



**ANNUAL RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING HELD ON  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2017 AT 6:00 P.M.  
HISTORIC COURTROOM  
3 HIGH STREET, NEWTON, NEW JERSEY**

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**Item**

**1. Call to Order by the Clerk of the Board**

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The Board of Chosen Freeholders would like to thank you for attending its 2017 Annual Reorganization Meeting, and appreciates your interest in County Government and your community.

Best wishes to all for a happy, healthy, and prosperous New Year!

At this time, I would like to call this Annual Re-Organization Meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders to order.

**2. Invocation and Moment of Silent Prayer by Reverend Ken Adams**

**3. Salute to the Flag**

**4. Public Statement**

"Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, Adequate Notice, as defined by Section 3D of Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, has been made by regular mail on the 14th day of December, 2016, as per authorization of the Board, and per notice which was posted, emailed and mailed from the Administrative Offices of the County of Sussex, located in the Administrative Center, One Spring Street, Newton, New Jersey, to the following: New Jersey Herald, New Jersey Sunday Herald, The Star Ledger, WNNJ Radio and WSUS Radio, and is also posted on the bulletin board maintained in the Administrative Center for public announcements, and has been submitted to the Sussex County Clerk in compliance with said Act."

Clerk of the Board Cathy Williams stated due to an illness, Michael C. Gaus will perform the Oaths of Office for Judge Frederic G. Weber.

County Clerk Jeffry Parrott has already been sworn in; it is on the agenda for him to be sworn in this evening; that will not happen again.

**5. Jeffrey M. Parrott, County Clerk - Determination Statement for the November 8, 2016 Election.**

Mr. Parrott read the Determination Statement.

**6. Jeffrey M. Parrott to be sworn in as a member of the Sussex County Clerk by Judge Frederic G. Weber for a five-year term.**

Oath of Office will be placed on file and recorded in the Sussex County Clerk's Office.

**7. George F. Graham to be sworn in as a member of the Sussex County Board of Chosen Freeholders by Judge Frederic G. Weber for a three-year term.**

Oath of Office will be placed on file and recorded in the Sussex County Clerk's Office.

8. **Sylvia Petillo** to be sworn in as a member of the Sussex County Board of Chosen Freeholders by Judge Frederic G. Weber for a three-year term.

Oath of Office will be placed on file and recorded in the Sussex County Clerk's Office.

9. **Director of Board of Chosen Freeholders**

Clerk of the Board states that the first order of business is the election and appointment of a Director for the Sussex County Board of Chosen Freeholders for the year 2017.

**RESOLUTION RE: APPOINTING THE DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN 001-2017 FREEHOLDERS FOR THE YEAR 2017**

Freeholder Graham nominated Freeholder Lazzaro as Director for 2017, seconded by Freeholder Petillo

**MOTION** made by Freeholder Rose to appoint Freeholder Lazzaro as Freeholder director for 2017, seconded by Freeholder Petillo.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

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| Freeholder Crabb   | Yes |
| Freeholder Graham  | Yes |
| Freeholder Lazzaro | Yes |
| Freeholder Petillo | Yes |
| Freeholder Rose    | Yes |

Oath of Office will be administered to the Freeholder as Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders by Judge Michael C. Gaus.

10. **Deputy Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders**

Director states that there are times during the year the Director of the Board may be absent and it is the desire of the Board at this time to appoint a Deputy Director of the Board for the year 2017.

**RESOLUTION RE: APPOINTING THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD OF 002-2017 CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS FOR THE YEAR 2017**

Freeholder Petillo nominated Freeholder Rose as Deputy Director for 2017, seconded by Freeholder Graham

**MOTION** made by Freeholder Petillo to appoint Freeholder Rose as Deputy Director, seconded by Freeholder Graham.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

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|--------------------|-----|
| Freeholder Crabb   | Yes |
| Freeholder Graham  | Yes |
| Freeholder Lazzaro | Yes |
| Freeholder Petillo | Yes |
| Freeholder Rose    | Yes |

Oath of Office will be administered to the Freeholder as Deputy Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders by Judge Michael C. Gaus.

