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BERGEN COUNTY  
BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS  
HACKENSACK, NEW JERSEY  
WORK SESSION  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2018  
COMMENCING AT 4:41 P.M.

FREEHOLDERS PRESENT:

- GERMAINE M. ORTIZ, ACTING CHAIRWOMAN
- MARY J. AMOROSO, CHAIRWOMAN PRO TEMPORE
- DAVID L. GANZ
- DR. JOAN M. VOSS
- TRACY SILNA ZUR
- STEVEN A. TANELLI

FREEHOLDERS ABSENT:

- THOMAS J. SULLIVAN, CHAIRMAN

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ALSO PRESENT:

JAMES J. TEDESCO III  
BERGEN COUNTY EXECUTIVE

LARA RODRIGUEZ  
CLERK TO THE BOARD

LAURIE BIANCHI  
DEPUTY CLERK TO THE BOARD

JULIEN X. NEALS, ESQUIRE  
ACTING COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

EDWARD J. FLORIO, ESQUIRE  
COUNSEL TO THE BOARD

MICHAEL SHEINFELD  
DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS & POLICY

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1                   ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: The meeting  
2 is called to order at 4:41 p.m.

3                   Before we begin our meeting, I ask that  
4 everyone please take a minute to silence their  
5 cellphones.

6                   Thank you.

7                   Will the Clerk please read the Sen.  
8 Byron Baer Open Public Meetings Act.

9                   MS. RODRIGUEZ: In accordance with  
10 Section 5 of the Sen. Byron Baer Open Public Meetings  
11 Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been  
12 provided in the Annual Notice Schedule, which  
13 contained the time, date, and location of this  
14 meeting, copies of which Notices were forwarded to  
15 the official County newspapers, to wit: The Herald  
16 News; The Record; and the Star Ledger; and a copy of  
17 which was posted on the bulletin board in the Bergen  
18 County Justice Center and Administration Building,  
19 One Bergen County Plaza, Hackensack, New Jersey, and  
20 filed with the Office of the Bergen County Clerk.

21                   ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Will the  
22 Clerk please call the roll.

23                   (At this point in the proceeding roll  
24 call is taken with Freeholders Amoroso, Ganz,  
25 Tanelli, Voss, Silna Zur, and Acting Chairwoman Ortiz

1 present, with Chairman Sullivan absent.)

2 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Evidence of a  
3 quorum is present.

4 Will you all please rise for the Pledge  
5 of Allegiance.

6 Can Sgt. Dalton and Tony Nehmi lead us.

7 (At this point in the proceeding all  
8 rise for a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance,  
9 led by Sgt. Dalton and Mr. Nehmi.)

10 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Our second  
11 Meeting-on-the-Road this year will be held in two  
12 weeks, on Wednesday, May 2nd, at 7:30 p.m. in  
13 Lyndhurst, at the Lyndhurst Township Hall in the  
14 Council Chambers, 367 Valley Brook Avenue.

15 The 4:30 p.m. Work Session on that day  
16 will be held, as usual, here in Hackensack at the  
17 Calabrese Caucus Room.

18 4:43 PM COMMEMORATION OF HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY IN  
19 BERGEN COUNTY

20 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: We will now  
21 have our first presentation.

22 As we commemorate Holocaust Memorial  
23 Day in Bergen County, I would like to invite Rabbi  
24 Kanelsky up to the table to lead us in prayer.

25 RABBI KANELSKY: We are gathered here

1 today to commemorate the 6 million who perished in  
2 the Holocaust in the hardest years in the '40s. As  
3 we commemorate every single year here in Bergen  
4 County, we will light the candles for the 6 million  
5 Jews who perished, we will remember them forever, and  
6 we're making sure that no evil thing will continue  
7 and no hardship for any person, no matter what their  
8 background, should be ever.

9 As we are gathered here today, in the  
10 few minutes that I have, I would like to share just  
11 an important thing that is for us to remember.

