

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

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Minutes of Meeting
April 10, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Atlantic County Board of Chosen Freeholders was called to order by Vice Chairwoman Maureen Kern 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, Vice Chairwoman Kern 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 Dase, followed by the flag salute led by Vice Chairwoman Kern.

ROLL CALL

The following roll call was recorded: PRESENT: Bennett, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. ABSENT: Bertino and Formica.

A quorum was present.

**MINUTES OF MEETING
February 27, 2018**

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Dase seconded a motion to adopt and dispense with the reading of the February 27, 2018 minutes.

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

**MOTION TO MOVE
RESOLUTION NOS. 144, 145
AND 146 TO THE TOP OF
THE AGENDA**

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Coursey seconded a motion to move Resolution Nos. 144, 145 and 146 to the top of the agenda.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 144*
Recognizing April as
Parkinson's Awareness Month**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Risley seconded a motion to recognizing April as Parkinson's Awareness Month (Sponsor: Richard R. Dase).

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 145*
Recognizing April 2018 as
Autism Awareness Month**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to recognizing April 2018 as Autism Awareness Month (Sponsors: Maureen Kern and Ernest D. Coursey)

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

* Not in numerical order

RESOLUTION NO. 146*
Resolution of support for the establishment of stigma-free communities and the Hope One Project in Atlantic County

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a resolution of support for the establishment of stigma-free communities and the Hope One Project in Atlantic County (Sponsors: Maureen Kern and Ernest D. Coursey).

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

MOTION TO MOVE
RESOLUTION NO. 124 TO
THE TOP OF THE AGENDA

Freeholder Risley moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to move Resolution No. 124 to the top of the agenda.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 124*
Temporary FY 2018 Capital Budget

Freeholder Risley moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize the FY 2018 Temporary Capital Budget.

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

BOND ORDINANCE NO. 1
FIRST READING
Bond Ordinance providing for various 2018 capital improvements by and in the County of Atlantic

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to introduce on first reading Bond Ordinance No. 1-2018 providing for various 2018 capital improvements by and in the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey; appropriating \$6,432,000 therefor and authorizing the issuance of \$6,110,400 bonds or notes to finance part of the cost thereof.

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

BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2
FIRST READING
Bond Ordinance providing for various capital improvements for fiscal year 2018

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to introduce on first reading Bond Ordinance No. 2-2018 providing for various capital improvements for fiscal year 2018 by and for the Atlantic Cape Community College located within the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey; appropriating \$3,100,000 therefor and authorizing the issuance of \$3,100,000 bonds or notes of the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, for financing such appropriation, the principal of and interest on the aggregate principal amount of which will be entitled to State Aid, pursuant to Chapter 12 of the Laws of New Jersey of 1971.

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

CAPITAL ORDINANCE NO. 1
FIRST READING
Providing for information technology improvements and general capital improvements to various county-owned facilities

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Risley seconded a motion to introduce on first reading Capital Ordinance No. 1-2018 providing for information technology improvements and general capital improvements to various county-owned facilities, in and for the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey; and appropriating \$2,134,695 from the Capital Improvement Fund to pay for the cost thereof.

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

* Not in numerical order

**ORDINANCE NO. 4
FINAL READING
Ordinance to vacate and
abandon a sight triangle
easement across part of Lot 4, in
Block 7002, along East Landis
Avenue in Buena Vista
Township**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to adopt on final reading Ordinance No. 4-2018 to vacate and abandon a sight triangle easement across part of Lot 4, in Block 7002, along East Landis Avenue in Buena Vista Township.

Vice Chairwoman Kern opened the public hearing for comments at 4:30 p.m. There being no comments, the meeting was closed to the public at 4:30 p.m.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 120
Funds Exchange Program-Cost
Reimbursement Agreement for
design costs associated with the
Margate-Ventnor Bicycle
Infrastructure Project**

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Fitzpatrick seconded a motion to enter into a Funds Exchange Program-Cost Reimbursement Agreement with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for FY'17 Transportation Trust Fund funding for design costs associated with the Margate-Ventnor Bicycle Infrastructure Project in the amount of \$34,927.00 for the term commencing March 5, 2018 and terminating March 5, 2020.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 121
Grant renewal application for
the State Health Insurance
Program**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to submit a grant renewal application from the New Jersey Department of Human Services for the State Health Insurance Program (SHIP) for an amount not to exceed \$33,000.00 for the period commencing April 1, 2018 and ending March 31, 2019.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 122
Grant acceptance for the Victims
of Crime Act Grant Program**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to accept Victims of Crime Act Grant Program funding from the New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice, Office of Victim Witness Advocacy for an amount not to exceed \$420,794.00, county in kind match of \$105,199.00 for the period commencing July 1, 2017 and terminating June 30, 2018.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 123
Grant application for Veterans'
Transportation Assistance**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Dase seconded a motion to authorize the submission of a grant application to the New Jersey Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs for Veterans' Transportation Assistance in an amount not to exceed \$17,000.00 for the period commencing July 1, 2018 and terminating June 30, 2019.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 124
Temporary FY 2018 Capital
Budget**

Moved to the top of the agenda.

