

**ATLANTIC COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS**  
**Stillwater Building**  
**201 Shore Road, Northfield, New Jersey 08225**

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**Minutes of Meeting**  
January 10, 2017

**CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Atlantic County Board of Chosen Freeholders was called to order by Chairman Frank D. Formica at 4 p.m., Standard Time, on the above-mentioned date, in the Stillwater Building located at 201 Shore Road, Northfield, NJ.

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT**

Statement of Open Public Meeting Compliance: Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, Chairman Formica announced that adequate notice of this meeting, as required by said Act, has been published in *The Press of Atlantic City*, and mailed to *The Current*, *The Daily Journal*, *The Hammonton Gazette* and *The Hammonton News*; posted on the bulletin boards at 1333 Atlantic Avenue, Atlantic City, the Stillwater Building, 201 Shore Road, Northfield and the County Clerk's Office in Mays Landing.

**PRAYER AND FLAG SALUTE**

The prayer was led by Freeholder Bertino, followed by the flag salute led by Chairman Formica.

**ROLL CALL**

The following roll call was recorded: PRESENT: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. ABSENT: None.

A quorum was present.

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
November 22, 2016**

Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Marino seconded a motion to adopt and dispense with the reading of the November 22, 2016 minutes.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.

**ORDINANCE NO. 1  
FIRST READING  
Ordinance establishing no-passing zone along Central Road/Central Avenue in the Township of Buena Vista and the Borough of Buena**

Freeholder Bertino moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to introduce on first reading Ordinance No. 1-2017 establishing no-passing zones along Central Road/Central Avenue (County Route 627) in the Township of Buena Vista and the Borough of Buena, Atlantic County.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2  
FIRST READING  
Ordinance authorizing acquisition of parcels of real property located along Mays Landing – Blue Anchor Road (CR 561S) in the Borough of Folsom**

Freeholder Bertino moved and Freeholder Risley seconded a motion to introduce on first reading Ordinance No. 2-2017 of the County of Atlantic authorizing acquisition of parcels of real property located along Mays Landing – Blue Anchor Road (CR 561S) in the Borough of Folsom, Atlantic County, New Jersey by means of agreement or by condemnation pursuant to the Eminent Domain Act of 1971, N.J.S.A. 20:3-1, Et. Seq; said parcels of properties being Block 301, part of Lot 12, on the tax map of the Borough of Folsom.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 11**  
**Grant acceptance through**  
**the Non-Federal Cost Share**  
**(Match) program**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a grant acceptance from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs through the Non-Federal Cost Share (Match) Program for an amount not to exceed \$36,528.00.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 12**  
**Amended professional service**  
**agreement with construction**  
**inspection services pool**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Marino seconded a motion to authorize an amended professional service agreement with Bucharth Horn, Inc., under the 2014 Construction Inspection Services Pool to extend the term date to June 30, 2017 at no additional cost.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 13**  
**Amended professional service**  
**agreements for the 2015**  
**construction inspection**  
**services pool**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to authorize amended professional service agreements with various professional consultants pursuant to the 2015 Construction Inspection Services Pool to extend the term date to December 31, 2017 at no additional cost.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 14**  
**Amended contract for the**  
**provision of material testing**  
**services**

Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize an amended contract with Craig Testing Laboratories, Inc., for the provision of material testing services for Atlantic County to extend the term date until March 1, 2017 at no additional cost.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 15**  
**Contract to provide hospice**  
**services to residents of**  
**Meadowview Nursing and**  
**Rehabilitation Center**

Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Bertino seconded a motion to authorize a contract with Angelic Hospice to provide hospice services to residents of Meadowview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center for the term commencing December 19, 2016 and terminating July 31, 2017.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 16**  
**Contract to provide**  
**transportation to the residents**  
**of Meadowview Nursing and**  
**Rehabilitation Center**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Dase seconded a motion to authorize a contract with Shore Memorial Hospital to provide transportation to the residents of Meadowview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center for the term commencing January 1, 2017 and terminating December 31, 2017 at no cost to the County.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 17**  
**Competitive contract for**  
**Older Americans Act Area**  
**Plan services with South**  
**Jersey Legal Services, Inc.**

Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize a competitive contract sub-grant agreement for Older Americans Act Area Plan Services with South Jersey Legal Services, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$9,000.00 for the term commencing January 1, 2017 and terminating December 31, 2017.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 18**  
**Alternate method contract for**  
**the provision of physical**  
**health and health education to**  
**eligible Atlantic County**  
**seniors**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize an alternate method contract with Beron Jewish Older Adults Services for the provision of physical health and health education to eligible Atlantic County seniors in an amount not to exceed \$36,000.00 for the one year commencing January 1, 2017.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 19**  
**Agreement for operation of**  
**the Juvenile Detention**  
**Program**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Marino seconded motion to authorize an agreement with the Juvenile Justice Commission for operation of the Juvenile Detention Program at Harborfields in an amount not to exceed \$2,260,985.00 for a one year period commencing January 1, 2017 and terminating December 31, 2017.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 20**  
**Competitive contract for the**  
**provision of homecare**  
**services**

Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize competitive contracts with various vendors for the provision of homecare services under the Division of Welfare and State Respite Grant Programs in an amount not to exceed \$335,138.00 for a one year period commencing January 1, 2017 and terminating December 31, 2017.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 21**  
**Emergency contract for the**  
**repair of a sink hole in**  
**Galloway Township**

