



MINUTES

HUNTERDON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Meeting Room
71 Main Street, Building 1, Second Floor
Flemington, New Jersey 08822

June 2, 2026

I. **5:00 p.m. CONVENE:**

II. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

1. Resolution Entering into Executive Session.

Motion: By: Jeff Kuhl **Seconded:** Shaun Van Doren

Yes: John Lanza, Jeff Kuhl, Zachary Rich, Susan Soloway, Shaun Van Doren

No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:**

III. **5:30 p.m. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

IV. **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

V. **REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNSEL ON EXECUTIVE SESSION**

VI. **COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

Commissioner Van Doren shared that the annual Hunterdon County Senior Services Expo, held at the County Senior Center, brought together county departments, healthcare providers, nonprofits, and community organizations to connect older adults and caregivers with a wide range of resources supporting health, independence, and quality of life. The event highlighted services such as healthcare, transportation, nutrition, and benefits assistance, and underscored the county's ongoing commitment to its senior community. Commissioner Van Doren also shared details about the Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program benefit cards for eligible residents, the upcoming Senior Art Show opening June 24 at the Historic Courthouse, and the countywide America's 250th Parade Celebration taking place on June 14 in Flemington.

Deputy Director Kuhl, liaison to Economic Development and Tourism, reported that the 2026 Hunterdon County Beer Trail Passport season launched successfully at Prallsville Mills with over 650 attendees enjoying brewery offerings, food vendors, and entertainment, highlighting the program's role in promoting local tourism and supporting

Yes: John Lanza, Jeff Kuhl, Zachary Rich, Susan Soloway, Shaun Van Doren
No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:**

3. Celebrating the 10th Anniversary of the Unity Bank Center for Business & Entrepreneurship.

Motion: By: Shaun Van Doren **Seconded:** Jeff Kuhl

Yes: John Lanza, Jeff Kuhl, Zachary Rich, Susan Soloway, Shaun Van Doren

No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:**

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT, Limited to 2 minutes per person.

(Comments exceeding 2 minutes will be entertained later in the agenda)

No public comment.

X. PURCHASING, Ray Rule, QPA

1. Approving Requisition #R26-3676 with Computer Square Inc., for software maintenance and support, in an amount not to exceed \$76,877.56.

Motion: By: Shaun Van Doren **Seconded:** Jeff Kuhl

Yes: John Lanza, Jeff Kuhl, Zachary Rich, Susan Soloway, Shaun Van Doren

No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:**

2. Approving a contract award for County Bid 2026-06, with Capela Construction Inc., for the Hilltop Reserve Memorial in the Township of Raritan, in the amount not to exceed \$132,065.00.

Motion: By: Jeff Kuhl **Seconded:** Shaun Van Doren

Yes: John Lanza, Jeff Kuhl, Zachary Rich, Susan Soloway, Shaun Van Doren

No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:**

XI. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, Brad Myhre

1. Authorizing the Creation of the 2026 Hunterdon County Fire and EMS Grant Program.

Motion: By: Jeff Kuhl **Seconded:** Shaun Van Doren

Yes: John Lanza, Jeff Kuhl, Zachary Rich, Susan Soloway, Shaun Van Doren

No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:**

XII. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: By: Shaun Van Doren **Seconded:** Jeff Kuhl

Yes: John Lanza, Jeff Kuhl, Zachary Rich, Susan Soloway, Shaun Van Doren

No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:**

1. Approving the Claims Register dated June 02, 2026.
2. Approving the executive session and regular meeting minutes from the May 19, 2026 meeting.
3. Acknowledging the action of the Appointing Authority, Brad Myhre, to hire and seasonally appoint Casey Liszt as a Seasonal Laborer in the Hunterdon County

