

**CAMDEN COUNTY
BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS MEETING
JANUARY 21, 2010 - 7:00 P.M.
BROOKLAWN MEMORIAL AMERICAN LEGION POST #72
11 RAILROAD AVENUE
BROOKLAWN, NJ 08030**

The meeting was called to order by Director Louis Cappelli, Jr. at 7:00 p.m. The Director asked the Clerk to call the roll and the following Freeholders answered to their name:

PRESENT: CREAM, GRECO, LEONARD, NASH, RODRIGUEZ,
MCDONNELL, CAPPELLI

Director Cappelli stated that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Director Cappelli asked everyone to stand for a moment of silence for Delaware River Port Authority Police Corporal Christopher Mellito, who tragically was killed in the line of duty over the past weekend and for the victims in Haiti as well. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by The Brooklawn Fire Company Explorer Post with Lt. Jim Lafferty, Lt. Gene Lafferty, Lt. Sean Gogelin and Captain Ralph Marcus. The Director called upon Rachel Dickerman of Gloucester High School to lead everyone in the National Anthem.

Director Cappelli thanked the Brooklawn Fire Company and Rachel Dickerman.

Director Cappelli announced that if requested, the County has large print agendas for the visually impaired. He said if you require large print, please see the Clerk.

Director Cappelli welcomed everyone. He said we are very pleased to be in Brooklawn tonight. He said it is the practice of the Board of Freeholders to hold our meeting each month in one of our municipalities outside the County seat of Camden so that all members of the public will have full access to the meetings of the Board.

Director Cappelli said as it is our custom, we will begin tonight's meeting by inviting the Governing Body of Brooklawn to come forward. The Director noted that Mayor Soubasis could not be here this evening due to his daughter's birthday, but there are members of Council present. The Director called upon the Council members present to come forward, along with Freeholder Rodriguez as well.

The Director said I would like to commend the Governing Body of Brooklawn. He said this has always been a very unique community with some outstanding leadership. He said it is a very good place to live, a safe community and certainly your leadership is very commendable and we as Freeholders are proud to call ourselves your partners in government here in Camden County. Thank you very much.

Freeholder Rodriguez said we will be presenting to you this evening two checks. The first one is the CDBG Recovery funds in the amount of \$15,000.00 and the second one is the CDBG Municipal Fund in the amount of \$24,590.00.

Councilwoman Teri Branella said on behalf of Mayor and Council, we really do want to thank you very much for these checks. She said they really help us in these hard times that we have and they help us do things in the community. We are very appreciative. Thank you very much.

GIFT DONATION

Director Cappelli said as we go from town to town we ask the governing body to recommend to us a non-profit group that is worthy of recognition and a small gift from the Board of Freeholders. The Director said the governing body of Brooklawn has chosen the Brooklawn Fire Company. He asked the Brooklawn Fire Company members to come forward. The Director said a few words about the Brooklawn Fire Company. It averages about 28 volunteers on a yearly basis. He said we all know in this day and age that it is very difficult to find volunteers to do anything. He said in a community this small to find 28 volunteers is certainly extraordinary and commendable. He said they operate out of two stations - on the East side and West side serving 3,000 residents. They have two boats for water rescue and two Class A pumpers. It is an outstanding company that has given years and years of service to Brooklawn and on behalf of the Freeholders, we want to say thank you and keep up the good work.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Director Cappelli called upon Freeholder Rodriguez to come forward. The Director said tonight we have a very special presentation. It is an award given by the New Jersey Association of Counties and the Wal-Mart Foundation under the Green Internship. The Director said tonight we have one of our students from the Camden County Technical Schools, Magdaly Mendez, who will be receiving from NJAC and from Wal-Mart. He then asked Dr. Albert Monillas, Superintendent of Camden County Technical School, Dr. Stalone, Principal, and Dr. Siobhan Kelly to come forward. Director Cappelli said this is a very special presentation and very few students throughout the nation receive this award so I would like all of you at this time to recognize Magdaly Mendez. He called upon Freeholder Rodriguez to talk about this student.

Freeholder Rodriguez said just to share with you a little bit of what our precious student has done. She said the Green Internship Program is designed to reward County Vocational School students who excel in Green Energy technology. The program is intended to increase the pool of qualified employees from which counties, such as ours, can recruit in the future. Magdaly is a student in our Camden County Vocational Technical School of Business. She has an interest in the environmental green initiatives and she currently interns in the Camden County Division of Environmental Affairs. The Freeholder said as you all know Camden County is working towards green initiatives in educating the public on the importance of taking care of the environment and we have definitely been leaders in that Camden County was actually the first County in our State to actually mandate recycling. She said we do have a tremendous history in this green initiative and to have a student within our school be recognized for her tremendous effort in changing the dynamics, changing the environment, making sure that we have a better tomorrow is absolutely exceptional. Freeholder Rodriguez said on behalf of all the Freeholders, I would like to personally congratulate you on your tremendous award because it is a great acknowledgement.

Dr. Kelly said in these difficult times what we have, it is wonderful that we partner with corporations such as Wal-Mart that help us do these wonderful things. Dr. Kelly to Magdaly said on behalf of all the teachers, administrators and students of Camden County Vocational School, I just want to say how proud we are of what you've done in all of your accomplishments and thank you for representing us so well.

COMMUNITY AWARD

Freeholder Rodriguez said every month the Board of Freeholders goes from town to town taking our message out, opening our doors so that people can come to us and share their concerns and their interest. We take this opportunity when we are in every town to try to recognize somebody who has given above and beyond to their community. Tonight, I have the privilege of giving the community award to a very special individual. She said this individual came highly recommended from Council which is why I would like Council to step forward to assist in this presentation. Freeholder Rodriguez said before I call her up, I will share with you that she will be receiving this beautiful Proclamation from the County commending her on her contribution and she will be receiving from Council a beautiful arrangement of flowers. The individual whom we will be honoring tonight is Patricia A. McConnell. The Freeholder called Patricia and her family to come forward. Freeholder Rodriguez said just to share a little bit about why she is receiving this award, the Freeholder read the Proclamation. The Freeholder said that Patricia has volunteered her time to both the school and the Borough of Brooklawn. Freeholder Rodriguez said all aspects of the Brooklawn School System has been an important part of Patricia's life for nearly a decade. She has served on the Board of Education, chaired many events as a member of the PTA and was a room mother at the Alice Costello School. Freeholder Rodriguez said that Patricia's community pride is also apparent in her service as chairperson for the Brooklawn Fourth of July celebration for 11 years, a Board of Health member, an active member of the Brooklawn Celebration Community, a Daisy Girl Scout Leader and a T-Ball coach. Freeholder Rodriguez said she has a very supportive family to be able to wear that many hats. The Freeholder thanked her family for sharing Patricia with the rest of us.

Patricia McConnell said she is very honored to be receiving this award. She thanked Brooklawn's Mayor and Council for nominating her and said she looks forward to working with the community.

Councilwoman Branella said when they asked her for someone in the community that could be acknowledged, she said I didn't have to think about it because when I think of all that Patricia has done for us, willingly unselfishly and how she just puts her whole heart into it. It was very easy to nominate her and we are very happy to have her as part of our community. Thank you very much!

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

Freeholder Leonard called upon Carmen Cutuli to come forward along with Frank Moran. Freeholder Leonard said every month the Freeholder Board designates a Freeholder to have the opportunity to pick someone as Employee of the Month. This month I am liaison between the Department of Public Works and the Freeholder Board and I have the distinct pleasure of giving Employee of the Month Award to Carmen Cutuli. Freeholder Leonard said being on the Freeholder Board for a short time - 7 months, I got to spend a lot

of time down at the Department of Public Works. He said you get to see who the workers are and the people who help out and are really in the front. Freeholder Leonard said this gentleman to the right of me is someone who continually helps out. He said Carmen has been with the Department of Public Works for 11 years as a truck driver. He is also the co-chair of the Labor Management Board for 7 years. The Freeholder said he works with management and his co-workers to resolve labor issues to come to common ground to try to find some middle of the road between Labor and Management. He tries to motivate others he works with and I have seen that first hand. He has been involved with Little League both Girl's Softball for 8 years and a Little League coach for 5 years. Freeholder Leonard said one of the things Carmen does is every year he raises funds for those who are in need around Thanksgiving and feeds 300 families. The Freeholder said I think that deserves a round of applause. Freeholder Leonard said being someone who was in the military for 12 years, I can tell you that one of the mottos of the military is "Putting Service Before Self". He said this gentleman has done that repeatedly. Freeholder Leonard said about a month ago we had a snow storm about 22 inches in Camden County and I got first hand to work with the Department of Public Works with that. He said I have to tell you, this man, did not stop for three days straight. The Freeholder said to him, Carmen, you have to take a break, and Carmen responded, "No I have to keep going". Even when people went home, Carmen stepped up. When people were gone on Monday, he was still out on Monday night helping out and didn't go home to his family. It is because of that kind of tireless dedication to the community and to the residents of Camden County that we have chosen Carmen this month. The Freeholder then presented Carmen with a clock and savings bond. Freeholder Leonard then called upon Public Works Director Frank Moran to say a few words.

Mr. Moran said I echo basically everything Freeholder Leonard said. Mr. Moran said Carmen is certainly an ideal employee and someone who steps up to the plate when he is needed. He said, "It is a pleasure to have you working for me and congratulations on this award!"

Mr. Cutuli thanked Freeholder Leonard, Frank Moran, and Carol Fario who nominated me. They are always behind. He thanked his co-worker, Matt, as well. Mr. Cutuli thanked the County. He said every day I get up, go to work and enjoy my job and I really love it. I hope I can last a long while. Mr. Cutuli said about the Turkey Drive, I do have a gentleman who helps me a lot, Dominic Vesper. Dominic does a lot with the Turkey Drive too. Thank you.

