

_____ (6) **Matters Relating to Public Safety and Property:**

 X (7) **Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and the Attorney Client Privilege:**

Communication Center Agreements

_____ (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.

MOTION made at 7:15 PM by Freeholder Petillo to come out of Executive Session and return to the public meeting; seconded by Freeholder Rose and passed unanimously.

7. PROCLAMATIONS/CERTIFICATES/PRESENTATIONS

A. Proclamation recognizing the 100th Anniversary of Perona Farms
352-2017

B. Proclamation recognizing Ethan Billings earning the rank of Eagle Scout
353-2017

C. Proclamation recognizing the 1st Anniversary of the C.L.E.A.R. program and its successes and challenges moving forward
354-2017

MOTION made by Freeholder Rose to adopt the Proclamations; seconded by Freeholder Graham and passed unanimously.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None for this evening.

9. PUBLIC SESSION FROM THE FLOOR

Please Note: Everyone is asked to keep their comments to 5 minutes or less and only address issues regarding agenda items. Please state your name, spell your last name, and state your municipal residency.

MOTION made at 7:16 PM by Freeholder Graham to open the meeting to the public; seconded by Freeholder Rose and passed unanimously.

Cathy Nauta, Sparta spoke about the Resolution for stopping the stigma on mental health. In their case her and her daughter have dealt with it in the school system. She said within the past 12 years they have seen a change. They have been to Washington, D.C. meeting with legislators are more willing to speak with them as well as on the school system as well.

Christie Farber, Lafayette thanked the Board for giving plenty of notice in passing the Resolution in support of the campaign to change direction initiative for the stigma on mental illness. She spoke about her own illness and challenges one has with mental illness.

Lauren Hirtes, Newton, a mental health specialist and volunteer on the Mental Health and Substance Abuse Advisory Board and mother with a child with mental illness. She said what stands out the most is stigma. She said the Resolution being passed tonight is a great step and she is very thankful. It puts Sussex County in the fore front in breaking the stigma of mental health.

Gil Gibbs, Sparta, said that Councilwoman Quinn brought the Stigma resolution to their board a few months ago and they have started their program. He said he is looking forward to working with the Freeholders together and doing it right.

Ria Smith, Hardyston, spoke about stigma. She sees it from the educational system and it is very important that the staff knows how to address the youths that come through the school systems with mental illness

and that the staff has the education they need to help these children. She spoke about her child and how she has taught her to be her own self-advocate. She thanked the Board for adopting the Resolution.

Alexander Nauta, Sparta, she is a business major and the way she looks at stigma is to follow the money. She said the United States donates \$30 billion to health care and only \$1.6 billion of that \$30 billion goes for mental health. She said 20% of Americans have a mental health condition. She spoke of her own battle with mental illness.

Kim Mastenbrook, high school student who lives in Hardyston spoke about her little sister who has a mental illness. She felt if schools educated people about mental illness and let people know about it and that there are many different types, it would be very helpful to families like theirs.

Suzanne Sarner, Stillwater, Director of the Student Center at Sussex County Technical School and a founding member of the Youth Support Task Force. She expressed how important it is to recognize the effects of stigma associated with mental illness. The big question is what we are going to do to help. She thanked the Freeholders for making this a priority and setting the stage for positive change.

Steve Sarner, Stillwater spoke about how they are always coming out with new meds for physical conditions such as blood pressure, high cholesterol and cancer. He said it has taken 40 years for new meds to come out for mental illnesses such as for depression, anxiety, bi-polar, etc. He said it is a shame and sad that it has taken 40 years. He said you need to educate the professionals, political people; the leaders and hopefully it will trickle down to the common person and then we might see a change. He said this is a start but we need to educate the leaders. He appreciates what the Freeholders are trying to do.

MOTION made at 7:48 PM by Freeholder Crabb to close the public portion; seconded by Freeholder Graham and passed unanimously.

10. FREEHOLDERS' COMMENTS

Comments from Freeholder Petillo

Freeholder Petillo attended the 100th Anniversary for Perona Farms. She stated there were 700 people. She said it is magnificent to have a family business that is in business for 100 years.

