

REGULAR MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11, 2014

5:00 PM

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Item

1. CALL TO ORDER BY DIRECTOR at 5:02 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL Freeholder Graham; Freeholder Mudrick; Freeholder Phoebus;  
Freeholder Director Vohden; John Eskilson, County Administrator;  
Dennis McConnell, County Counsel; Elaine Morgan, Clerk

Freeholder Crabb was absent.

3. MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER AND 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, such notice being submitted on January 8, 2014 from the Administrative Center of the County of Sussex, located at One Spring Street, Newton, New Jersey to the following:

New Jersey Herald	WSUS Radio
New Jersey Sunday Herald	WNNJ Radio
Star Ledger	

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."

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no Public Hearings.

6. PROCLAMATIONS/CERTIFICATES/PRESENTATIONS

A. Proclamations/Certificates

1. Proclamation in recognition of Bryce Cutler attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

**298-2014**

Added:

2. Certificate in recognition of the Town of Newton's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

**299-2014**

MOTION made by Freeholder Phoebus to approve this Proclamation and Certificate, seconded by Freeholder Graham and passed unanimously.

7. PUBLIC SESSION FROM THE FLOOR

**(Please note: Everyone is asked to keep their comments to 5 minutes or less)**

MOTION made at 5:04 p.m. by Freeholder Phoebus to open the meeting to the Public, seconded by Freeholder Graham and passed unanimously.

There was no one present.

MOTION made at 5:05 p.m. by Freeholder Phoebus to close the meeting to the Public, seconded by Freeholder Graham and passed unanimously.

## **8. FREEHOLDERS' COMMENTS**

### **Comments by Freeholder Mudrick**

- **Congratulations to Freeholder Crabb**

Freeholder Mudrick congratulated Freeholder Crabb on his win last Tuesday night.

- **Center for Prevention and Counseling**

Freeholder Mudrick said he spoke with Becky Carlson, Assistant Director of the Center for Prevention and Counseling, about Freeholder Mudrick's report in the April 9, 2014 Freeholder Meeting Minutes that the Sussex County YMCA sponsored a "Disposal Day" for prescription drugs; for the record, Freeholder Mudrick corrected that report by saying that the event was actually sponsored by the Center for Prevention and Counseling's Coalition.

### **Comments by Freeholder Phoebus**

- **Sussex County Drug Court**

Freeholder Phoebus reported that she saw a special on TV about Drug Court in Texas and how one particular judge has been influential in these young people's lives and how well Drug Court really works; she added that Sussex County also has a very good judge handling Drug Court and she believes the Alumni Program that they are starting will be a huge success.

### **Comments by Freeholder Graham**

- **Congratulations to Freeholder Crabb**

Freeholder Graham also congratulated Freeholder Crabb on his election win.

- **Veterans' Cemetery Dedication**

Freeholder Graham reported that all the Freeholders attended the Veterans' Cemetery Dedication recently and said that it was very nice; Freeholder Graham commended Freeholder Vohden for his speech at the Dedication.

- **Sussex County Municipal Utilities Authority (SCMUA)**

Freeholder Graham said that he and Freeholder Phoebus went on a tour recently of the SCMUA Walkkill Facility and mentioned that they were both extremely impressed; he added that the newest Facility which is dedicated to Vernon is truly amazing.

- **Sussex County Main Library**

Freeholder Graham mentioned that the Sussex County Main Library has a new contractor on board and they have already started work; the hope is that the project should be completed by mid to late September.

- **9-1-1 Center**

Freeholder Graham congratulated Joe Biuso, Sheriff Strada, Undersheriff Armstrong, John Eskilson and Mark Rozak for the coordination and the cooperation that is going on with this project; he added that there is much progress being made and he is very proud of everyone involved.

### **Comments by Freeholder Vohden**

- **Sussex County Veterans**

Freeholder Vohden said he has been spending a lot of time with the veterans recently including the cemetery dedication, a salute to the Veterans at High Point Monument and a ceremony honoring the World War II Veterans at Hudson Guild Farm.

- **Project Self Sufficiency**

Freeholder Vohden mentioned that he and Freeholder Mudrick attended the Project Self Sufficiency Graduation and said that he was very impressed when Deborah Berry-Toon introduced a woman that started as a recruit in Project Self Sufficiency and is now a Rhodes Scholar.

- **Heroin Use in Sussex County**

Freeholder Vohden reminded everyone that the "New Jersey Herald" is doing a three-part program about heroin use in Sussex County which starts today with a live chat.

**9. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. RESOLUTION RE: PAYMENT OF BILLS  
**300-2014**
  
- B. RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUSSEX COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF SENIOR SERVICES TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE SENIOR FARMERS MARKET NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD OF JUNE 1, 2014 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2014 (Resolution authorizes this application in the amount of \$500.00 with no match requirement)
  
- C. RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION TO RENEW THE SPECIAL CHILD HEALTH SERVICES CASE MANAGEMENT GRANT FOR \$86,587.00 FOR THE CONTRACT PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2014 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2015 AND FUNDING PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2014 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2015 BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX AND THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (Resolution authorizes this application in the maximum amount of \$86,587.00 with the County share in the amount of \$49,446.00 cash and \$4,874.00 in-kind)
  
- D. RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE FOR THE PURCHASE OF NEW COMPUTER HARDWARE EQUIPMENT FOR THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX (Resolution authorizes this purchase from Computer Design & Integration, LLC in the amount of \$310,858.00)
  
- E. RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE FOR THE SERVICES OF PRINTING ELECTION BALLOTS FOR THE SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE  
**304-2014**
  
- F. RESOLUTION RE: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF ANY SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE 2014 BUDGET OF COUNTY OF SUSSEX RELATING TO THE MORRIS/SUSSEX/WARREN WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD NEEDS BASED WORK SUPPORTS PROGRAM FOR JOB ACCESS: REVERSE COMMUTE MATCHING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000.00 FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2013 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2014  
**305-2014**
  
- G. RESOLUTION RE: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF ANY SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE 2014 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX RELATING TO THE STATE HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM (SHIP) FOR THE PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2014 TO MARCH 31, 2015 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$23,500.00  
**306-2014**

The Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Sussex has reviewed the Consent Agenda consisting of various proposed Resolutions and determined that adoption of the said Resolutions is in and will further the public interest.

