

REGULAR MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2012

5:00 PM

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Item

1. CALL TO ORDER BY DIRECTOR at 5:04 pm

2. ROLL CALL: Freeholder Space; Freeholder Vohden; Freeholder Zellman; Freeholder Zeoli; Freeholder Director Crabb; John Eskilson, County Administrator; Dennis McConnell, County Counsel; and Elaine Morgan, Clerk

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 4, 2012 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 none.

6. PROCLAMATIONS/CERTIFICATES/PRESENTATIONS

A. Proclamations and Certificates

1. Proclamation in recognition of Ryan James McDermott attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

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2. Certificate for Fred Geffken in recognition of his many accomplishments as coach of the Sparta High School Girls Basketball Program and his positive influence on all the student athletes who have come under his tutelage.

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MOTION made by Freeholder Zeoli to approve this Proclamation and Certificate, seconded by Freeholder Space and passed unanimously.

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Freeholder Crabb said at this point he would like to move Item 18.B. up on the Agenda.

MOTION made by Freeholder Vohden to move Item 18.B. up on the Agenda, seconded by Freeholder Zellman and passed unanimously.

18. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

B. Approval of letter of support to be sent to Richard C. Lecher of SCARC, Inc. indicating the County's support of SCARC's Town of Newton Apartment Project.

MOTION made by Freeholder Zellman to approve of this letter, seconded by Freeholder Space and passed unanimously.

Freeholder Zellman said she spoke with Debbie Lockwood of the Town of Newton and Newton is very much in favor of the project.

Freeholder Zeoli said he wanted to commend SCARC for this project.

Richard Lecher of SCARC came forward and said they hope the project will come to fruition; they are waiting on approval from the USDA Rural Development Loan Program, which seems to be very likely; they are looking forward to working on this project; he also discussed a Small Cities Grant that will probably come before the Board in the next couple of months.

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7. PUBLIC SESSION FROM THE FLOOR

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

MOTION made at 5:10 pm by Freeholder Zeoli to open the meeting to the Public, seconded by Freeholder Space and passed unanimously.

Sustainable Jersey, UN Agenda 21

Judy Stormes, Vernon Township, came forward to discuss Sustainable Jersey and UN Agenda 21; she said this affects Sussex County greatly; UN Agenda 21 comes through the United Nations and it is a comprehensive program that affects everyone globally, nationally, state-wide and locally; most towns in New Jersey are signing on; there is a financial benefit to signing on; there is an underbelly to this that isn't pretty; the pretty side is it is all about the environment, clean air and clean water; the underside is a lot about control of our sovereignty here locally and giving up ultimately to the United Nations; there was a short discussion.

Ms. Stormes told the Board that she hopes the members will take the time to look into this.

Selling the Sussex County Homestead

Stephanie Lenihan, said her father is in the Homestead and she is concerned about the County selling the Homestead; she said she is also a former employee of the Homestead; she gave the Board some background information about her employment and about her father's residency at the Homestead; she asked the Board to reconsider selling the Homestead.

Ray Witte, Hampton Township, came forward and thanked the Board for the notice for the Public Hearings on the sale of the Homestead; his concern is that the venue may not be large enough; he also wanted to say that last July (August) Freeholder Zeoli threw out the notion about a non-binding referendum placed on the ballot letting the voters decide; he would like to take the Board up on that offer if it still stands; he explained his discussions with Jeff Parrott, County Clerk, having to do with how to do this and if it is binding or not.

Mr. Witte continued by saying he felt bad about some things he said at previous meetings; he said a Freeholder mentioned that a neighbor of his only has \$40-50.00 left over after all her bills are paid every month for food; he wanted to help this person; he said he talked to people at the Homestead; someone at the Homestead said there was no reason that person should have to worry about that; the person at the Homestead suggested meals on wheels and food for dependent people at a very reduced cost; he explained what this person said.

Mr. Witte said this Homestead helps people in the County; there is no reason in this County for anyone to have to worry about that; this is a place that has been there; it was built by people in the County with materials from the County and it was for the people in the County.

Linda Hunter Conklin, a resident of the Homestead, came forward and said she thinks there is a misnomer about people who are on Medicaid and she explained to the Board about people who are on Medicaid at the Homestead; she also thanked the Board for having the public hearings and hoped they would be held in a venue where anyone who wants to come will be able to come and be heard; that is the only fair way.