PROCLAMATION

Director Cappelli called upon Jim Kehoe and Jim Blanda, Director of the Camden County Improvement Authority to come forward. Director Cappelli said Camden County has several different agencies; many of which have a Board of Directors who serve as volunteers to help oversee the agencies. He said one of the agencies is the Camden County Improvement Authority. The Director said Jim Kehoe has been serving with that Authority for the last 15 years. It is a volunteer job for a very important Authority that helps fund some very important projects - public buildings, charter schools and buildings for non-profit organizations. Director Cappelli said Jim has brought his leadership to that organization; has done an outstanding job serving the organization. He has served in a leadership role for the past couple of years and has helped guide the Improvement Authority through some really rough economic times. Director Cappelli said, Jim, we are here

tonight to say thank you on behalf of the entire Board of Freeholders and the residents of Camden County on your service, not only to the Improvement Authority but to so many non-profits you work with and some of the charities, as well as the United Building Trades Council and serving as the Manager of the Plumbers & Pipefitters Local 322, all of which are leadership positions. You have made a tremendous contribution to Camden County and you continue to make a tremendous contribution to South Jersey as a whole. Congratulations on your years of service and thank you.

Jim Blanda said I would like to echo what the Freeholder Director said. It has been a pleasure working with Jim Kehoe for the past five years personally. Jim has been around since 1994 and I can tell you just looking at what he has accomplished under his leadership, we issued over a billion dollars in bonds for projects in the County and all of that occurred during Jim's leadership. He said since Jim's come on board, as well, we have gotten involved with Project Management because that is Jim's trade. I can tell you he is going to be sorely missed and it has been a pleasure working with him and speaking for the entire staff, we look forward to working with Jim in the future but in other capacities. We wish him well.

Jim Kehoe thanked everyone. He said for 15 years, we have put together some great projects in the County. He said most of the major hospitals, some churches, some community centers, a boathouse on the river - it is called economic development and it is about bringing business into the County so we get some more ratables and that is very important where we struggle to keep our tax base, struggle to keep people's taxes at a reasonable level, which in this day and age that is a huge struggle but it is about the group I get to work with, it's not about one person at the Improvement Authority, it's about the group that works there. They are just terrific hard-working people - each and every day they are there to help economic development. Whether someone is going to come in and be bonded or just get a view of what's available in the County for them to become part of our group here. Mr. Kehoe said I appreciated working with Jim and his staff over the years, his predecessor, Fred Weinstein and the others and I thank you very much. Mr. Kehoe said I thank everyone for coming out tonight. Thank you.

The Director then continued with the agenda.

MINUTES

Director Cappelli said the next order of business is the Minutes of our previous meeting and asked for a motion to accept the Minutes as presented. Freeholder Greco made a motion to adopt the Minutes with a second by Freeholder Rodriguez and on roll call:

AYE: CREAM, GRECO, LEONARD, RODRIGUEZ, MCDONNELL,
CAPPELLI
ABSTAIN: NASH

CORRESPONDENCE

Director Cappelli then asked the Clerk of the Board if there was any correspondence. The Clerk answered that there was no correspondence.

COMPTROLLER

Director Cappelli asked for a motion to adopt the Comptroller's Report. Deputy Director McDonnell made a motion to adopt the Comptroller's Report with a second by Freeholder Leonard and on roll call, all Freeholders present voted aye.

Director Cappelli announced that the next portion of this meeting is open to the public for discussion on the Resolutions that the Freeholders are going to be acting upon this evening. He said there will be another public session after the meeting, at which time the public can ask any questions they want regarding the business of the County or anything else they wish to talk about. Director Cappelli said that he asks that this portion of the public hearing be limited to the Resolutions that the Freeholders are going to be voting on.

Director Cappelli then declared the public hearing open.

Stuart Alterman, Attorney for PBA Local 351, addressed the Freeholders. Mr. Alterman said I have a quick question regarding Resolution 10. Mr. Alterman said I have had an opportunity to read the blurb but I would like to have an interpretation if you would be so kind.

County Counsel said the purpose and intent of Resolution 10 is to take the next appropriate steps in the investigation of which alternatives will best serve the taxpayers of Camden County and the residents of Camden County. Those steps may include privatization and may include some form less than privatization which has been mentioned such as a combination of a high density risk jail and an alternative treatment facility for those who have drug or alcohol abuse or those who are capable to go into society directly. He said there is nothing definitive other than we are taking the next appropriate steps to investigate all alternatives and that is the clear intent of what the Freeholders intend to act upon tonight. Mr. Alterman responded and said in other words it goes from the traditional correctional facility as we have today through any alternatives that you would term as private. Is that correct? Mr. Brennan responded, "Yes, including any combination of those".

Paul Bunn, identified himself as a proud retiree from the Camden County Department of Corrections, and addressed the Freeholders. He said I have been reading about the proposal to privatize the jail operations. I have come here to speak out against the proposal. This is an appeal for the members of the Board to look beyond dollars in the sense that usually drives the County government. He said what Camden County has is a dedicated core of Corrections Officers. Among the whole group of people that we have standing here, I dare to say at least 50 percent of them have 5 or more years of service. The general longevity on a job is 3 years, then people jump off and go to a different career or advancement. Mr. Bunn said five years or more indicate that these people are dedicated to what they are doing up in the jail and behind the bars. There are a group of officers that are not just doing the job, they are there to help people. Mr. Bunn said before they are hired, they have to pass a strict regimen of testing - physical fitness, psychological and criminal background. He said, "I dare say that any outside concern will be as stringent as the Department of Corrections is to winnow out the undesirable and get the cream of the crop". These officers also go through 14 weeks of training - physical fitness, 2C Code, self-defense, first aid, history of corrections, psychology of the inmates, which is very important, you have to deal with these people, you have to know what they

are thinking, firearms training, cell abstractions. It is a very detailed in-depth 14 weeks. He said after those 14 weeks, these officers have a multitude of activities. He said as you know there is probably on the average about 1,800 inmates - sometimes around 2,000 inmates. He said their duties include parole and probation hearings - bringing the inmates out for these hearings; doctors, nurse, dentist calls, lawyer's visits, municipal court and superior court calls, recreation, family visit, work details, admissions and releases, law library, career training, which is something that I dare say an outside concern would even attempt. He said they have programs in the jail and it has been touted in the Courier and I am sure the Board knows that these officers are in there trying to give the inmates an added boost once they leave for those that care. They also have social worker calls and then 3 times a day they have to feed an average of 1,800 inmates. The officers that work this vastly overcrowded jail which is about the top 4 in the State, population wise, chose this job as a career, even though it is a very hard taxing job. He said if you decide to go outside, you will get a company that will cut corners at every opportunity to save themselves the money but still reap the benefits of their deal with you. They cannot match the training of a Camden County Department of Corrections Officers and I dare say their pre-employment testing is equal to what the Department gives. I would also venture to say that if they employ these people, they will not be the highest caliber that we have here in the County and at the very least, these people will be using that as a jumping stone to go elsewhere or even by-pass it and say I would like to work in another Department of Corrections instead of a facility that is basically a warehouse. He said I also believe that the private jail guards will view themselves as just that - "Guards" and will not view themselves as these officers here are - "Guardians". There is a difference. He said these gentlemen and ladies are "guardians" for everybody in this County. Mr. Bunn said in conclusion, I urge the Board of Chosen Freeholders to continue giving the County the best possible corrections service and this will be accomplished by keeping what you have here - the best that you can get!

Steve Gabel of Haddon Heights, identified himself as a retiree from the County Corrections Officers. He said I commend you for wanting to save the County money - I truly do. I might not agree with the way you are doing it but saving money is a great thing if you can do it and if you can do it sensibly. Mr. Gabel said he just had a couple of questions - is this strictly to save money? Director Cappelli responded and said we also recognize the fact that the current jail itself and the way we operate it is not sustainable not because of the performance of any individual in this room but because of the set up of the jail and the overcrowding situation. We have a problem that is not sustainable so part of the impetus behind trying to find a solution in addition to the Federal lawsuit hanging over our heads is to find a better way to do something that is currently not sustainable. Mr. Gabel said how about this thought. He said Bill Simon thought about this back in 1985 - and as far as I know that jail is designed to go up another four floors - not out. When it was built that was the entire designation that it would take another four floors. He asked if anyone in the room can say that is a fact. He said it may be something worth looking into because it might be a reasonable alternative to what you are proposing. Director Cappelli responded and said that it is the first I am hearing about it. Mr. Gabel said another thing he was curious about was the lawsuits. I was just wondering if you hire private people who aren't under Statute 10A that involves Corrections Officers, it is not in compliance

with State Statute. Corrections is under Statute 10A, that means that these fine men and women who protect this County from what's behind those bars must go through the rigorous training. If you hire private individuals, I am just wondering when the alarm goes off and these wonderful folks answer that alarm 15 or 20 seconds and you have to call 9-1-1 and have five or six local PD's. I am probably the dumbest guy in this room but I don't know who would answer the call because the \$12.00/hr. guy and if I were him and I saw a brawl in that room, I have to tell you my feet would be heading in the other direction. In all honesty, ladies and gentlemen, you really do a fine job - think about who is that lawsuit going to be aimed at - will it be aimed at the County? Then, think about the lawsuit for the first dead inmate who gets shanked in that jail. If you really want to save money and I know you do - you really do, you people are not dumb you're not. Has anybody thought about saving money with overtime. He said Haddon Heights had the same problem, they were running in with a lot of overtime. What did they do, they did what Barrington did, they did what Audubon did, they do what everybody is doing 12 hour shifts. Before I would let one of these wonderful people go and bring in private security or privatization for \$12/hr., \$14/hr. or \$15/hr. or whatever they are going to make; how much do you really think you are going to get for your dollars spent? He said I appreciate your letting me come up and talk I truly do, I think you are trying to save money; I hope you do save money, I hope to God you give it some thought and say you know that maybe there is another way - together we can work with these people and say, look how can we do this sensibly and maybe there's another alternative. It is worth looking at because they are worth saving. Thank you.

