

ATLANTIC COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

Stillwater Building

201 Shore Road, Northfield, New Jersey 08225

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Minutes of Meeting

March 21, 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 Carman, followed by the flag salute led by Chairman Formica.
- ROLL CALL** The following roll call was recorded: PRESENT: Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. ABSENT: Bertino.
- A quorum was present.
- MINUTES OF MEETING FEBRUARY 14, 2017** Freeholder Marino moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to adopt and dispense with the reading of the February 14, 2017 minutes.
- The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.
- PRESENTATION** Carol Cohen, Executive Director of the American Red Cross, was presented a citation for recognition of March as "American Red Cross Month" in Atlantic County.
- MOTION TO MOVE RESOLUTION NO. 118 TO THE TOP OF THE AGENDA** Freeholder Marino moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to move Resolution No. 118 to the top of the agenda.
- The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Carman, Coursey, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.
- *RESOLUTION NO. 118 Projects involving Geisinger Health System and its affiliates serving the people of Atlantic County** Freeholder Kern moved Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize resolution approving for the purpose of Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, a plan of finance by the Geisinger Authority and declaring that it is desirable for the health, safety and welfare of the people of Atlantic County, New Jersey for the Geisinger Authority to undertake a project involving the issuance of health system revenue bonds, Series 2017 (Geisinger Health System); and to provide for other projects involving Geisinger Health and its affiliates serving the people of Atlantic County, New Jersey.
- Mr. Frank Bleed, Government Relations Representative for AtlantiCare, provided information and answered questions regarding Resolution No. 118. Dave Pumrale, Director of Treasury Operations and Dr. Robin Begley, Vice President of Nursing, both of Geisinger Medical Center, spoke briefly regarding the technical aspects of the Resolution.

*Not in numerical order

Chairman Formica read the following language in Resolution No. 118 into the record “The adoption of this Resolution is not a pledge of any revenue or security by the County, nor shall the County be liable for the payment of the principal of, or interest on, any obligations issued by the Authority, including, but not limited to, the Bonds. Neither the credit nor the taxing power of the County, the State of New Jersey or any political subdivision or agency thereof is pledged for payment of the Bonds”.

Chairman Formica opened the public hearing at 4:08 p.m. There being no comments, the meeting was closed to the public at 4:08 p.m.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 3
FINAL READING
Ordinance to vacate and
abandon sight triangle
easements across part of
Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 in Block
3802, along Brigantine
Boulevard in the City of
Brigantine**

Freeholder Marino moved and Freeholder Dase seconded a motion to adopt on final reading Ordinance No. 3-2017 to vacate and abandon sight triangle easements across part of Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 in Block 3802, along Brigantine Boulevard in the City of Brigantine.

Chairman Formica opened the public hearing at 4:23 p.m. There being no comments, the meeting was closed to the public at 4:23 p.m.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 4
FINAL READING
Ordinance to vacate and
abandon a sight triangle
easement across part of
Lot 11, in Block 987, along
Pitney Road in the
Township of Galloway**

Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to adopt on final reading Ordinance No 4-2017 to vacate and abandon a sight triangle easement across part of Lot 11, in Block 987, along Pitney Road in the Township of Galloway.

Chairman Formica opened the public hearing at 4:24 p.m. There being no comments, the meeting was closed to the public at 4:24 p.m.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 5
FINAL READING
Ordinance to vacate and
abandon a sight triangle
easement across part of
Lot 19, in Block 12, along
2123 Shore Road in the
City of Linwood**

Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to adopt on final reading Ordinance No. 5-2017 to vacate and abandon a sight triangle easement across part of Lot 19, in Block 12, along 2123 Shore Road in the City of Linwood.

Chairman Formica opened the public hearing at 4:25 p.m. There being no comments, the meeting was closed to the public at 4:25 p.m.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 6
FINAL READING
Ordinance to vacate and
abandon a sight triangle
easement and deed
restriction across part of
Lot 1, in Block 33, along
Ventnor Avenue and
Twenty-Eighth Avenue in
the Borough of Longport**

Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to adopt on final reading Ordinance No. 6-2017 to vacate and abandon a sight triangle easement and deed restriction across part of Lot 1, in Block 33, along Ventnor Avenue and Twenty-Eighth Avenue in the Borough of Longport.

Chairman Formica opened the public hearing at 4:26 p.m. There being no comments, the meeting was closed to the public at 4:26 p.m.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 7
FINAL READING
Ordinance to vacate and
abandon a sight triangle
easement across part of
Lots 2.01 and 2.02 in Block
113, at the intersection of
Dorset and Ventnor
Avenues in the City of
Ventnor**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to adopt on final reading Ordinance No. 7-2017 to vacate and abandon a sight triangle easement across part of Lots 2.01 and 2.02 in Block 113, at the intersection of Dorset and Ventnor Avenues in the City of Ventnor.

Chairman Formica opened the public hearing at 4:27 p.m. There being no comments, the meeting was closed to the public at 4:27 p.m.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 8
FINAL READING
Ordinance to vacate and
abandon a sight triangle
easement across part of
Lot 1, in Block 1123, along
Thelma Avenue and
Ocean Heights Avenue in
Hamilton Township**

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to adopt on final reading Ordinance No. 8-2017 to vacate and abandon a sight triangle easement across part of Lot 1, in Block 1123, along Thelma Avenue and Ocean Heights Avenue in Hamilton Township.

