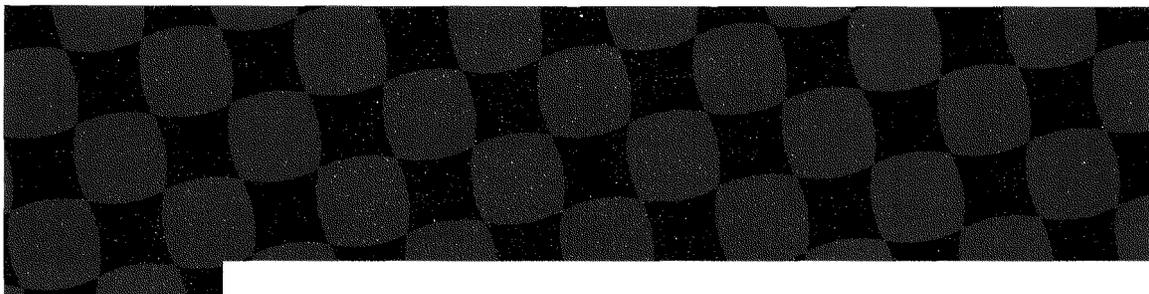
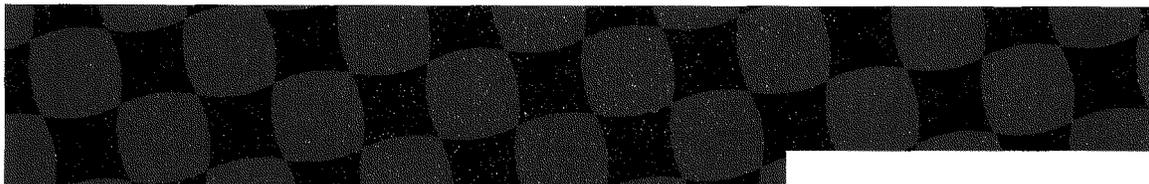


The Board met in Executive Session Wednesday, March 11, 2009 at 8:54 p.m. with the following members present: Freeholder Rick Gardner, Freeholder Everett Chamberlain, Freeholder John DiMaio, County Counsel Joseph J. Bell and County Administrator Steve Marvin.

Brief discussion was held on each of the following matters:

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(2) *Matters Relating to Negotiations and Attorney-Client Privilege:* Items to be discussed include: Town of Phillipsburg re: Library services.

The response from Phillipsburg Mayor Wyant concerning Library services was reviewed. While it was acknowledged that the response was deficient in that it did not answer issues involving the referendum matter, the Board is inclined to do a one year extension of the Federation Agreement in part, due to concerns involving the impending retirement of Library Director Rich Moore. Mr. Marvin will draft a response to be forwarded to Mayor Wyant.

Mr. Marvin noted that he, Library Director Rich Moore and Assistant Director Janet Davis met with Weichert Real Estate Broker David Chippendale at the Garden Market property in Independence. Mr. Marvin provided a brief description of the property, current asking price \$1.1 million. The property could probably be obtained for \$800,000-\$900,000, however, renovations to accommodate branch Library operation would be necessary (restrooms, carpeting, lighting, etc.). There appears to be approximately 50-55 parking spaces. Expansion would be difficult given the site layout

and it being sited in the Highlands Preservation Area. Further information will be forthcoming.

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the Board returned to open session at 9:44 p.m.

Recorded Vote: Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes, Mr. Gardner yes