The regular meeting of the Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders convened at 4:30 p.m. in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

PRESENT: MS. LAGAY, MR. LANZA, MR. HOLT, MR. KING, MR. WALTON.

Director Lagay announced: “This meeting is being held in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act. Adequate notice has been given by posting throughout the year a copy of the notice on Bulletin Boards on the First and Second Floor of the Main Street County Complex, Building #1, Flemington, New Jersey, a public place reserved for such announcements. A copy was mailed on or before January 05, 2016, to the Hunterdon County Democrat, Star Ledger, Trenton Times, Courier News, TAPinto (online) and the Express Times, newspapers designated to receive such notices and by filing a copy with the Hunterdon County Clerk.”

EXECUTIVE SESSION
Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded this:
See Page 12/6/16-1A RESOLUTION
RESOLVED, Executive Session to receive a personnel update.

See Page 12/6/16-1B RESOLUTION
RESOLVED, Executive Session to receive an update on Claims Register guidelines.

See Page 12/6/16-1C RESOLUTION
RESOLVED, Executive Session to receive a review of the Requests for Proposals for management services for the golf course.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MR. LANZA, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.

The Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders went into Executive Session at 4:31 p.m., recessed at 5:07 p.m., reconvened in Executive Session at 5:12 p.m., recessed at 5:25 p.m., and reconvened in Open Session at 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: MS. LAGAY, MR. LANZA, MR. HOLT, MR. KING, MR. WALTON.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE
Director Lagay and Freeholder King remembered State Trooper Frankie Williams who lost his life in the line of duty earlier in the week.

PUBLIC COMMENT
Director Lagay opened the meeting to the public.

No one wished to address the Board at this time.

It was noted the matter of meeting recordings will be discussed during Freeholder Comments.

FINANCE
Janet R. Previte, Acting County Financial Officer came before the Board and briefly discussed the Corrective Action Plan for 2015 as developed by the County’s Auditors.

Director Lagay congratulated Mrs. Previte on passing her final CFO class.

Mr. King moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:
See Page 12/6/16-1D RESOLUTION

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. LANZA, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.

FARMLAND PRESERVATION/OPEN SPACE
Mr. King moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:
See Page 12/6/16 RESOLUTION
RESOLVED, Approving a Municipal Grant application with Lebanon Township, under the Open Space Grant Program, for the 97 Red Mill Road property acquisition, Block 35, Lot 88, estimated 10 acres, in an amount not to exceed $122,360.00.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. LANZA, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.
Mr. Holt moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

See Page 12/6/16-2A  RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a Non-Profit Open Space Grant application, with the Raritan Headwaters Association, for the 97 Red Mill Road property, Block 35, Lot 88, estimated 10 acres, in the Township of Lebanon, in an amount not to exceed $26,840.00.

ROLL CALL:  (AYES)  MR. HOLT, MR. LANZA, MR. KING, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.

Mr. King moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

See Page 12/6/16-2B  RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a Non-Profit Grant application, with the New Jersey Conservation Foundation, for the Higgins Phase 2 property, Block 35, Lots 2 and 57, estimated 270 acres, in East Amwell Township, in an amount not to exceed $864,000.00.

ROLL CALL:  (AYES)  MR. KING, MR. LANZA, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.

Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. Holt seconded this:

See Page 12/6/16-2C  RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a Non-Profit Grant application, with the Hunterdon Land Trust, for the Higgins Phase 2 property, Block 35, Lots 2 and 57, estimated 270 acres, in East Amwell Township, in an amount not to exceed $51,842.65.

ROLL CALL:  (AYES)  MR. LANZA, MR. HOLT, MR. KING, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. King seconded this:

See Page 12/6/16-2D  RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a Development Easement for property owned by Peter and Ellen Kluber, Block 20.01, Lot 9, Township of Alexandria, in the amount of $98,158.18 (SADC - $294,474.54; County - $98,158.18; Township - $98,158.18); total of $490,790.90.

ROLL CALL:  (AYES)  MR. HOLT, MR. KING, MR. LANZA, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.

Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. Holt seconded this:

See Page 12/6/16-2E  RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving Amendment 16 to the Cooperative Agreement between the United States of America, Commodity Credit Corporation acting through the Natural Resources Conservation Service and the New Jersey Conservation Foundation and the County of Hunterdon and the County of Salem and the State Agriculture Development Committee for the Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program to include the State Agriculture Development Committee.

ROLL CALL:  (AYES)  MR. LANZA, MR. HOLT, MR. KING, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

See Page 12/6/16-2F  RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Authorizing final approval for the acquisition of a development easement for the Grefe I Farm, Block 11, Lots 14, in the Township of Alexandria (SADC - $118,800.00; Hunterdon County - $39,600.00; Alexandria Township - $39,600.00), for a total of $198,000.00.

ROLL CALL:  (AYES)  MR. HOLT, MR. KING, MR. LANZA, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.

Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. King seconded this:

See Page 12/6/16-2G  RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Authorizing final approval for the acquisition of a development easement for the Grefe II Farm, Block 11, Lot 14.01, in the Township of Alexandria, (SADC - $153,900.00; Hunterdon County - $51,300.00; Alexandria Township - $51,300.00), for a total of $256,500.00.

ROLL CALL:  (AYES)  MR. LANZA, MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.

Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. Holt seconded this:

See Page 12/6/16-2H  RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Authorizing final approval for a development easement acquisition for Hope Hill Farm, Block 23, Lots 8.01, 8.20, 8.21, and 8.22, in Franklin Township, (SADC - $411,600.00; Hunterdon County - $137,200.00; Franklin Township - $137,200.00), for a total of $686,000.00.

ROLL CALL:  (AYES)  MR. LANZA, MR. HOLT, MR. KING, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.
Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. King seconded this:

See Page 12/6/16-3A PROCLAMATION

RESOLVED, Recognizing Nolan Rainey, Charlie Lopez and Josh Beers, of the Workplace Readiness Program from Hunterdon Central Regional High School, for work done this past summer on the Hunterdon County Arboretum and at Echo Hill Preserve.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. LANZA, MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.

Director Lagay presented Nolan Rainey, Charlie Lopez and Josh Beers with proclamations recognizing their service to the County.

Nolan Rainey, Charlie Lopez and Josh Beers presented a plaque to Carol Bodder, County Parks and Recreation Director, and plaques to teachers Michelle Murphy and Jennifer Clark, from Hunterdon Central Regional High School, to show thanks and appreciations.

PURCHASING

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

See Page 12/6/16-3B RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a Professional Services Agreement with Hunterdon Healthcare Systems, for Occupational Health Services, for the period of December 1, 2016 through November 30, 2017, in an amount not to exceed $40,000.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. HOLT, MR. LANZA, MR. KING, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.

Mr. King moved and Mr. Holt seconded this:

See Page 12/6/16-3C RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving Requisition #R6-06715, using Cooperative #042815-BAN, with Modern Group, for the Division of Vehicle Services, for a Brush Chipper, in the amount of $54,458.96.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. LANZA, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.

CONSENT AGENDA

Director Lagay announced: “All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Hunterdon and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.”

Check #’s 162443, 155677, 155681 and 155800 were held at this time.

Mr. King moved and Mr. Lanza seconded a motion to approve the claims in accordance with the Claims Register dated December 06, 2016.

See Page 12/6/16-3C CLAIMS REGISTER

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. LANZA, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.

Mr. King moved and Mr. Lanza seconded a motion TO approve the executive session minutes of October 31, 2016; the regular and executive session minutes of November 15, 2016, and the special and executive session minutes of November 21, 2016.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. LANZA, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.

Mr. King moved and Mr. Lanza seconded these:

See Page 12/6/16-3D RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Nicholas Danese appointed provisional, full time Bridge Repairer, Division of Roads and Bridges, Public Works Department.

See Page 12/6/16-3E RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a salary adjustment for William Weinrich, Senior Bridge Repairer, for obtaining his CDL Class A License, Division of Roads and Bridges, Public Works Department

See Page 12/6/16-3F RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a salary adjustment for Jason H. Lawrence, Road Repairer, for obtaining his CDL Class A License, Division of Roads and Bridges, Public Works Department.

