

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

MINUTES OF THE AGENDA MEETING

JANUARY 19, 2006

Chairman Alexander Mirabella presided. Roll call showed Vice Chair Bette Jane Kowalski, Freeholder Angel G. Estrada, Freeholder Chester Holmes, Freeholder Adrian O. Mapp, Freeholder Rick Proctor, Freeholder Deborah P. Scanlon, and Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan in attendance. Freeholder Nancy Ward was absent.

PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG were led by the Clerk of the Board.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT was read by the Clerk of the Board.

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COMMUNICATIONS:

OATHS OF OFFICE: Joanne Rajoppi, Union County Clerk; Angel G. Estrada, Union County Freeholder; Rick Proctor, Union County Freeholder; Nancy Ward, Union County Freeholder; Alexander Mirabella, Union County Freeholder Chairman; and Bette Jane Kowalski, Union County Freeholder Vice Chair; Thomas Klem, Senior Citizen & Disabled Transportation Assistance Advisory Program; George W. Devanney, Sebastian D'Elia, M. Elizabeth Genievich, Frank Dann, Harold Gibson, Daniel Vaniska, Dr. Carmen M. Centuolo, and Ralph Froehlich, Union County Emergency Management Council; Joseph Miskiewicz and Anthony Scutari, Union County Improvement Authority; James Baker, Jr., Union County Advisory Board on the Status of Minorities; Nancy Koblis, and John Ferraioli, Union County Public Health/Weapons of Mass Destruction Advisory Board; John Surmay, and Joe Fox, Union County Advisory Council on Aging; Mary DeFilippis, Runnells Specialized Hospital Advisory Board; Elizabeth Geminder, Union County Planning Board; William Wolf, Union County Utilities Authority; Sean Ryan, Advisor to the Union County Shade Tree Advisory Board.

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I. DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

M. Elizabeth Genievich, Deputy County Manager/Dir. of Administrative Services

Michael Yuska, Director of the Division of Purchasing represented the department.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Rescinding a contract and **Resolution No. 1147-2005**, with **Supply Saver Corporation, Neptune, New Jersey, BA. No. 1008-2005** for printer cartridges, as

the vendor has indicated that they cannot honor the prices on their bid and contract.
(CH. MIRABELLA)

Freeholder Sullivan asked why this item was not under the County Counsel's Department. The County Counsel stated that since the contract involves personnel affairs, the item does belong under the Administrative Services Department.

2. Amending **Resolution No. 15-2005**, a contract with **Schenck, Price, Smith & King, LLP, Morristown, New Jersey**, special counsel for personnel affairs, for an additional amount of **\$20,000** for a total contract not to exceed **\$120,000**. **(CH. MIRABELLA)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contracts obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with **Local Public Contracts Law 40A:11-1 et seq**: **(CH. MIRABELLA)**
 - a. DIVISION OF FACILITIES MANAGEMENT: **Warnock Dodge, East Hanover, New Jersey**, for the purpose of providing two (2) 2006 Jeep Wrangler Sports with Snow Plows in an amount of **\$55,994**.
 - b. OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF: **Smiths Detection, Inc., Pine Brook, New Jersey**, for the purpose of providing two (2) X-Ray screening units in an amount of **\$47,200**.
 - c. BUREAU OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS: **Battery Zone, Somerset, New Jersey; Battery Jack, Inc., Minooka, Illinois; and Multiplier Industries Corp., Mt. Kisco, New York**, to supply radio batteries for a contract period of 12 months in an amount not to exceed **\$21,778**.

Freeholder Mapp asked how the performance of the services in item "d" are measured. Freeholders Sullivan and Holmes also asked questions about the service. Director Guzzo discussed the service at length and discussed how complaints and other issues are handled.

- d. DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES: **Amaker & Porterfield, Plainfield, New Jersey**, exercising the option to extend the contract for the term of one twenty-four (24) month period for door to door non-emergency medical transportation services for eligible persons, to and from local doctors, hospital labs, etc. and with the capability to assist dialysis patients if necessary in an amount not to exceed **\$1,400,000**. **(100% Grant Funds)**
- e. DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES: **Mid-Atlantic Truck Center, Inc., Linden, New Jersey**, for the purpose of purchasing one (1) 2006 10-12 YD Tandem Axle Dump Truck with Plow & Spreader in an amount of **\$143,428**.

II. DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Al Faella, Acting Director

RESOLUTIONS

Freeholder Scanlon asked if item #1 is a new procedure. Acting Director Faella responded that this is done every year and is needed to apply for grant funding.

1. Designating the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs as the **Official County Cultural and Heritage Affairs agency. (FR. SULLIVAN)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, to apply for private and public funding for grants for the purpose of developing and implementing programs and services for the arts, education, history and preservation. **(FR. SULLIVAN)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs to hire, engage and compensate the services of non-professional and professional entertainers, workshop leaders, instructors and consultants as circumstances dictate in an individual, case by case in an amount not to exceed **\$5,000 each. (FR. SULLIVAN)**

Freeholder Proctor asked what other programs Development Directions is involved with beside those in items 4 & 5. Acting Director Faella responded that they are also involved with Section 8 programs and multi-jurisdictional programs.

4. Amending **Resolution No. 1293-2005**, a contract with **Development Directions, LLC, Rahway, New Jersey**, to extend the contract an additional three months from January 31, 2006 – April 30, 2006 to allow time for the US Department of Housing and Urban Development to provide communication as the approved Per Unit Administrative Fee in order to enter into a formal agreement for further administration of the HAP Program. **(FR. SULLIVAN)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **Development Directions, LLC, Rahway, New Jersey**, for the purposes of administering the Multi-Jurisdictional Housing Rehabilitation Program for a contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2008 in an amount not to exceed **\$160,000** annually, or 20% of the total allocation for the Administration Fee. **(FR. SULLIVAN)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to execute invoices and payments relative to **telecommunications bills** as they become due and owing for a contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an amount not to exceed **\$1,275,000. (FR. SULLIVAN)**

Freeholder Proctor asked if item #7 was the rebanding project required by the SEC. Acting Director Faella stated that this is that project, and that the County will be reimbursed for the cost. This item is an authorization for the County Manager to sign the agreement.

7. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with **Sprint Nextel, Reston, Virginia**, for the purposes of executing the Frequency Relation for Phase I of the FCC Rebanding Project. This agreement will include reimbursement to the County of Union for equipment, time, labor and engineering services association with the project. **(FR. SULLIVAN)**

III. DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING & PUBLIC WORKS
Frank Dann, Director

Director Dann stated that he would have one item to add for the Regular Meeting concerning the purchase of salt spreader parts which will require an increase in the amount of the contract.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Concurring with the **Borough of Garwood** granting permission to the Garwood Fire Department Wet Down Committee to close South Avenue from Center Street to Maple Street, Garwood, New Jersey from 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm on Saturday May 20, 2006 (Rain Date Sunday May 21, 2006) for a Wet Down Celebration for their new fire truck. **(CH. MIRABELLA)**

Freeholder Sullivan asked Director Dann to explain how the contracts in items #2 & #3 were completed under budget. The Director explained the projects in detail, also discussing the process by which the jobs are originally assessed and how discoveries made during the construction process can change the outcomes. Freeholder Sullivan congratulated the Director and Freeholder Estrada also congratulated him.

2. Amending **Resolution No. 74-2005**, to approve Change Order Number 1 (final) to the contract with **Kyle Conti Construction, LLC, Hillsborough, New Jersey**, for the replacement of the Cooper Road Bridge, Scotch Plains, decreasing the contract amount by **\$76,335.86** for a new contract amount of **\$579,219.14**. **(CH. MIRABELLA)**

Original Contract Amount:	\$655,555.00
Change Order Number 1:	<u>- \$ 76,335.86</u>
Final Contract Amount	\$579,219.14

3. Amending **Resolution No. 482-1998**, to approve Change Order Number 1 (final) to a professional engineering service contract with **Hatch Mott McDonald (formerly Killiam Associates), Millburn, New Jersey**, for the purpose of conducting a feasibility assessment and final scope redevelopment for the Route 82 Bridge over the

Rahway River, Springfield and Union, New Jersey decreasing the contract amount by **\$46,107.70** for a new contract amount of **\$150,095.30. (CH. MIRABELLA)**

Original Contract Amount:	\$196,203.00
Change Order Number 1:	<u>-\$ 46,107.70</u>
Final Contract Amount:	\$150,095.30

IV. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
Lawrence Caroselli, Director

RESOLUTIONS

Director Caroselli stated that he would have an item for the next meeting concerning the upcoming closing on a piece of property in Berkeley Heights. He stated he would need a resolution for debt service payments from the Open Space Recreation & Historic Preservation Trust Fund account. Freeholder Estrada asked further questions on the type of closing to be held that the County Manager addressed.

V. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
Frank Guzzo, Director

RESOLUTIONS

1. Amending **Resolution No. 1249-2005**, for the purposes of expanding the Paratransit contract with **ATC / Vancom, Chicago, Illinois**, for the provision of transportation services in the form of a van shuttle service under the “Welfare to Work” program for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – January 31, 2006 (1 month) in an additional amount of **\$4,900**, for a total contract amount of **\$2,195,467. (State Funding: \$4,900) (FR. ESTRADA)**
2. Amending **Resolution No. 1263-2005**, for the purposes of expanding the Paratransit contract with **Connex Transit, Inc. (formerly ATC / Vancom), Chicago, Illinois**, for the provision of transportation services in the form of a van shuttle service under the “Welfare to Work” program for the contract period of February 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 for an additional amount of **\$70,000**, for a total contract amount of **\$2,151,871. (State Funding: \$70,000) (FR. ESTRADA)**

Freeholder Proctor asked if the amount in item #3 was an increase from last year. Director Guzzo stated that it is a cost of living increase of about \$6,000 or \$7,000.

3. Entering into an agreement the **New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Disability Services**, to accept Personal Assistance Services Program (PASP) funding in the amount of **\$612,433** for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006. **(State Funding: \$612,433) (FR. ESTRADA)**

Freeholder Estrada asked why the phrase “initial funding” was in item #4. Director Guzzo stated that the amount of the funding in the item will basically remain flat, although there is a chance the County may receive a cost-of-living increase.

4. Entering into an agreement with the **New Jersey Department of Community Affairs to accept 2006 Community Services Block Grant** initial funding in the amount of **\$395,769** for the period of October 1, 2005 – September 30, 2007. **(State Funding: \$395,769) (FR. ESTRADA)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for a three year application to the **New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Division on Women**, in the amount of **\$53,000** per annual budget cycle for the contract period of June 30, 2006 – June 29, 2009 for the Rape Prevention and Crisis Hotline Grant. **(State Funding: \$53,000) (FR. ESTRADA)**

Vice Chair Kowalski asked if the County was receiving this money because the project in item #6 is a shared service. Director Guzzo said this was indeed the case and that this is the third year of the agreement. Freeholder Mapp asked if the County gains revenue from providing this service. Director Guzzo said that the County covers costs but does not make any real revenue. The money the County receives offsets staff salaries to process these cases.

6. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an Inter-local Services Agreement with the **County of Morris** for the purposes of providing case management services to clients who have exceeded the sixty (60) monthly lifetime limit for public assistance for a contract period of October 1, 2005 – March 31, 2006 in the reimbursable amount not to exceed **\$77,686**. **(State Funding: \$77,686) (FR. ESTRADA)**

VI. DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & FACILITIES

Charles Sigmund, Director

Director Sigmund stated that he would have one additional resolution for the next agenda concerning an easement for some property in Cranford. In response to a question from Freeholder Mapp he added that in order for the project to go ahead an easement had to be obtained from the Green Acres program.

RESOLUTION

1. Authorizing the County Manager to engage the services of certain non-professional individuals (i.e.: entertainers and instructors) and to make purchases of livestock (i.e.: Stable school horses) for the Department of Parks and Recreation as circumstances dictate in an individual, case by case in an amount not to exceed **\$5,000**. **(VC. KOWALSKI)**

Freeholder Mapp asked what types of testing are being paid for in item #2. County Engineer Jeff Sias responded to his question saying that the testing was in regard to soil compaction and concrete testing that was done when the building was under construction.