Freeholder Risley moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize the FY 2018 Temporary Capital Budget.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 125
Competitive contract for the planning and submission of a Continuum of Care Grant application

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Fitzpatrick seconded a motion to enter into a competitive contract with Monarch Housing Associates for the planning and submission of a Continuum of Care Grant application in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00 for a term commencing upon notice of award and terminating December 31, 2018, with an option to renew for four additional one year terms.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 126
Bid contract to furnish and deliver electrical supplies

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to enter into a bid contract with Billows Electric Supply Company, Inc. to furnish and deliver electrical supplies for the total sum not to exceed \$179,439.00 to do 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, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 127
Change order no. 1 and final contract for resurfacing of Sixth Avenue, Section 1A & 1B in the Township of Galloway

Freeholder Dase moved and Freeholder Risley seconded a motion to approve Change Order No. 1 and final contract with Arawak Paving Co., Inc. for resurfacing of Sixth Avenue, Section 1A & 1B in the Township of Galloway for a total amendatory contract amount of \$901,347.79.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 128
Resolution amending and renewing State lease No. 4649 with the State of New Jersey, Department of Treasury, Division of Property Management and Construction

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Risley seconded a motion authorizing a resolution amending and renewing State lease No. 4649 with the State of New Jersey, Department of Treasury, Division of Property Management and Construction at an annual rental of \$86,247.25 applied retroactively to August 21, 2017.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 129
Memorandum of Agreement for the use of the Atlantic County Pistol Range

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize a Memorandum of Agreement with Gloucester County for the use of the Atlantic County Pistol Range.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 130
Resolution approving the modified terms of a Memorandum of Agreement between the County of Atlantic and Teamsters Local 331

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to approve the modified terms of a Memorandum of Agreement between the County of Atlantic and Teamsters Local 331 Superintendent of Elections, and authorizing the County Executive to enter into a formal written collective bargaining agreement incorporating the amended terms of the Memorandum

Superintendent of Elections

of Agreement for a three year period commencing January 1, 2017 up to and including December 31, 2019.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 131
Resolution enabling the Egg Harbor Township Municipal Utilities Authority to participate in the South Jersey Power Cooperative**

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to authorize a resolution enabling the Egg Harbor Township Municipal Utilities Authority to participate in the South Jersey Power Cooperative Pricing Agreement.

Nadine Flynn, resident of Egg Harbor Township, asked how will this help Egg Harbor Township? County Administrator DelRosso responded.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 132
Amending Resolution No. 243 (5/23/17) authorizing the County to make purchases through the New Jersey's Cooperative Purchasing Program**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to amend Resolution No. 243 adopted on May 23, 2017 authorizing the County to make purchases through the State of New Jersey's Cooperative Purchasing Program.

Nadine Flynn, resident of Egg Harbor Township, does this purchasing program include any purchasing supplies and if so, how do we decide if we are going to use Billows? County Administrator DelRosso responded.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 133
Resolution authorizing the County to make purchases through the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program**

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Fitzpatrick seconded a motion to authorize the County to make purchases through the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program.

Creed Pogue, resident of Estell Manor, asked if this was a different set of purchases than Resolution No. 132. County Administrator DelRosso responded.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 134
An agreement for nursing and rehabilitation services to veterans at Meadowview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center**

Freeholder Risley moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to enter into an agreement between the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs for the provision of nursing and rehabilitation services to veterans at Meadowview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center for the period commencing April 15, 2018 and terminating April 14, 2023.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 135
Resolution adopting the Governing Body's Certification of Compliance with the United States Equal Employment**

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Risley seconded a motion to authorize a resolution adopting the Governing Body's Certification of Compliance with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's "Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in

Opportunity Commission's "Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964"	<p>Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964".</p> <p>Creed Pogue, resident of Estell Manor, asked is this changing, check the box? County Counsel Jim Ferguson responded.</p> <p>The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.</p>
MOTION TO COMBINE AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NOS. 136 TO 138	<p>Freeholder Risley moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to combine and adopt Resolution Nos. 136 to 138.</p>
RESOLUTION NO. 136 Appointment as third Alternate to the Atlantic County Senior Citizens Advisory Board	<p>Appointment of Sabrena T. McDaniel Brandon as third Alternate to the Atlantic County Senior Citizens Advisory Board for a term to expire on January 31, 2021.</p>
RESOLUTION NO. 137 Appointment to the Atlantic County Police Training Advisory Board	<p>Appointment of Chief Michael Boyd to the Atlantic County Police Training Advisory Board for a term to expire on May 1, 2021.</p>
RESOLUTION NO. 138 Reappointment to the Atlantic County Police Training Advisory Board	<p>Reappointment of Chief Ray Davis and Chief Donna Higbee to the Atlantic County Police Training Advisory Board for terms to expire on May 1, 2021.</p> <p>The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.</p>
MOTION TO COMBINE AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NOS. 139 TO 142	<p>Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to combine and adopt Resolution Nos. 139 to 142.</p>
RESOLUTION NO. 139 Roadway solicitation event in Egg Harbor City	<p>Authorizing consent for a roadway solicitation event by Egg Harbor City Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary on the 100 block of Philadelphia Avenue (CR 563) in Egg Harbor City on Friday, April 20, 2018 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.</p>
RESOLUTION NO. 140 Roadway solicitation event in Egg Harbor Township	<p>Authorizing consent for a roadway solicitation event by Egg Harbor Township High School Baseball Booster Club at the intersection of Zion Road (CR 615) and Ocean Heights Avenue (CR 559) in Egg Harbor Township on Saturday May 5, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.</p>
RESOLUTION NO. 141 Roadway solicitation event in Egg Harbor Township	<p>Authorizing consent for a roadway solicitation event by Egg Harbor Township Law Enforcement Explorer Post #94, Jersey Shore Council Boy Scouts of America at the intersection of Ocean Heights Avenue (CR 559) and Zion Road (CR 615) in Egg Harbor Township on Saturday June 9, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.</p>
RESOLUTION NO. 142 Roadway solicitation event in Egg Harbor City	<p>Authorizing consent for a roadway solicitation event by Egg Harbor City Fire Department on the 100 block of Philadelphia Avenue (CR 563) in Egg Harbor City on Friday, May 18, 2018 and a second roadway solicitation at the same location on Friday, August 24, 2018 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.</p> <p>The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.</p>