Chairman Formica opened the public hearing at 4:28 p.m. There being no comments, the meeting was closed to the public at 4:28 p.m.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 10
FIRST READING
Ordinance providing for
the installation and
maintenance of a traffic
control signal at the
intersection of Pitney
Road (County Route 634)
and Crestview Avenue /
Stonybrook Drive
(Municipal Streets) in the
City of Absecon**

Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Risley seconded a motion to introduce on first reading Ordinance No. 10-2017 providing for the installation and maintenance of a traffic control signal at the intersection of Pitney Road (County Route 634) and Crestview Avenue / Stonybrook Drive (Municipal Streets) in the City of Absecon.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 111
Grant application for
funding through the
Edward Byrne Memorial
Justice Grant Program**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize a grant application to the New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice for funding through the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Grant Program in an amount not to exceed \$14,286.00, for Megan's Law staff for the period commencing April 1, 2017 and terminating March 31, 2018.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 112
Grant renewal
application for the State
Health Insurance
Program**

Freeholder Coursey moved Freeholder Kern seconded a motion authorize a grant renewal application from the New Jersey Department of Human Services to apply for a grant in an amount not to exceed \$33,000.00 for the State Health Insurance Program for the period commencing April 1, 2017 and ending March 31, 2018.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 113 Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to authorize a sub-grant agreement with the City of Atlantic City for the Meals on Wheels Program in an amount not to exceed \$12,090.00, for the period commencing January 1, 2017 and terminating December 31, 2017.

Sub-grant agreement for the Meals on Wheels Program

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

RESOLUTION NO. 114 Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Risley seconded a motion to amend a professional service contracts to provide youth shelter beds to the County to increase the total amount for all contracts by \$65,000.00, for a total amendatory amount not to exceed \$179,476.78.

Amended professional service contract to provide youth shelter beds to the County

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

RESOLUTION NO. 115 Freeholder Risley moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to authorize a bid contract with Huber Locksmiths, Inc., to provide lock repair service and parts for various locations for the total sum not to exceed \$156,500.00 for a two (2) year period commencing April 1, 2017 through March 31, 2019, to do the work and/or supply the materials as set forth in the contract.

Bid contract to provide lock repair service and parts for various locations

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

RESOLUTION NO. 116 Freeholder Risley moved and Freeholder Dase seconded a motion to authorize a bid contract with EACM, Corp., for replacement of chillers and associated hydronic pumps, piping, and mechanical and electrical appurtenances at the Stillwater Complex for a total sum not to exceed \$254,000.00 to do the work and/or supply the materials as set forth in the contract.

Bid contract for replacement of chillers and associated hydronic pumps, piping, and mechanical and electrical appurtenances at the Stillwater Complex

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

RESOLUTION NO. 117 Freeholder Carman moved and Freeholder Marino seconded a motion to approve Change Order No. 1, contract with Security Guard Inc., t/a Tri-County Security for the provision of security services at various County Buildings for a total amendatory contract amount \$1,291,278.94.

Change Order to contract for the provision of security services at various locations

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call:
AYES: Carman, Dase, Gatto, Kern, Marino, Risley and Formica. NAYS: Coursey.

RESOLUTION NO. 118 Moved to the top of the agenda.
Freeholder Kern moved Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize resolution approving for the purpose of Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, a plan of finance by the Geisinger Authority and declaring that it is desirable for the health, safety and welfare of the people of Atlantic County, New Jersey for the Geisinger Authority to undertake a project involving the issuance of health system revenue bonds, Series 2017 (Geisinger Health System); and to provide for other projects involving Geisinger Health and its affiliates serving the people of Atlantic County, New Jersey.

Projects involving Geisinger Health Systems and its affiliates serving the people of Atlantic County

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

RESOLUTION NO. 119
Reappointment to the
Atlantic County Fire
Training Advisory Board

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Dase seconded a motion to approve the reappointment of Howard Berchtold, Jr., Levon (Lefty) Clayton, Oscar Dutch, Jr., James Garth, Sr., R. Thomas Hunter, Jr., Amor (Skip) Portale, Joseph Ward and Gilbert Zonge to the Atlantic County Fire Training Advisory Board for terms to expire on March 1, 2018.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 120
Roadway Solicitation
event in Absecon

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Dase seconded a motion authorizing consent for a roadway solicitation event by Absecon Blue Devils Football and Cheerleading at the intersection of Mill Road (CR 662) and New Jersey Avenue (CR 601) in Absecon, on Saturday, April 8, 2017 and a second roadway solicitation event on Sunday, April 9, 2017.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call:
AYES: 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 March 15, 2017 through March 21, 2017.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman Formica opened the meeting to the public at 4:49 p.m.

Eileen Toland, resident of Northfield, questioned the need of having a security guard at the Animal Shelter. She later clarified she was not referring to the Atlantic County Animal Shelter.

Heather Wilberton, resident of Hammonton, attended a Freeholder meeting a month ago at which time she opposed the gas pipeline. Today she was announcing that a representative of the Green Party would be running for Freeholder.

Melissa Thomlinson, resident of Mays Landing, announced her candidacy for the office of Atlantic County Freeholder.

There being no further comments, Chairman Formica closed the public portion at 4:59 p.m.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Freeholder Alex Marino congratulated Atlantic County Warden Geraldine Cohen and her entire staff for receiving 100% compliance inspection for re-accreditation.

Freeholder Kern reported that the Atlantic County Economic Alliance is working diligently and an Executive Director will be name shortly. They recently named a company for marketing.

Freeholder Gatto announced the annual Energy Expo on Thursday in Northfield. Anyone needing energy assistance should attend. Team AC, a group from the Covenant House will sleep-out in Newark to bring awareness to homeless teenagers. Lastly, Mr. Rocky Corpelotto, former member of Hamilton Township Government, passed away. He was a kind and generous man.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Formica entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Freeholder Marino moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to adjourn the Freeholder meeting. The motion was unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:04 p.m.

Submitted by,

Sonya G. Harris
Clerk of the Board