11. **Recognition of Dignitaries Present** by Jerry Scanlan, Chairman, Sussex County Republican Committee.

## **REMARKS:**

### **Freeholder Crabb's remarks**

Freeholder Crabb thanked everyone for their attendance. He also thanked Rev. Adams and Judge Gaus for their attendance especially on such short notice. He recognized departing Freeholder Vohden for his strong leadership and focus over the last years as we navigated through issues that grew in complexity. He said Freeholder Vohden began as a student of county government and left as a walking reference. He valued his time serving with him. He said this Board runs the business of the County. We sign contracts, and we pass resolutions that directly affect our constituents. He said every vote that we take reflects exclusively on the people that we walk the same sidewalks with. He said our accomplishments should not be personally branded but the collective efforts of a Board that is focused on what is best for Sussex County taxpayers. This has always been the key to our efforts to calibrate the way we did business resulting in a staff that every person is here for a reason. He said all of us were put here not to deliberate politically but to strategically plan and deliver for the benefits of our residents. He welcomes their new freeholder Sylvia Petillo, he said a friend of his for several years. He agrees with her that solidifying our core organization is the key to moving forward and looks forward to her ability to bring fresh and comprehensive thought to the Board. He said as he goes into his 10<sup>th</sup> year as Freeholder, he hopes we can gain and maintain the momentum to keep this County ahead of the curve and to keep the bar raised that has been the hallmark of this Board. He said being a Freeholder has been the proudest years of his life and he is honored to be afforded the opportunity to serve.

### **Freeholder Petillo's remarks**

Freeholder Petillo welcomed everyone and thanked them for taking the time to attend the Reorganization meeting. She expressed her sincere appreciation to Judge Michael C. Gaus for coming tonight and swearing us in and to Reverend Ken Adams for his insightful and very inspiring prayer. She said as she was being sworn in she was reminded of the awesome responsibility associated with serving the public. She believes it is a privilege and an honor to be part of the Board. She is grateful for the opportunity. She said 2016 was not only a year of transition for her but for Sussex County as well. She said change is inevitable but if we have the courage to make the hard decisions and implement a good managing plan, change can lead to new opportunities and to growth. She said it is important to set a framework that will guide us as we move forward. She believes that 2017 will be the time to set new ideas, new collaborations and a new vision for Sussex County. It is the year to break through any barriers that have held us back in the past and begin to develop a strategic plan of who we are and where we want to be in the future. She said she spoke with many town officials during the campaign and they are ready to start that conversation. She said once we open communications we can begin to work together to develop a clear and inspiring vision that includes the aspirations of each individual town. She said it is an exciting concept and most important part of this type of project is the leadership behind it. She believes this Freeholder Board has the ability to work together and the determination for success.

### **Freeholder Graham's remarks**

Freeholder Graham said as he looks around the room, there isn't a face that he doesn't recognize. He said you are neighbors whether you live in Vernon or Green. He said this last year was a challenge but it wasn't a challenge that wasn't met. Some took a little longer than they needed to and some took a little longer than we wanted them to but we met our challenges. We were able to work together. Sometimes we were able to debate strenuously, but in the end we came to together and did what needed to be done for this County. He said the most important citizen in the County is every citizen so that means we have to take care of those that are well off, business leaders, and we also have to take care of those people that fall through the safety net. He said sometimes life takes a turn that you aren't prepared for and that is what County government is all about. County government maintains the roads, protects the college and technical school whether you use them or not, County government keeps our jail and Sheriff's Department whether you ever experience it or not.

He said our Health and Human Services department ensures that when you leave here tonight and go to a restaurant in town, you won't get sick because our Health Department is adamantly involved ensuring our County is safe. He said government on a municipal level takes care of things closest to you and government on a county level takes care of the other things. He said he admires the people that work with us and for us and he also admires the many volunteers. He said he is very honored and humbled to be here tonight.