Emily Lucas of Camden, identified herself as a former County employee, and addressed the Freeholder Board. She said negativity draws negativity. A privatized facility of this nature being in the heart of Camden City or anywhere in Camden sends clearly the message of "Business as Usual". Camden continues to carry the heavy burden of being an impoverished and dangerous city and over and over we top the list in the top 10 of the most negative aspects of our society. As a resident of Camden and former County employee, Ms. Lucas said it is difficult to hold your head up. It is difficult to have pride in a City when all you hear is the negative. She said the State of New Jersey promotes tourism and along the waterways we are considered prime properties. Camden is bordered by the Delaware River. If I were to look at the location and its endless possibilities, it is a jewel waiting to be polished. She said we have a world-class hospital here, expanding and beautifying our City along with Rutgers and Rowan Universities and other colleges and Charter Schools. She said we are a short ferry ride, a one mile ride to downtown Philadelphia, a cultural mecca for those so inclined. She said we are minutes to Philadelphia International Airport and at your fingertips is Audubon Commons Shopping, upscale dining in Collingswood and shopping in historical Haddonfield or Cherry Hill Mall. A couple of our invitations to tourists are the Aquarium and the Battleship. However, what are we offering visitors to stay and spend time and money here. Shouldn't we be importing business that would help our tax base. Wouldn't a privatized jail be another detriment to that endeavor? At what risk are we putting our students and visitors? What are we offering our graduates to stay and be a part of our City and a part of its growth in the 21st Century. She said a privatized jail in this City is to lose sight of the Master Plan and a move in the wrong direction. We, the people, deserve better. Let's really consider the consequences of our actions and decision making while moving

forward into this new decade. Let us think of what our posterity will inherit. No privatized jail in Camden!

Susan Dunbar Bey of Camden addressed the Freeholders and said she is very concerned about the jail. She said if I had my way we wouldn't have a jail downtown, however, I support the Union here because we are concerned with safety issues. She said she is on the School Board and a community person in Camden City and the safety of our residents is very important. She said as I said earlier, if it were up to me there would be no jail in Camden but since there is I think safety should be a number 1 issue. She said we are building a new school at Lanning Square, which is not far from where the jail is and wish that you consider our children and the people living in the area. Also, we are working hard too to try to make Camden a better place. She said I am a person who went to the Camden City Schools, I did not leave the community, I am still there fighting to work for things in the neighborhood which people like and expect. Please reconsider your position on privatization. Thank you.

Esther Gross of Morgan Village Circle, Camden, addressed the Freeholders. Ms. Gross said to Director Cappelli that you said you would not privatize the jail or put it in the City or any location that the residents don't agree with. Director Cappelli responded and said I didn't say that we wouldn't privatize the jail but we did say we would not put it in a location that the host community would object to - correct. Ms. Gross said maybe I misunderstood what you said. Hopefully, you are a man of your word because we have 2,000 signatures from residents that oppose privatizing the jail and especially putting it in Center City or anywhere else. She said the current jail, we don't think about it. I am not for the jail remaining in Camden but that would be an option. If we can keep these great men and women that give us few problems that is why we don't think about the jail being in Camden. Ms. Gross said I am not a public speaker but this is important. She said everything else is questionable - maybe I need to understand but to put that jail in Center City, it will run 10 to 20 businesses away from it. The Director asked Ms. Gross if she was talking about the Mt. Ephraim location - she said no, she is taking him at his word that it will not be put down there. She said these guys keep that jail under wraps. Ms. Gross said the other piece is we are trying to build a tax base so the New Jersey residents don't have to keep supporting Camden. She asked why putting a private jail in it would even be a consideration. I am lost - I can't understand it. Keep in mind, where it is now, we don't know it's there with these trained officers taking care of it but if it is privatized with their track record, it is not safe. I don't understand the logic and the thinking as to why you are going on prime land and maybe one ratable keeping 20 or 30 other ratables out of that area. She said I am serious. Director Cappelli said one thing you have to understand is that the existing jail is not big enough to accommodate our population. In any event that jail is going to be expanded whether it is private or public. He said I don't understand your objection. Ms. Gross said my question is how many incidents have we had in 20 years? We are against privatizing. She said I am a citizen, a taxpayer and have been in Camden all my life, could have moved, decided to stay and fight. Most of the people in Camden believe it or not chose to stay. I want to know how you can even consider with the track record that these private jail companies have and treatment centers - how you can even consider putting it on prime land. Director Cappelli responded and said we have a basic disagreement on the track record of some of these organizations. I am not going to be able to answer your

question because I disagree on the track record of some of these organizations. Ms. Gross said we are going to cite the Federal Bureau of Prisons, cite your own report the County had done with 41% escape rate. Ms. Gross said one other thing the residents of Camden want to be able to support Camden City - we want the tax ratables so we are not getting money from the State - we can't do it without your help and beneficial use of the land, which by that I mean putting companies there that will bring tax ratables not run people away, housing, market rate housing - every taxpayer in New Jersey is paying for Camden. Ms. Gross gave the Director her letter and asked the Freeholders to respond to her questions in writing.

Diane Jones, a Camden County resident and also wife of a Corrections Officer and also a Council #10 representative and a Gloucester Township employee, addressed the Freeholders. Ms. Jones said I was on the County website today and saw the frequently asked questions about the future of Camden County Jail. I have some questions about that. Obviously, most of these answers that the Freeholders put up on the website are in regards to the RFP that is going to be going out. I did have a couple of questions about that. First question you had stated on there is "Why is Camden County exploring alternatives to the County jail"? - Obviously, we are aware your answer is the jail being consistently overcrowded, the maximum number deemed acceptable is 1,250 - currently there are 650 average more inmates there. As far as I am concerned, I believe that the County does hold State inmates. If we remove those State inmates, would that lower that count? The Director responded that it would. Also, Ms. Jones said the County plan says that it will reduce the maximum capacity to 1,000 and has hired a National recognized consultant to work with Criminal Justice. Ms. Jones said that consultant firm is also the consultant that the inmates hired to utilize to sue the County. Ms. Jones said the overcrowding make repairs difficult and cumbersome because there is no room to move the inmates. You also talk about that somewhere else that it is difficult to do - it's difficult to fix the jail because of moving the inmates around. She said as far as I know there have not been any repairs. She quoted the website which said moreover structural and infrastructural repairs for replacing all the windows to remodeling the bathrooms would cost \$50 million. She asked if this hasn't been put in the budget. Director Cappelli said that is correct. She said that is not saving any money because that is already in the budget, correct? The Director said it is saved if we don't spend it. If we don't spend it we save it, he said. He said it is a basic premise, if you put money in the savings account, you don't spend the money in the savings account, you save it. Ms. Jones said it already has been put in as a Line Item. She said you then have to go back and funnel that money somewhere else but it has already been allotted to fix it but the County never fixed it. She said the other statement said, "If a new jail were to be built, why wouldn't the County build it"? You also say it ranges from \$300 million to \$400 million - even as a capital expense this would add 30 to 40 million dollars in debt service to the budget. However, she said, further in your frequently asked questions, you say the per diem rate of what we would be paying the private facility- would include the costs of the private company constructing the building. So, in turn, we are still paying for this facility, correct? It does state that, she said. Director Cappelli said, "No, if we were to build a new facility right now, the minimum cost would be close to \$400 million at a tremendous cost and significant tax increase for every resident of Camden County. If we were to go out on a per diem rate, we do not have that initial cost in building a \$400 million jail. We are given a

per diem rate for the inmates that would be significantly less than a \$400 million investment. Ms. Jones said absolutely your upfront cost is not there, however, we are still paying for that Jail, me and the Camden County residents. She said I still have to pay for that jail that is being built, correct? Director Cappelli responded and said, "No, the private company would construct the jail". Then, my tax dollars are paying for that, she said. Director Cappelli said we are paying whatever is charged.

Trisha Rubi, a Camden County resident and the wife of a Corrections Officer addressed the Freeholders. Ms. Rubi said I actually have some follow-up information. She said in your email to me, dated January 4, 2010, the Director told her that for us to float a 10-year bond and by the way when I did research on municipal bonds - the average is 20 years. The number you quoted me was 10 years. She said you said it would cost the average household an increase of \$200 to \$800 a year on a 10 year bond, is that correct? She said if we did a 20 year bond, it would be \$100 to \$400 a year interest. That increase for us to own a building that we own, we would then own that facility is that correct? The response was it was correct. She said if we let a private company build a facility, we do not own it, correct? The Director said that is correct. So, when the company walks away from the contract, which historically they do, we now have to quickly raise the funds to buy that facility back from them. That would depend on the contract we have with the private outfit. She then referred to a quote from someone in Texas that says, "We have enough to make at least the next three payments", Benny Davis, Littlefield Texas, City Manager, on a possible default on \$10 million in bonds after GEO pulled out of the local jail contract. She said she also has quotes, not with her that says these private companies negotiate the contracts in a way that is favorable to them and almost everyone that has done it has missed something. Every time it is a lease. She said are you capable of negotiating such a contract that would be in our favor. The Director said, "Absolutely". Ms. Rubi said my question also getting back to your talking about our residents in the jail. Have you read the contract that was negotiated with the State as to how much we are getting paid from the State and how can we kick those people out of the jail. Have you read into that contract yet? Director Cappelli said the contract that is just to take State inmates? The Director said I have not read it in awhile but I am familiar with it. She said last month you said you were not familiar with it. The Director said for years we have been asking the State to take inmates out of our prison. He said Mr. Angilella and I have over the last five years been asking the State to take inmates out of our prison. She then asked if the Director objected when they were closing down Riverfront? The Director said he did not. The Director said I did not object for the same reason that the last speaker, Ms. Gross, mentioned when she was up here. It never should have been built there, it was a mistake to build it, a horrible mistake for that waterfront and it has held back development in Camden for decades. Ms. Rubi said did you ask the question if you are closing down the jail because you don't need the beds why are we housing 200 inmates a day for the State? The Director said we have a contract that goes way back to the State and again, I am going to tell you one more time, we have been asking the State to take those inmates out of our jail. Ms. Rubi said that is wonderful because I never heard that before - I am glad that you are trying to do other things. Ms. Rubi said she had a few other quotes from some other elected officials that have been dealing with it and I think it is very important to look at the past and see the past mistakes that have happened so we can learn from them. "I

don't like doing business when we are being held hostage and that is exactly what this is" - a quote from Colorado Representative Buffy McFadden on CCA's demands for a 5% increase on the State. She said the same Email that you sent me on January 4th, you quoted a 5% annual increase. That is the average annual increase demanded by these private companies. At one place, it was 32% over five years. We are paying an increase of 5% and I do realize that is a lot. I agree, 5% is a lot but that is the same things that these private companies are demanding and when they don't get what they want, they walk off the job. Then, you are in a very poor negotiating position with the rest of these companies.

