

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

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**Minutes of Meeting**  
February 13, 2018

- CALL TO ORDER** A regular meeting of the Atlantic County Board of Chosen Freeholders was called to order by Chairman Frank D. Formica at 4:05 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 Gatto, followed by the flag salute led by Chairman Formica.
- ROLL CALL** The following roll call was recorded: **PRESENT:** Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Kern, Risley and Formica. **ABSENT:** None.
- A quorum was present.
- MINUTES OF MEETING January 2, 2018** Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to adopt and dispense with the reading of the January 2, 2018 minutes.
- The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: **AYES:** Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Kern, Risley and Formica. **NAYS:** None.
- PRESENTATION** Presented at the end of the agenda: Efforts to ban plastic bags on Absecon Island by Monica Coffey, Communications Manager, Atlantic County Utilities Authority.
- ORDINANCE NO. 2 FINAL READING Ordinance amending various sections and subsections of Chapter 97 of the Atlantic County Code entitled Parks for special events with alcohol in County parks** Freeholder Bertino moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to adopt on final reading Ordinance No. 2-2018 amending various sections and subsections of Chapter 97 of the Atlantic County Code entitled Parks to set new site fees; amend the methods for fee payments, and to amend provisions regarding applications, regulations and requirements, including insurance requirements, for special events with alcohol in County parks.
- Chairman Formica opened the public hearing at 4:07 p.m.
- Paul Herron, CEO of Gilda's Club South Jersey, an organization which provides psychosocial care for people impacted by cancer, expressed that Gilda's Club utilizes Lenape East Catering Hall for their major fund raiser. Extending the ability to serve alcohol will help them.
- Fred Knebble, owner of Knebble Company and Mays Landing Business Association, stated that extending the use of the park will bring more people into our County. Will be very beneficial to Mays Landing.
- Chairman Formica closed the public hearing at 4:10 p.m.

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to revise language in Ordinance 2-2018 replacing the word “may” with the word “shall” as it pertains to the security deposit.

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

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 3  
FIRST READING  
Ordinance of the  
County of Atlantic  
authorizing acquisition  
of part of an access  
easement across  
property identified as  
Block 103, Lots 10 and  
21 located along 24 East  
Washington Avenue, in  
the City of Pleasantville**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Risley seconded a motion to introduce on first reading Ordinance No. 3-2018 an ordinance of the County of Atlantic authorizing acquisition of part of an access easement across property identified as Block 103, Lots 10 and 21 located along 24 East Washington Avenue, in the City of Pleasantville, 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. from the owners of record thereof.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 43  
Grant application for  
Per Capita State  
Library Aid Funds**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to submit a grant application for Per Capita State Library Aid Funds from the New Jersey Department of Education, State Library in the amount of approximately \$77,938.00 to be appropriated to the 2019 operating budget of the Atlantic County Library System.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 44  
Submission of E-Rate  
Applications to provide  
affordable access to  
telecommunications  
services for all eligible  
schools and libraries**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to submit E-Rate Applications to the Schools and Library Division of the Universal Service Administrative Company to provide affordable access to telecommunications services for all eligible schools and libraries in the amount of \$183,073.14 for the period from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 45  
Amended professional  
services agreement for  
dam and transportation  
infrastructure projects  
to add an additional  
vendor**

Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize an amended professional services agreement with various engineers to establish a pool of professional consultants to provide engineering services for dam and transportation infrastructure projects to add an additional vendor at no cost.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 46  
Agreement to provide  
technical assistance on  
water and conservation  
matters**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize an agreement with Cape-Atlantic Soil Conservation District to provide technical assistance on water and conservation matters for an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 for the period commencing January 1, 2018 and terminating December 31, 2018.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 47**  
**Intergovernmental**  
**services agreement for**  
**the Community**  
**Development Block**  
**Grant (CDBG) Program**  
**ADA Renovations**  
**Projects 2016-2017**

Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize an intergovernmental services agreement with Atlantic County Improvement Authority to provide project management services regarding the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program ADA Renovations Projects 2016-2017 in an amount not to exceed \$6,000.00, for the term commencing February 15, 2018 and terminating February 14, 2019.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 48**  
**Sub-grant agreement**  
**with the City of Atlantic**  
**City for the Childhood**  
**Lead Poisoning**  
**Prevention Program**  
**Project**

Freeholder Bertino moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to authorize an intergovernmental services agreement with the Atlantic City Health Department to provide environmental intervention for a Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program in an amount not to exceed \$58,431.00 for the term commencing January 1, 2018 and terminating June 30, 2018, with an option to renew for up two additional years subject to fund availability.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 49**  
**Memorandum of**  
**agreement between the**  
**County and FOP 112**  
**Corrections Sergeants of**  
**the County**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion approving the terms of a memorandum of agreement between the County of Atlantic and FOP 112 Corrections Sergeants of Atlantic County, and authorizing the County Executive to enter into a formal written collective bargaining agreement incorporating the terms of the memorandum of agreement for a four year period commencing January 1, 2017 up to and including December 31, 2020, covering Atlantic County Justice Facility Sergeants.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 50**  
**Renewal contract for**  
**integrated pest**  
**management services**

Freeholder Bertino moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to enter into a contract renewal with Tri-County Termite & Pest Control, Inc. for integrated pest management services in an amount not to exceed \$29,564.00, for the term commencing January 1, 2018 and terminating December 31, 2018.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 51**  
**Bid contract to furnish**  
**and deliver a**  
**Management Digital**  
**Evidence System**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to enter into a bid contract with Linear Systems, Inc. to furnish and deliver a Management Digital Evidence System for the Prosecutor's Office in an amount not to exceed \$62,000.00 to do the work and/or supply the materials set forth in in the contract, for the term commencing March 1, 2018 and terminating June 30, 2018.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 52  
Bid contract to furnish  
and deliver feline  
housing**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to enter into a bid contract with JDJ Pets, Inc. to furnish and deliver feline housing to the Atlantic County Animal Shelter on an as needed basis for the total sum not to exceed \$82,420.00 commencing from notice of award and terminating on November 30, 2018, to do the work and/or supply the materials as set forth in the contract.