Giselle Garin, Sandyston Township, came forward and said she was at the Homestead today and inquired about the waiting list; there are approximately 120 people on the waiting list to get into the Homestead, 41 are immediate; she described a joke she saw in a paper.

MOTION made at 5:25 pm by Freeholder Vohden to close the meeting to the Public, seconded by Freeholder Space and passed unanimously.

8. FREEHOLDERS' COMMENTS

Comments from Freeholder Vohden

Freeholder Vohden said he went to a fundraiser last week for the Veterans' Cemetery at Krogh's Restaurant in Lake Mohawk; Krogh's donated 10% of each check for the Cemetery and raised more than \$1,000.00; the next fundraiser is a flapjack breakfast at Applebee's on April 28th.

Freeholder Vohden said he attended one of the six public hearings on the new State Plan in Morristown; Sussex County was well attended; he also said he attended a meeting at the Main Library in Frankford for a discussion of the new State Plan as it was related to the UN Action Plan Agenda 21; he informed the Board about what he had discussed at this meeting and the fact that a number of Sussex County officials attended a meeting in Morris County on this subject and that the Sussex County officials are following the development of the Plan; he said that it has been reported that Morris County and other County Freeholders have made comments on the new State Plan and wondered why Sussex County had not done so; he explained that Director Crabb and himself attended the Agenda 21 meeting that was held for public officials in Morristown last month; Sussex County has a process for commenting – the Planning Director gives a report on the Plan at the monthly Planning Board meetings; the County Administrator is well aware of the concerns, the Freeholders are informed and the comments are made by the Sussex County Division of Planning.

Freeholder Vohden discussed last night's SWAC meeting; a majority of the municipalities were represented last night; all the members received a copy of the report prepared for SCMUA by its Engineering Consultants and a report from SWAGER (Solid Waste Advisory Group for Environmental Resources).

Freeholder Vohden discussed the Budget Committee meetings; he said a budget should be ready for review soon.

Comments from Freeholder Zellman

Freeholder Zellman said the three counties of Morris, Sussex and Warren are planning an April 4th Complete Streets Conference; she explained to everyone what "complete streets" is; this Conference will be held at the County College of Morris.

Freeholder Zellman discussed the Friends of Waterloo Village; she said she is pleased to announce that it has helped raise money to restore not only the Grist Mill roof, but the Blacksmith roof and there is an event planned for July 8th which will be looking at its 3rd priority, possibly the foot bridge between Morris and Sussex Counties.

Freeholder Zellman discussed the NJTPA meeting that she attended; the NJTPA oversees \$2.5 billion dollars in Federal transportation money for the 13 northern counties.

Freeholder Zellman also discussed a meeting she attended of the Picatinny Working Group; this group meets 3 to 4 times a year to help promote and sustain Picatinny Arsenal; Picatinny was awarded the Army's Greatest Inventions Award; out of the 10 awards that were awarded this year, Picatinny won 6 of the 10 awards; she discussed the closing of a lot of the arsenals in the country.

Comments from Freeholder Space

Freeholder Space said that this coming Saturday is the annual St. Baldrige fundraiser which is going to be held in Hamburg; that is where the members of the local Fire Departments get together and have their heads shaved for charity; he asked everyone to support their local fire departments; the funds raised go to help 2 local children who have been stricken by serious illnesses.

Freeholder Space said he attended the National Rural Electric Association conference in San Diego; Sussex Rural Electric is part of that; it was interesting to meet members from all over the country.

Freeholder Space said the National Trapper's Association is having a sale on March 24th and 25th where the trappers harvest their pelts; they are sold on the open auction market.

Comments from Freeholder Zeoli

Freeholder Zeoli said there was a Sussex County Community College Board of School Estimate meeting today; it was the smoothest College Board of School Estimate meeting in years; they unanimously approved the budget and the capital plan.

Freeholder Zeoli said he will be attending the NJAC meeting on Friday; one of the topics he feels will come up will be the funding for the various MUA's; he discussed issues with the MUA; he said the landfill is slated to close by 2017.

Freeholder Zeoli said as the liaison to the Department of Engineering and Planning, he had a couple of meetings today concerning Vernon; the Mayor was here and they discussed the scoping project for Rt. 517.

Comments from Freeholder Crabb

Freeholder Crabb echoed Freeholder Zeoli's comments about the College.