12 After the Holocaust was finished, many  
13 children got saved in many places. One of the places  
14 that they got saved was in the Catholic Church. But  
15 when they were left in the Polish churches, many  
16 churches refused to return back the Jewish children  
17 to their heritage. The rabbi struggled in many  
18 places to try to return these children, but there was  
19 no way to prove that these children are Jewish  
20 children, no papers, no nothing, and everybody said<  
21 "These are children that belong to the church."

22 One of the rabbis that was involved was  
23 Rabbi Silver of Blessed Memory. Rabbi Silver came to  
24 one of the churches and he says, "I will get these  
25 children."

1                   And they said, "If you don't have  
2 proof, we will not give you back the children."

3                   Rabbi Silver ask: "What time are these  
4 children going to sleep?"

5                   And he was said they were going to  
6 sleep at seven in the evening.

7                   Rabbi Silver came to that room where  
8 the small children were sleeping on cots, and he got  
9 up on the chair and he screamed out, "Shema Yisrael!  
10 Listen, Israel, God is one God, God is our God."

11                   And when he said those words, from all  
12 four corners of the room children started to scream  
13 and to cry, "Mommy! Mommy! Daddy!"

14                   And at that moment he said, "To whom  
15 belong these children?"

16                   And that is how he saved many, many  
17 children.

18                   Today, when we are trying to educate  
19 our children our heritage, but, in a positive note,  
20 respect every single one in his way. Our job is to  
21 make sure that every single person respects one  
22 another, every single person respects the other  
23 person as a human being.

24                   I want to say thank you to the  
25 Freeholders and to all the elected officials for

1 making sure that in this Bergen County is every  
2 single year a day to commemorate the Shoah, to  
3 commemorate the Holocaust, and to make sure that no  
4 such thing will ever again happen.

5 As we are going now to light the six  
6 candles, I would like to ask Mrs. Clair Kahane to  
7 please come up to light the first candle.

8 Mr. Leon Kozak.

9 Ms. Deborah Veach.

10 Mr. Yitz Stern.

11 Assemblyman Gary Schaer.

12 Rabbi Cantor Berel Zaltzman was to  
13 light the sixth candle, I will light instead of him.

14 Please rise for the memorial service.

15 (Whereupon, the memorial service is  
16 observed.)

17 RABBI KANELSKY: Thank you.

18 You may be seated.

19 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Thank you,  
20 rabbi. Thank you for the beautiful prayer, the  
21 words, and the candle ceremony.

22 RABBI KANELSKY: Thank you so much.

23 Thank you, everybody.

24 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: It's  
25 important to commemorate today, not only for all the



1 victims under the Nazi regime, but also to educate  
2 the entire world of important history, and what  
3 important history it was, a very sad part.

4 Freeholder Zur would like to say a few  
5 words.

6 FREEHOLDER SILNA ZUR: Thank you very  
7 much, Madam Chair.

8 You know, Shoah was actually last week  
9 when we paused, but, since we did not have a meeting,  
10 we're commemorating this today, because I think,  
11 especially during this time, it's really important  
12 for us to underscore the fact that we can never  
13 forget. We have seen where hate can lead us. For  
14 me, it was the destruction of most of my family who  
15 perished. My grandparents were lucky enough to  
16 escape, but we grew up without any other cousins or  
17 loved ones, and each life that was lost is like a  
18 universe that was lost.

19 So, as we commemorate this day, it's  
20 important for us to pause, because we saw in the New  
21 York Times article last week that so many Americans  
22 don't even remember what the Holocaust was about. I  
23 think the statistic was 41 percent of Millennials  
24 believe that 2 million or fewer Jews were killed in  
25 the Holocaust, when the actual number was 6 million

1 Jews. 41 percent of Americans and 66 percent of  
2 Millennials didn't even know what Auschwitz was,  
3 thought Hitler came to power through force rather  
4 than through the elective process.