14. Approving the promotion and regular appointment of Robert Scott to the title of Assistant Program Analyst in the Department of Health, Division of Public Health Nursing.
15. Amending Resolution 2026-314; Salaries for CWA Local 1036 Rank and File Staff per the Collective Bargaining Agreement.
16. Amending Resolution 2026-06; The 2026 Hunterdon County Holidays Schedule.
17. Authorizing the Qualified Purchasing Agent to solicit competitive bids for the Renovations to the Hunterdon County Library North County Branch.
18. Approving an Interlocal Service Agreement with Flemington-Raritan School District for Use of the County Fuel Pumps.
19. Approving an Interlocal Agreement for Class III Special Law Enforcement Officer (SLEO) with Hunterdon County Vocational School District Board of Education.
20. Approving an Interlocal Agreement for Class III Special Law Enforcement Officer (SLEO) with Alexandria Township Board of Education.
21. Approving a Memorandum of Understanding Between Hunterdon County Vocational School District and the Hunterdon County Sheriff's Office for access to live video feed in order to assist in resolving emergencies.
22. Approving the Plans and Specifications for the Resurfacing of County Route 611 & County Route 618 Situated in Raritan and Clinton Townships and Flemington Borough, County of Hunterdon; and authorizing the County Purchasing Agent to advertise for bids for this project.
23. Approving the Plans and Specifications for the Painting of Various Hunterdon County Bridges Situated In Various Municipalities throughout the County of Hunterdon; and authorizing the County Purchasing Agent to advertise for bids for this project.
24. Approving the Special Provisions for the Application of Traffic Stripes on Various County and Municipal Roads throughout Hunterdon County; and authorizing the County Purchasing Agent to advertise for bids for this project.
25. Authorizing Republic Services to remove a 30-yard container that is in disrepair and holds a value less than \$7,950.00 from Hunterdon County's possession.
26. Authorizing the Hunterdon County Health Department to apply for and accept a 2025 Recycling Enhancement Tax Grant in the amount of \$162,000.00 from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

XIII. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. Guy Citron a resident of Tewksbury Township read a letter from Dr. Glen Tsipursky to the Board, arguing that concerns raised about Assemblyman Peterson's public statements are not a personal dispute but a civic issue requiring accountability. The letter contends that when elected officials imply elections are stolen, use dehumanizing language, or present themselves as superior Americans, such actions undermine public trust and should be publicly addressed rather than dismissed. Dr. Tsipursky cited examples in his letter, including Senator John McCain's correction of misinformation during the 2008 campaign, Tsipursky urged the board to clarify whether Peterson's March 23 remarks align with the county's values and standards. He emphasized that silence also communicates a message, noting that Citron has repeatedly sought a response without receiving one, and argued that resisting a "post-truth" environment is a civic duty. The letter encouraged public officials to uphold truthfulness, including retracting unsupported statements and holding colleagues to the same standard, stressing that the community is watching the board's response.

XIV. ADDITIONAL COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Director Lanza responded that this was the fifth time Mr. Citron had raised concerns about statements made by an individual who is not a member of the board and whose comments the board has neither adopted nor discussed, asserting that the issue is irrelevant to the board's work. He characterized Citron's repeated comments as a performance for cameras rather than a good-faith contribution, noting that Citron had direct access to the person who made the statements but chose instead to bring the matter to the commissioners. Director Lanza emphasized that the board is focused on substantive responsibilities, such as budgets and municipal support, and expressed frustration at the continued disruption. He stated that the board would no longer address this topic, as it has no bearing on their duties and reiterating it does not make it relevant.

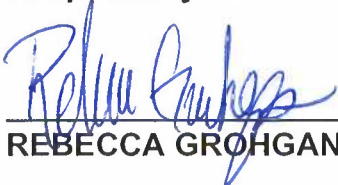
Commissioner Rich, liaison to Hunterdon County Polytech, reported that a recent partnership with Hunterdon Health provided Allied Health students with hands-on experience at a health fair, supporting Polytech's mission to connect classroom learning with real-world career preparation. Students in the Diesel Technology program are completing the year with major technical projects, reflecting the strong skills-based training across vocational programs. Commissioner Rich reaffirmed the Board's support for Polytech's focus on innovation, workforce readiness, and industry partnerships.

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION (Reconvene if necessary)

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

The board adjourned at 6:04 p.m. on a motion by Commissioner Rich, seconded by Deputy Director Kuhl, followed by a voice carry.

Respectfully submitted and transcribed by:



REBECCA GROHGANS, CLERK