Michael Price, Egg Harbor Township resident, requested why the County is spending \$82,420 on feline housing and what does that include? Kathy Kelsey, Animal Shelter Manager responded.

Constituent in attendance asked how long will the housing last and the cost.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 53  
Bid renewal contracts  
to furnish and deliver  
medical supplies**

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to enter into a bid contract renewal with various vendors to furnish and deliver medical supplies to members of the Atlantic County Cooperative for the total sum not to exceed \$324,811.26 through the period commencing April 1, 2018 and terminating March 31, 2019 to do the work and/or supply the materials as set forth in the contract.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 54  
Bid renewal contracts  
to supply janitorial and  
custodial supplies**

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to enter into a bid contract renewal with various vendors to supply janitorial and custodial supplies to members of the Atlantic County Cooperative for the sum not to exceed \$295,174.47 for the term commencing March 1, 2018 and terminating February 28, 2019 to do the work and/or supply the materials as set forth in the contract.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 55  
Execute and file a  
spending plan for the  
2017 Recycling  
Enhancement Act Tax  
Fund Entitlement  
Program**

Freeholder Bertino moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to execute and file a spending plan for the 2017 Recycling Enhancement Act Tax Fund Entitlement Program with the Department of Environmental Protection in the amount of \$222,146.00.

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

**MOTION TO  
COMBINE AND  
ADOPT RESOLUTION  
NOS. 56 TO 59**

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to combine and adopt Resolution Nos. 56 to 59.

**RESOLUTION NO. 56  
Appointment to the  
Atlantic County Police  
Training Advisory  
Board**

Appointment of Chief Donna Higbee to the Atlantic County Police Training Advisory Board for an unexpired term to expire on May 1, 2018.

**RESOLUTION NO. 57** Appointment of Bruce Jenkins as second alternate to the Atlantic County Senior Citizens Advisory Board for a term to expire on January 31, 2021.  
**Appointment as second alternate to the Atlantic County Senior Citizens Advisory Board**

**RESOLUTION NO. 58** Reappointment of Mary Crane, Ph.D., Robert Greene, Mamie G. Jackson, Norman Kraemer, Eva Mitchell Forchion and William Simmons to the Atlantic County Senior Citizen Advisory Board for terms to expire on January 31, 2021.  
**Reappointments to the Atlantic County Senior Citizen Advisory Board**

**RESOLUTION NO. 59** Reappointment of Mary Beth Lewis as first alternate to the Atlantic County Senior Citizens Advisory Board for a term to expire on January 31, 2021.  
**Reappointment as first alternate to the Atlantic County Senior Citizens Advisory Board**

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 60** Freeholder Dase moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize consent for a roadway solicitation event by Pomona Volunteer Fire Company #3 at the intersection of Pomona Road (CR 575) and Jimmie Leeds Road (CR 633) on Saturday, June 2, 2018 and Saturday, September 8, 2018.  
**Roadway solicitation event in Galloway Township**

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 61** Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize a resolution encouraging, urging and supporting a renewed gun buyback program in Atlantic County (Sponsor: Ernest D. Coursey).  
**Resolution encouraging, urging and supporting a renewed gun buyback program**

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 62** Freeholder Risley moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize a resolution opposing pending State legislation awarding pay raises to high ranking State officials and State executive level officers and staff (Sponsor: Frank D. Formica).  
**Resolution opposing pending State legislation awarding pay raises to high ranking State officials and State executive level officers and staff**

Mike Price, resident of Egg Harbor Township, expressed his opposition to raises.

Michael Dougherty, resident of Mays Landing, questioned how many judges would effectively be receiving this \$24,000 raise? In a time when we need more police officers, teachers and others a raise of this amount is not warranted. Freeholder Formica responded.

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

**PRESENTATION** Efforts to ban plastic bags on Absecon Island by Monica Coffey, Communications Manager, Atlantic County Utilities Authority.

**REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD** Freeholder Bennett announced the Cubby's Corner Memorial and Dedication on February 21, 2018 at 7:15 p.m. at the Egg Harbor Township Branch of the Atlantic County Library System in memory of a five year old boy who passed away.

Freeholder Bertino, Roads and Bridges Chair, reported that the Committee met today and discussed all projects under construction.

**UNFINISHED  
BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

**WRITTEN  
COMMUNICATIONS  
AND PETITIONS**

There were no written communications were received by this office for the period of March 7, through March 13, 2018.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Chairman Formica opened the meeting to the public at 5:31 p.m. There being no further comments, Chairman Formica closed the public portion at 5:31 p.m.

**GOOD OF THE  
ORDER**

Freeholder Risley commended Freeholder Gatto for moving Ordinance No. 2 forward. It is wonderful that we are promoting our Park system.

Freeholder Fitzpatrick attended the job fair at the Atlantic City Convention Center. She stated it was a little disconcerting to see 4,500 people in need of work for jobs but great to see 80 vendors are advertising jobs.

Freeholder Gatto thanked County Counsel Ferguson, Legislative Counsel Steedle and the Board for their support. She expressed thanks to the negotiating team for the correction officers contract. Buena Vista brought their part of the road to 35 mph which was important in terms of safety.

Freeholder Coursey asked the status of the kitchen at Lake Lenape East.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Formica entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Bertino seconded a motion to adjourn the Freeholder meeting. The motion was unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

Submitted by,

Sonya G. Harris  
Clerk of the Board