5 So, it's very important for us to  
6 remember, not only today, but always. We need to  
7 learn from our mistakes. We need to learn what  
8 history has taught us. We can be the lights. We can  
9 be the ones who shine a light in the darkness and  
10 speak up and are not tolerant of hatred and are not  
11 tolerant of ostracizing individuals and thinking less  
12 of others because of their race or ethnicity or  
13 religion or the way they pray or the way they look.

14 This is a day for us to pause.

15 Tomorrow we will be celebrating Israel  
16 Independence Day. We will be celebrating in the  
17 Piazza, so I wanted to make sure that we invite  
18 everyone to join us there too, because this is a  
19 beacon of democracy and this is a reaction. This  
20 comes purposely close to the Holocaust remembrance,  
21 and today is actually Yom HaZikaron, which is  
22 Israel's Memorial Day, where we remember those who  
23 have fallen in Israel to defend democracy there.

24 I just wanted to include you all and  
25 make sure you're invited there.

1                   But I wanted to thank Rabbi Kanelsky  
2                   for making sure that we bring this forward here in  
3                   Bergen County, and thank County Executive Tedesco,  
4                   and Sheriff Saudino, and Prosecutor Calo, and  
5                   Assemblyman Schaer for joining us, and for all of you  
6                   making sure that today is a day that we never forget.

7                   Thank you, Chairwoman.

8                   4:54 PM COMMENDATION PRESENTED TO AMERICAN

9                   PARKINSON'S DISEASE ASSOCIATION

10                   ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Thank you.

11                   We're honored to have with us today,  
12                   from the American Parkinson's Disease Association,  
13                   Chylena Williams.

14                   Freeholder Ganz would also like to say  
15                   a few words with regard to this association.

16                   ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: You can  
17                   start.

18                   FREEHOLDER GANZ: I'm going to speak  
19                   from here, if I may, Chairwoman.

20                   I'm one of millions of Americans who  
21                   has Parkinson's disease, and this resolution that we  
22                   offer today is a resolution of hope.

23                   We see from the newspapers that  
24                   Parkinson's is now afflicting millions of Americans,  
25                   and that hope is within our lifetime a cure will be

1 found for this insidious, muscular related disease.

2 Those of you who know me know that I  
3 underwent two brain stimulation procedures, which  
4 means they operated on my brain. And the purpose of  
5 it was to minimize the amount of shakiness of my  
6 hands.

7 Parkinson's also affects speech and  
8 other aspects of our daily lives.

9 It also shows that Parkinson's is  
10 something that each of us has the ability to  
11 recognize, and, not to take pity, but to take  
12 strength in the unity with which we shall overcome  
13 this disease.

14 Thank you.

15 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Thank you,  
16 Freeholder.

17 Would you like to speak?

18 MS. WILLIAMS: Hello, everyone.

19 On behalf of the American Parkinson's  
20 Disease Association, we'd like to thank the  
21 Freeholders of Bergen County for proclaiming  
22 Parkinson's Awareness Month in April.

23 As the Freeholder said, that  
24 Parkinson's disease is becoming more and more  
25 progressive for everyone now. Usually when I ask

1 people who has Parkinson's in your family, they say  
2 oh, it's my grandparents, it's my uncles, it's an  
3 older family population.

4 It's no longer an older population  
5 disease. Every nine minutes someone is diagnosed  
6 with Parkinson's. And even now at this point there  
7 was a two-year-old in 2016 that was diagnosed with  
8 Parkinson's disease. So it's no longer a  
9 grandparents' disease.

10 What our role in the community is, we  
11 started off as a grassroots organization in  
12 Staten Island and spread across the states. We're  
13 working on creating EMS training, first responder  
14 training that's certified.

15 Right now, we made the first of its  
16 kind, in 2017, a video that gives first responders  
17 some education about Parkinson's. We're expanding it  
18 right now to make it for nurses, first responders, of  
19 course, and for anyone that's interested in learning  
20 more about Parkinson's disease.