Freeholder Crabb said he attended Hardyston's 250th Anniversary Celebration; he said it was really nice; he also attended the raising of the steeple at the Hungarian Church, Edison School House, in Franklin; he congratulated them; he also said he was the celebrity reader at the Green Township Elementary School fourth grades; he read two books; he said those students were very well behaved.

9. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- A. RESOLUTION RE: PAYMENT OF BILLS
153-2012
- B. RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF PURCHASE ORDERS UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 ET SEQ. FOR VARIOUS BID EXEMPT SERVICES AS STATED BELOW (Resolution authorizes the issuance of purchase orders for American Telesis, Inc.; Audio Editions; Baker & Taylor; Cream-O-Land Dairies, LLC; Dr. Anthony DePaolo; Municipal Software, Inc.; NJ Herald, Inc.; R.P. Baking LLC; Reinhart Food Service; SirsiDynix Corporation; VanWingerden Associates, LLC; and West Group)
- C. RESOLUTION RE: ALLOCATION OF \$18,772.00 TO THE ACTION MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE FOR THE PROVISION OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAMS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND CLERK TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT (Resolution authorizes this allocation for calendar year 2012)
155-2012
- D. RESOLUTION RE: ALLOCATION OF \$9,951.00 TO THE CENTRAL MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE FOR THE PROVISION OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAMS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND CLERK TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT (Resolution authorizes this allocation for calendar year 2012)
156-2012
- E. RESOLUTION RE: ALLOCATION OF \$12,474.00 TO THE HARDYSTON/FRANKLIN MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE FOR THE PROVISION OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAMS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE
157-2012

FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND CLERK TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT (Resolution authorizes this allocation for calendar year 2012)

- F. RESOLUTION RE: ALLOCATION OF \$13,134.00 TO THE HOPATCONG MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE FOR THE PROVISION OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAMS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND CLERK TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT (Resolution authorizes this allocation for calendar year 2012)
158-2012
- G. RESOLUTION RE: ALLOCATION OF \$11,420.00 TO THE LENAPE MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE FOR THE PROVISION OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAMS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND CLERK TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT (Resolution authorizes this allocation for calendar year 2012)
159-2012
- H. RESOLUTION RE: ALLOCATION OF \$2,993.00 TO THE OGDENSBURG MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE FOR THE PROVISION OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAMS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND CLERK TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT (Resolution authorizes this allocation for calendar year 2012)
160-2012
- I. RESOLUTION RE: ALLOCATION OF \$7,564.00 TO THE SANDYSTON MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE FOR THE PROVISION OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAMS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND CLERK TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT (Resolution authorizes this allocation for calendar year 2012)
161-2012
- J. RESOLUTION RE: ALLOCATION OF \$12,953.00 TO THE SOUTHWESTERN MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE FOR THE PROVISION OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAMS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND CLERK TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT (Resolution authorizes this allocation for calendar year 2012)
162-2012
- K. RESOLUTION RE: ALLOCATION OF \$16,043.00 TO THE SPARTA MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE FOR THE PROVISION OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAMS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND CLERK TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT (Resolution authorizes this allocation for calendar year 2012)
163-2012
- L. RESOLUTION RE: ALLOCATION OF \$12,716.00 TO THE SUSSEX/WANTAGE MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE FOR THE PROVISION OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAMS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND CLERK TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT (Resolution authorizes this allocation for calendar year 2012)
164-2012
- M. RESOLUTION RE: ALLOCATION OF \$20,467.00 TO THE VERNON MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE FOR THE PROVISION OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAMS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND CLERK TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT (Resolution authorizes this allocation for calendar year 2012)
165-2012
- N. RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE THE LOW INCOME HEATING AND ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LIHEAP) COUNTY WELFARE AGENCY (CWA) ADMINISTRATION 2012
166-2012

GRANT AGREEMENT #2012-05139-0198-00 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,960.00 FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2011 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012