2. Amending **Resolution No. 1020-2002**, authorizing Change Order Number 1 (final) to the contract with **French & Parrello Associates, Holmdel, New Jersey**, for the purposes of testing and inspection at the Union County Froehlich Public Safety Building, decreasing the contract amount by **\$14,274** for a new contract amount of **\$41,326. (VC. KOWALSKI)**

Original Contract Amount:	\$55,600
Change Order Number 1:	<u>-\$14,274</u>
Final Contract Amount:	\$41,326

Freeholder Sullivan commented on lighting on the County golf courses and the rates charged at those courses. Director Sigmund remarked that this would increase the use of the courses during the late afternoon and twilight hours. Freeholder Estrada asked if the increased play on the courses would result in more wear and tear on them. The Director said the effects would be minimal because the courses are very underutilized during off peak hours.

3. Amending **Resolution No. 342-2004**, authorizing Change Order Number 1 (final) to the contract with **Fai Gon Electric, Inc., Piscataway, New Jersey**, for the purposes of installation of Baseball / Softball field lighting, Field No. 8, Warinanco Park & Lighting 4 Tennis Courts in Rahway River Park, Rahway, decreasing the contract amount by **\$7,645** for a new contract amount of **\$247,480. (VC. KOWALSKI)**

Original Contract Amount:	\$255,125
Change Order Number 1:	<u>-\$ 7,465</u>
Final Contract Amount:	\$247,480

4. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Local Government License Agreement with the **American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP), Atlanta, Georgia**, to cover music played or performed on County-owned premises or at County sponsored events during 2006 in an amount of **\$4,259. (VC. KOWALSKI)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Licensing Agreement with **SESAC, Nashville, TN**, to cover music played or performed on County-owned premises or at County sponsored events during 2006 in an amount of **\$2,490. (VC. KOWALSKI)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a professional services contract with **Michael C. Aromando, D.V.M., MS, Chester, New Jersey**, for the purposes of providing routine and emergency medical treatment to the horses at the Watchung

Stables for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an amount of **\$11,000. (VC. KOWALSKI)**

Chairman Mirabella stated that he wanted item #7 removed from the agenda until more information on the strategy for the site in question is provided to the Board.

County Manager Devanney inquired if the contract had been bid, and if so, how much time was there until the contract had to be awarded. Director Sigmund responded that the contract had been bid twice, but the end result was that a negotiation contract was decided upon. Michael Yuska, Director of the Division of Purchasing added that an extension on the commencement of the contract could be obtained from the vendor if requested.

7. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a negotiated contract with **Finne Building and Investment, Inc., Plainfield, New Jersey**, for the purposes of providing Utility System Improvement for the Deserted Village of Feltville / Glenside Park, Berkeley Heights, New Jersey in the amount of **\$1,100,000. (VC. KOWALSKI)**

Base Bid:	\$987,950
Contingency:	\$ 78,350
Alternates 1, 3, 4:	+\$ 33,700
Total Price:	\$1,100,000

VII. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Harold Gibson, Director

Director Gibson stated that he might have one more item for next week's meeting concerning Comprehensive Psychological Services fitness for duty examinations for corrections officers.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Awarding a contract to **Catholic Community Services, Cranford, New Jersey**, for the purposes of providing alcohol and drug counseling treatment for the inmate population at the Union County Jail for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an amount not to exceed **\$81,332. (CH. MIRABELLA)**
2. Awarding a contract to **Reverend Father Paul T. Nolan, Jersey City, New Jersey**, for the purpose of providing religious services and counseling for 10 hours per week to Catholic inmates in the Union County Jail for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in the amount of **\$5,940. (\$495 per month) (CH. MIRABELLA)**
3. Awarding a contract to **Reverend Ray Gaddis, Newark, New Jersey**, for the purpose of providing religious services and counseling for 10 hours per week to

Protestant inmates in the Union County Jail for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in the amount of **\$5,940. (\$495 per month) (CH. MIRABELLA)**