21 Last week Saturday, we had about 300  
22 people come to our conference. I think by giving  
23 awareness, educating, and expanding the resources  
24 available for Parkinson's, that's another way of  
25 giving information.

1                   So, I hope that we continue doing  
2 things like this, giving education.

3                   I'm very happy to see that there's  
4 other information for everyone. And if you are  
5 interested, you can go on our website, apdanj.org.

6                   Thank you very much.

7                   ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Ms. Williams,  
8 on behalf of the Freeholder Board, we have a  
9 proclamation. I'll read the end of it.

10                   Whereas, increased research, education,  
11 and community support services are needed to find a  
12 more effective treatment and to provide access to  
13 quality care for those living with the disease today.

14                   And, now, therefore, be it resolved  
15 that on April 18, 2018, the Bergen County Board of  
16 Chosen Freeholders hereby recognizes April as  
17 "Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month."

18                   MS. WILLIAMS: Thank you.

19                   ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Thank you so  
20 much.

21                   COUNTY EXECUTIVE TEDESCO: Thank you.

22                   On behalf of Bergen County, I'd like to  
23 take a minute to also recognize Parkinson's Awareness  
24 Month.

25                   There's a lot of information that's in

1 the proclamation, but let me just read the last two  
2 paragraphs, because I think it tells a little bit  
3 about what we would like to see happen.

4           Whereas, each year, April is recognized  
5 around the world as Parkinson's Awareness Month, and  
6 the 2018 theme is "Start a Conversation," encouraging  
7 people to talk about Parkinson's disease with their  
8 loved ones, friends, neighbors, and community.

9           And, whereas, I encourage the nearly  
10 one million residents of Bergen County to recognize  
11 Parkinson's Awareness Month by starting conversations  
12 about Parkinson's disease and supporting improved  
13 care and advanced research.

14           Now, therefore, be it resolved that I,  
15 James J. Tedesco III, Executive of the County of  
16 Bergen, in the State of New Jersey, do hereby  
17 proclaim April 2018 as "Parkinson Awareness Month."

18           (Applause.)

19           MS. WILLIAMS: Thank you so much.

20           ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Thank you.

21           Okay. Before I go on, I'd like to  
22 recognize some dignitaries that are here.

23           We have Sheriff Saudino.

24           Mayor McPartland.

25           Assemblyman Schaer.

1 County Executive Jim Tedesco.

2 And a representative from Congressman  
3 Gottheimer's office.

4 And the County Prosecutor, Prosecutor  
5 Calo.

6 (Applause.)

7 5:02 PM COMMENDATIONS PRESENTED TO SGT. JAMES DALTON  
8 AND TONY NEHMI

9 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Okay. Our  
10 final presentation is for two very brave men, Sgt.  
11 James Dalton and civilian Tony Nehmi, who, on  
12 April 9th, heroically aided in the rescue of two  
13 dance students from a burning building in Edgewater.

14 I'd like to turn it over to our County  
15 Executive, Jim Tedesco, who was at the scene.

16 COUNTY EXECUTIVE TEDESCO: Please watch  
17 the monitors.

18 (Whereupon a video is viewed.)

19 COUNTY EXECUTIVE TEDESCO: So, tonight  
20 we're here because of people that saw something and  
21 knew that they needed to take action.

22 That night, I happened to be in the 911  
23 center when that call came in. I was there because I  
24 was honoring and recognizing all of the call takers  
25 and dispatchers for the work they do everyday,



1 knowing what a great job they do.

2 As I was going around, the first call  
3 came in.

4 As a firefighter for over 40 years, it  
5 didn't take me long to hear that conversation and  
6 know that this was a fire, and not only was it a  
7 fire, it was a severe and a bad fire.

8 I sat and listened to the multiple  
9 calls that then came in. We've just played you two.  
10 There were upwards of three-dozen calls that came in  
11 to the county about the fire, and I kept saying,  
12 "This is bad."