Mike Macy, a member of the New Jersey Superior Officers Association addressed the Board. Mr. Macy said we represent approximately seven law enforcement agencies employed by the State of New Jersey to the rank of Lieutenant, including the New Jersey Department of Corrections. He said I would like to bring up some facts. I don't like to call them private jails, I like to call them "For-Profit" jails because that is what they are. No ifs ands or buts about it. How many of you people sitting up there got on the Internet and researched "For-Profit" jails? Did you actually look into it. He gave them some statistics. He said wherever they build them, they don't work - the Federal government tried it, didn't work - Graterford Prison, our neighbor in Pennsylvania, about 10 years ago, they had to surround that with the National Guard and the State Police and everyone of the "For-Profit" guards that worked in there, they were busted with pounds of marijuana in the car, weapons. The State had to take it back over. The same thing will happen here. When you are paying somebody a substandard wage, you get what you pay for. It has been proven - we are having problems with half-way houses right now - we just shut down Bo Robinson today because of the drugs and the guns in there. These people will do whatever they can to make an extra dollar. You are giving them for \$10/hr. a security job - a job that is guaranteeing the public safety and they will do anything to supplement that - they bring in cell phones, they bring in weapons, they bring in drugs. In the long run, what is going to happen is, you are going to have to go back and it is going to cost you quadruple to go back. If you look at these "For-Profit" prisons when they first come in, they promise you the world. They actually run at a loss for two to three years and then you are going to get banged. The prices go up, they have you snagged, it will cost you more money in the long run. As far as overcrowding with inmates, here is a novel concept, hire more judges, put the pressure on the State, get more judges, start rolling these inmates out, get them out, give them back to the custody of the State. He asked the Freeholders to research this. You are trying to balance the budget on the back of Public Safety.

Thomas Rapacki of Camden addressed the Freeholders. He said I don't have anything to gain by coming here but I have a lot to lose because Resolution 10 probably doesn't cover everything that has to be looked at in the jail system. Mr. Rapacki said we have a position that we are paying \$13 a day per prisoner for health care. Why don't we have them pay for their own healthcare instead of taking from the pockets of our people here. Another thing, you can solve some of your problems through attrition - the new hires will be at a different rate - he said my company and my union agreed to it - the new hires come in at a different rate - they don't have a pension plan as the old workers do - they have a 401k. He said you have to think out of the box how to be creative on issues. Probably some of the prisoners have health insurance, we should be

getting their health insurance money for the health treatment they need. Mr. Rapacki said as a citizen of Camden, I am proud to be a citizen of Camden and domiciled there for 50 years because I endured everything the County threw at us and the State threw at us. I stayed there because I know it is going to be a great City again. With the prison, if you are going to move it, put it on Petty's Island, that's a place to put it. That's one of my ideas put it on Petty's Island, one way in and one way out. That is the ideal place for it - a lot of controls there and not far away from the County court system. He said you are going to be enhancing the County court system - there is going to be some money available for the expansion of the courthouses. Get rid of the jail, move it to Petty's Island or down Lakeland and bus them back and forth but why mess with the rank and file? They are taxpayers also. You get rid of them, where are they going to go - Tennessee, Florida. You are going to be chasing people out of the State - we lost enough good workers in the State of New Jersey. We have to be creative and think out of the box. He said I think listening to one consultant, one consultant doesn't know everything. They haven't lived in the City, they don't know what it is when a guy gets released from jail and he needs some money and he is walking in your neighborhood - he is camping out on your porch. Mr. Raphcki said I had that happen to me. You have to have some consideration of Camden City. He said he will be back with the public portion with another recommendation he has but I don't think Cherry Hill would like it to much.

Ron Bakely of Gloucester Township identified himself as a National Officer with the Fraternal Order of Police, addressed the Freeholders. He said being in that capacity, our National Board has dealt with this issue on countless occasions throughout the country. Youngstown, Ohio, is still reeling from the millions and millions of dollars in lawsuits, not just from the inmates from a prison riot in there, but the security guards and the law enforcement personnel that had to come there to quell the riot. Just recently, this past May in Kansas City, Missouri, about 50 hardened criminals walked away from a private owned facility at 5:00 a.m. That administration never bothered calling the Sheriff's Department until 1:00 p.m. in the afternoon. The Sheriff's response was, we are really glad you called us, there is only one little problem with this, there is no Law in the State of Missouri for a person that walks away from a privatized facility. He said you had about 50 hardened criminals back out in public that the law enforcement officers in that area could do nothing about because it wasn't against the law. You are saying that this resolution is for research. I would sincerely suggest that you really dig in to what has been really happening around the country. Another facility, a female facility in Kansas had to be taken over by the State because of the sexual abuse of the female prisoners there. That was a privatized facility. You're talking about millions and millions of dollars in lawsuits that the men and women sitting in this room that are Camden County citizens are going to end up paying for if this occurs - not only that but when they were talking about the contracts, the gentleman from Superior Officers was correct. They will come in here and give you what appears to be a money-saving, lucrative contract for the first contract. In most other cases, they are going to come back and ask for two, three or four times more in succeeding contracts and what are you going to do when you say, "No we can't afford it" and they turn around and say they are your prisoners, we will see you later. All of you are hired here by the residents of Camden County. I would suggest and offer to you that you should let the men and women and the residents of Camden County decide on whether or not they want this facility because what I

have seen from all the hearings that you have held so far, no one wants it. I can't see putting three to four hundred good law enforcement officers and their families out of work and in the welfare lines just to save a couple of taxpayer dollars. He said it is going to come back to bite us all.

Officer Thomas Grosnick of Audubon, identified himself as an employee of the Camden County Jail, addressed the Freeholders. Mr. Grosnick said next year will be 8 years he has served in the United States Marine Corp. He said he has done two tours in Iraq. He recently arrived back after serving his second tour last year. He said I serve my County, State and Country with honor, courage and commitment. After I read in the paper, that you called me a thug, criminal, terrorist, there are no words that I can say to make you understand how disrespected I feel. I can't believe you would put me in the same category as a terrorist! I guess it doesn't mean much to you but to me and everybody else in this room being called a terrorist is the most degrading, disrespectful thing you can call someone especially in these difficult times. He said I fought terrorism, I've seen terrorist and I am not one of them and there is no one else in this room as a terrorist. Lastly, I would like to say you are welcome for the freedom and the safety I provided for you and your families.

Tony Wieners, represents 33,000 members statewide. I am here tonight representing the 350 members of Local 351 and I represent 9,000 Corrections Officers statewide. He said I would like to applaud Sgt. Thomas Grosnick on behalf of my family and my PBA family. Mr. Wieners said the PBA understands that you, as Freeholders, being the Governing Body for the County that you have a responsibility to the taxpayers. As the governing body your number one responsibility before anything else is to provide a safe and secure environment for your citizens. Whether it be in the streets of one of your many municipalities or in your correctional facilities. No matter what side of the bar they're on. You have a responsibility when communicating with your residents and taxpayers to relay the facts that are accurate. Recently a document was placed on a website with frequently asked questions on the future of Camden County Jail. The PBA leadership is going to talk on this tonight, but I'd like to point out a few points. This is what it stated. Privatization has worked in many parts of the country. It talks about Michigan and Tennessee. Let's talk about New Mexico, Colorado, Florida, Texas, New Orleans and Louisiana where they outlawed privatization. It also said that there are regional successes in Delaney Hall and Bo Robinson in Essex County in Trenton. Delaney Hall is a disaster. It's a drug infested, gang infested, out of control facility that houses inmates with up to \$100,000 bail on their heads. Essex County uses the facility to make space in the County facility so the County can house state and federal inmates for a profit. In doing so, they are putting lives in jeopardy. Bo Robinson in Trenton houses some 80 inmates. Recently the population was tested for drugs, and two thirds of the inmates came up positive. Today the Department of Corrections, Parole, and the Mercer County Department of Corrections went in. Tomorrow's headline is the New Jersey Department of Corrections sweeps Trenton inmate facility for contraband. They went in today and got cell phones, guns, alcohol, and drugs. They are still looking for guns. All are trained in law enforcement procedures in approved training programs and have the same law enforcement powers within the jail as PBA correction officers. State law in no way shape or form gives private citizens acting in capacity of private security guards any law enforcement powers and I challenge anyone to show me where it does. It also says that

many private facilities have unions. We as law enforcement officers in New Jersey have no right to strike. What are we going to do when these officers walk out of the jail? It's going to be on the men and women of the law enforcement community of Camden County to pick up the pieces. There are many issues that need to be discussed. Dialogue between the county, local, and state PBA must continue. Let's sit down and talk about how Camden County and your correctional staff can work together to make Camden County a model for the state of New Jersey. Privatizing the correctional facility of this magnitude is a horrible and dangerous idea. So let's sit down and talk about it and get it done.