He spoke with admiration for Carl Lazzaro who came from Fredon as the Mayor. He had to learn it all over again. He had to learn what we do versus the municipalities do but Carl did it. He kept every step, every pace. He visited all the meetings and facilities. He said as his role as freeholder, he has tried to be to best of his ability, honest and civil. He thanked everyone for their attendance.

### **Freeholder Rose's remarks**

Freeholder Rose congratulated Freeholder Vohden on his retirement and years of service.

He congratulated Sylvia and Carl on their appointments. He said his first year ever as a freeholder got off to a rough start but things did calm down. The year still proved difficult. He said in early 2016, Sussex County government was in turmoil. He said it was going to be hard but he didn't realize how hard it really would be. He said Freeholder Director Graham and Deputy Lazzaro pushed hard in 2016 to get the ship in the right direction. He said not every problem has been solved but much progress has been made. He said the Freeholder Board delivered a budget that fully funded the solar project short falls; we cut our losses from the solar project and chose not to pursue portions of the buildout that would not be economically beneficial to taxpayers. He said we finished the remaining solar buildout and applied for all 1603s grant money, we began an investigation into the solar project to determine if any individual or organization improperly benefited from the failed project.

We reorganized our departments of Health and Human Services which resulted in considerable tax savings. We began the search for County Administrator, we updated the aging Administrative Code to bring it more in line with best practices and current standards and just last meeting we adopted a resolution to begin video recording meetings to increase transparency which begins at this meeting. He said in 2017, his top priorities will be to hire a new County Administrator and finishing the investigation into the failed solar project so that we can report back to the citizens of Sussex County of what we have learned. He said the board will also be negotiating several collective bargaining agreements dealing with Bail Reform and seeing how that affects the County jail and grappling with the funding and costs associated with the County's 911 Center. He said 2017 will be a busy year. It is important to stay informed, stay in touch and he thanked everyone for their confidence in all of them.

### **Freeholder Lazzaro's remarks**

Freeholder Lazzaro thanked Reverend Adams for taking time out of his busy schedule to be with them tonight. He specially thanked his friend Judge Gaus. He said it is his hope that the New Year will bring a lot of hope and happiness to everyone. He thanked all the elected officials for being there and their support as well as those that were not able to be there. He congratulated Freeholder Vohden for his years of service and thanked him for being with them as well. He said he wanted to take the opportunity for his heart-felt thanks to George Graham who was the Director of the Board for the past year and for his able leadership and for the many issues we had encountered. George was very in-depth in getting on track and moving forward with difficult issues. We moved forward with adjustments and changes this Board felt necessary for the operation of County government. He thanked George for rising to the challenge and keeping us on track and helping us meet the standards set by your leadership. He thanked George.

Freeholder Lazzaro stated that he believes they are on track to accomplish the changeling tasks that lay ahead. He thanked the Board for their confidence in being Director for the coming year. He welcomed Sylvia Petillo and we look forward to your leadership and experience as we tackle the issues that come before us in the coming year.

He thanked Freeholder Rose for his willingness to serve as Deputy Director and his sincere thanks to all the municipal leaders who make the towns function and putting themselves out there for election and leading their individual communities day by day. He said over 40,000 voters voted for this Board to assume leadership and this Board has been responsive to the voters of Sussex County. He said we have been open to all interested parties in the community, we have been open and transparent and we will continue that tradition. He said we also need to thank the many, many volunteers who volunteer their time, knowledge, and expertise in the committees that help to make Sussex County operate efficiently. He said we owe gratitude to all those volunteers who give freely of their time and talent.

Freeholder Lazzaro said we have any challenges ahead of us and we have an able Board to meet those challenges. We started receiving applications for the Administrator and that task will be completed as thoroughly as possible. We will continue to work diligently to bring the solar project to completion.