13 There's a recording that we didn't play  
14 for you of two young female voices saying that they  
15 can't get out, they're trapped, and they didn't know  
16 what to do.

17 Well, we saw a civilian and a member of  
18 law enforcement take action and save those two young  
19 girls.

20 I was sitting there thinking, as the  
21 rabbi was talking about the Holocaust and how we're  
22 remembering the 6 million Jews that were killed but  
23 also remembering all of those that lived and that  
24 were saved and those that made it here to the United  
25 States and other parts of the world, as Freeholder

1 Zur talked about her family. And today we get to  
2 recognize the efforts of two people that saved two  
3 lives.

4 Now, there were more people that took  
5 action at other parts of the fire, but for the  
6 sergeant and Tony, it was about reacting and it was  
7 about instinctively, in one case, being trained, and,  
8 in another, having the compassion to not let somebody  
9 die, that made them spring into action.

10 After I listened to probably five  
11 minutes and knew that the fire was exceedingly  
12 getting worse, I left the PSOK, our public service  
13 answering facility in Mahwah, and started driving to  
14 Edgewater. On my way there, Mayor McPartland called  
15 me and said, "You need to come here, Jimmy. It's  
16 really bad."

17 And in my mind, as I'm driving down to  
18 Edgewater, I'm replaying in my head the phone calls  
19 that I heard. And I'm knowing that the training that  
20 the firefighters and police officers and EMS people  
21 had, I know that that was going to come through, but:  
22 Was it going to be in time?

23 Well, thankfully we can stand here  
24 today and say that no one lost their life. There  
25 were a few scrapes, bruises, and a sprained ankle,



1 in the morning and when I went home, I was able to  
2 sit on my phone and go through all the YouTube videos  
3 that were posted. It was amazing to continue to see  
4 it and watch it and just replay it and then see the  
5 different aspects of it. And, again, being a  
6 firefighter and someone that's actually had to  
7 experience this, know what heroic work was done. And  
8 so while I know the sergeant is going to say, "Well,  
9 I was doing my job," and Tony is going to say, "Well,  
10 I just did what I had to." You don't think about  
11 that, right. They're not firefighters. I'm a  
12 firefighter. I'm trained to do those things, they're  
13 not.

14 And so that's what makes this so  
15 special, that we have a civilian and someone in law  
16 enforcement that thought enough to break the window,  
17 bring them out, get them down the ladder to safety.

18 So, tonight we get to say thank you.

19 We get to say thank you on behalf of a  
20 million people that live here in Bergen County, but  
21 to everybody else on behalf of everybody else that  
22 saw and know what you've done, and the impact that  
23 your actions have made for two young people, because  
24 those two young people can now have a life and can  
25 grow up and have a family and do the things that they

1 want to do and dance, because they came out of the  
2 window of a dance studio.

3                   So, on behalf of the people of Bergen  
4 County and the Board of Chosen Freeholders, we thank  
5 you for coming here tonight and we thank you for what  
6 you've done for two young girls, but for mankind in  
7 general. You've proven that people will get  
8 involved, people will do good because we care about  
9 one another.

10                   I have some certificates and  
11 proclamations for you, but, Freeholder, if you would  
12 like to do yours first and then I'll do mine after  
13 that.

14                   ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Thank you,  
15 County Executive.

16                   On behalf of the Board of Chosen  
17 Freeholders, we can't thank you enough for what you  
18 did, your quick thinking and just reacting so quickly  
19 and being there for them. I have a daughter in dance  
20 who is 13-years-old, and I can just imagine my  
21 daughter being saved. There's no words to thank you  
22 for that.

23                   So, on behalf of the Board of Chosen  
24 Freeholders, we'd like to present a proclamations to  
25 Sgt. Dalton and to Mr. Tony Nehmi.

1                   If you could please come forward.

2                   (Applause.)

3                   (Whereupon, presentation is made.)

