

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
EXECUTIVE MINUTES
THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2006 – AGENDA MEETING

Present: Chairman Alexander Mirabella, Vice Chair Bette Jane Kowalski, Freeholder Angel G. Estrada, Freeholder Adrian O. Mapp, Freeholder Rick Proctor, Freeholder Deborah P. Scanlon, Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan and Freeholder Nancy Ward. Freeholder Chester Holmes was absent. Also present are the County Manager George W. Devanney, County Counsel Robert Barry, and Clerk of the Board Nicole L. Tedeschi.

The following items were discussed:

1. Amendment to the ERIP Program

Present: Joe Salemme, Labor Negotiator; Joe Sharp, Runnells Hospital
Amend eligibility for veterans who have 20 years of service credit and are 60 years of age. Also, a retiree who has a working spouse can retire, go on their spouse's benefits and when the spouse retires, if that spouse will not have health benefits for life, allow our retiree to convert and take advantage of this retirement package.

2. HPAE Contract Negotiations

Present: Joe Salemme, Labor Negotiator; Joe Sharp, Runnells Hospital
A discussion relative to the nurses' contract negotiations at Runnells ensued. The negotiations will help with recruitment, which will ease the transition with nurses who are interested in the early retirement plan.

3. Potential Land Acquisition

(Minutes redacted – discussion involves potential acquisition of real property).

4. Discussion between Freeholders and County Counsel on matter falling within Attorney-Client privilege relative to the Open Public Meetings Act.