4. Awarding a contract to **Nadhir Abdul Salaam, East Orange, New Jersey**, for the purpose of providing religious services and counseling for 10 hours per week to Islamic inmates in the Union County Jail for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in the amount of **\$5,160. (\$430 per month) (CH. MIRABELLA)**
5. Awarding a contract to **Rabbi Levi Bloch, Westfield, New Jersey**, for the purpose of providing religious services and counseling for 10 hours per week to Jewish inmates in the Union County Jail for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 on a volunteer basis. **(AT NO COST TO THE COUNTY) (CH. MIRABELLA)**
6. Amending **Resolution No. 1171-2004**, a contract with **Kanen Psychological Associates, Ridgewood, New Jersey**, to extend the contract period only from January 1, 2005 – February 28, 2006. **(CH. MIRABELLA)**
7. Amending **Resolution No. 940-2005**, to increase the **Union County LINC'S Bioterrorism Grant** award as per the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services in the amount of **\$89,532** for a total grant award in the amount of **\$627,645. (CH. MIRABELLA)**
8. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for, accept and expend grant funds offered through the **New Jersey Attorney General's Office** in the amount of **\$10,000** from a grant program entitled **"Emergency Management Grant for the Special Needs Community."** **(CH. MIRABELLA)**

VIII. RUNNELLS SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL Joseph Sharp, Director

Director Sharp stated that he would have one additional resolution concerning the hiring of Christine Strong, an attorney, to deal with reimbursement issues.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Authorizing the County Manager to bill a resident of Runnells Specialized Hospital at the Medicaid Daily Rate effective October 1, 2005. **(VC. KOWALSKI)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **US PASS (U.S. Post Acute Service Solutions), Morganville, New Jersey**, for the purpose of generating revenue by billing sub-acute beds using an outside agency for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in the amount of **\$24,000. (VC. KOWALSKI)**

3. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **Grainger Industrial Supply, Lake Forest, Illinois**, through the NJHA pursuant to NJSA 30:0-87 and 88, for the purposes of providing maintenance, repair and operations product procurement and inventory management system for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in the amount of **\$37,200. (VC. KOWALSKI)**

Freeholder Mapp asked the reason that the Board has to approve the minutes in item #4. Director Sharp explained that the Advisory Board sat in as proxy for the Freeholder Board on meetings held at another location at which he delivers various hospital compliance reports. Therefore the Freeholder Board must approve the minutes.

4. Approving the meeting minutes of the **Runnells Specialized Hospital Advisory Board of Managers** from June 8, 2005. **(VC. KOWALSKI)**
5. Authorizing the 2006 annual membership to the **Health Care Association of New Jersey, Hamilton, New Jersey**, for the membership period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an amount not to exceed **\$14,490. (VC. KOWALSKI)**
6. Authorizing the 2006 annual membership to the **New Jersey Hospital Association / American Hospital Association, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania**, for the membership period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in the amount of **\$21,172. (Dues: NJHA - \$17,363 / AHA - \$3,809) (VC. KOWALSKI)**

IX. OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK

Joanne Rajoppi, County Clerk

Alan Falcone, Deputy County Clerk, represented the department.

RESOLUTION

Vice Chair Kowalski asked for more detailed information on the maps in item #1 and on the plans for restoration. Mr. Falcone explained that the maps were real estate maps, some going back to 1857 and that these must be maintained permanently by law and kept available to the public. He stated that the maps will be cleaned, repaired and laminated, and copies of them will be available to the public.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with **County Business Systems, Pennington, New Jersey**, for the purpose of restoring 75 maps in the Office of the County Clerk in the amount of **\$358,427.50. {100% Grant Funds}** This contract was awarded by competitive negotiation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40a:11-5 (3) after two unsuccessful public bids. **(CH. MIRABELLA)**

X. OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTOR

Theodore J. Romankow, Prosecutor

First Assistant Prosecutor, Albert Cernadas, Jr., represented the department.

RESOLUTIONS

Freeholder Holmes asked to be kept informed about meetings for the SALT (Save A Life Today) program. Mr. Cernadas stated that he would forward meeting information to the Clerk of the Board for distribution.

1. Amending **Resolution No 1154-2005**, with **St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Plainfield, New Jersey**, to extend the lease agreement through March 31, 2006 and to change the method of payment of the rent from December 1, 2005 – March 31, 2006 to the Community Justice Grant for the SALT program in the amount of **\$7,400**. (CH. MIRABELLA)
2. Granting the Union County Prosecutor's Office permission to purchase equipment for use in confidential and undercover investigations in the amount of **\$53,900**, as a waiver of public bid has been granted by the Office of the Attorney General. (CH. MIRABELLA)
3. Granting the Union County Prosecutor's Office permission to purchase a vehicle for use in confidential and undercover investigations in the amount of **\$28,046**. A request for a waiver of public bid has been granted by the Office of the Attorney General. (CH. MIRABELLA)
4. Amending **Resolution No. 1079-2005** to reflect that the award from the **County Prosecutor Fraud Reimbursement Program** is **\$242,417**. (CH. MIRABELLA)