We will succeed in making Sussex County the great place to live with great pride. He said he is not a politician; he never has been, he got here and graciously and gratefully serve the people of Sussex County because he wants to and he loves the county he moved into some 30 years ago. He is very grateful to serve here and live here. He thanked everyone for this opportunity and for everyone's support. We will do our very best to make you proud of Sussex County in the days coming forward. He said your cooperation and support is greatly appreciated by all of us.

## **12. PROCLAMATIONS**

1. Proclamation in recognition of James Cole Thurston earning the Boy Scout Eagle Award  
**003-2017**

Freeholder Lazzaro asked for a voice vote, all in favor.

## **13. RESOLUTION RE: DATE AND TIME OF MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS 004-2007**

**MOTION** made by Freeholder Rose; seconded by Freeholder Graham and passed unanimously.

Freeholder Lazzaro made mention to the fact that they are hoping to have four meetings throughout the year throughout the County.

## **14. RESOLUTION RE: DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER 005-2017**

(BE IT RESOLVED that the New Jersey Herald is hereby designated as one of the official newspapers for the advertising of any public or legal notices by the County of Sussex)

## **15. RESOLUTION RE: DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER 006-2017**

(BE IT RESOLVED that the New Jersey Sunday Herald is hereby designated as one of the official newspapers for the advertising of any public or legal notices by the County of Sussex)

## **16. RESOLUTION RE: DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER 007-2017**

(BE IT RESOLVED that the Star Ledger is hereby designated as one of the official newspapers for the advertising of any public or legal notices by the County of Sussex)

## **17. RESOLUTION RE: DESIGNATION OF NEWSPAPERS IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT 008-2017**

(BE IT RESOLVED that the New Jersey Herald, the New Jersey Sunday Herald, and The Star Ledger are hereby designated as Newspapers for the placement of notices in conformance with Chapter 231,P.L. 1975, commonly known as the "Open Public Meetings Act")

18. **RESOLUTION RE: BANKS AS DEPOSITORIES  
009-2017**
19. **RESOLUTION RE: APPROVING A CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR 2017  
010-2017**
20. **RESOLUTION RE: FILING OF OATHS  
011-2017**
21. **RESOLUTION RE: CLERK OF THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE  
012-2017 FEES FOR COPIES OF PUBLIC RECORDS**

\$.05 per page for pages 8 ½ x 11 or smaller  
\$.07 per page for pages 8 ½ x 14 or larger
22. **RESOLUTION RE: PAYMENT OF SALARIES  
013-2017**
23. **RESOLUTION RE: PAYMENT OF BILLS  
014-2017**
24. **RESOLUTION RE: FILING OF BONDS  
015-2017**
25. **RESOLUTION RE: ADOPTION OF 2017 TEMPORARY OPERATING  
016-2017 BUDGETS FOR THE LIBRARY, HEALTH AND SOCIAL  
SERVICES FUNDS BY THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX**
26. **RESOLUTION RE: ADOPTION OF A 2017 TEMPORARY OPERATING  
017-2017 BUDGET BY THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX**
27. **RESOLUTION RE: DIRECTOR'S APPOINTMENTS FOR VARIOUS  
018-2017 DEPARTMENT LIAISONS AND COMMITTEES**
28. **RESOLUTION RE: HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR 2017  
019-2017**

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| New Year's Day Observed     | Labor Day              |
| Martin Luther King, Jr. Day | Columbus Day Observed  |
| Lincoln's Birthday          | Veterans' Day          |
| President's Day             | Thanksgiving Day       |
| Good Friday                 | Day after Thanksgiving |
| Memorial Day Observed       | Christmas Eve          |
| Independence Day            | Christmas Day          |
29. **RESOLUTION RE: APPOINTMENT OF A FREEHOLDER REPRESENTATIVE  
020-2007 TO THE SUSSEX COUNTY ARTS & HERITAGE COUNCIL  
FOR THE YEAR 2017 (Resolution appoints Freeholder  
Petillo)**
30. **RESOLUTION RE: APPOINTMENTS OF THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR,  
021-2017 FREEHOLDER REPRESENTATIVE AND A FREEHOLDER  
ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE SUSSEX  
COUNTY PLANNING BOARD FOR THE YEAR 2017  
(Resolution appoints Freeholders Director Lazzaro,  
Freeholder Graham and Petillo)**