4                   COUNTY EXECUTIVE TEDESCO: On behalf of  
5 the people of Bergen County, it's my pleasure to be  
6 able to present to you a commendation for the efforts  
7 that you presented in saving the lives of two young  
8 girls.

9                   This is to Tony Nehmi and to Sgt. James  
10 Dalton.

11                   In honor and recognition of your  
12 incredible bravery and heroism in rescuing two dance  
13 students from a burning building, and in appreciation  
14 of your dedication in protecting the residents of the  
15 County of Bergen, I honor you tonight for those  
16 efforts.

17                   Thank you.

18                   (Applause.)

19                   COUNTY EXECUTIVE TEDESCO: The other  
20 thing is, and I know the sergeant knows this, but I  
21 know Tony doesn't, there's a tradition in the  
22 services that we give a coin for members of the  
23 service and for people that have done an outstanding  
24 job and/or a special duty. And the coin that I'm  
25 going to present to you is the coin from the Bergen

1 County Police and Fire Academy.

2 Sergeant, I know that you know that  
3 well, but Tony and sergeant, I'm honored to be able  
4 to present this coin to the two of you on behalf of  
5 the people of Bergen County for the efforts that you  
6 took that night.

7 Thank you.

8 (Applause.)

9 COUNTY EXECUTIVE TEDESCO: Also, this  
10 is the patch from the County of Bergen.

11 The patch has the fire, the state seal,  
12 and the EMT. It's the Police and Fire Academy patch  
13 that our instructors wear and those that graduate  
14 get. I'd like to be able to present that also to you  
15 on behalf of the people of Bergen County.

16 Also --

17 FREEHOLDER VOSS: It's like Christmas!

18 COUNTY EXECUTIVE TEDESCO: On behalf of  
19 the people of Bergen County, I would like to present  
20 to you the seal of Bergen County.

21 The seal of Bergen County represents  
22 the one million people that you protect, the county  
23 that you live in, but it's a pin to say thank you and  
24 for you to remember what you've done for the people  
25 of Bergen County.

1                   So thank you.

2                   (Applause.)

3                   COUNTY EXECUTIVE TEDESCO: I know the  
4 Sheriff has a presentation that he'd like to make to  
5 the two of you also.

6                   SHERIFF SAUDINO: Sure. Thank you,  
7 sir.

8                   Also being someone with some fire  
9 experience, I was over 20 years a volunteer in my  
10 town, I know results can be disastrous, too many  
11 times than I'd like to remember.

12                   This is an honor for me, because  
13 whenever I can honor a fellow law enforcement  
14 officer, a hero, I take great satisfaction. And  
15 being a family friend of the Nehmi family, who just  
16 the night before I was spending Easter dinner at  
17 their house, and when I saw them the next day, it was  
18 like "wow!" But tremendous work.

19                   Everything's been said here. You  
20 gentlemen are brave, and everything that's said, it  
21 is definitely to be honoring you like we are here  
22 tonight. I have certificates for each of you  
23 gentlemen.

24                   ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Mayor, would  
25 you like to say a few words, please.



1                   MAYOR McPARTLAND: I just want to say  
2 what a great job that they did. I'm proud of these  
3 guys. I mean, they're Edgewater guys, and,  
4 Edgewater, being from town, we're two blocks wide,  
5 three miles long, and we got ten miles of heart, and  
6 these guys have proven it.

7                   Thank you.

8                   (Applause.)

9                   PROSECUTOR CALO: You know, as the  
10 Sheriff says, it's always a pleasure to commend  
11 someone in law enforcement. But in another sense, he  
12 was just doing his job, I think. That's what he  
13 thinks. He thinks he was just doing his job. And  
14 think about that, ladies and gentlemen. Think about  
15 this example of the law enforcement officer who puts  
16 his life on the line for someone else and does it  
17 just as a matter of course, just because he's doing  
18 his job. Think about the internal fortitude and  
19 absolute courage, unthinking courage that it takes.