Joe Amato, identified himself as representing 550 correction officers up in Essex County, New Jersey. Mr. Amato said that even though Essex County is about 100 miles away, that gap dwindled down after meeting the executive board of the Local 351. I see history repeating itself in Camden County. We had a Federal lawsuit up in Essex County that lasted 25 years. We finally got a jail built. It opened in 2004. The mistakes that were made when that jail was built and designed and the way it was transitioned was a horror show. Talk about officers basically passing out in the hallway from exhaustion. Working around the clock with no breaks, no food, no water. This is what Essex County did to us when they had the idea to build a new jail. I acknowledge we needed a new jail. And I'm sure Camden County on some level needs a solution to their jail. But I just don't want to see Camden County make the same mistake. I know you all heard from me personally. I know you all know my email address. I apologize. I know how long winded my emails are. But I have a lot to say. I have a lot of opinions. I'm not an expert. We hire experts. And I guess this county hired two - two consulting firms. They went about six years passed their projected date for the opening. They went about two hundred million dollars over the projected budget for the jail. And they've been paying the price ever since. Again what I'm hearing here tonight is a lot of local what if's. What if? What if? What if? Let's not repeat what happened in other states. But I'm telling you right now I brought a bus load of people down here from Essex County that could get up on this microphone. I'm going to ask them not to for time's sake. It worked in Delaney Hall. We are the flies on the wall for the private correctional facilities that don't want to tell you the truth that goes on behind their walls. The prison system is a secret to begin with. It's a shame. I've always said to people that the taxpayers are paying a price for something they can never see and never learn. They depend on the politicians to be honest with them. And with all due respect, and I'm sorry if I sound disrespectful in any way but dealing with Essex County I've been in my position as union leader for ten years almost. You get nothing but lies from the Essex County politicians. And I was a little disturbed to see that they were weighing in on your problem down here. Because some of the issues that hit the newspapers I was able to get off the internet. I hear our freeholders telling fairytales. I hear our county executive telling fairytales about what a great relationship we've had with Delaney Hall. And I'll be honest with you. I know that the freeholders are saying that there's no commitment to CEC the owners of Delaney Hall. But let's face it the company is national. John Clancy, the owner, has enough money in his back pocket to build a jail tomorrow. So CEC is going to be an issue with privatization. But what they're not telling you is that the money that they save and I'll give you some facts and figures and again I am not an expert, it costs \$100 per day give or take to keep an inmate in the County jail. CEC does it for \$60, but you have to understand for that \$60, there is an old

adage, "You get what you paid for" and they don't have the obligations that we have - talk about revolving door, Mr. Cappelli, I know you said things like that and you are absolutely right, it is a shame, it is a sick, disgusting world we live in and jails are revolving doors but Delaney Hall is a revolving door within a revolving door. We send 50 inmates a day to Delaney Hall and between the course of the day, we take 25 back because they have the ability to say these inmates are a headache; put them on a van and send them back to Essex County, let the big boy jail handle them. They can't handle them. If they were to take over an entire system and had to provide the services that a public jail provides and the trained Correctional Officers provide, that savings is going to get absorbed many times over - \$40 per inmate is not a lot. They don't need to be trained because the minute an inmate acts up, they send them back to the jail. What would happen to Camden County when there is no jail next door? Oddly enough, Delaney Hall actually opened up about six years before the jail itself.

Is it a coincidence that they picked the site next to where the new jail is going to go. Again, judging by what happens in the State, you are allotted that too. It worked well in this State didn't work well in that State - again, you have to do the research, like someone had mentioned before. You have to take into account what the standards are in other States. He said a good friend of mine on the Executive Board had the chance a couple of years ago to actually network with the National Correctional Organization and we have the opportunity to pick their brains. We talked - what are your jobs like? - we talked about New Jersey - they thought we were movie stars - you are trained, you're police and we asked why what goes on with you? Oh, the local police don't even respect us, they don't support us, the inmates are meeting us in the parking lot after work - they know we are not cops, we call the police, they don't come - these are real stories. Please, I beg you before you make any decisions you have to understand, yes, New Jersey Corrections has issues, it has been very well documented. We are on the cutting edge though, we really are. He said I would say that New Jersey after meeting people from around the country, New Jersey is probably a role model in Corrections just because the way we run the jails and the way we train the staff. People take a lot of pride - it is not just a job - like someone said before it is a commitment. We make a commitment to be Corrections Officers and to allow, in my opinion, a person like John Clancy, who in my opinion again is a modern day carpetbagger - he sees upheaval, he sees labor problems, he sees political problems, he sees social problems and he rides in and he tries to cash in on it. He is cashing in on people's fears and it is very expensive to run a jail system - it is a shame but the crime rates are what they are. I really hope when the dust settles and I know that there has been some talk that you are looking to come to the table with the PBA down here to try to work out some kind of solution. Mr. Amato then offered his services and said he would be available 24-7. If anything needs to be discussed and like I said I am not an expert but if you really look through the smoke, the true experts in this field are the men and women behind me. He said your expert will have to tell you through experience, who actually lives with the inmates 24-7. He said I don't have the numbers handy, they said it is a joke, we do 25 year career that means we spend 8 years behind bars. We chose the profession to be behind bars. I don't think that should be taken for granted. I really think that if there is any weight to be given, the weight should definitely fall on the side of the public jail with public officers. I appreciate your time. Thank you.

Director Cappelli asked Mr. Amato to email him his contact information.

Robert Parker, PBA 351 President, addressed the Freeholders. Mr. Parker said I want to ask you a couple of questions. What keeps bringing us out here is some of these quotes I keep hearing - "Under no circumstances could the current facility be renovated or expanded, is unsustainable because of its structural design flaws that can't be fixed." Mr. Parker asked if there was an engineer study to deem our facility unsustainable. Is there a study conducted? Director Cappelli responded and said there have been studies and you are there, are you really going to tell us it is sustainable? Mr. Parker said he thinks structurally it is. The Director asked if he thought it would sustain the population we had now. Mr. Parker responded that he believes it will. Mr. Parker said what brings us out here again is I keep seeing install private management, a private firm to build and operate a new correctional center. Clearly, we want to work with you. I hope we can keep the lines of communication open and I hope you listen to us about the dangers of privatization and not travel down this road. I really feel it will be devastating to the taxpayers of Camden County when this fails. Mr. Parker said I told you in the past, we were not the problem, we want to be part of the solution. I urge you to utilize the countless years of experience in the Corrections Department that we have at our facility and also the resources that our State PBA is willing to provide. Thank you for your time and I look forward to working with you guys on this.

Frank Franceschini, Lieutenant at the jail and President of FOP Lodge 212, addressed the Freeholders. He said I just have a couple of questions at this time. As a homeowner in this County, if the jail is privatized, how much reduction will my property taxes go down? Is there a number on that? Director Cappelli said I couldn't give you a specific number, no. Mr. Franceschini said based on the savings of \$20 million spread out across the County, what am I looking at \$3.00, \$10.00? Director Cappelli said we can't save the \$20 million - we have struggled over the past 3 years to reduce spending by \$6 million so if we have the opportunity to save \$5 or \$10 million that is a significant savings. Lt. Franceschini said I understand that but also between 1994 and 2004, the County received millions in reimbursement for housing State inmates, housing Federal inmates, user fee, commissary sales and the phone contracts. He asked what portion of that revenue ever went back into the facility for anything to defray the budget. Director Cappelli said I can't answer that question. Mr. Franceschini said nobody can. He said in a previous statement that was published from the Freeholders' Office said the Corrections Union did not give any suggestions for alternatives. He said the alternatives could be to expand the house arrest program, to speed up the defendant's due process. He said there are inmates in the jail that sit there awaiting Grand Jury Action for years. The Director agreed with him. Mr. Franceschini said that is not anything we can do; that has to be done by the Courts, by the Judges, by the Camden County Law System. Yet, we are looking to be punished for what Judges do. The Director said we are not going to deny that that is a big part of the problem but it is also a part of the problem that we are working on right now and also are having some progress because of the lawsuit. Mr. Franceschini thanked the Freeholders for their time.

Sgt. Sydnor, employee of the Camden County Jail addressed the Freeholders. She said I don't have any statistics, I am just here to say I am a single Mom of three children. She said

one, her oldest is a 21 year old senior in college; her daughter is in 10th Grade at Holy Cross and she has a 4 year old autistic son that is in the Camden City School District. She said I am going to keep it real - I need my job! That is the bottom line. That is why we are all here - we need our jobs. We need our jobs - you guys for the most part just want a building - that's it and you want someone else to come in and build it for you. We need our jobs - we don't want to go private. Everybody that is out here, all my co-workers, my friends, we have homes. We have kids that we have to pay their education. She said I don't want to go to a private jail making less than what I make now because the bottom line is, you, guys, are ruining our lives - our livelihood. She said what am I going to tell my son in college? Oh, I am sorry you can't go there now because Mom can't afford to send you there. What am I going to tell my daughter who is in the 10th Grade, she is number 3 in her class. Oh, I'm sorry but I am going to have to take you out now because I can't afford to send you there. What am I going to tell my 4 year old autistic son who has therapy 4 times a week - I'm sorry I have to cut back on your therapy because now my insurance is crap! That's the bottom line for me - I don't have any statistics - the bottom line is I need my job and I don't want to work for a private company.

Karl Walko, President of Camden County Council #10, addressed the Freeholders. He said I wrote the County about the grass cutting contract that was approved at the December Freeholder meeting. He said after reviewing the contract, I wrote and asked why the contract did not require the hiring of only legal residents. He said I asked this question because I got questions from my members about the people who were cutting the grass down in Lakeland. They were communicating among themselves. He said the employees under the contract were speaking in Spanish. I have no problem with people speaking in Spanish but the question seem to be, were they here legally or were they illegal aliens? The response to the County to my question about having a contract that requires the hiring of U.S. Legal Aliens indicated that the inclusion of such a provision was not required by Law but the County would respond to specific complaints from the Union if there were identified illegal aliens. He said this is the kind of contract that came out of purchasing and from Camden County. Is that the view of the Board? If it's the view of the Board, what does it mean for the new jail contract? Would it be different for private jail guards, social workers or whatever they call themselves, and if so, why? How do I know if you're going to not check to see if people cutting the grass are illegal aliens, that you are going to make sure you have the proper people staffing any private jail? Mr. Walko said let me add to that, in some cases, maybe it does make sense to buy lowest bid copy paper. It does not make sense to buy lowest bid employees. He said let me also say that after looking into this I looked at CEC - the State Election Commission now posts and you look at organizations and how much they donate. He said when he looked for the last 10 years, CEC has donated over \$900,000 to political organizations in New Jersey. Mr. Walko said there is a reason they do that - I am not accusing anyone here of anything but there is a reason why people donate. They expect something for it. I don't think Camden County should be in the middle of this position where they owe so much; tie so much to one organization. Director Cappelli said there are no resolutions on this agenda concerning CEC. He asked Mr. Walko to move on to discussion concerning resolutions only at this time. Mr. Walko asked the Director, "Are you telling me CEC won't be involved. Mr. Cappelli said I am telling you there are no resolutions tonight naming any organization". Mr. Walko said last month you told me when I

asked, "is there a plan to build the jail at Mt. Ephraim Avenue?" You said there is no plan, no decision was made, and then within days within a week and I'm reading the Courier-Post and there are two mayors supporting the plan. If there wasn't a plan approved, how did that happen? How could the mayors support a plan when there's no decision? Director Cappelli said the Mayors supported a plan for the Board of Freeholders to explore alternatives to the existing jail. Mr. Walko said that is not what the Courier Post said. The Director said you should read the statement the Mayors endorsed. Thank you.