XI. OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

Ralph Froehlich, Union County Sheriff

RESOLUTION

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with the **Iselin Veterinary Hospital, Iselin, New Jersey**, for the purposes of providing veterinary services, exams, vaccines and food for the K-9 Unit for the contract period of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 in an amount not to exceed **\$10,000**. (CH. MIRABELLA)
2. Amending **Resolution Number 293-2005** an agreement with **Dr. Stephen Parker, Roselle Park, New Jersey**, for the purposes of providing physical examinations for candidates for Sheriff's Officers Candidates, for an additional amount of **\$3,000** for a total contract amount of **\$8,000**. (CH. MIRABELLA)

3. Amending **Resolution No. 236-2005** an agreement with **Kanen Psychological Associates, Ridgewood, New Jersey**, for the purposes of providing psychological evaluations for Sheriff Officer Candidates, in an additional amount of **\$600** for a new contract amount of **\$5,600. (CH. MIRABELLA)**

No one was in attendance from the Sheriff's Department. After some questions from Freeholder Estrada on the nature of the upgrades for the Firing Range in item # 4 and some questions as to which range is involved in this contract, Chairman Mirabella stated that this item would be pulled from the Agenda until further information could be obtained for the Board.

4. Amending **Resolution No. 1225-2005** an agreement with **Copius Consultants, Seaford, New York**, for the purposes of consulting services on the upgrades and improvements of the Union County Firing Range, in an additional amount of **\$7,000** for a new contract amount of **\$15,575. (CH. MIRABELLA)**

XII. COUNTY COUNSEL
Robert E. Barry, Esq.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Authorizing the Office of the County Counsel to engage and compensate experts such as court reporters, expert witnesses, examining physicians and other litigation support services as well as deductible costs of Prosecutors liability insurance and other specialists which are essential to the defense of the County of Union in an amount not to exceed **\$60,000. (CH. MIRABELLA)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter agreements for the purchase of such law books and materials as is necessary for various departments, constitutional officers, agencies and for the maintenance of law libraries within the County of Union, in an amount not to exceed **\$223,905. (CH. MIRABELLA)**
3. Amending **Resolution No. 873-2005** to increase the appropriation to **Edward Kologi, Esq., Linden, New Jersey**, special counsel in the matter entitled **Sinclair v. County of Union, et als.** for an additional amount of **\$10,000** for a new total contract amount not to exceed **\$20,000. (CH. MIRABELLA)**
4. Amending **Resolution No. 96-2005** to increase the appropriation to **Warren & Tosi, Little Falls, New Jersey**, special counsel in the matter entitled **Roberts v. County of Union, et als.** for an additional amount of **\$5,000** for a new total contract amount not to exceed **\$15,000. (CH. MIRABELLA)**

Freeholder Mapp asked if items #5 & #8 are the same case with multiple attorneys. The County Counsel responded that they are the same case and that there are several attorneys involved in the matter, and that this case would be discussed in the upcoming Executive Session.

5. Amending **Resolution No. 1012-1995** to increase the appropriation to **Edward Kologi, Esq., Linden, New Jersey**, special counsel in the matter entitled **Fanelli v. County of Union, et als.** for an additional amount of **\$20,000** for a new total contract amount not to exceed **\$140,000.** (CH. MIRABELLA)
6. Amending **Resolution No. 1005-2005** to increase the appropriation to **Edward Kologi, Esq., Linden, New Jersey** special counsel in the matter entitled **Brunson v. County of Union, et als.** for an additional amount of **\$5,000** for a new total contract amount not to exceed **\$25,000.** (CH. MIRABELLA)
7. Amending **Resolution No. 947-2005** to increase the appropriation to **Brownstein, Booth & Associates, Union City, New Jersey**, special counsel in the matter entitled **Sinclair v. County of Union, et als.** for an additional amount of **\$10,000** for a new total contract amount not to exceed **\$35,000.** (CH. MIRABELLA)
8. Amending **Resolution No. 875-2005** to increase the appropriation to **Robert Varady, Esq., Union, New Jersey**, special counsel in the matter entitled **Fanelli v. County of Union, et als.** for an additional amount of **\$20,000** for a new total contract amount not to exceed **\$105,000.** (CH. MIRABELLA)

XIII. COUNTY MANAGER
George Devanney

The County Manager stated he anticipated two additional Resolutions on construction and architectural services.