- O. RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND (USF) COUNTY WELFARE AGENCY (CWA) ADMINISTRATION 2012 GRANT AGREEMENT #2012-05134-0152-00 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,665.00 FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2011 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2012
167-2012
- P. RESOLUTION RE: ADOPTION OF THE 2012 SERVICE ALLOCATION AND SPENDING PLAN FOR PEER GROUPING FUNDING (Resolution authorizes the adoption of this Plan in the amount of \$105,228.80)
168-2012
- Q. RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR TO SIGN THE SUBGRANT AWARD FOR THE SEXUAL ASSAULT NURSE EXAMINER/SEXUAL ASSAULT RESPONSE TEAM PROJECT, VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT GRANT, VS-40-11, OCTOBER 1, 2011 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2012 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$69,701.00 (Resolution authorizes this Award in the amount of the State share of \$55,761.00 and an in kind match of \$13,940.00)
169-2012
- R. RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY STATISTICAL REPORT FOR 2011 BY THE SUSSEX COUNTY DIVISION OF LIBRARY SERVICES
170-2012
- S. RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION OF PUBLIC SALE OF COUNTY PROPERTY AND DESIGNATION OF AN ON-LINE AUCTION SERVICE THROUGH NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT (Resolution authorizes this on-line auction administered by GovDeals.com)
171-2012
- T. RESOLUTION RE: SUBMITTAL OF A REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING FROM THE HIGHLANDS COUNCIL FOR THE SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE COMMERCIAL KITCHEN GRANT PHASE TWO (Resolution authorizes the submittal of a request for a \$15,000.00 grant to continue the projects started in Phase Two)
172-2012
- U. RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT MODIFICATION TO FEDERAL AID AGREEMENT NO. 2010-DT-BLA1-14 (Resolution authorizes this Agreement Modification to revise the authorized project budget to \$901,238.00 and to extend the Contract completion date to September 30, 2013)
173-2012

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 Zeoli to approve the Financial Consent Agenda, seconded by Freeholder Space.

On Roll Call, the vote was

Freeholder Space	Yes
Freeholder Vohden	Yes
Freeholder Zellman	Yes
Freeholder Zeoli	Yes
Freeholder Director Crabb	Yes

10. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Reorganization Meeting January 2, 2012
Regular Meeting January 11, 2012
Regular Meeting January 25, 2012
Regular Meeting February 8, 2012
Regular Meeting February 22, 2012

Executive Session Minutes

Regular Meeting November 14, 2011
Regular Meeting November 30, 2011
Regular Meeting December 14, 2011
Regular Meeting January 25, 2012
Regular Meeting February 8, 2012

MOTION made by Freeholder Space to approve these minutes, seconded by Freeholder Vohden and passed unanimously.

11. APPOINTMENTS AND/OR RESIGNATIONS

There were none.

12. RESOLUTIONS

- A. RESOLUTION RE: RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 495
(Tabled) (Resolution supports this Bill with regard to the Lake Hopatcong Commission)

- B. RESOLUTION RE: RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 1085
174-2012

MOTION made by Freeholder Zeoli to adopt Items 12.A. and 12.B., seconded by Freeholder Zellman.

Item 12.A.

Freeholder Zellman said she has spoken to Steve Ellis, Regional Park Supervisor; he is in charge of Lake Hopatcong and that whole area; he said the Lake Hopatcong Commission last night voted to turn its equipment over to the NJDEP; basically the 8th Whereas is a mute point and she suggested removing that from the Resolution.

Freeholder Zellman said that the Resolution says that there is a great concern to the Borough of Hopatcong and Mr. Ellis said that was not part of the discussion; she suggesting removing the entire paragraph.

Freeholder Zeoli asked Freeholder Zellman if she asked for this to be on the Agenda; Freeholder Zellman said no; Freeholder Zeoli asked who asked for this to be on; Mr. McConnell, County Counsel, said this came from the Lake Hopatcong Commission; he said he got the Resolutions from Dan McCarthy, who is on the Lake Hopatcong Commission, and he forwarded a copy of the Hopatcong Borough's Resolution; Freeholder Zeoli felt this seemed rather disjointed and suggested pulling this Resolution because no Freeholder asked for it to be put on. After a short discussion, the Board decided to pull Resolution 12.A..

MOTION made by Freeholder Zeoli to withdraw his motion for Items 12.A. and 12.B. and motion to table Item 12.A., seconded by Freeholder Vohden and passed unanimously.

MOTION made by Freeholder Vohden to adopt Resolution 12.B., seconded by Freeholder Zeoli.

Freeholder Vohden said this Bill is a Forest Management and Stewardship Bill sponsored by Senator Smith and co-sponsored by Senator Oroho; he went to a New Jersey Forestry Association meeting and the Bill is a bi-partisan bill and it is being opposed by the Sierra Club and some others; this Bill is supported by the New Jersey Forestry Association, the Farm Bureau, the State Forestry Department, the Division of Fish and Game, the Audubon Society

and a lot of others; it will allow harvesting of trees on State owned lands; the revenue from these lands would be used to manage the State Parks and the State Forests.