Officer Roslyn Jeffers, employee of the Camden County Jail addressed the Freeholders and said in eight years, I have had perfect attendance. She said I heard you give out awards tonight, have you ever come to work with us at the Camden County Jail and see how much we have to do - feces thrown in our face, spit in our face. She said I don't know about anyone else in here but we work hard. Just come down and work with us. She said I work midnight, I work 4 to 12 and I work third shift. She said just come down - work with some of these fellows that work midnight that have kids that come in day after day and have to work overtime - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, go home Thursday and sleep all day. We thought we were going to get officers, now we are looking at getting out of a job. All we ask is don't put us out and why can't we go to another facility inside Camden County like the Sheriff's Department. Why do we have to go somewhere else to find another job, making less money? Why can't we go to the Sheriff's Department? Tell me why I can't go to the Sheriff's Department. What other job can I have in the County? Can anybody answer - why I can't go to the Sheriff's Department? The Director said they are civil service. She asked why not lateral transfers?

John Petracci addressed the Freeholders and asked for an explanation of Resolution 50. Director Cappelli said that is a Resolution whereby the Board of Freeholders is eliminating the residency requirement for employees. Mr. Petracci asked why people were forced to move back into the County then? Director Cappelli responded and said because there previously was a policy. It was a policy that we ascertained was difficult to enforce. There were problems enforcing it. Mr. Petracci said we had three that remained employed who lived out of the County, we settled with them. What arrangements are being made for the people that were forced to move back into the County? Director Cappelli said there are no arrangements being made. Mr. Petracci said, "So I am being treated differently". Director Cappelli said it is a policy in the past that was enforced - the Board of Freeholders changed the policy from this day forward.

James Troisi, identified himself as a career law enforcement officer, half of that career in Internal Affairs. He said I am currently the commander at the largest correctional facility, not only in New Jersey but the third largest in the Northeast United States. Mr. Troisi said Resolution 10 research excellent - look at options; Resolutions 61 to 65 lawsuit settlements; Resolution 44 about a JIF; Resolution 4 about private security. He said I am going to guess that I am unique in this room because I am the recipient of a lawsuit settlement out of the United States District Court against my employers for problems that were created when the new jail opened. He said I am a labor representative - I assure you that there are going to be issues that you are not going to think about. I assure you there are going to be issues that are not going to be brought up by a private firm and I assure you that somebody is going to notice them after the fact and it is going to cost you - it's going to cost your taxpayers, it's going to cost the State

taxpayers. He said I appreciate that none of you have to listen to me because I don't live here and I don't work here. Nobody on the right side of the table has taken a single note over the last hour and a half. The folks on the left side of the table have taken a lot of notes - I don't know if they were about the conversations. Research - I encourage you to actually do it. Thank you.

Nick Mirabella, identified himself as a retired Captain of Essex County Corrections for 30 years. He said I have dealt with prisons, corrections centers, privatized places; privatization does not work. Simple question - would you people consider privatizing your police department? Director Cappelli said it depends on what the terms of privatization would be. He said you're telling me that a private company would hire police officers and train them the way police officers are trained and keeping it to the same standards, that is a whole different ball of wax. Director Cappelli said, I don't think it is a practical question. Mr. Mirabella said practical or not you want to do the same thing in the jail. You want to take trained officers out and put other people in who aren't trained. You can't take them out of the jail and put private people in - it just doesn't work. Thirty years experience in the County and 10 years of experience with the State showed me that and a lot of these guys are doing a good job. Think about what you are going to do before you do it.

William Lane, identified himself as a Corrections Officer for about 27 years and is the Union President for Local 167 in Mercer County. Mr. Lane said I am here to support Camden County. What nobody has done yet is recognize Camden County and he asked all Camden County Corrections Officers to please stand up. Mr. Lane said we have the same issues that Camden has in Mercer County but we deal with it. These are strong officers who have been doing this job for a long time. You have to understand what they are trying to do - they want to keep their jobs. He said you guys should just say "No" privatizing doesn't work. Like Tony said earlier about Bo Robinson, it doesn't work. He said I was there this morning - drugs, alcohol - they have everything in Bo Robinson - it doesn't work. You guys really have to understand where we are coming from - privatizing doesn't work - just say, "No". Thank you.

Officer Sydnor addressed the Board once again and said I would like to add one thing. I think all my co-workers can speak. You guys are messing with our jobs and I believe everyone in here is probably a registered voter and we have a lot of family and friends amongst us. Recall elections!

Wayne Myers, identified himself as being with the Department of Corrections for 23 years. He said you guys are all about saving money and you guys complain about all the money you have to put out for overtime. He said we had six hospitals the other day - my Aunt works at Cooper Hospital in the billing department. One guy who has been in there for almost two months; the bill is over \$1 million - who pays that? - the taxpayers of Camden County, right? You are saying that we are working too much overtime - we have no choice. He said I have two special needs children home whom I hardly see. He said I have to come in on my days off to work because my taxes are very high; my car insurance is too high because I live in zone 7, which is near Camden City. He said in five years, I haven't gotten a raise. He said two years ago my son almost died from his medical problems. He said I voted for you and I went today to the Borough to switch to Republican.

Michael Turner addressed the Freeholders. He said the only thing that I can say is the decision that you are making - we are underpaid. He said you pay social workers, you pay counselors, you pay ambulance workers, you pay everybody. You pay them for the job that they do. He said a Correctional Officer is a Counselor, he is a social worker, he is an ambulance tech and he is also an officer. Within officers we have officers. A lot of people on our staff have served in the military. How many Freeholders have done that - only one. You are saying that we are terrorists; we are just as good as the inmates that we watch. That is not right, that is not fair. The one thing that you did leave out of the statement - we are taxpayers, we are voters. Everybody in the Correctional facility does have voter registration cards and we are starting a voter registration drive. Just listen, listen to what we are saying.

Clifton Jackson, identified himself as a Corrections Officer of the County Jail for 22 years. He said his question is regarding Resolution 50. He said I was at the Freeholder meeting in February of last year with regard to residency. He said I lived out of the County my entire career at the County jail; was forced to move back into the County last year. Now, you are telling me that this residency resolution is being resolved at my cost and my expense. He said I lived in Mt. Laurel for twenty plus years with my wife and my two girls. He said my wife was out of work. I contacted Mr. Angilella personally and asked for an extension because of a financial hardship. He said I lost over \$20,000 in the process of selling my house in Mt. Laurel to move back to Camden County and had to use some of my wife's severance money to purchase a home in Camden County. So what costs will I be compensated for the loss that I took a year and a half ago regarding this Resolution.

Tony Weiners, State PBA President, addressed the Freeholders once again. He said I think you got a good feeling on how my members feel. He said I would love to sit down with the Freeholder Board and look to work out these tough issues. He said State PBA and Local 351 and Government Affairs Officer Rob Nixon would like to sit down with County Counsel and County representatives. He said enough has been said here tonight and we look forward to working with you to deal with these tough issues. He said I hope you got a grasp on this and I know you asked for Joe Amato's contact information - he is a great source and is a great source for me as a State Union President. Mr. Weiners said I would like to see if we can move on with the meeting and in the future sit down and hopefully save these jobs of these dedicated men and women that are standing behind me. Thank you.

Russell Alan Hicks, Sr. addressed the Freeholders. I will tell you my story once again - 5 years overtime, every other day. My son, Russell Alan Hicks, Jr., two years old passed away a week before Christmas. Where was I, the County jail! When I buried him everyone of you came to the funeral - most of the people shook my hand, gave me a hug and told my wife it would be okay. He said messages sent through my Warden and his designees you said you would be there, we were family, we will take care of you, stand strong, we're sorry. He introduced his daughter, the last child I have. I lost him and I am not going to lose her. Overtime is up at the jail again, screw you - I am not working it because I am not losing this one because you don't want to hire anybody. You don't want to do the management job you are supposed to do when you say it is mismanagement. Look at yourself, it is not us - we work the hours, we break our backs. We feed people who don't want to be fed by us; we

correct people that don't want to be corrected by us. Look at my face, there is a chunk out of my face that an inmate took. I want you to understand this, we do a lot of the stuff you don't want to do and when it comes time to paying us or patting us on the back or telling that we did a good job, we never hear it. You can't do our jobs, you don't know our jobs, you don't want our jobs but you cannot stand there and tell us that we don't deserve what we have. You can't tell us we don't deserve another contract; you can't tell we don't deserve the price of living increase. You can't tell me any of that. All you can tell me is this, we are taking your jobs, screw you, go find another one. He said chunk out of my face - everyday I look at that scar. You know what I will do it again and you know why that is my job. Every officer in here, if they say Code Brown (means inmate or officer in trouble). Guess who the first one at the door is - the guy with a chunk out of his face, the guy back there with three kids. We do what you can't do. I am a grown man just like you are grown men and women. I can take care of my household, can you from Margate? County Counsel Brennan interrupted and said as a point of order, let's keep this to the motion. Now, like I said, I am a grown man, I take care of my household. I don't want to do your job like you don't want to do my job. I am not trying to take your job - I don't want you to lose your job. I am not that devious of a person but if you take mine, trust me, I am taking yours.

William Fry, identified himself as a Camden County Corrections Officer for 15 years. To the Director, Mr. Fry said I have one question. Do you reside in Camden County? Director Cappelli responded 853 Haddon Avenue in Collingswood. He said where do you lay your head at night? Director Cappelli responded 853 Haddon Avenue, in Collingswood. Mr. Fry said so you don't live in Cape May County? Director Cappelli said, I do not.