Freeholder Carman moved and Freeholder Risley seconded a motion to authorize an emergency contract with Lafayette Utility Construction Company, Inc., for the repair of a sink hole at Galloway Township Library parking lot for an amount not to exceed \$66,659.15.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 22**  
**Sub-grant agreement for**  
**services under the Older**  
**Americans Act**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Carman seconded a motion authorizing Intergovernmental sub-grant agreements with the Division of Intergenerational Services for services under the Older Americans Act in an amount of \$2,507,789.00 for the term commencing January 1, 2016 and terminating December 31, 2016.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 23**  
**Amended agreement for the installation of pedestrian safety equipment in Absecon**

Freeholder Risley moved and Freeholder Coursey seconded a motion authorizing an amended agreement with the City of Absecon for the installation of pedestrian safety equipment on Pitney Road in an amount of \$31,121.34.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 24**  
**Professional service contracts to provide substance abuse services**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize professional service contracts with various counselors and nurses to provide substance abuse services for the 12 hour and 48 hour IDRC for a total not to exceed \$34,334.00 for the term commencing January 1, 2017 and terminating December 31, 2017.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 25**  
**Change order to contract for roadway improvements on Aetna Drive in Corbin City**

Freeholder Bertino moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion for a Change Order No. 1 and final, contract with South State, Inc., for roadway improvements on Aetna Drive in Corbin City in a net decrease amount of \$91,752.56 and for a total amendatory contract amount of \$991,433.52.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 26**  
**Lease agreement for continued use of a K-9 training facility**

Freeholder Risley moved Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize a lease agreement between the County of Atlantic and the City of Corbin City for the continued use of a K-9 training facility in the amount of \$60,000.00 total per year for the term commencing January 1, 2017 and terminating December 31, 2017.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 27**  
**Agreement for the provision of transportation services**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Dase seconded a motion authorizing vehicle acceptance of two (2) paratransit mini-buses from New Jersey Transit to provide transportation services to seniors and individuals with disabilities.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.

**MOTION TO COMBINE AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NOS. 28 to 30**

Freeholder Marino moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to combine and adopt Resolution Nos. 28 to 30.

**RESOLUTION NO. 28**  
**Appointment to the Atlantic County Youth Services Commission**

Appointment of Adam Erskine to the Atlantic County Youth Services Commission in a mandated position.

**RESOLUTION NO. 29** Appointment of Natalie L. Devonish to the Atlantic County Youth Services Commission for a term to expire on October 1, 2019.  
**Appointment to the Atlantic County Youth Services Commission**

**RESOLUTION NO. 30** Appointment of Freeholders to serve on Atlantic County Advisory Boards/Commissions/Councils for terms to expire December 31, 2017.  
**Appointment of Freeholders to serve on Atlantic County Advisory Boards/Commissions/Councils** The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 31** Withdrawn (1-9-17) Amending Resolution 3-2017, adding a Freeholder Meeting on January 17, 2017 and informing the newspapers.  
**WITHDRAWN**

**RESOLUTION NO. 32** Freeholder Carman moved and Freeholder Risley seconded a motion to authorize a resolution in support of the creation of a State-Wide 9-11 memorial registry.(Sponsored by Richard R. Dase)  
**Resolution in support of the creation of a State-Wide 9-11 memorial registry**

Lynn Caterson, Secretary for Absecon 911 Memorial Committee urged the Board to vote in favor of Resolution No. 32, supporting the creation of a state-wide 9-11 Memorial Registry.

Ed Vincent, Chair of the Absecon 9-11 Memorial Committee spoke of the hard work of the Committee and the construction of the Memorial site. On behalf of the Committee he presented the County with a plaque.

Jim Smith, member of the Absecon 9-11 Memorial Committee explained artifacts at the Memorial site. Mr. Smith conveyed the importance of our children being educated on what occurred on September 11, 2001.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bertino, Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.

**REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD** There were no reports of special committees of the Board.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** There was no unfinished business.

**NEW BUSINESS** There was no new business.

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS** Written communications were received by this office for the period of January 4 through January 10, 2017

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** Chairman Formica opened the meeting to the public at 4:30 p.m.

Mike Price, resident of Egg Harbor Township, presented a petition from 1600 people regarding issues at the Atlantic County Animal Shelter and expressed his concerns. Freeholder Marino responded.

There being no further comments, Chairman Formica closed the public portion at 4:45 p.m.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Freeholder Coursey requested a moment of silence for Judge Higbee who passed away.

Freeholder Gatto extended appreciation to Sheriff Balles and all law enforcement. ML merchant association began a new membership level to allow elected officials to join. Freeholder Gatto stated that she is often asked what the County provides. She referenced the agenda in which the Freeholders adopted contracts for County services and directed residents to access the Website.

Freeholder Risley asked Ed Vincent, Chair of the Absecon 9-11 Memorial if the local schools are invited so children can see the Memorial.

Chairman Formica voiced his concern that the facts regarding 9-11 Memorial are not being taught in the schools. The NJ Dept. of Education should consider including the information in the curriculum.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Formica entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to adjourn the Freeholder meeting. The motion was unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Submitted by,

Sonya G. Harris  
Clerk of the Board