31. **RESOLUTION RE: APPOINTMENT OF FREEHOLDER GRAHAM AS THE SUSSEX COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE TO THE LAKE MUSCONETCONG REGIONAL PLANNING BOARD FOR THE YEAR 2017.**  
022-2017
32. **RESOLUTION RE: APPOINTMENTS OF FREEHOLDER DIRECTION LAZZARO AS THE FREEHOLDER REPRESENTATIVE AND TOM DRABIC THE ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE NORTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AUTHORITY, INC. FOR THE YEAR 2017**  
023-2017
33. **RESOLUTION RE: APPOINTMENT OF THREE MEMBERS OF THE SUSSEX COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS AS MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL ESTIMATE OF THE TECHNICAL SCHOOL IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX**  
024-2017  
(Resolution appoints Freeholder Director Lazzaro, Freeholder Graham and Petillo)
34. **RESOLUTION RE: APPOINTMENT OF THREE MEMBERS OF THE SUSSEX COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS AS MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL ESTIMATE OF THE SUSSEX COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX**  
025-2017  
(Resolution appoints Freeholder Director Lazzaro, Freeholder Rose and Graham)
35. **RESOLUTION RE: NEW JERSEY ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES FOR 2017**  
026-2017  
(Resolution appoints Freeholder Director Lazzaro, Freeholder Graham and Ron Tappan as representatives to the NJAC)
36. **RESOLUTION RE: APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON AND VICE-CHAIRPERSON FOR THE SUSSEX COUNTY OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR 2017**  
027-2017
37. **RESOLUTION RE: REAPPOINTMENT OF WILLIAM JOSEPH AS THE OFFICIAL TOWN CRIER FOR THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX FOR 2017**  
028-2017
38. **RESOLUTION RE: ESTABLISHING POLICY RELATIVE TO EMERGENCY PURCHASES OF GOODS AND SERVICES IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 AND N.J.A.C. 5:34-6.1**  
029-2017
39. **RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUSSEX COUNTY TREASURER TO PAY BILLS ON THE SECOND AND FOURTH WEDNESDAYS OF THE MONTH WHEN THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS DOES NOT MEET ON THE SECOND AND/OR FOURTH WEDNESDAYS OF THE MONTH**  
030-2017
40. **RESOLUTION RE: PROVIDING THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR WITH VETO POWER OVER COUNTY AUTHORITIES PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40:20-71.3**  
031-2017
41. **RESOLUTION RE: REAPPOINTMENT OF GLEN SCHWEIZER AS A MEMBER OF THE SUSSEX COUNTY OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR AN EXPIRED TERM. SAID TERM TO BEGIN IMMEDIATELY AND EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2019.**  
032-2017