Al Richer, identified himself as a Camden County Corrections Officer for 22 years. With regard to Resolution 10, r. Richer said I am asking the Board to table that resolution. You are looking to save money. Resolution 10 will spend money, correct, in awarding the contract? Director Cappelli responded, that is correct. Mr. Richer asked the Freeholders to table Resolution 10, save the money while you do your own research. Research it like we researched it, the information is there, everything is available, do it for free. Mr. Richer said you say you have to negotiate a contract with a private firm. He said I have been in negotiations approximately five contracts with the County that has been negotiated by Corrections Officer and the County Counsel. County Counsel has more paper on the wall than we do. County Counsel has negotiated contracts with labor. County Counsel is more educated than the labor, has more degrees, more schooling and yet you say you can negotiate a contract with a private firm. Two contracts, we got you with longevity, we sold it back once, you didn't catch it in the contract and we got paid in the back end. Next contract, we sold it back to you a second time - we're Corrections Officers - these guys have the legal stuff to get you in a contract that you are not going to find. You couldn't find it when we wrote the contract, how are you expecting it when you have professionals writing the contract. There are various line items with various contracts that we sold back to the County twice; they were supposed to be absolved on contracts. You really need to look at the contracts - who you are going up against when you are talking about being able to negotiate a contract. Do the research for free. I am asking that Resolution 10 be tabled. Is that possible? Director Cappelli said that is up to the Board, Sir. Mr. Richer said I am

appealing to the Board to table Resolution 10 and do their own research for free. Thank you.

Officer George Brown addressed the Board. He said it has been a rough night. I am just watching everybody, I am standing off to the side. It is a rough night for everybody. We can all bring it to an end by thinking about what is going on tonight. I am sure that you guys get around your loved ones, just like we get around ours, they voice their concerns. I know just like we are getting it rough you are getting it rough too at professional and personal levels. At the end of the day, we need to come up with what's best for everybody. I will say it over again, let's not be pennywise and dollar foolish. Our President asked me to shut it down, everybody is tired, it's been a rough night. Just breathe; it's a little hard right now and come up with something good. Your legacy will depend on it. It's your legacy whatever you do after all of this is done will follow you the rest of your lives. It's going to follow you later down the road, we all get old. It is something to think about - what are you going to leave, is it going to be positive, is it going to be negative. I know you heard a lot tonight - I wouldn't want to be in your shoes - you got it rough. You need to laugh a little bit - it's been hard here tonight. I need to encourage all of you - everybody needs to be encouraged here. We would like to keep our jobs and that is the bottom line. God bless.

There being no one else wishing to speak, the Director asked for a motion to close the public portion. Deputy Director McDonnell made a motion to close the public portion with a second by Freeholder Leonard and on roll call, all Freeholders present voted aye.

Director Cappelli said that at our Caucus on Tuesday evening, the Board of Freeholders reviewed the resolutions to be acted upon tonight. He said it was at that time that the Board discussed items to be voted on and we will be voting on resolutions in blocks based on unanimous consent of the Freeholders.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolutions 1 through 4 were adopted upon motion by Freeholder Greco with a second by Freeholder Cream and on roll call, all Freeholders present voted aye.

1. Resolution authorizing a substitution to provide funding for Courthouse renovations, in the amount of \$300,000.00.
2. Resolution authorizing a substitution to provide funding for Hall of Justice renovations, in the amount of \$300,000.00.
3. Resolution authorizing a substitution to provide funding for a new phone system at the M. Allen Vogelsson Branch Library, in the amount of \$70,000.00.
4. Resolution authorizing an award of contract (2nd Yr. Option), pursuant to Competitive Contract Request For Proposals No. 08-04 under the Camden County Cooperative Pricing System Identifier No. 57-CCCPS, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings & Operations) and US Security Associates for security services at various County facilities. Funding is contingent upon the availability and appropriation of funds in the 2010 temporary and/or permanent budgets.

Resolution 5 was adopted upon motion made by Freeholder Greco with a second by Freeholder Cream and on roll call:

5. Resolution authorizing a Lease Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings & Operations) and the State of New Jersey for the provision of certain office space for the Fifth Legislative District Office.

AYE: CREAM, GRECO, NASH, RODRIGUEZ, MCDONNELL,
CAPPELLI
ABSTAIN: LEONARD

Resolutions 6 through 15 were adopted upon motion by Freeholder Greco with a second by Freeholder Rodriguez and on roll call, all Freeholders present voted aye.

6. Resolution authorizing an Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings & Operations) and Siemens Technology Inc., Building Automation Division for maintenance of the Camden County Siemens APOGEE Building Automation System.

7. Resolution authorizing payment pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:33-8.1 on behalf of the Camden County Library Commission to various approved vendors for books, periodicals, and other library materials.

8. Resolution authorizing payment to Bruce Garrity for Gallery Coordinator Services for the Camden County Cultural & Heritage Commission for the term February 1, 2010 through January 31, 2011.

9. Resolution amending the contract awarded June 18, 2009 (Resolution No. 12), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Corrections) and Luminosity, Inc., to extend the term of the contract and to include the addition of pretrial services, in an amount not to exceed \$101,926.00 - CAF #9900151574 for \$25,481.50. Balance of funding is contingent upon the availability and appropriation of funds in the 2010 temporary and/or permanent budgets.

10. Resolution authorizing an amended Agreement, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request For Proposals, by and between the County of Camden and Pulitzer Bogard Associates for additional related services regarding detention alternatives and authorizing competitive contracting request for proposals pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1(k).

11. Resolution rejecting Bid A-56, for the provision of video security equipment for the Community Safe Zone Video Surveillance System Project, due to noncompliance with bid specifications.

12. Resolution ratifying the Agreement, by the County of Camden (Office of the Prosecutor) with the New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice for the 2010 Law Enforcement Officers Training and Equipment Fund, in the amount of \$40,173.00.

13. Resolution ratifying the submission of a grant application, by the County of Camden (Office of the Prosecutor) to the New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice for the STOP Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Grant Program, in the amount of \$73,419.00.

14. Resolution approving personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Freeholder Greco.

15. Resolution authorizing an award of contract (Bid B-1), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc., for the provision of recreation yard and parking lot improvements at the Camden County Youth Center, in an amount not to exceed \$153,412.80 - CAF #9900151619.

Resolutions 16 and 17 were adopted upon motion made by Freeholder Greco with a second by Freeholder Leonard and on roll call:

16. Resolution authorizing an award of contract (Bid B-2), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc., for Phase III of the Camden County/Camden City Streetscape Project, in an amount not to exceed \$3,434,270.68 - CAF #9900151613.

17. Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 1 (Bid B-13/09), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Lexa Concrete, Inc., for additional quantities of materials needed for the Lanning Square/Cooper Plaza District Improvements, in the amount of \$133,199.50 - CAF #9900151531.

AYE: CREAM, GRECO, LEONARD, RODRIGUEZ, MCDONNELL,
CAPPELLI
ABSTAIN: NASH

Resolutions 18 through 29 were adopted upon motion made by Freeholder Greco with a second by Freeholder Leonard and on roll call, all Freeholders present voted aye.

18. Resolution approving personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Freeholder Leonard.

19. Resolution authorizing approval of signatories for all Camden County Parks Department use permits.

20. Resolution authorizing a Lease Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Parks) and the Township of Winslow for use of the STAR Building.

21. Resolution authorizing a Shared Services Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Division of Environmental Affairs) and the Camden County Municipal Utilities Authority for partial funding of the County's Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days, in the amount of \$50,000.00.

22. Resolution authorizing an amendment to the Project Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Division of Environmental Affairs) and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Green Acres Program, to increase the Planning Incentive Grant in the amount of \$1,000,000.00.

23. Resolution authorizing the filing of a spending plan for a 2009 Recycling Enhancement Act- Tax Fund Bonus Grant, in an amount not to exceed \$213,200.00.

24. Resolution reappointing members to the Camden County Municipal Utilities Authority.

25. Resolution appointing a member to the Camden County Pollution Control Financing Authority.

26. Resolution authorizing an award of contracts, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request For Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health & Human Services) and

various Local Advisory Committee on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (LACADA) recommended agencies for the allocation of the 2010 Comprehensive Alcohol Drug Abuse grant funds for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010.

27. Resolution authorizing an award of contracts, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request For Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health & Human Services/Youth Service Commission) and various providers for the provision of services to at risk youth, for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 funded by the NJ Juvenile Justice Commission.

28. Resolution authorizing an award of contracts, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request For Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health & Human Services) and various approved non-profit agencies for the provision of assorted services to the homeless for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010.

29. Resolution authorizing an award of contracts, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request For Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health & Human Services) and various approved non-profit agencies for the provision of assorted Mental Health Services to the homeless for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010.

Resolution 30 was adopted upon motion made by Deputy Director McDonnell with a second by Freeholder Rodriguez and on roll call:

30. Resolution authorizing an award of contracts, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request For Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health & Human Services) and various approved vendors for the provision of professional medical services at various County Health facilities for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010.

AYE: CREAM, GRECO, LEONARD, RODRIGUEZ, MCDONNELL,
CAPPELLI
ABSTAIN: NASH

Resolution 31 was adopted upon motion made by Deputy Director McDonnell with a second by Freeholder Rodriguez and on roll call:

31. Resolution authorizing an Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health & Human Services) and Rutgers, State University of New Jersey (Camden College of Arts & Sciences - Department of Nursing) to provide nursing students with clinical experience to the County's Health Programs for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010.

AYE: CREAM, GRECO, NASH, RODRIGUEZ, MCDONNELL,
CAPPELLI
ABSTAIN: LEONARD

Resolutions 32 through 64 were adopted upon motion made by Freeholder Greco with a second by Freeholder Cream and on roll call, all Freeholders present voted aye.

32. Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application, by the County of Camden (Department of Health & Human Services) to the New Jersey Department of Environmental

Protection for the County Environmental Health Act (CEHA) grant for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010.

33. Resolution authorizing the award of contracts, pursuant to Competitive Contract Request For Proposals #09-08, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health & Human Services, Division of Senior and Disabled Services) and various approved provider agencies for the provision of Personal Assistance Services for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010.

34. Resolution authorizing an award of contracts, pursuant to Competitive Contract Request For Proposals #09-06, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health & Human Services, Division of Senior and Disabled Services) and various approved vendors for the provision of county-wide nutrition and social service programs for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010.