**MOTION** made by Freeholder Mudrick to approve the Financial Consent Agenda, seconded by Freeholder Phoebus.

On Roll Call the vote was:

Freeholder Graham	Yes
Freeholder Mudrick	Yes
Freeholder Phoebus	Yes
Freeholder Director Vohden	Yes

10. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Regular Meeting May 28, 2014

**Executive Session Minutes**  
Regular Meeting May 28, 2014

**MOTION** made by Freeholder Mudrick to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting and the Executive Session of May 28, 2014, seconded by Freeholder Phoebus and passed unanimously.

11. **APPOINTMENTS AND/OR RESIGNATIONS**

A. Appointments

1. **RESOLUTION RE: APPOINTMENT OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR/ CLERK OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS AS THE CUSTODIAN OF CORE COUNTY GOVERNMENT RECORDS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 ET SEQ.**  
(Resolution authorizes this appointment effective July 1, 2014)

**MOTION** made by Freeholder Mudrick to adopt this Resolution, seconded by Freeholder Phoebus and passed unanimously.

B. Resignations

1. Letter received from Debra E. Koss resigning from the Mental Health Board effective June 30, 2014.

**MOTION** made by Freeholder Graham to accept the resignation of Debra E. Koss, seconded by Freeholder Phoebus and passed unanimously.

Freeholder Phoebus said that she didn't know if any of the other Board members have had the pleasure of meeting Dr. Koss, but she is an absolutely wonderful person and this is a very big loss to the Mental Health Board and the County of Sussex.

12. **RESOLUTIONS**

- A. **RESOLUTION RE: PRELIMINARY ADOPTION OF THE WASTEWATER PLAN AMENDMENT TO THE SUSSEX COUNTY WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR BICSAK BROTHERS REALTY, ROUTE 23 AND BLAIR ROAD, WANTAGE TOWNSHIP**
- B. **RESOLUTION RE: PRELIMINARY ADOPTION OF THE WASTEWATER PLAN AMENDMENT TO THE SUSSEX COUNTY WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR MAIN LAND SUSSEX COMPANY, LLC, ROUTE 23, WANTAGE TOWNSHIP**

- C. RESOLUTION RE: AMENDMENT TO THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED MAY 14, 2014 ENTITLED "AUTHORIZATION FOR MANDATORY DIRECT DEPOSIT OF NET PAY FOR ALL EMPLOYEES OF THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 52:14-15(f)"  
**310-2014**

**MOTION** made by Freeholder Graham to adopt these Resolutions, seconded by Freeholder Phoebus and passed unanimously.

**13. AWARDS OF CONTRACTS/CHANGE ORDERS/BIDS**

There were no Awards of Contracts/Change Orders/Bids.

**14. FINANCIAL**

There were no Financial items.

**15. PERSONNEL**

- A. Personnel Agenda

**MOTION** made by Freeholder Graham to approve the Personnel Agenda, seconded by Freeholder Phoebus and passed unanimously.

**16. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

- A. Other

Mr. Eskilson had no report for this Meeting.

**17. COUNTY COUNSEL**

Mr. McConnell said he had one item for closed session regarding pending litigation in the matter of Potten vs. the County of Sussex.

- A. Capital Projects  
B. Litigation  
C. Contract  
D. Other Matters

**18. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no Unfinished Business.

**19. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Letter of Support for Ava Levin who will be representing the State of New Jersey at the USA National Miss Scholarship Pageant.

**MOTION** made by Freeholder Phoebus to approve the Letter of Support for Ava Levin, seconded by Freeholder Graham and passed unanimously.

**20. PUBLIC SESSION FROM THE FLOOR  
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**MOTION** made at 5:18 p.m. by Freeholder Phoebus to open the meeting to the Public, seconded by Freeholder Graham and passed unanimously.

There was no one present.

**MOTION** made at 5:19 p.m. by Freeholder Phoebus to close the meeting to the Public, seconded by Freeholder Graham and passed unanimously.

**21. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**MOTION** made at 5:20 p.m. by Freeholder Mudrick to go into Executive Session for an item of litigation in the matter of Potten vs. the County of Sussex, seconded by Freeholder Graham and passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION RE: REQUESTING EXECUTIVE SESSION  
**311-2014**

- A. Personnel
- B. Contract
- C. Litigation
- D. Other Matters

**It is anticipated that the deliberations conducted in closed session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Sussex County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.**

**MOTION** made at 5:22 p.m. by Freeholder Phoebus to come out of Executive Session and return to Open Session, seconded by Freeholder Mudrick and passed unanimously.

Mr. McConnell stated, for the record, that he will prepare an appropriate response to Mr. Morgenstern of the firm of Dolan and Dolan in the matter of Potten vs. the County of Sussex.

**22. REMINDERS**

Wednesday                  June 25, 2014                  Regular Meeting                  5:00 PM

**23. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** made at 5:24 p.m. by Freeholder Mudrick to adjourn, seconded by Freeholder Graham and passed unanimously.

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Elaine A. Morgan, Clerk

**DATED: JUNE 11, 2014**