This Resolution passed unanimously.

- C. **RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZING THE CLERK OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS TO PROVIDE NOTICE PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13 ET SEQ. OF THE PROPOSED AUCTION SALE OF REAL PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS 129 MORRIS TURNPIKE IN THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANKFORD AND DESIGNATED AS PART OF LOT 4 IN BLOCK 21 ON THE FRANKFORD TOWNSHIP TAX MAPS (Resolution authorizes the notice of the Public Hearings on April 16, 2012 in Frankford Township and May 23, 2012 at a County Freeholder Meeting)**

MOTION made by Freeholder Vohden to adopt this Resolution, seconded by Freeholder Zeoli.

Dennis McConnell, County Counsel, said this sale will not only encompass the existing nursing home facility but, as recommended by staff and after discussion with Marcus and Millichap, it will also include the Old Homestead and a small building next to that the Old Homestead houses Mosquito Control; this action will give a lot more opportunities to prospective bidders

Freeholder Zeoli feels it is a great sign that there are parties out there that would want to come in and expand the Homestead or even build a new one. There was a short discussion.

Freeholder Zellman said she wanted to note that she is going to abstain for 1) the Board knows how she feels about the sale and 2) she doesn't feel she can vote against a requirement to have the Public Hearings.

This Resolution passed with Freeholder Zellman abstaining.

13. AWARDS OF CONTRACTS/CHANGE ORDERS/BIDS

A. Awards of Contracts

1. **RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT BASED ON PROPOSALS RECEIVED THROUGH THE COMPETITIVE CONTRACTING PROCESS FOR THE PROVISION OF LEGAL ASSISTANCE WITH LEGAL SERVICES OF NORTHWEST JERSEY, INC., SUSSEX COUNTY DIVISION FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2012 – DECEMBER 31, 2012 (Resolution awards this Contract to provide up to \$14,667.00 Title III B Funds, \$4,625.00 COLA funds, to be supplemented by \$1,793.00 other income)**

2. **RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT BASED ON PROPOSALS RECEIVED THROUGH THE COMPETITIVE CONTRACTING PROCESS FOR THE PROVISION OF SENIOR SOCIAL ADULT DAY CARE SERVICES WITH CATHOLIC FAMILY & COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2012 – DECEMBER 31, 2012 (Resolution awards this Contract to provide up to \$15,793.00 Title III E Funds, \$2,879.00 State Match E funds to be supplemented by Participant Income in the amount of \$151,767.00 and other income in the amount of \$213,288.00)**

3. **RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT BASED ON PROPOSALS RECEIVED THROUGH THE COMPETITIVE CONTRACTING PROCESS FOR THE PROVISION OF CERTIFIED HOME HEALTH AIDE SERVICES WITH ATLANTIC HOME CARE AND HOSPICE FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2012 – DECEMBER 31, 2012 (Resolution awards this Contract to provide up to \$7,823.00 Title III B Funds, \$2,109.00 in COLA funds, \$550.00 in State Match funds to be supplemented by Income in the amount of \$2,040.00)**
4. **RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT BASED ON PROPOSALS RECEIVED THROUGH THE COMPETITIVE CONTRACTING PROCESS FOR THE PROVISION OF SENIOR TRANSPORTATION (STOP) WITH SUSSEX COUNTY OFFICE OF TRANSIT/ SKYLANDS RIDE FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2012 – DECEMBER 31, 2012 (Resolution awards this Contract to provide up to \$28,422.00 Title III B Funds, \$13,043.00 in COLA funds, \$755.00 in Medicaid Match funds to be supplemented with \$10,000.00 in Project Income)**
5. **RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT BASED ON PROPOSALS RECEIVED THROUGH THE COMPETITIVE CONTRACTING PROCESS FOR THE PROVISION OF CONGREGATE NUTRITION SERVICES, WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND HOME DELIVERED MEALS WITH CATHOLIC FAMILY & COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2012 – DECEMBER 31, 2012 (Resolution awards this Contract to receive \$48,562.00 Title III C-1 Funds, and \$30,836.00 in Other Income for the Congregate Nutrition Program; and to receive \$23,409.00 of Title III C-2, \$13,872.00 State Home Delivered Meal funds, \$2,998.00 in COLA funds, and \$9,141.00 in State Match funds to be supplemented by income in the amount of \$48,585.00 for the Weekday Home Delivered Meal Program; and to receive \$6,460.00 of State Weekend and Holiday Home Delivered Meal funds and \$131.00 County funds to be supplemented by income in the amount of \$1,064.00 for the Weekend Home Delivered Meal Program)**
6. **RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT BASED ON PROPOSALS RECEIVED THROUGH THE COMPETITIVE CONTRACTING PROCESS FOR THE PROVISION OF RESIDENTIAL MAINTENANCE WITH NORWESCAP, INC. FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2012 – DECEMBER 31, 2012 (Resolution awards this Contract to provide up to \$2,340.00 SHTP funds and \$244.00 County Match and \$5.00 client income)**