RESOLUTIONS

XIV. FREEHOLDERS

RESOLUTIONS

FREEHOLDER ESTRADA

1. Amending **Resolution No. 2006-32**, to rescind the appointments of **Thomas Reedy and Teresa Soto-Vega**, to appoint **John Hill, HIV/AIDS Target Population** for an unexpired term through December 31, 2006; **Erica Ferry, Schering Plough Kenilworth and Ed Zarnock, CLC, Union** for terms effective immediately and expiring December 31, 2007; appoint **Sharron Brown, Plainfield; Marc Snyder, Community Health Law Project, Elizabeth; Kathleen Dunn, YMCA of Eastern Union County, Elizabeth; Frank Caragher, Arc of Union County, Rahway; Elizabeth Paneros, PROCEED, Inc.,** for terms commencing January 1, 2006 and expiring December 31, 2008.

**FREEHOLDERS ESTRADA, HOLMES, VICE CHAIR KOWALSKI
AND THE ENTIRE BOARD**

1. Congratulating **Gabrielle K. Apigo, Mountainside, New Jersey**, for being chosen Miss Teen New Jersey Galaxy 2006.

FREEHOLDER PROCTOR

Freeholder Proctor stated he and Freeholder Holmes would have five additional resolutions for members of the Rahway Police Department.

1. Appointing **Kevin Illing, Cranford, New Jersey**, to the **Senior Citizen & Disabled Resident Transportation Advisory Board** for the term January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2008.

FREEHOLDER SCANLON

Freeholder Scanlon stated that she would have additional items on the Seville property involving the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund, an item on Shade Tree Committee appointments, and some laudatory resolutions concerning the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee.

1. Approving, pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended to the issuance by the **Union County Improvement Authority of its County of Union General obligation lease revenue bonds, series 2006 (County College Facility Project)** for the purpose of financing a project for the Union County College in the City of Elizabeth, County of Union, New Jersey.
2. Consenting to (I) the issuance by the **Union County Improvement Authority of its "City of Linden General Obligation Lease revenue Bonds, series 2006 (City of Linden Firehouses Project)"** in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed **\$25,000,000** and (II) certain other matters related thereto and pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:37A-56(1).

Freeholder Sullivan stated he would have a resolution for an appointment to the Transportation Advisory Board.

FREEHOLDER WARD

1. Appointing **Joseph Groder, Springfield New Jersey**, to the **Union County Air Traffic Noise Advisory Board**.

CHAIRMAN MIRABELLA

1. Appointing **Freeholder Chester Holmes** as an **Alternate Liaison to the Runnells Hospital Board of Managers** for the term January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006.

2. Amending **Resolution 2006-30**, removing the following from the **Advisory Council on Aging: Ruth Smith, Anita Weinberg and Dennis Maas.**
3. Commending and congratulating the following on being inducted into the Union County Baseball Hall of Fame: **Fred Henderson, Rahway, Ed Kovac, Hillside, John Langan, Linden and Lou Sneizak, Linden.**

THE ENTIRE BOARD

1. Proclaiming month of March as “**Youth Art Month** in Union County.

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The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn the Agenda Session. On a motion by Freeholder Sullivan, seconded by Vice Chair Kowalski, roll call showed eight members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Ward absent.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Re: Potential Land Acquisition

Pending Litigation:

- 1) **Espinosa v. County of Union**
- 2) **Murphy v. County of Union**
- 3) **Roberts v. County of Union**
- 4) **Fanelli v. County of Union**

The Chairman called for a motion to return to the agenda session. On a motion by Freeholder Scanlon, seconded by Freeholder Proctor, roll call showed eight members of the Board voted in the affirmative with Freeholder Ward absent.

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ADJOURNMENT

The next Agenda Setting Session of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders will be held on Thursday, February 9, 2006.

Nicole L. Tedeschi
Clerk of the Board

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