Freeholder Petillo spoke about mental illness and how it has affected her family. She applauded all that came up and spoke about their experiences and she applauded Suzanne Sarner and what she and others are doing at the technical school. She said it is wonderful to see.

Comments from Freeholder Crabb

Freeholder Crabb spoke about Franklin Borough and how they are considering LOSAP for their emergency responders. It is something that will go on the ballot.

He said LOSAP provides existing active firemen a small monetary deferred benefit as long as they make a minimum level of their fire calls and drills.

Freeholder Crabb had the opportunity to go over to the New Jersey State Fair and they are offering the first night at the fair ; many things will be \$1.00. He said it is a great idea and he hopes it reintroduces people back to the fair. He mentioned improvements and the interesting things going on at the County building.

Comments from Freeholder Graham

Freeholder Graham attended the Crescent Theatre's 100th Anniversary in Sussex Borough.

Freeholder Graham spoke about Health and Human Services. He said he is very proud of what they do. He gave a list of events going on at the fair regarding health issues.

Freeholder Graham said our risk managers are conducting customer training classes for social services.

Freeholder Graham spoke about mental health and the stigma and if something can be done to bring someone to assistance that is the goal. We might not get what we want but we are trying and getting in front of the problem will save us money in the long run.

Freeholder Graham shared information on the C.L.E.A.R program. The one-year anniversary is coming up. He thanked everyone for what they do.

Comments from Freeholder Rose

Freeholder Rose had no comments.

Comments from Freeholder Lazzaro

Freeholder Lazzaro gave an update on the roads and bridges. He spoke about the Ogdensburg Bridge and the delay.

Freeholder Lazzaro attended Perona Farm's 100th Anniversary celebration. This was a charity event and all the money collected went to a charity.

Freeholder Lazzaro spoke about mental health. He stated that it is very hard to come up with new medicine because you can't test them. There are no animals to experiment on. You have to test on people and that messes with their minds. He thanked them for keeping the fight going and for all of their efforts.

11. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- A. RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE THE MODIFICATION OF AN AGREEMENT, ATTACHMENT "A", WITH CATHOLIC FAMILY & COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR THE PROVISION OF WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND HOME DELIVERED MEALS FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2017 TO DECEMBER 31, 2017 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$105,056.00
355-2017
- B. RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE THE MODIFICATION OF AN AGREEMENT, ATTACHMENT "A", WITH LEGAL SERVICES OF NORTHWEST JERSEY, INC., SUSSEX COUNTY DIVISION FOR THE PROVISION OF LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2017 TO DECEMBER 31, 2017 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$33,968.00
356-2017
- C. RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE THE MODIFICATION OF AN AGREEMENT, ATTACHMENT "A", WITH RES-CARE NEW JERSEY, INC. D/B/A RESCARE HOMECARE FOR THE PROVISION OF CERTIFIED HOME HEALTH AIDE SERVICES FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2017 TO DECEMBER 31, 2017 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$59,052.00
357-2017
- D. RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE THE MODIFICATION OF AN AGREEMENT, ATTACHMENT "A" WITH THE SUSSEX COUNTY OFFICE OF TRANSIT/SKYLANDS RIDE FOR THE PROVISION OF SENIOR TRANSPORTATION (STOP) FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2017 TO DECEMBER 31, 2017 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$92,848.00
358-2017
- E. RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE THE MODIFICATION OF AN AGREEMENT, ATTACHMENT "A" FOR THE PROVISION OF ASSISTED TRANSPORTATION WITH CATHOLIC FAMILY & COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2017 TO DECEMBER 31, 2017 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$28,236.00
359-2017
- F. RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE THE MODIFICATION OF AN AGREEMENT, ATTACHMENT "A", WITH NEWTON MEDICAL CENTER FOR THE PROVISION OF FOOD SERVICE FOR THE CONGREGATE NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2017 TO DECEMBER 31, 2017 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$90,127.00
360-2017
- G. RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE THE MODIFICATION OF AN AGREEMENT, ATTACHMENT "A", WITH NEWTON MEDICAL CENTER FOR THE PROVISION OF FOOD SERVICE FOR THE WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND HOME DELIVERED MEALS FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2017 TO DECEMBER 31, 2017 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$93,451.00
361-2017
- H. RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE THE MODIFICATION OF AN AGREEMENT, ATTACHMENT "A",
362-2017

