19 – 5C

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Acknowledging a onetime stipend of \$2,000.00 provided by agreement between the Hunterdon County Clerk and the CWA Rank & File Local for employees in the County Clerk's office.

See Page 4/16/19 – 5D

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Jarrod Siegel appointed Seasonal Laboratory Assistant in the Hunterdon County Department of Health, Vector Division.

See Page 4/16/19 – 5E

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Susan Pena appointed permanent, full time, Keyboarding Clerk 3, as of April 22, 2019, in the Hunterdon County Department of Planning & Land Use.

See Page 4/16/19 – 5F

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Appointing Stanley C. Ploski III, to the title Mechanic, in the Hunterdon County Division of Vehicle Services.

See Page 4/16/19 – 5G

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Jason Lawrence appointed Equipment Operator, in the Division of Roads of the Department of Public Works.

See Page 4/16/19 – 5H

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Scott Carver appointed Road Supervisor, in the Division of Roads of the Department of Public Works.

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RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Kenneth Sutphen appointed Road Supervisor, in the Division of Roads of the Department of Public Works.

See Page 4/16/19 – 5J

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Appointing John Gamatko Equipment Operator, in the Division of Roads of the Department of Public Works.

See Page 4/16/19 – 5K

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Casey Jankowski to the title Laborer 1, Division of Roads, in the Hunterdon County Department of Public Works.

See Page 4/16/19 – 5L

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Appointing Dan Bush to the alternate position on the Shade Tree Commission.

Appointing Ken Bogen, Supervising Planner, as a voluntary, ex-officio member to goHunterdon, effective immediately.

See Page 4/16/19 – 5M

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Appointing Susan Rozycki appointed as a member to the County Human Services Advisory Council, effective immediately through December 31, 2022.

See Page 4/16/19 – 5N

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving an Employment and Reimbursement Agreement with Thomas A. Fitzpatrick, Office of the Hunterdon County Sheriff.

See Page 4/16/19 – 5O

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a 6 month time extension be granted for the Replacement of Bridge L-6 on High Bridge-Califon Road (County Route 513) over Hickory Run, Township of Lebanon to award the project by December 4th, 2019 and commence construction (road closure) in May of 2020 when cleared of the NJDEP restrictions and winter weather.

See Page 4/16/19 – 5P

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Authorizing an online public auction of various equipment items on Govdeals.com, to be held for twelve (12) days starting May 06, 2019 through May 17, 2019.

See Page 4/16/19 – 5Q

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving Contract Modification #2 between the County of Hunterdon and Freedom House, Inc., for a decrease of \$473.00, to reflect the new amount of \$16,363.00.

See Page 4/16/19 – 5R

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Patrick Masterson appointed Supervising Bridge Construction Worker in the Hunterdon County Department of Public Works, Bridge Division.

**ROLL CALL (AYES): MR. VAN DOREN, MR. LANZA, MS. SOLOWAY, MS. LAGAY
(ABSENT): MR. HOLT**

GRANTS

Mr. Lanza moved and Ms. Soloway seconded this:

See Page 4/16/19 – 6A

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a grant agreement with the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (DMAVA) to provide transportation services to Hunterdon County veterans through The LINK transportation system in the amount of \$15,000.00 for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

**ROLL CALL (AYES): MR. LANZA, MS. SOLOWAY, MR. VAN DOREN, MS. LAGAY
(ABSENT): MR. HOLT**

Mr. Lanza moved and Ms. Soloway seconded this:

See Page 4/16/19 – 6B

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a grant matching commitment to the New Jersey Historic Trust for the historic Courthouse Renovation Project.

ROLL CALL (AYES): MR. LANZA, MS. SOLOWAY, MR. VAN DOREN, MS. LAGAY
(ABSENT): MR. HOLT

Mr. Lanza moved and Ms. Soloway seconded this:

See Page 4/16/19 – 6C RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a grant application to the New Jersey Historic Trust for the historic Courthouse Renovation Project.

ROLL CALL (AYES): MR. LANZA, MS. SOLOWAY, MR. VAN DOREN, MS. LAGAY
(ABSENT): MR. HOLT

Ms. Soloway moved and Mr. Van Doren seconded this:

See Page 4/16/19 – 6D RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a grant application to the New Jersey Historical Commission to fund the 2020-2022 County Historic Partnership Program (CHPP) grant program.

**ROLL CALL (AYES): MS. SOLOWAY, MR. VAN DOREN, MR. LANZA, MS. LAGAY
(ABSENT): MR. HOLT**

Mr. Van Doren moved and Ms. Soloway seconded this:

See Page 4/16/19 – 6E RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving the renewal of the LINCS Public Health Preparedness Grant through the State of New Jersey in the amount of \$269,673.00.

**ROLL CALL (AYES): MR. VAN DOREN, MS. SOLOWAY, MR. LANZA, MS. LAGAY
(ABSENT): MR. HOLT**

Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. Van Doren seconded this:

See Page 4/16/19 – 6F RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a grant reallocation request in the amount of \$70,000 to the New Jersey Highlands Commission for a Routes 78/22 Targeted Industry Attraction Study.

**ROLL CALL (AYES): MR. LANZA, MR. VAN DOREN, MS. SOLOWAY, MS. LAGAY
(ABSENT): MR. HOLT**

FREEHOLDERS COMMENTS/REPORTS

Freeholder Van Doren updated the Freeholder Board and the public about the upcoming 200 Club awards night.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

No additional public comments.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No additional Executive Session and the Board concluded at 7:08 PM with a voice vote to adjourn. The motion was made by Ms. Soloway and seconded by Mr. Van Doren.

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON**

**RESOLUTION
ENTERING INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231 P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the County is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of the specified subject matter.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:

PERSONNEL:

- Human Services Administrator Candidate Introduction
 - To discuss appointments to The Shade Tree Commission, HSAC and goHunterdon Advisory Board.
 - Potential land acquisition along the Milford Riverfront.
3. It is anticipated that the minutes on the subject matter of the Executive Session will be made public upon conclusion of the matter under discussion; and in any event, when appropriate pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.
 4. The Board of Chosen Freeholders will return to Regular Session and may take further action.
 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

\CERTIFICATION

I, Brad Myhre, Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, County of Hunterdon, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true, complete and accurate copy of a resolution adopted by the Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders at a meeting held on April 16, 2019.

ROLL CALL	MOVED	SECONDED	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Suzanne Lagay, Director			x			
John E. Lanza, Deputy Director	x		x			
J. Matthew Holt, Freeholder						x
Susan J. Soloway, Freeholder			x			
Shaun C. Van Doren, Freeholder		x	x			

ADOPTED April 16, 2019


Brad Myhre, CLERK

