

REGULAR MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2015

6:00 PM

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Item

1. CALL TO ORDER BY DIRECTOR at 6:01 PM

2. ROLL CALL Freeholder Graham, Freeholder
Freeholder Mudrick, Freeholder Phoebus,
Freeholder Vohden, Freeholder Director Crabb,
County Administrator, Stephen Gruchacz, County
Counsel, John Williams and Clerk of the Board
Catherine M. Williams.

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 September 17, 2015 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. Presentations

1. Presentation by Martin Kane, Board of Trustees, Chairman & Trustee of the Lake Hopatcong Foundation.

Martin Kane, Board of Trustee, Chairman & Trustee of the Lake Hopatcong Foundation gave a presentation. He said the foundation was set up as a non-profit organization with the sole purpose of making Lake Hopatcong a better place. There were a lot of issues that government could not address with the Lake. He touched on a few issues such as weed harvesting; education including working with schools to give the students an opportunity to visit Lake Hopatcong; trail work on the Hopatcong Trail, which will eventually go through all four municipalities around the lake. It will be about 40 miles of trails adding to existing ones. They also purchased a building at the southern end of the lake that will be used as a community center for the lake and in the middle of the building will be a visitor center. We hope that you will visit us at the lake.

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

MOTION made at 6:10 PM by Freeholder Vohden to open the floor up to the Public, seconded by Freeholder Graham and passed unanimously.

Comment from Harry Dunleavy

Mr. Dunleavy feels the appointments to the Board of the College and the Search Committee are a total joke and are not fooling anybody in saying that the Search Committee is doing searching. You don't have a single person on the Board as far back as I can remember that has a mathematical or a physics background. I have put my name in several times and I have a mathematical background and I have taught at the college level as well as high school. I was called once and at the same time I was called, a friend of mine who is a lawyer was picked. Mr. Dunleavy said to the Board why don't you do something constructive and look for qualified people. There is nothing wrong with someone who has a mathematical or physics background to be on the committee and why is it necessary to have so many attorneys on there. Another key question I have is, you have had people on that Board who never took a course in college yet they are sitting on a Board for a college. It was happening when I was teaching there. Thank you for your time.

Comment from Rosanne Salanitri

Ms. Salanitri from Sandyston came forward. She said I am sure there is a good reason and I know you are well within your rights to do it but the ever changing time and days of this meeting is very difficult for people to keep track of. People who have it in their heads that it is a certain time and certain day is making it difficult for public participation and also does not look well for the Board. From the outside, the way people are viewing it is why are you doing this, don't you want us to attend; people have been making an honest attempt to attend these meetings and it keeps changing, so I would encourage you to try and pick a time and try your best to stick to it and if for nothing else do it for appearances. Thank you.

Freeholder Crabb said just to let you know this year is no more remarkable than any other year in regards to scheduling for the month of November and it doesn't always happen but this year Veteran's Day landed on Wednesday and it is a County holiday so we moved the meeting to Tuesday and we scheduled the November 24th meeting at 9:00 AM because this meeting always falls during the week of Thanksgiving so we move it back so people can take advantage of the long weekend. With that being said, these meetings were publicized after the Reorganization meeting as of January 1, 2015. Technically, it really should not be a surprise to anyone as to when these meetings are. This year we changed the meeting time based on the support from the public.

Mr. Dunleavy asked if they were going to answer his question.

Freeholder Director Crabb said that he did not want to get into a dialogue. He said his question should be relayed to the Search Committee. Freeholder Director Crabb said they are twice removed from the Search Committee. There is the Search Committee and their recommendation comes up through the Administrator, then it is advice and consent from the Board. The Search Committee is then appointed by the Freeholder Board.

MOTION made at 6:17 PM by Freeholder Mudrick to close to the Public, seconded by Freeholder Graham and passed unanimously.

8. FREEHOLDERS' COMMENTS

Comments by Freeholder Vohen

Freeholder Vohden said he is going to take a few minutes to comment on a few items that he thinks are very important to Sussex County.

On October 19th last month, the DEP published proposed changes to the NJ Water Quality Management Planning rules. These are the rules that guide the sewers and septic systems.

These changes propose a common sense overhaul of the existing rules. The changes would significantly reduce the unnecessary red tape that is what we have been fighting for and duplication of regulation that is deterring economic growth in our area where we believe development is appropriate.