7. **RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT BASED ON PROPOSALS RECEIVED THROUGH THE COMPETITIVE CONTRACTING PROCESS FOR THE PROVISION OF ASSISTED TRANSPORTATION WITH CATHOLIC FAMILY & COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2012 – DECEMBER 31, 2012 (Resolution awards this Contract to provide up to \$2,943.00 SHTP funds, \$3,500.00 in COLA funds, \$332.00 County Match, \$3,150.00 in Title III E funds and \$3,435.00 State Match E funds to be supplemented by \$4,000.00 Client Income and \$10,714.00 in Other Income)**
8. **RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT BASED ON PROPOSALS RECEIVED THROUGH THE COMPETITIVE CONTRACTING PROCESS FOR THE PROVISION OF ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES (APS) WITH SUSSEX COUNTY DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2012 – DECEMBER 31, 2012 (Resolution awards this Contract to provide up to \$36,816.00 APS funds)**
9. **RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR TWO (2) VER-MAC PCMS-1210 OR EQUAL PORTABLE MESSAGE BOARDS FOR THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX (Resolution awards this Contract to the only responsible bidder, Traffic Safety Service LLC in the amount of \$35,555.54)**
10. **RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR AERIAL LARVICIDING AND ADULTICIDING OF MOSQUITOES – 2012 (Resolution awards this Contract to the only bidder, Rebecca Lynn Flying Service in the approximate amount of \$30,000.00)**
11. **RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT BASED ON PROPOSALS RECEIVED FOR PROFESSIONAL SURVEYING SERVICES FOR SUSSEX COUNTY IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALE OF THE SUSSEX COUNTY HOMESTEAD NURSING HOME**
12. **RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZING THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH W.J. CASTLE P.E. & ASSOCIATES TO PROVIDE ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE SUBSTRUCTURAL REHABILITATION OF SUSSEX COUNTY BRIDGE K-03 CARRYING COUNTY ROUTE 607 OVER RIVER STYX IN THE BOROUGH OF HOPATCONG PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) (Resolution authorizes the second Amendment in the amount of \$8,700.00 (167% increase for a total contract amount of \$155,473.56) for the additional inspection services necessary to complete the underwater inspection required to close out the project)**

13. **RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZING THE FOURTH AMENDMENT TO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH CHERRY WEBER & ASSOCIATES, PC TO PROVIDE ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF SUSSEX COUNTY BRIDGE E-07 CARRYING COUNTY ROUTE 631 OVER WALLKILL RIVER AND NYS&W RAILWAY IN THE BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN AS A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) (\$29,330.00 COUNTY CAPITAL, NJDOT BRIDGE BOND DISCRETIONARY AID)**

MOTION made by Freeholder Zeoli to adopt Resolutions 1-13, seconded by Freeholder Space.

On Roll Call the vote was

Freeholder Space	Yes
Freeholder Vohden	Yes
Freeholder Zellman	Yes, abstain on Item 11
Freeholder Zeoli	Yes
Freeholder Director Crabb	Yes

14. FINANCIAL

- A. **RESOLUTION RE: TRANSFER OF 2011 APPROPRIATION RESERVES**
189-2012

MOTION made by Freeholder Space to adopt this Resolution, seconded by Freeholder Zeoli.

On Roll Call the vote was

Freeholder Space	Yes
Freeholder Vohden	Yes
Freeholder Zellman	Yes
Freeholder Zeoli	Yes
Freeholder Director Crabb	Yes

15. PERSONNEL

- A. Personnel Agenda

MOTION made by Freeholder Space to approve the Personnel Agenda, seconded by Freeholder Vohden and passed unanimously.