42. **RESOLUTION RE: REAPPOINTMENT OF ANDREW BORISUK, JR. AS A MEMBER TO THE PLANNING BOARD FOR AN EXPIRED TERM. SAID TERM TO BEGIN IMMEDIATELY AND EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2019.**  
033-2017
43. **RESOLUTION RE: REAPPOINTMENT OF ERNEST HOFER AS A MEMBER-AT-LARGE OF THE SUSSEX COUNTY WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS. TERM TO EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 31, 2019.**  
034-2017
44. **RESOLUTION RE: REAPPOINTMENT OF PETER P. ANDRUSKIEWICZ AS THE MEMBER/FIRE PROTECTION SUBCODE OFFICIAL FOR THE SUSSEX COUNTY UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE BOARD OF APPEALS FOR A TERM OF FOUR (4) YEARS. TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2020**  
035-2017
45. **RESOLUTION RE: REAPPOINTMENT OF DAVID C. CONDON AS THE MEMBER/ENGINEER/ARCHITECT/BUILDING SUBCODE OFFICIAL FOR THE SUSSEX COUNTY UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE BOARD OF APPEALS FOR A TERM OF FOUR (4) YEARS. TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2020**  
036-2017
46. **RESOLUTION RE: REAPPOINTMENT OF PHILIP D. DEACON AS THE SPECIAL MEMBER/BUILDER FOR THE SUSSEX COUNTY UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE BOARD OF APPEALS FOR A TERM OF FOUR (4) YEARS. TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2020**  
037-2017
47. **RESOLUTION RE: REAPPOINTMENT OF FRANKLIN M. STEINBERG AS THE MEMBER/FIRE OFFICIAL FOR THE SUSSEX COUNTY UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE BOARD OF APPEALS FOR A TERM OF FOUR (4) YEARS. TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2020**  
038-2017
48. **RESOLUTION RE: REAPPOINTMENT OF MAUREEN M. CIANCI, ADELE B. WINES, AND KAREN MAGILL AS MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL OF THE SUSSEX COUNTY DIVISION OF SENIOR SERVICES FOR TERMS OF THREE (3) YEARS EACH. SAID TERMS TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2019**  
039-2017
49. **RESOLUTION RE; REAPPOINTMENT OF TOM DRABIC, STAFF REPRESENTATIVE, JOAN SHAW, SENIOR CITIZEN REPRESENTATIVE, AND KERRI KNIGHT, PERSON WITH DISABILITIES REPRESENTATIVE, AS MEMBERS OF THE SUSSEX COUNTY COMMUNITY TRANSIT CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THREE (3) YEAR TERMS; SAID TERMS TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2019**  
040-2017
50. **RESOLUTION RE: REAPPOINTMENT OF ROBIN L. VANDER GROEF (NORWESCAP) AS A MEMBER OF THE SUSSEX COUNTY DISABILITY SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS. TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2019**  
041-2017

51. RESOLUTION RE: APPOINTMENTS OF JENNIFER BRAUN, CONSUMER ADVOCATE AND DAWN PENNA, PROVIDER AS MEMBERS OF THE SUSSEX COUNTY DISABILITY SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR TERMS OF THREE (3) YEARS EACH. TERMS TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2019
52. RESOLUTION RE: APPOINTMENT OF BRIGITTE HEFFERNAN, MSW, LCSW AS A MEMBER OF THE SUSSEX COUNTY DISABILITY SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS. TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2019
53. RESOLUTION RE: REAPPOINTMENT OF MELISSA LATRONICA (CONSUMER-MANDATED) AS A MEMBER OF THE SUSSEX COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS TO EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 31, 2019.
54. RESOLUTION RE: APPOINTMENT OF JOAN BRUSEO (PROVIDER-MANDATED) MEMBER OF THE SUSSEX COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS. TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2019
55. RESOLUTION RE: REAPPOINTMENT OF ANNMARIE SHAFER AND BRIAN FORD AS MEMBERS OF THE SUSSEX COUNTY LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE FOR TERMS OF THREE (3) YEARS EACH. TERMS TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2019
56. RESOLUTION RE: APPOINTMENT OF MARYJEAN ELLIS, ESQ. AS A MEMBER OF THE SUSSEX COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF ERNEST HEMSCHOTT, III BEGINNING IMMEDIATELY AND EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2017
57. RESOLUTION RE: APPOINTMENT OF JOANNE SORRENTINO AS A MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL OF THE SUSSEX COUNTY DIVISION OF SENIOR SERVICES FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS. SAID TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2019

Discussion:

Freeholder Crabb said on Resolution 33 and 34 we usually spread them out among all the freeholders and I don't see myself on either of the Boards.

**MOTION** made by Freeholder Rose to amend Resolution 33 to appoint Freeholders Lazzaro, Crabb and Petillo, seconded by Freeholder Graham and passed unanimously.