We are in a 60-day public comment period which closes on December 18th. We, the Sussex County Freeholders, should definitely submit comments in favor of these rule changes. The Sierra Club and other critics claim that the changes would spur development and cause environmental problems - their usual charges. The adoption of these changes is very important for the economic future of Sussex County. At 1:00 this afternoon, the first public hearing on the changes was held at the Frelinghuysen Arboretum in Morris Township. There will be more opportunities to comment. I would like to have attended but I was at a Highlands RMP committee meeting. I am sure the critics were all there. In June of this year, the DEP published another set of proposed changes to existing flood hazard, storm water and water quality rules in an effort to streamline the permitting process and to reduce the unnecessary regulatory burden that these rules impose on development in the State and especially in Sussex County. According to the NJ Property Facts website, 49% of our properties fall within a DEP "Special Areas" which includes buffers. These changes are very important to Sussex County's economic recovery.

We can help our legislators by providing them with supporting information, working with the NJ League of Municipalities, the NJAC, the Sussex County Chamber of Commerce, the Builders Association, Farm Bureau and other interested organizations that realize the importance of these changes.

Last week Director Crabb asked me to stand in for him at a meeting at Lake Hopatcong. The meeting was held to discuss the health of the lake, and was attended by representatives from the DEP, The State Park Service, the four lakefront municipalities (Hopatcong, Jefferson, Mount Arlington, Roxbury), and Morris and Sussex Counties. The topics discussed were the water level, the mandatory outflow from the lake to the Musconetcong River, and the weed problems. It was reported that only \$155,000 has been allocated for the weed harvesting program for next year and it was suggested by the DEP that the four municipalities with the help of Morris and Sussex come up an additional \$70,000 in order to extend the harvesting program. We have the same problem in Sussex County. There are over 100 lakes in Sussex County and most have a weed problem and many of them are publicly-owned. I was told by two Highlands Council members and NJTPA board members that there might be grants from these two organizations and I will look into it.

Freeholder Vohden attended a meeting at Perona Farms where a spokesman from the National Geographic Map Division gave a presentation on a Geotourism project for the Delaware River Valley. Geotourism is ecotourism for a specific geographic region. This program will allow us to promote and expand tourism on the Jersey side of the river. This is a great opportunity that will help with our Sussex County ecotourism programs. This project is funded by a grant from the William Penn Foundation. The William Penn Foundation has announced a \$35 million initiative to protect and restore water quality in the Delaware River watershed, a critical source of drinking water from more than fifteen million people. This foundation has become more active with their funding in Sussex County. I believe that we should monitor the activities of this Foundation and their activities in Sussex County. What we don't need is another organization lobbying for more regulation.

Yesterday, Freeholder Vohden attended the NJTPA meeting in Newark. One of the major items of discussion was transportation funding at the Federal and State level. This is an issue that I think we should be commenting on. This is a difficult issue and I believe we should be advising our legislators about how we would like the problem resolved, and assist them with ideas for solutions. One of our major responsibilities, our duties as Freeholders is appropriating money for the maintenance of county roads, and bridges. We depend on State and Federal funding for these projects. Last week I called the NJTPA and at yesterday's meeting, I was told they are investigating the possibility of an economic development or transportation grant.

Today, after our Highlands Council Committee meeting I asked about a weed harvesting grant and was told that there were no funds available. There was mention made of a watershed moratorium offset aid grant program which provides funding to qualifying municipalities and many of the municipalities are not in the Highlands region.

Funds could become available but would require legislative action. I did call the 24th District and left a message and I will follow up with this.

This is the type of actions we can get involved with to help our legislators and Sussex County.

Comments by Freeholder Mudrick

Congratulations

Freeholder Mudrick congratulated and extended his good luck and best wishes to Freeholders Elect Mayor Lazzaro and Mayor Rose on their elections wins last Tuesday and all the winners at the state and local levels.

Veteran' Day

Freeholder Mudrick recognized all Sussex County Veterans as we commemorate Veterans' Day tomorrow as well as all Veterans for their United States services to the Armed Forces. He said all Freeholders were able to attend a really nice program at the fairground two Sundays ago.