WITH THE SUSSEX COUNTY DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES FOR THE PROVISION OF CARE MANAGEMENT AND OUTREACH FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2017 TO DECEMBER 31, 2017 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$36,564.00

- I. RESOLUTION RE: **363-2017** AUTHORIZATION FROM THE SUSSEX COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS TO APPROVE THE SUSSEX COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF HEALTH, OFFICE OF MOSQUITO CONTROL GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE NJ DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION FOR THE 2017 COUNTY MOSQUITO IDENTIFICATION AND CONTROL CDC ELC CAPACITY BUILDING EFFORTS GRANT
- J. RESOLUTION RE: **364-2017** AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUSSEX COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS TO APPROVE A RENEWAL APPLICATION WITH THE NJ DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE PROVISION OF THE LOCAL CORE CAPACITY FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS GRANT FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2017 TO JUNE 30, 2018
- K. RESOLUTION RE: **365-2017** AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE MASONRY REPAIRS AT THE COUNTY PARK BUILDING (GINNIE'S HOUSE), TOWN OF NEWTON, SUSSEX COUNTY
- L. RESOLUTION RE: **366-2017** AUTHORIZING THE ENTRY INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH RICHARD P. CUSHING OF GEBHARDT & KIEFER, P.C. FOR THE PROVIDING OF SPECIAL COUNSEL SERVICES FOR PENDING LITIGATION WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING AS A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i)

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. (Roll call vote.)

MOTION made by Freeholder Graham to adopt the Resolutions; seconded by Freeholder Petillo

On Roll Call the vote was:

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

12. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Regular Meeting – July 12, 2017

MOTION made by Freeholder Graham to adopt the minutes; seconded by Freeholder Petillo and passed unanimously.

- B. Executive Session – July 12, 2017

MOTION made by Freeholder Graham to adopt the minutes from the Executive Session; seconded by Freeholder Petillo and passed unanimously.

13. APPOINTMENTS AND/OR RESIGNATIONS

14. RESOLUTIONS

- A. RESOLUTION RE: **367-2017** SUPPORT OF THE "CAMPAIGN TO CHANGE DIRECTION" INITIATIVE IN SUSSEX COUNTY TO RAISE AWARENESS THAT THERE CAN BE NO HEALTH WITHOUT MENTAL HEALTH, PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE WAY TO ELIMINATE STIGMA ASSOCIATED WITH MENTAL ILLNESS AND ENCOURAGE THOSE WHO ARE AFFECTED TO SEEK SERVICES AND FEEL SUPPORTED BY THEIR

COMMUNITY

MOTION made by Freeholder Graham to adopt the Resolution; seconded by Freeholder Petillo and passed unanimously.

15. AWARDS OF CONTRACTS/CHANGE ORDERS/BID

A. RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) 2018 OR CURRENT MODEL YEAR FREIGHTLINER SD OR EQUAL TANDEM AXLE TRUCK CHASSIS
368-2017

MOTION made by Freeholder Graham to adopt the Resolution; seconded by Freeholder Petillo and passed unanimously.

16. FINANCIAL

A. RESOLUTION RE: PAYMENT OF BILLS
369-2017

MOTION made by Freeholder Crabb to adopt the Resolution; seconded by Freeholder Graham

On Roll Call the vote was:

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

B. RESOLUTION RE: PAYMENT OF BILLS
370-2017

MOTION made by Freeholder Crabb to adopt the Resolution; seconded by Freeholder Graham

On Roll Call the vote was:

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

A. RESOLUTION RE: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF ANY SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE 2017 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX RELATING TO THE INTOXICATED DRIVER RESOURCE CENTER IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$22,517.59
371-2017

D. RESOLUTION RE: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF ANY SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE 2017 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX RELATING TO THE 2016/17 TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT CONTRACT #TS17019 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$16,830.00
372-2017

E. RESOLUTION RE: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF ANY SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE 2017 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX RELATING TO THE 2016/17 SOCIAL SERVICES FOR THE HOMELESS GRANT CONTRACT #SH17019 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$86,347.00
373-2017