35. Resolution rejecting Competitive Contract Request For Proposals #09-10 for the provision of county-wide mental health care management, due to submissions being over budget.

36. Resolution authorizing an award of contract and Lease of the premises, pursuant to Competitive Contract Request For Proposals 09-13, by and between the County of Camden and Animal Welfare Society of Camden County for operation and maintenance of the Camden County Animal Shelter.

37. Resolution authorizing a Lease Agreement and award of contract, by and between the County of Camden (YES Facility) and the Center for Family Services for the provision of seven (7) family court beds, in an amount not to exceed \$345,436.00 - CAF #9900151538 for \$57,572.66. Balance of funding is contingent upon the availability and appropriation of funds in the 2010 temporary and/or permanent budgets.

38. Resolution authorizing an Agreement, by and between the County of Camden and Rowan University for a field experience internship for the period January 20, 2010 through May 31, 2010 at no cost to the County.

39. Resolution approving personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Freeholder Rodriguez.

40. Resolution authorizing an amendment to the 2010 temporary budget.

41. Resolution authorizing budgetary transfers in the 2010 reserve fund.

42. Resolution authorizing an award of contract, by the County of Camden (Division of Insurance) and Great American, through Willis of New Jersey for the provision of Computers/Contents Policy renewal insurance for the Camden County One Stop, in an amount not to exceed \$8,000.00 - CAF #9900151533.

43. Resolution authorizing an award of contract, by the County of Camden (Division of Insurance) and AIG, through Willis of New Jersey for the provision of Crime Policy renewal insurance, in an amount not to exceed \$17,500.00 - CAF #9900151534.

44. Resolution authorizing the County of Camden to join the New Jersey Counties Excess Joint Insurance Fund subject to approval of assessment, and appointing Commissioners.

45. Resolution authorizing the approval of various State Contracts with various State vendors.
46. Resolution amending a Lease Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Board of Elections) and Strategic Cooper River Realty, LLC to extend the term of the Lease to February 28, 2013.
47. Resolution establishing a Camden County Insurance Fund Commission and appointing Commissioners.
48. Resolution approving personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Freeholder Deputy Director McDonnell.
49. Resolution ratifying a Letter of Understanding, by and between the County of Camden and Drexel University for the provision of reduced tuition rates for Camden County employees, their spouses/significant others or dependent children participating in Drexel's online programs and courses, at no cost to the County.
50. Resolution deleting Camden County Policy & Procedure No. 3.0 - Residency Requirement.
51. Resolution reappointing Camden County Clerk of the Board.
52. Resolution authorizing an award of contract (3rd Yr. Option), pursuant to a publicly advertised Request For Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Office of the Clerk) and Color Source, Inc., for the provision of ballot printing for the 2010 Special, Primary and General Elections per unit pricing.
53. Resolution authorizing a Maintenance Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Office of the Clerk) and Dynamic Imaging Systems, Inc., for the provision of maintenance services to the PictureLink ID System, in an amount not to exceed \$9,315.00 - CAF #9900151575.
54. Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application, by the County of Camden (Office of Archives & Records Management) to the New Jersey Division of Archives & Records Management for the PARIS Grant 2010-2011, in an amount not to exceed \$1,800,000.00.
55. Resolution authorizing payment, by the County of Camden (Office of Community Development) to Robert Half International D/B/A Accountemps, for the provision of temporary accounting services, in the amount of \$17,689.50 - CAF #9900151597.
56. Resolution authorizing an award of negotiated contract, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-15, by and between the County of Camden (Office of Community Development) and M.A.G. Concrete for the provision of services to the "Mr. Fix-It" Program through the Camden County Division of Senior and Disabled Services. Funding is to be encumbered as the services are utilized pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b)(2).
57. Resolution amending Resolution No. 80, adopted August 20, 2009, due to revision to the CDBG-Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program funding allocations.
58. Resolution authorizing an Agreement, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request For Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Office of Community Development) and Mullin & Lonergan

Associates, Inc., for the preparation of the County's 5 Year Consolidated Strategy and Action Plan for FY'2010 to provide technical assistance on an as needed basis, in an amount not to exceed \$24,000.00 - CAF #9900151539.

59. Resolution authorizing a Shared Services Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Division of Special Events) and the Gloucester County Special Services School District for participation in the "Miracle League" baseball program for physically and mentally disabled children of Camden and Gloucester Counties.

60. Resolution authorizing a Letter of Support, by the County of Camden (One Stop) to the Camden County Workforce Investment Board for inclusion in the Travel Management Coordination Center federal grant application.

61. Resolution authorizing settlement of the matter known as Carol Touchton, Individually and as Executrix of the Estate of Gwendolyn Wright, deceased and the Estate of Gwendolyn Wright v. County of Camden.

62. Resolution authorizing settlement of the matter know as Kevin Williams v. County of Camden.

63. Resolution authorizing settlement of the matter known as Rolando Santiago v. County of Camden.

64. Resolution ratifying settlement of the matter known as Wilson II v. County of Camden.

Resolution 65 was adopted upon motion made by Deputy Director McDonnell with a second by Freeholder Greco and on roll call, all Freeholders present voted aye.

65. Resolution authorizing settlement of the matter known as Walls, etc., v. County of Camden v. CFG Health Systems, and Steininger Behavioral Care Services.

Resolutions 66 and 67 were adopted upon motion made by Freeholder Greco with a second by Freeholder Nash and on roll call, all Freeholders present voted aye.

66. Resolution reappointing a member to the Camden County Improvement Authority.

67. Resolution approving personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Freeholder Director Cappelli.

Resolution 68 - No motion made - Resolution fails.

68. Resolution acknowledging personnel actions requested by or on behalf of constitutional or statutory offices. No Motion - Resolution Fails

The Director announced that the meeting is now open to the public for any topic the public would like to bring before the Board.

Al Richer, Vice President of FOP Lodge 212 representing the Camden County Superior Officers, addressed the Freeholders once again. A few minutes ago, I asked for Resolution 10 to be tabled. Was it even acknowledged by the Board that it was to be tabled? County Counsel Michael Brennan said there was no motion to table the Resolution and the Resolution passed. Mr. Richer

said when I asked you to table the Resolution to save money, you can re-introduce it next month, correct. You are telling us that you want to save money for the taxpayers of Camden and yet you just spent money for the taxpayers of Camden and neglected to get free information. Thank you for spending my money. I am going to Camden to work in that hole. Thank you.

Thomas Rapacki addressed the Board once again. He said I have to commend the Officers because I wouldn't work in the jail system with all the diseases in there. They are heroes in my opinion. When a person abstains from voting, should they not give a reason why they abstain from voting. Director Cappelli responded and said they don't have to - no. His question is about Camden City being the County seat. He said I believe there are other places in the United States that have multiple County Seats. Instead of just having one here in Camden County, I would like to see Cherry Hill be a County Seat and absorb some of the problems that Camden has because Camden is a County Seat. That is why everybody sends their people to Camden for the services that are rendered by the municipalities that don't want to deal with it. Let's make Cherry Hill the second County Seat. He said Camden has endured a lot. We don't have any tax ratables, 53 percent of the property there is tax exempt. They have PILOTS that don't pay county taxes so who pays for it, the taxpayers pay for it. I believe the Freeholders should look at that and make sure the South Jersey Port, the DRPA and all the little churches, which are so-called holding companies in my belief. Only the House of Worship should be tax exempt. They own blocks and blocks of property - make it tax ratable instead of a non-ratable. It is all within your power to look at this stuff. Director Cappelli said just so you know we do recognize that problem, we have offered all the assistance we can provide through Mayor Redd to help review all of the PILOTS and all of the tax-exempt properties in Camden City. Mr. Rapacki said I would also strongly suggest that the services that are brought into Camden for the methadone treatment clinics and all that be looked at - if they are so safe, put them in the Cherry Hill Mall, Moorestown Mall, if they are safe. They say all the transportation goes to Camden that is another reason why they are in Camden. Director Cappelli said we actually have moved probation in Cherry Hill. Mr. Rapacki said, I would like to see Camden brought back. You have the power behind you; the authority behind you to do it and look at having a second County Seat also because I think it would be interesting. He said I do a lot of research on things. He said there are 13 to 18 communities that have that in the United States. Why don't we make Cherry Hill the 19th one. Thank you.

Stuart Alterman, attorney for the PBA 351 addressed the Board. First, I would like to thank you for listening to us tonight. Second, I want to thank all of our supporters that came out tonight in supporting us in our efforts to draw this matter to a conclusion to an ultimate compromise in order to work this matter out. In the words of Anthony Weiners, State President, we want to come to the table, we want to work this matter out, we want to have a display and a dialogue of ideas and resolve this in the best interests of the people in this room, the best interest of the PBA and the best interest of taxpayers. Good night and thank you.

James White, resident of Pine Hill, and Camden County Corrections Officer addressed the Board. I just can't believe that you had all these people, you had State, Local and different counties speak on this Resolution 10 and to take up all this time even on the Resolutions and a guy comes up here and asks you to table it, you don't even consider it? That just

means to tell me that your mind is made up before we even open this up to public argument. Your minds are made up and you are going to do whatever you want - no matter what the public wants.

Karl Walko, President of Council #10 addressed the Freeholders once again. I wanted to ask about the posting of the agenda and the minutes on the County website. He said I know you post the summaries, the short blurbs on the resolutions. Is there a reason why the whole resolutions aren't posted on the website? Director Cappelli said we can discuss it. Mr. Walko said the City of Camden post not only their resolutions but also the background material. Director Cappelli said we are actually in the process of redesigning our website and that is one of the items to be considered. Mr. Walko said I will ask that you not only put the full resolutions but take a look at the Camden website and see what else they put on theirs. Thank you.

Seeing no other members from the public wishing to speak, Director Cappelli asked for a motion to close the public portion. Deputy Director McDonnell made a motion to close the public portion with a second by Freeholder Greco and all Freeholders present voted aye.

There being no further business, Director Cappelli asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Freeholder Greco made a motion to adjourn with a second by Freeholder Leonard at 9:15 p.m. and all Freeholders present voted aye.

Respectfully submitted,



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Clerk of the Board

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