20                   And for a civilian to do that is doubly  
21 commendable, because he does not have the training.  
22 He did not dedicate himself and take an oath to put  
23 his life on the line, and, yet, somewhere along the  
24 line, he took an internal oath that when he had the  
25 opportunity to act, he may not have even thought

1 about it, but when he had the opportunity to act, he  
2 would act properly and with courage.

3 So, I ask you to commend both of these  
4 fine men for their heroic tasks.

5 (Applause.)

6 COUNTY EXECUTIVE TEDESCO: We'd like to  
7 offer you an opportunity to address the audience, if  
8 you'd like, it's up to both of you.

9 I know I've heard from both of you, but  
10 certainly I think everyone would welcome some words  
11 from both of you.

12 MR. NEHMI: I want to thank every one  
13 of you. I want to thank every one of you for the  
14 love, for the care, for being very friendly and care  
15 about what happened. Really, I appreciate it, and I  
16 feel so good to be between beautiful community and  
17 beautiful people. God bless you and God bless  
18 America.

19 (Applause.)

20 SGT. DALTON: I just want to thank  
21 everyone for coming out here. Like they said, I feel  
22 like I was just doing my job. I just thank God that  
23 Tony was there that day and that ladder just happened  
24 to be in the right place. And I've told a couple of  
25 people that I think God picked up that ladder and put

1 it right down there for us. And I just want to thank  
2 you all for appreciating us.

3 (Applause.)

4 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: I'd like to  
5 take a motion for a five-minute recess.

6 FREEHOLDER GANZ: So moved.

7 FREEHOLDER SILNA ZUR: Second.

8 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: All in favor?

9 (All present Freeholders respond in the  
10 affirmative.)

11 MR. FLORIO: We're in recess.

12 (A short recess is held.)

13 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: We will now  
14 resume the meeting.

15 FREEHOLDER GANZ: Motion to resume.

16 FREEHOLDER SILNA ZUR: Second.

17 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: All in favor?

18 (All present Freeholders respond in the  
19 affirmative.)

20 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Opposed?

21 (No response.)

22 5:31 PM RE-ORDERING OF RESOLUTIONS #331-18 AND

23 #330-18

24 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: We will now  
25 review the resolutions to be voted on tonight, but

1 first, after consultation with Joseph Luppino, our  
2 CFO, I am making a motion to re-order two resolutions  
3 concerning the budget, due to the requirements of the  
4 law. Resolution #331-18 will be considered for  
5 adoption before Resolution #330-18.

6 After I have a second on this motion,  
7 the Clerk will proceed to read the resolutions for  
8 review, noting the purpose of the two resolutions  
9 that are the subject of this motion.

10 FREEHOLDER GANZ: So moved.

11 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: May I have a  
12 second?

13 FREEHOLDER SILNA ZUR: Second.

14 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: All in favor?

15 (All present Freeholders respond in the  
16 affirmative.)

17 5:32 PM REVIEW OF RESOLUTIONS

18 MS. RODRIGUEZ: Resolutions #293-18  
19 through #329-18 will be followed by Resolution  
20 #331-18, which is a resolution authorizing to  
21 increase the COLA of up to 3.5 percent and to  
22 establish a CAP Bank, which is now followed by  
23 Resolution #330-18, which is a resolution authorizing  
24 the introduction of the 2018 budget, which is  
25 followed by Resolutions #328-18 through #334-18,

1 noting that Resolution #335-18 has been pulled, as it  
2 is a duplication of Resolution #280-18 from the  
3 April 4th meeting.

4 We will now review the pages.

5 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Start with  
6 Page 1.

7 FREEHOLDER AMOROSO: Madam Chair, I  
8 would like to sponsor #293, the Community  
9 Development.

10 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: I'll  
11 co-sponsor that with you.

12 FREEHOLDER AMOROSO: Thank you.

13 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Page 2.