**RESOLUTION NO. 143
Canceling the April 17, 2018
Freeholder meeting**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Dase seconded a motion to amend Resolution 3-2018, canceling the regular meeting of April 17, 2018 and informing the newspapers.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 144
Recognizing April as
Parkinson's Awareness Month**

Moved to the top of the agenda.

Freeholder Coursey moved and Risley seconded a motion to recognizing April 2018 as Parkinson's Awareness Month (Sponsor: Richard R. Dase).

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 145
Recognizing April 2018 as
Autism Awareness Month**

Moved to the top of the agenda.

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to Recognizing April as Autism Awareness Month (Sponsors: Maureen Kern and Ernest D. Coursey).

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 146
Resolution of support for the
establishment of stigma-free
communities and the Hope One
Project in Atlantic County**

Moved to the top of the agenda.

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a resolution of support for the establishment of stigma-free communities and the Hope One Project in Atlantic County (Sponsors: Maureen Kern and Ernest D. Coursey).

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

**REPORTS OF SPECIAL
COMMITTEES OF THE
BOARD**

Freeholder Gatto stated the Budget and Finance Committee recently discussed Senate Bill No. 3409 which is now Public Law. The Law establishes standardized change conditions causes for local public construction contracts. It will make the change order process not as transparent as it has been in the past. No regulations have been implemented. Freeholder Gatto requested Legislative Counsel Steedle to draft a letter to the Local Government Services outlining the Board's specific concerns with the new law and copied to our legislators.

Freeholder Fitzpatrick reported that she attended her first meeting with the Senior Citizen Advisory Board last week on April 4, 2018. They requested a letter of support of Senate Bill No. 2244. Freeholder Fitzpatrick announced new Medicare cards minus the social security number being sent out over the next year.

Freeholder Bennett reported that the Youth Services Commission is conducting their annual monitoring of the programs. Their goal for community youth services was 80% but they achieved 100%.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Freeholder Fitzpatrick requested a resolution creating an Animal Shelter Advisory Board to serve the Atlantic County Animal Shelter including an independent veterinarian or the current veterinarian to report to the Advisory Board.

Freeholder Coursey suggested placing the ordinance on hold until the Human Services Ad hoc Committee can meet to discuss the proposal.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

**WRITTEN
COMMUNICATIONS AND
PETITIONS**

There were no written communications received by this office for the period of March 27, 2018 through April 10, 2018.

Freeholder Fitzpatrick stated she received a letter from Dr. David Dichter to create an International Center on Global Warming and other think tank discussions.

Dr. Dichter, resident of Linwood, requested a resolution of support from the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Vice Chairwoman Kern opened the meeting to the public at 5:14 p.m.

Ron Anderson, resident of Egg Harbor Township, conveyed his concern with the Head Start Program and the building the Head Start students are housed in which is adjacent to his horse farm.

Mike Price, resident of Egg Harbor Township, commended Freeholder Fitzpatrick on the Animal Shelter Oversight Committee.

There being no further comments, Vice Chairwoman Kern closed the public portion at 5:33 p.m.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Freeholder Coursey acknowledged the passing of County employee Matt Previti. There was a moment of silence was held.

On April 28, 2018, NJ Senator Ron Rice is holding a hearing to discuss the passage of marijuana usage in New Jersey. The hearing will be held at Second Baptist Church in Atlantic City.

Freeholder Risley commended the Board on the unanimous vote to adopt all of the bond ordinances on today's agenda. He also added it was good to read in The Press the increase in casino profits.

Vice Chairwoman Kern pronounced April as National County Government Month.

Freeholder Fitzpatrick reported that opioid deaths decreased 25% following the legalization of marijuana in Colorado.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chairwoman Kern entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Risley seconded a motion to adjourn the Freeholder meeting. The motion was unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

Submitted by,

Sonya G. Harris
Clerk of the Board