**MOTION** made by Freeholder Graham to adopt the Resolutions, seconded by Freeholder Petillo.

On Roll Call, the vote was:

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| Freeholder Crabb            | Yes |
| Freeholder Graham           | Yes |
| Freeholder Rose             | Yes |
| Freeholder Petillo          | Yes |
| Freeholder Director Lazzaro | Yes |

**58. PUBLIC SESSION FROM THE FLOOR (*Please Note: Everyone is asked to keep their comments to 5 minutes or less. Please state your name, spell your last name, and state your municipal residency.*)**

**MOTION** made at 7:12 PM by Freeholder Crabb, seconded by Freeholder Graham to open the floor to the public and passed unanimously.

**Comment from John Snyder**

Mr. Snyder thanked the Board for changing the meeting times to 7PM which will allow more people to attend hopefully and he wished the Board good luck.

**Comment from Harry Dunleavy**

Mr. Dunleavy said he considers himself a liberal democrat except when it comes to wasting money and he feels the Board is excellent at wasting money. He said he was impressed with Freeholder Petillo's ideas on education. He brought up people teaching classes at the College in which they are not qualified to teach and he specifically was referring to mathematics. He also brought up when he wanted to volunteer to help the veterans that are students at the college; he said he never got a call regarding that. He said what annoys him is if there are \$1.4million people hungry, how can the Freeholder Board come back and give another \$250,000 for the solar investigation and how can you be spending money like that.

**Comment from Dan Flynn**

Mr. Flynn lives in the town of Newton; he congratulated Freeholder Lazzaro and Freeholder Rose and thanked them for their service. He thanked Rich Vohden as well. He looks forward to making the county great again.

**Comment from Glenn Hull**

Mr. Hull congratulated the new Freeholder Board and wished them a prosperous and healthy New Year. He thanked them for their recent transparency efforts by allowing the meeting to be videoed. Mr. Hull brought up a previous question to Board, how did a quick claim deed previously rejected by the United States 19 years earlier come in the door at SC Hall of records. He wants to know how the quick claim deed got filed and recorded with a fabricated sale price and a fabricated real estate transfer tax placed in a recorded stamp? He said while he was investigating this and an internal attempt was made to prematurely destroy necessary documents for filing. He said the cover letter and the receipt showing who brought this quick claim deed through the door of the SC Hall of Records. He said Sandyston Twp. wrote a letter stating they did not represent any ownership of property in the quick claim deed. He said this story needs transparency. He said this situation has threatened my family. I feel something needs to be done. I have come before you but now my family is in danger and I have come before you for protection. He thanked the Board.

**Comment from Diane Koster**

Ms. Koster said her house was in foreclosure but they agreed on a short-sale to avoid the foreclosure. She said it happened really quickly the day after Christmas and they have to be out by the end of February. She said she doesn't want to leave Newton. She congratulated the Board.

Freeholder Director Lazzaro said he will speak with her after the meeting.

**MOTION** made at 7:24 PM by Freeholder Graham to close the meeting to the public; seconded by Freeholder Rose and passed unanimously.

**59. DIRECTOR:** "Any appointments not being made today to the various Boards or Committees will be made at subsequent meetings and there are other appointments which are coming up during the year which will be made at that time."

**60. REMINDERS**

| <u>Date/Time</u>  | <u>Meeting</u>                 | <u>Location</u>                   |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Jan. 5 – 9:00 am  | Senior Services Advisory Comm. | Knoll Heights                     |
| Jan. 5 – 3:00 pm  | CASS Meeting                   | Admin Bldg. 3 <sup>rd</sup> floor |
| Jan. 9 – 3:30pm   | PACADA                         | Admin Bldg. 3 <sup>rd</sup> floor |
| Jan. 11 – 7:00 pm | Freeholder Regular Meeting     | FMR                               |
| Jan. 16           | Martin Luther King -Holiday    | CLOSED                            |
| Jan. 25 – 7:00 pm | Freeholder Regular Meeting     | FMR                               |

**61. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** made 7:30 PM by Freeholder Graham to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Freeholder Rose and passed unanimously.

**DATED:** January 3, 2017

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Catherine M. Williams  
Clerk of the Board