14 FREEHOLDER TANELLI: Chairwoman, I'd  
15 like to sponsor #304-18, please.

16 FREEHOLDER SILNA ZUR: I'll co-sponsor  
17 that.

18 FREEHOLDER TANELLI: Thank you.

19 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Page 3.

20 FREEHOLDER TANELLI: Chairwoman,  
21 there's a number of resolutions that are grants on  
22 tonight's agenda.

23 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Yes.

24 FREEHOLDER TANELLI: Like #308, #309.

25 Should we continue to do them as a Body

1 of the Whole?

2 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: We'll do them  
3 as a Body of the Whole.

4 FREEHOLDER AMOROSO: Yes.

5 FREEHOLDER TANELLI: Thank you.

6 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Thank you.

7 Page 4.

8 FREEHOLDER TANELLI: Chairwoman, just  
9 to make note that on #299 and #301 and #303 are also  
10 grants.

11 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: We'll do them  
12 as a Body of the Whole also.

13 Page 4.

14 Page 5.

15 FREEHOLDER SILNA ZUR: May I please ask  
16 that we get an update in Closed Session for item  
17 #320?

18 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Yes.

19 Page 6.

20 FREEHOLDER SILNA ZUR: May I ask that  
21 #329 be done as a Body of the Whole.

22 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Yes. Thank  
23 you.

24 FREEHOLDER VOSS: Yes.

25 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: I'm going to

1 put #330-18 on Nonconsent, so we can make our public  
2 comments this evening.

3 FREEHOLDER SILNA ZUR: Thank you.

4 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Page 7.

5 FREEHOLDER TANELLI: Chairwoman, if I  
6 could sponsor #334-18.

7 FREEHOLDER SILNA ZUR: I'll co-sponsor  
8 that with you.

9 FREEHOLDER TANELLI: Thank you.

10 5:36 PM CLOSED SESSION

11 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: We will now  
12 go into Closed Session for approximately 10 minutes,  
13 and we will return to Public Session.

14 Will the attorney briefly state the  
15 matter for which we will be discussing in Closed  
16 Session.

17 MR. FLORIO: Thank you, Chairwoman.

18 The Board will receive an update on an  
19 existing lawsuit that is listed under Resolution  
20 #320, and that is all for Closed Session.

21 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: May I have a  
22 motion to go into Closed Session?

23 FREEHOLDER SILNA ZUR: So moved.

24 FREEHOLDER AMOROSO: Second.

25 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: All in favor?

1                   (All present Freeholders respond in the  
2 affirmative, except Freeholder Ganz responds in the  
3 negative.)

4                   ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: We're going  
5 to go into Closed Session.

6                   MR. FLORIO: One nay on the roll call.

7                   (Whereupon, Closed Session is held.)

8                   (Open Session resumes at 5:57 p.m.)

9                   MR. FLORIO: We're back on the record,  
10 Chairwoman.

11                   And, with that event having occurred, I  
12 understand that Freeholder Ganz will move to amend  
13 the motion to go into Closed Session to include  
14 additional information on existing litigation from  
15 County Counsel or County Administrator, beside that  
16 under Resolution #320.

17                   FREEHOLDER GANZ: So moved.

18                   FREEHOLDER TANELLI: Second.

19                   MR. FLORIO: Roll call.

20                   (At this point in the proceeding roll  
21 call is taken and the motion is passed by a vote of  
22 six in favor, with Chairman Sullivan absent.)

23                   ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: We will  
24 reconvene for a Public Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

25                   There being nothing further to come



1 before this meeting, may I have a motion to adjourn?

2 FREEHOLDER GANZ: So moved.

3 FREEHOLDER VOSS: Second.

4 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: All in favor?

5 (All present Freeholders respond in the  
6 affirmative.)

7 ACTING CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: The meeting  
8 is adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

9 (Whereupon, the Work Session is  
10 adjourned at 6:02 p.m.)

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