Comments by Freeholder Graham

Freeholder Graham thanked Freeholder Vohden and said his research was impeccable. He said right around the time that Rich came onto the Freeholder Board I had gone to the Chairman to try and get grants for the Highlands Watershed ecosystem because all of these lakes have a feeder system so for us to clog it up with weeds didn't make sense for us to do that. We don't have healthy lakes but what the DEP is regulating, it puts us into a difficult situation. A few weeks ago, we had a draw down at Lake Musconetcong for the purpose of repairing the watershed and the DEP approved that drawn down and then arbitrarily refilled the lake. This is something we need to consider when dealing with the DEP. You are dealing with opinion and science and sometimes they don't make sense.

- **SCUMA**

Freeholder Graham attended their meeting and said there is no increase in tipping fees going into next year. The debt is starting to fall off next year so they will be able to start replenishing the capping that has been left out and diminished over the last few years because of increased costs and less money coming in from the state.

- **National Geographic Meeting**

Freeholder Graham did attend this meeting along with Freehold Vohden. He had the same concerns about doing the right thing but you have to look very closely on who is doing it and what is the motivation behind it. The National Recreation Area and the biggest concern that I found with constituents in Sussex County has been with the redesignation and that this is more than what the bigger plan is behind it. I want to dovetail with what Freeholder Vohden said and let's be very cautious on what is going on there.

- **Project Self Sufficiency**

Freeholder Graham attended their kickoff for their toy drive this year.

- **Firearms National Rifle Association**

Freeholder Graham said the FNRA dinner was a raving success. The FNRA is a great organization that provides education, safety and protection of our constitutional rights. There were over 350 people in attendance which was well over the attendance in years.

Comments by Freeholder Phoebus

- **Veteran's Parade**

Freeholder Phoebus thanked Lorraine Hentz and her entire department of the Office of Aging for doing a wonderful job at the parade for veterans at the Sussex County Fair Grounds.

- **Scott Garrett's Office**

Freeholder Phoebus said she had a conversation with Scott Garrett and there is nothing in legislation to change this park.

He seems to think that if they are going to change the category of it that it would have been introduced at this point and as of right now, it has not been. So we will just keep on top of it.

Freeholder Phoebus thanked Human Services; it is a wonderful department. Sussex County residence should be very proud to have such a great group of people working to take care of them.

It has been a pleasure to be a liaison for the last three years and I also want to thank my Freeholders that I have shared with. This is my last meeting. I want to thank all of you and I will miss all of you.

Freeholder Director Crabb wished Gail good luck and all the best as she goes into higher houses.

Comments by Freeholder Director Crabb

Freeholder Director Crabb said the Veterans parade was well organized as it is every year; they really do the best. I think that is evident by the attendance they have there. Ernie Kosa did a great job. He reminded everyone that the Grand Opening for the new Veteran's cemetery by the vocational school is on the 15th of this month. It will at 11:00 AM. I have been asked to be the Master of Ceremonies. I believe the first burial at the site will be of the flags that have been disposed in the tradition of disposing flags. I invite everyone to be there on this special occasion.

Freeholder Director Crabb said that one of the resolutions tonight is to grant Greentree at Hopatcong, LLC a conditional waiver from county policy for road openings for work within county Route 607 in Hopatcong.

Freeholder Director Crabb said there is also a resolution from Hopatcong Borough Council regarding an amendment to Sussex County Administrative Code but I hesitate to read the whole thing as the balance of this entire resolution was something that was solely discussed in our closed session.

Freeholder Graham said that is not true. Every single thing, there is not one thing in there that was in closed session. That stuff was all anticipated long before that closed session occurred.

Freeholder Director Crabb asked what does anticipation have to do with anything.

Freeholder Graham said this was discussed long before the closed session occurred.

Freeholder Director Crabb said it starts to talk about structure of our departments that was the rationale that put it into closed session.

Freeholder Graham said again these were things that were discussed with other municipalities way before there was a closed session two weeks ago.

Freeholder Director Crabb said but it went into closed session so if it is something that is still in closed session...

Freeholder Graham said that resolution was written before it went into closed session.

Freeholder Director Crabb said who wrote this resolution?

Freeholder Graham said he had a big part of it.

Freeholder Director Crabb said then why would this be distributed to Hopatcong for their meeting that was a week after our closed session meeting on it.

Freeholder Graham said that is when it was sent.