- B. Resolutions

1. **RESOLUTION RE: RENEWAL OF CONTRACT WITH DELTA DENTAL PLAN OF NEW JERSEY, INC. FOR DENTAL INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR COUNTY OF SUSSEX EMPLOYEES EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2012 TO MARCH 31, 2013**
2. **RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND THE CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE POLICE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION, LOCAL NO. 138, PROSECUTOR'S ASSOCIATION, FOR THE YEARS 2012, 2013, 2014 AND 2015**

3. **RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE (New Title below) PRESCRIPTION CORPORATION OF AMERICA TO PROVIDE PRESCRIPTION AND PHARMACY MANAGEMENT BENEFIT SERVICES TO THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX**

Freeholder Crabb read the new title for Resolution 15.B.3.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZING THE SUSSEX COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS TO CONSENT TO THE AWARD OF CONTRACT TO PRESCRIPTION CORPORATION OF AMERICA BY THE SUSSEX COUNTY SELF INSURANCE FUND COMMISSION 192-2012

MOTION made by Freeholder Zeoli to adopt Resolutions 1-3, seconded by Freeholder Zellman.

Freeholder Zeoli said he had a question on the dates for Item #3; Mr. Eskilson said the dates are correct April 1, 2012, which is the County's current Medco contract which ends March 31, 2012, and it is a 1 year contract.

This Resolution passed unanimously.

16. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

- A. Other

John Eskilson, County Administrator, said he wanted to recognize Thor Carlson, our Web Master, for all the good work he has done with the Freeholders' support; recently the County's Website was recognized as one of the most transparent in the nation. There was a short discussion.

Freeholder Crabb asked Mr. Scruton from the New Jersey Herald to sit down with the County's 2 technical people to let people know about that.

17. COUNTY COUNSEL

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

Dennis McConnell, County Counsel, said he had two things tonight; one is a Resolution for the Board's consideration as follows:

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST AN EXTENSION OF TIME FOR PROPOSED OPERATIONAL AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS TO SUSSEX COUNTY ROUTE 517 (RUDETOWN ROAD) HAMBURG BOROUGH, HARDYSTON AND VERNON TOWNSHIPS, SUSSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY FOR OPERATIONAL AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS TO SUSSEX COUNTY ROUTE 517 (RUDETOWN ROAD) FROM ROUTE 23 IN THE BOROUGH OF HAMBURG, PASSING THROUGH THE TOWNSHIP OF HARDYSTON, TO ROUTE 94 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF VERNON 193-2012

There was a short discussion about this Resolution. Freeholder Zellman said she felt it was important to go through the NJTPA because then the County will have them with it as partners in the project and then the County will have a lot broader support for whenever the decision is made with the understanding that it can move forward again; she also asked that

maybe as a parallel project to check on the Newton Andover Road project could be looked at again.

Mr. Eskilson said the only issue, if that were possible, wouldn't change the public's opposition component that was the reason; Freeholder Zellman felt it would give the County time to work on that; Mr. Eskilson said there would be no harm in asking.

Mr. McConnell said it is very doubtful that the County would be able to do that because the documentation has been submitted to Federal highway and he feels they are looking to reallocate those funds; he also said there would be no harm in asking and said they would check into that. There was a short discussion.

MOTION made by Freeholder Zeoli to adopt this Resolution, seconded by Freeholder Vohden and passed unanimously.

Mr. McConnell said he had a second item for closed session under Contract dealing with acquisition of space for record retention.

18. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Approval of letter to be sent to Mirah Becker concerning the Draft State Strategic Plan and the role of the County in the State Strategic Planning process.

MOTION made by Freeholder Space to approve this letter with the revisions, seconded by Freeholder Zellman.

Freeholder Zellman said she had a few minor changes; to put the subject in and strike the first part of the first sentence and she had a few grammatical changes in the third paragraph which she sent down to the Clerk; also she felt there should be some cc's – Lt. Governor, Ed McKenna and our local Legislators.

This motion passed unanimously.

- B. Approval of letter of support to be sent to Richard C. Lecher of SCARC, Inc. indicating the County's support of SCARC's Town of Newton Apartment Project.

This item was handled earlier in the meeting

19. NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

20. PUBLIC SESSION FROM THE FLOOR (Please note: Everyone is asked to keep their comments to 5 minutes or less)

MOTION made at 6:17 pm by Freeholder Zeoli to open the meeting to the Public, seconded by Freeholder Vohden and passed unanimously.