F. RESOLUTION RE: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF ANY SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE 2017 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX RELATING TO THE 2017/18 MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE TO PREVENT ALCOHOLISM & DRUG ABUSE LETTER OF AGREEMENT FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$210,366.00
374-2017

G. RESOLUTION RE: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF ANY
375-2017 SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE 2017 BUDGET OF
THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX RELATING TO THE 2017/18
STATE HEALTH INSURANCE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
(SHIP) AWARD #DOAS17SHF005 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT
OF \$32,000.00

H. RESOLUTION RE: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF ANY
376-2017 SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE 2017 BUDGET OF THE
COUNTY OF SUSSEX RELATING TO THE BUDGET
MODIFICATION TO INCORPORATE THE 2015 SENIOR CITIZEN
AND DISABLED RESIDENT TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE
PROGRAM (SCDRTAP) CLOSE-OUT CARRY OVER FUNDING
FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2017 TO DECEMBER 31,
2017 IN THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$83,629.16

I. RESOLUTION RE: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF ANY
377-2017 SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE 2017 BUDGET OF THE
COUNTY OF SUSSEX RELATING TO THE 2016/17 MOSQUITO
IDENTIFICATION AND CONTROL GRANT FOR A TOTAL
AMOUNT OF \$3,857.91

MOTION made by Freeholder Graham to adopt the Resolutions; seconded by Freeholder Petillo

On Roll Call the vote was:

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

17. **PERSONNEL**

MOTION made by Freeholder Crabb to adopt the Personnel Agenda; seconded by Freeholder Petillo and passed unanimously.

18. **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

Mr. Poff was informed today that CWA 1032- Non Supervisory has ratified an agreement with the County. A resolution will be placed on the next Board of Chosen Freeholders agenda for their review.

Mr. Poff said that the County's Acting Division Director of Health, James McDonald has recently passed the state examination to secure his license as health officer. It is important to note that this is one of the most difficult licensing examinations the State of New Jersey has.

Mr. Poff said the Division of Health was recently awarded a Certificate of Achievement for the Test standards and measures as evaluated by the State Department of Health. He congratulated the Health Department for delivering and assuring the highly quality of public health services.

Mr. Poff said he was advised this afternoon by the County Engineer that the County has received a letter announcing the FY 2018 annual state aid from the Department of Transportation which will provide Sussex County with \$5, 057,931.00. This is funded through the Transportation Trust Fund. The County Engineer points out that this represents a 100% increase from the previous year's allotment. This amount will be evaluated as it will relate to the 2018 capital budget.

19. **COUNTY COUNSEL**

Mr. Williams updated the Board on OPRA costs and statutory requirements. He wants to keep the Board informed on a regular basis with OPRA.

20. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Freeholder Graham said that he and Mr. Poff attended the SCMUA meeting last week and it will be tabled because there is more information coming out on it. He said he was proud of the actions that SCUMA has taken.

21. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Letter of Support for NJAC regarding opposition to County Landfill Gas to Energy Facilities Legislation S-771.

MOTION made by Freeholder Crabb to accept the Letter of Support; seconded by Freeholder Graham and passed unanimously.

Discussion:

Freeholder Crabb said to take away the opportunity that this landfill gas provides and it is easily measured in value to come back does not make sense. He said we need to strongly oppose this.

22. OPEN PUBLIC SESSION FROM THE FLOOR

Please Note: Everyone is asked to keep their comments to 5 minutes or less. Please state your name, spell your last name, and state your municipal residency.

MOTION made at 8:45 PM by Freeholder Crabb to open the floor to the public; seconded by Freeholder Graham and passed unanimously.

MOTION made at 8:46 PM by Freeholder Crabb to close the floor to the public; seconded by Freeholder Graham and pass unanimously.

23. REMINDERS

<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Location</u>
Aug. 7 – 3p	Planning Board Development Review	Admin/Rm 3B
Aug. 8 – 7p	Solid Waste Advisory Council	FMR (Postponed)
Aug. 9 – 7pm	Freeholder Meeting	FMR

24. ADJOURNMENT

Freeholder Graham made a motion at 8:47 PM to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Freeholder Rose and passed unanimously.

DATED: July 26, 2017

Catherine M. Williams
Clerk of the Board