Freeholder Director Crabb said and why would something be distributed and I am hearing to every mayor in the county for something that is still in preliminary discussion in closed session.

Freeholder Graham said whatever is in closed session is in closed session. What I sent around the county had nothing to do with closed session.

Freeholder Director Crabb said under what authority would you send this around the county?

Freeholder Graham said I don't need authority.

Freeholder Graham said he sent it around the county because...

Freeholder Director Crabb especially since it is was in closed session. For what purpose, when we just had begun to discuss this when there are no conclusions that have become of this. As part of this discussion, we said if there was anything that would be proposed coming out of these discussions that it would be reviewed with every municipality. What was the purpose of this?

Freeholder Graham said the purpose of this was to inform all of the towns, and they have already been informed, the towns had already had discussions with this. I had already spoken to a number of mayors, health departments and such that this was coming. I believe that when someone was going in for a job a few months ago, this was something that was put out there. This was something that we anticipated so it was put out there.

Freeholder Director Crabb said nothing would happen until it came out of this combined Board without going into what we discussed, we were offered two things that we talked about. One was a proposal that was brought to us for a shared service and a piece of the Administrative Code that we have talked about before. We have talked about modifying the Administrative Code ever since I have been here. But the part that we did not talk about was the proposed draft of a potential organizational change.

Freeholder Graham said that is not in there.

Freeholder Director Crabb yes it is. It is in the title log.

Freeholder Graham said but it was anticipated that this was going to happen.

Freeholder Director Crabb asked how it could have been anticipated.

Freeholder Graham said I have been a freeholder for 3 years; the writing was all over the wall. In fact, I made comments on it. Go back and look at the minutes.

Freeholder Director Crabb said so what would be the reason to extend out to all the municipalities before we even had the opportunity to complete our discussions on it in closed session.

Freeholder Graham said every town in this county has a health tax, every town in this county has skin in the game, every town in this county deserves a say on what is going on.

Freeholder Director Crabb said agreed but there is nothing to pass resolutions on.

Freeholder Phoebus raised the question that wasn't there a committee put together of Freeholder Vohden and Freeholder Graham to discuss this topic.

Freeholder Director Crabb asked if they had met; they had not.

Freeholder Graham said everything that was put in there was not discussed in closed session and it was written before closed session.

Freeholder Director Crabb said if it went before isn't it more of a reason to put something out there that could affect the structure of this organization; wouldn't that be something exclusively for closed session?

Freeholder Graham said no.

Freeholder Director Crabb addressed County Counsel and said I am not sure what this does with regards for potential future conversations on this subject as it has been opened by the Borough of Hopatcong. I really wished it could have been a phone call first before passing a resolution.

County Counsel said he can review it in the context of this matter and give him his comments.

Freeholder Director Crabb said he is searching on this because he does not know, should we notify the other towns that have received this that this is still in a closed session discussion.

County Counsel said he would review that by the context, the minutes, the committee and I will give you my comments on it.

9. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

A. RESOLUTION RE: PAYMENT OF BILLS
509-2015

B. RESOLUTION RE: CANCELLATION OF OUTSTANDING CHECKS
510-2015

C. RESOLUTION RE: TRANSFER OF 2015 CURRENT APPROPRIATIONS
511-2015

D. RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE FOR GIS
512-2015 COMPREHENSIVE ADDRESS INVENTORY SERVICES
TO SUPPORT SUSSEX COUNTY OPERATIONS

E. RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX TO ENTER
513-2015 INTO A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE
TOWNSHIP OF WANTAGE FOR THE PROVISION OF
AN EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM THROUGH
ALLIANCE WORK PARTNERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH
THE PROVISIONS OF N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 ET SEQ. AND
N.J.S.A. 40A:11-10 ET SEQ.

F. RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A FEDERAL AID
514-2015 AGREEMENT FOR THE PROJECT ENTITLED SAFETY
ENHANCEMENTS TO CR 622 MP 0.00 TO 5.35 AND CR
653 MP 0.00 TO 7.27, (2015 HRRRP) BEING FEDERAL
PROJECT NUMBER HSP-C00S (755) CON

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 Vohden to adopt the resolutions, seconded by Freeholder Mudrick

On Roll Call the vote was:

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

10. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting - October 28, 2015

Executive Session Minutes

Regular Meeting – October 14, 2015

MOTION made by Freeholder Mudrick to accept the minutes from the Regular Meeting of October 28, 2015 and the Executive Session Minutes from the Regular Meeting of October 14, 2015 seconded by Freeholder Graham and passed unanimously.