Sale of the Homestead

Linda Hunter Conklin, a resident at the Homestead, came forward and said she was wondering how much any of the Board members knew about the Old Alms House; she went on to give some of the history of that building; she said she can't understand how the Board feels that such an historic building can be part of the proposed sale of the Homestead.

Logisticare

Cindy Everitt, Lafayette, came forward to say that Ms. Novrit did a great job in trying to work out some of the problems with Logisticare, which is the service that provides medical transportation for people on Medicaid; people are missing appointments because of the roads and bridges in this County because the providers from Logisticare are not from this County and as a result the GPS does not work.

Freeholder Zeoli said all the maps of the road and bridge work are on the County's website; after a short discussion, it was offered that the County will notify Logisticare. There was a short discussion.

Sale of the Homestead

Ray Witte, Hampton, came forward, and said that Freeholder Zeoli indicated that a number of counties were getting rid of their nursing homes; he agrees with that statement; however, what also occurred and the Freeholders in Monmouth County were faced with worse problems financially speaking and Monmouth County decided to keep its nursing home; Middlesex County and Morris County did the same; it is not necessarily a trend going through the State.

Mr. Witte also said that he liked the website because he can actually use the numbers; he said they looked at the numbers and it went from a projected deficit of \$1.3 million with the actual deficit being about \$78,000.00; Mr. Eskilson said the projection is for the 2012 year and 2011 closed with a deficit of about \$79,000.00, which will probably be adjusted up by about \$20,000.00-\$30,000.00; it will probably be closed somewhere around \$100,000.00. There was a short discussion. Mr. Eskilson said the loss for 2012 is tracking much higher in the first few months of 2012.

Linda Hunter Conklin, resident of the Homestead, came forward again to say she wanted to interrupt; she said the evaluation of the Homestead for the year 2011 indicated that as of September 30, 2011 the projected deficit for the Homestead would be \$1.3 million; Mr. Eskilson said he was sorry, but that is not correct; Ms. Conklin said then the information the County gave them was not right; Mr. Eskilson said there is actually a graph that shows where it was at the end of October, there was a chart and graph and what Ms. Conklin is saying is just not accurate. There was a short discussion.

Freeholder Zellman asked to clarify one item with Morris County; John Bonnani, who is the Administrator for Morris County and one of the Freeholders have gone to John Donnadio from New Jersey Association of Counties to try to get legislation to see whether or not the sale of a County nursing home could be a legislative item on the ballot; it would be similar to the Open Space referendum; that is what Morris County is hoping to propose.

Mr. Eskilson said that he did not think they had a sponsor yet; it was a permissive to allow counties to separate out as a separate tax rate on a permissive basis and put that to referendum; it would be a separate tax to fund nursing homes. There was a short discussion.

Meals on Wheels

Linda Ward, Catholic Families and Community Services and also Meals on Wheels, came forward and thanked the Board for signing the Contracts today and continuing to support the vital services that many of the audience provides; she reminded the Board that March is a national campaign with meals on wheels creating awareness of senior hunger; she said she believes that Sussex County truly takes care of its homebound seniors.

MOTION made at 6:35 pm by Freeholder Zellman to close the meeting to the Public, seconded by Freeholder Zeoli and passed unanimously.

21. EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION made at 6:37 pm by Freeholder Zeoli to go into Executive Session under Contract regarding location of space for records retention, seconded by Freeholder Vohden and passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION RE: REQUESTING EXECUTIVE SESSION 194-2012

- 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 6:53 pm by Freeholder Vohden to come out of Executive Session and return to Open Session, seconded by Freeholder Zeoli and passed unanimously.

MOTION made by Freeholder Zellman to reopen the Regular Meeting, seconded by Freeholder, seconded by Freeholder Vohden and passed unanimously.

MOTION made by Freeholder Space to authorize County Counsel to follow up on the recommendation discussed in Executive Session, seconded by Freeholder Zellman and passed unanimously.

22. REMINDERS

Wednesday	March 14, 2012	League of Mun.	6:30 pm
		Dinner – Farmstead Golf & Country Club	
Wednesday	March 28, 2012	Regular Meeting	5:00 pm

23. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION made at 6:55 pm by Freeholder Zeoli to adjourn, seconded by Freeholder Space and passed unanimously.

Elaine A. Morgan, Clerk

DATED: March 14, 2012