See Page 12/6/16-3G RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, Approving a Memorandum of Agreement with AFSCME Council 73, Local 2097, for the period of January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2017.
RESOLVED, Approving salaries for those covered under the AFSCME Council 73 Memorandum of Agreement.

RESOLVED, Approving a Shared Services Agreement with the Township of Delaware for the storage of municipal records, for a period of five (5) years through December 31, 2021.

RESOLVED, Approving Specifications for the Hunterdon County Scour Countermeasure at various Locations and authorizing the Purchasing Agent to advertise for bids.

RESOLVED, Approving an Agreement with the County of Somerset to provide Juvenile Home Detention Services, for 2017.

RESOLVED, Authorizing the release of a Cash Road Opening Deposit, to Janet and Evan Apgar, in the amount of $500.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. LANZA, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.

Mr. Lanza moved and Mr. King seconded a motion to approve Check #162443 in accordance with the Claims Register dated December 06, 2016.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) (ABSTAIN) MR. LANZA, MR. KING, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.

Mr. Holt moved and Mr. Lanza seconded a motion to approve Check #’s 155677, 155681 and 155800 in accordance with the Claims Register dated December 06, 2016.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) (ABSTAIN) MR. HO LT, MR. LANZA, MR. KING, MS. LAGAY. MR. WALTON.

GRANTS

Mr. King moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

RESOLVED, Approving Contract Agreement #17AHKC, with the State Division of Child Protection and Permanency, for the administration of social service and training program, in the amount of $73,742 in state funding; and a Public Donor Agreement reflecting the provision of $15,405 in cash match funds and $2,485 as a County Match.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. LANZA, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.

Mr. King moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

RESOLVED, Authorizing a grant application with the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, for participation in the 2016 Body-Worn Camera (BWC) Assistance Program, for the Hunterdon County Prosecutor’s Office, for 25 BWC, at a grant cost of $12,500.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. LANZA, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.

Mr. King moved and Mr. Lanza seconded this:

RESOLVED, Authorizing a grant application with the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, for participation in the 2016 Body-Worn Camera (BWC) Assistance Program, for the Hunterdon County Sheriff’s Office, for 33 BWC, at a grant cost of $16,500.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. LANZA, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.

CORRESPONDENCE

A request was received from Raymond Campeau, of JerseyMan, again requesting permission to use certain Hunterdon County roads as part of the 10th Annual JerseyMan multi-sport event, on Sunday, May 21, 2017, from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. Mr. King moved and Mr. Lanza seconded a motion granting permission provided this event is coordinated through the County’s Department of Public Works.

ROLL CALL: (AYES) MR. KING, MR. LANZA, MR. HOLT, MR. WALTON, MS. LAGAY.
FREEHOLDERS COMMENTS/REPORTS

Recordings
Mr. Walton moved and Mr. King seconded a motion to discuss having the meeting recordings posted on the County website.

Mr. Holt explained that the County’s Division of Information and Technology is currently under review and he feels that should complete before this decision is made. He is also would like a report on the security of those files and the ability for them to be tampered with before he commits to a yes vote.

Director Lagay questioned if posting the recordings would cause a drop off in meeting attendance.

Mr. Walton reported that in speaking with municipalities who post recordings, there is actually an uptick in attendance and in some instances, people will listen to the meeting online and hear a subject matter they wish to comment on and then travel to the meeting to comment during the public portion. Granting more transparency will benefit attendance at the Board’s meetings.

Mr. Lanza and Mr. Holt questioned how long it would take to get answers on the security; he is prepared to vote yes.

Shana Taylor, County Counsel advised the review of Information Technology Division has many layers and she is unsure if IT has the expertise to answer the specific security questions being asked tonight.

NJAC-Unfunded State Mandates
Mr. King reported to the Board that the New Jersey Association of Counties is filing a formal complaint with the Council of Unfunded Mandates on the state’s mandates.

Birthday
Mr. Walton reported his twins will turn ten tomorrow.

PUBLIC COMMENT
Director Lagay opened the meeting to the public.

No one wished to address the Board this evening.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Director Lagay adjourned the meeting at 6:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise B. Doolan, CLERK

Transcribed by:

Dana A. Gootman, Deputy Clerk