Freeholder Phoebus abstained from Executive Session Minutes of October 14, 2015

11. APPOINTMENTS AND/OR RESIGNATIONS

A. Appointments

1. RESOLUTION RE: REAPPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER OF THE SUSSEX COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, SAID TERM TO EXPIRE OCTOBER 31, 2019
515-2015
2. RESOLUTION RE: APPOINTMENT OF SUSSEX COUNTY SHERIFF MICHAEL STRADA AS EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR FOR THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX FOR A TERM TO COMMENCE IMMEDIATELY AND END ON DECEMBER 31, 2016
516-2015
3. RESOLUTION RE: APPOINTMENT OF RACHELLE BARKUS AS A MEMBER OF THE SUSSEX COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD TO FILL A TERM COMMENCING IMMEDIATELY AND EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2018
517-2015
4. RESOLUTION RE: REAPPOINTMENT OF CINDY ARMSTRONG, CHRISTINE FLORIO, JILL CERULLO, GUS MODLA, FRANCIS A. KOCH, JIM SAYLOR, KRISTEN THOMPSON, CHIEF STEVEN PITTIGHER, JACLYN CORNWELL, MARGARET PITTALUGA, RHONA BEADLE, KEITH ARMSTRONG AND BECKY CARLSON AS MEMBERS OF THE SUSSEX COUNTY YOUTH SERVICES COMMISSION FOR TERMS OF THREE (3) YEARS EACH. TERMS TO EXPIRE APRIL 30, 2018
518-2015
5. RESOLUTION RE: RESIGNATION OF FREEHOLDER PHOEBUS
519-2015 EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 20, 2015 11:59 PM.

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

On Roll Call the vote was:

Freeholder Graham	Yes
Freeholder Mudrick	Yes
Freeholder Phoebus	Yes, abstained from Resolution 11.5
Freeholder Vohden	Yes
Freeholder Director Crabb	Yes

12. RESOLUTION

1. **RESOLUTION RE:** AUTHORIZATION TO GRANT TO GREENTREE AT HOPATCONG, LLC A CONDITIONAL WAIVER FROM COUNTY POLICY FOR ROAD OPENINGS FOR WORK WITHIN COUNTY ROUTE 607.
520-2015

MOTION made by Freeholder Graham to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Freeholder Vohden and passed unanimously.

13. AWARDS OF CONTRACTS/CHANGE ORDERS/BIDS

A. Awards of Contract

1. **RESOLUTION RE:** AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO AN AWARDED CONTRACT FOR FULL COVERAGE MAINTENANCE FOR ALL ELEVATORS NOT AWARDED FOR ELEVATOR MODERNIZATION
521-2015
2. **RESOLUTION RE:** AWARD OF CONTRACT EXTENSION FOR GUIDERAIL MATERIALS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING AND PLANNING – 2015
522-2015
3. **RESOLUTION RE:** AUTHORIZING THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT TO KELLER & KIRKPATRICK, INC. TO PROVIDE ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE REHABILITATION OF COUNTY BRIDGES X-09 CARRYING COUNTY ROUTE 565 OVER PAPAKATING CREEK IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WANTAGE AND O-07 CARRYING PASSAIC AVENUE OVER WALLKILL RIVER IN THE BOROUGH OF OGDENSBURG PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1
523-2015
4. **RESOLUTION RE** REPLACEMENT OF DETERIORATED COUNTY STORM DRAIN PIPE WITHIN THE CR-630 ROW IN THE BOROUGH OF BRANCHVILLE: REPLACING SHARED SERVICES RESOLUTION OF OCTOBER 14, 2015, AND AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR THE REQUIRED MATERIALS AND SERVICES WITHOUT PUBLIC BIDDING IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 AND THE COUNTY POLICY ON EMERGENCY PURCHASES
524-2015

MOTION made by Freeholder Graham to adopt these Resolutions, seconded by Freeholder Vohden

On Roll Call the vote was:

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

B. Change Orders

1. **RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF FINAL CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 TO A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX AND SPARWICK CONTRACTING, INC. FOR REHABILITATION OF SUSSEX COUNTY BRIDGE V-39 CARRYING COUNTY ROUTE 642 (OWENS STATION ROAD) OVER WALLKILL RIVER, TOWNSHIP OF VERNON, SUSSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

2. **RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 TO A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX AND ASPHALT PAVING SYSTEMS FOR THE "SAFETY ENHANCEMENTS TO SUSSEX COUNTY ROUTE 519 (TOWN OF NEWTON, TOWNSHIPS OF HAMPTON AND FRANKFORD) AND ROUTE 560 (TOWNSHIP OF SANDYSTON) – FEDERAL PROJECT #HSP-C00S(620), SUSSEX COUNTY 2014 HIGH RISK RURAL ROAD PROGRAM"**

MOTION made by Freeholder Vohden to adopt these Resolutions, seconded by Freeholder Graham

On Roll Call the vote was:

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

14. **FINANCIAL**

None for tonight.

15. **PERSONNEL**

A. Personnel Agenda

MOTION made by Freeholder Vohden to adopt these Resolutions, seconded by Freeholder Mudrick and passed unanimously.

16. **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

A. Other

No report tonight.

17. COUNTY COUNSEL

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

No report tonight.

18. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None for tonight.

19. NEW BUSINESS

None for tonight.

20. PUBLIC SESSION FROM THE FLOOR

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

MOTION made at 6:58 PM by Freeholder Mudrick to open meeting to Public, seconded by Freeholder Graham and passed unanimously.

Comment by Harry Dunleavy

Mr. Dunleavy said that he has brought up something a few times now and he has spoken in Trenton on it and it is all the money that has been wasted on the local school boards that we have. It is the highest in the county.

Republicans are always pretending that they care about wasting money. I was a school board president at the tech and I did a good job. There is one school district that was on the front page of the Herald where a business manager had swindled away hundreds of millions dollars. My question to you is why are you not getting rid of those junk school boards which are not costing millions, they are costing billions. We have more local school boards than California or Texas and they are bigger states than ours. I have asked you several times why don't you take it up but I was told the last time get your representatives where you live to introduce a bill. Why didn't you people say that instead of wasting all this money? Republicans are supposed to be serious about wasting money. I don't believe that.

MOTION made at 7:03 PM to close the meeting to the Public by Freeholder Mudrick, seconded by Freeholder Graham and passed unanimously.

21. EXECUTIVE SESSION – (Closed Session – If Necessary)

No items for closed session.

RESOLUTION RE: PROVIDING FOR AN EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 ET SEQ.

WHEREAS, the subject matter(s) about to be discussed may be excluded from the public portion of the meeting by Resolution of the Board of Chosen Freeholders as an exception to the "Open Public Meetings Act" pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (b); and

WHEREAS, it appears necessary for the Board of Chosen Freeholders to discuss such matter(s) in Executive Session.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Sussex, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) and N.J.S.A. 10:4-13 that the Board at this time enter into an Executive Session from which the public shall be excluded; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the general nature of the subject(s) to be discussed relate to the following item(s) authorized by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) as designated below:

- _____ (1) **Matters Required by Law to be Confidential:**
- _____ (2) **Matters Where the Release of Information Would Impair the Right to Receive Funds:**
- _____ (3) **Matters Involving Individual Privacy:**
- _____ (4) **Matters Relating to Collective Bargaining Agreements:**
- _____ (5) **Matters Relating to the Purchase, Lease of Acquisition of Real Property or the Investment of Public Funds:**
- _____ (6) **Matters Relating to Public Safety and Property:**
- _____ (7) **Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and the Attorney Client Privilege:**
- _____ (8) **Matters Relating to the Employment Relationship:**
- _____ (9) **Matters Relating to the Potential Imposition of a Penalty:**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the deliberations conducted in closed session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Sussex County Board of Chosen Freeholders or provided by law that the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon completion of the business for which the Board has entered into the Executive Session, the Board shall reconvene and resume its meeting open to the public.

22. REMINDERS

Wednesday	November 11, 2015	Holiday – Veterans Day
Tuesday	November 24, 2015	Regular Meeting – 9 A.M.

23. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION made at 7:04 PM by Freeholder Mudrick to adjourn, seconded by Freeholder Graham and passed unanimously.

Catherine M. Williams, Clerk

DATED: November 10, 2015