

ATLANTIC COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
Hamilton Township Town Hall
6101 Thirteenth Street, Mays Landing, New Jersey 08330

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Minutes of Meeting

May 7, 2019

- CALL TO ORDER** A regular meeting of the Atlantic County Board of Chosen Freeholders was called to order by Chairwoman Amy L. Gatto at 6 p.m., Standard Time, on the above-mentioned date, in the Hamilton Township Town Hall located at 6101 Thirteenth Street, Mays Landing, NJ.
- OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT** Statement of Open Public Meeting Compliance: Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, Chairwoman Gatto 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, MOMENT OF SILENCE AND FLAG SALUTE** The prayer was led by Freeholder Bennett, followed by the flag salute led by Chairwoman Gatto.
- ROLL CALL** The following roll call was recorded: PRESENT: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. ABSENT: Dase (Attending Galloway Town Hall Meeting).
- A quorum was present.
- MINUTES OF MEETING April 9, 2019** Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Bennett seconded a motion to adopt and dispense with the reading of the April 9, 2019 minutes.
- The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.
- PRESENTATION** Honoring Whitney Ullman as the Atlantic City Host Awards “2019 Spirit of Hospitality” recipient.
- RESOLUTION NO. 272 Chapter 159** Freeholder Formica moved and Freeholder Bennett seconded a motion to insert into the budget of the year 2019 the sum of \$24,190.65 from the State of New Jersey, Department of State, Division of Elections, Helping America Vote Act (HAVA) 2018.
- The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.
- RESOLUTION NO. 273 Chapter 159** Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Formica seconded a motion to insert into the budget of the year 2019 the sum of \$65,351.00 from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety, Office of the Attorney General, Victims Witness Advocacy – Stop Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) 2018.
- The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 274
Bid contract for
plumbing maintenance
and repairs**

Freeholder Formica moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to enter into a contract with Northeast Plumbing Services, LLC, for plumbing maintenance and repairs for the total sum not to exceed \$274,000.00 for the two year period commencing April 1, 2019 and terminating March 31, 2021 to 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, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 275
Extraordinary
Unspecifiable Services
(EUS) contract for flood
insurance at the Atlantic
County Animal Shelter**

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Formica seconded a motion to enter into a contract with Insurance Agencies, Inc., to obtain flood insurance for the Atlantic County Animal Shelter in the amount of \$1,609.00.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 276
Extraordinary
Unspecifiable Services
(EUS) contract to
purchase a policy which
will reduce the named
storm wind deductible**

Freeholder Formica moved and Freeholder Bennett seconded a motion to enter into a contract with Insurance Agencies, Inc., to purchase a policy which will reduce the named storm wind deductible for amount not to exceed \$30,679.24.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 277
Amending Extraordinary
Unspecifiable Services
(EUS) contract to
purchase an extension of
the Storage Tank
Pollution liability policy
with terrorism for the
County's six
underground storage
tanks**

Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Formica seconded a motion to enter into an Extraordinary Unspecifiable Services (EUS) contract with Glenn Insurance, Inc., to purchase an extension of the Storage Tank Pollution liability policy with terrorism through Crum & Forster for the County's six underground storage tanks in the amount of \$1,037.40 from April 15, 2019 through June 15, 2019.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 278
Modification no. 1 for
FY'18 Federal Aid
funding for construction
costs associated with the
resurfacing of Delilah
Road in the Township of
Egg Harbor**

Freeholder Bennett moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to authorize modification no. 1 to the Federal Aid Agreement with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for FY'18 Federal Aid funding for construction costs associated with the resurfacing of Delilah Road in the Township of Egg Harbor authorizing additional funding in the amount of \$426,460.03, for a total amount not to exceed \$1,610,879.03.

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

- RESOLUTION NO. 279**
Modification no. 1 for Transportation Trust Fund funding for the design costs associated with Margate-Ventnor Bicycle Infrastructure Project
- Freeholder Formica moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to authorize modification no. 1 to the Funds Exchange Program-Cost Reimbursement Agreement with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for Transportation Trust Fund funding for the design costs associated with Margate-Ventnor Bicycle Infrastructure Project authorizing additional funding in the amount of \$19,135.10, for a total amount not to exceed \$54,062.10.
- The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.
- RESOLUTION NO. 280**
Reappointment to the Atlantic County Criminal Justice Advisory Board
- Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Formica seconded a motion to approve the reappointment of John McLernon, Jill Houck, Dan Brown, Gary L. Denamen, Kristie Baker Gardener, Mike Kelly, Vincent R. Kirkland, Amanda Leese, Lennon Moore, Kurt Ohlson, Jerome M. Page, Eric Scheffler, Christine Tartaro and Ann Thoresen to the Atlantic County Criminal Justice Advisory Board for terms to expire on April 1, 2020.
- The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.
- RESOLUTION NO. 280A**
Reappointment to the Atlantic County Criminal Justice Advisory Board
- Freeholder Bennett moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to approve the reappointment of Walt Vernon to the Atlantic County Criminal Justice Advisory Board for a term to expire on April 1, 2020.
- The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern and Risley. NAYS: None. RECUSE: Gatto.
- MOTION TO COMBINE AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NOS. 281 TO 283**
- Freeholder Formica moved and Freeholder Coursey second a motion to combine and adopt Resolution Nos. 281 to 283.
- RESOLUTION NO. 281**
Roadway solicitation event in Egg Harbor Township
- Authorizing consent for a roadway solicitation event by Bargaintown Volunteer Fire Company #2 at the intersection of Ocean Heights Avenue (CR 559) and Zion Road (CR 615) in Egg Harbor Township on Saturday, May 25, 2019 and Sunday, September 7, 2019 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.
- RESOLUTION NO. 282**
Roadway solicitation event in the Borough of Longport
- Authorizing consent for a roadway solicitation event by Longport Volunteer Fire Company to be held on Ventnor Avenue (CR 629) at its intersection with 29th Avenue in the Borough of Longport on Sunday, May 26, 2019 from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM.
- RESOLUTION NO. 283**
Roadway solicitation event in Egg Harbor Township
- 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 8, 2019 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.
- The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 284
Recognizing May 2019 as
Mental Health Awareness
Month**

Freeholder Bertino moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion recognizing May 2019 as Mental Health Awareness Month (Sponsor: Maureen Kern).

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 285
Resolution supporting the
work and services supplied
by the Atlantic County
Office of Aging as funded
by the Older American
Act (OAA), urging re-
authorization of the act by
Congress and declaring
May 2019 as Older
Americans Month in
Atlantic County**

Freeholder Formica moved and Freeholder Fitzpatrick seconded a motion to authorize a resolution supporting the work and services supplied by the Atlantic County Office of Aging as funded by the Older American Act (OAA), urging re-authorization of the act by Congress and declaring May 2019 as Older Americans Month in Atlantic County (Sponsor: Caren L. Fitzpatrick).

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

**REPORTS OF SPECIAL
COMMITTEES OF THE
BOARD**

Freeholder Kern reported that the Jewish Family Services administers the Links to Health Program which provides assistance to individuals with certain mental health diagnoses. The Disability Advisory Board is monitoring two U.S. Senate bills. Senate Bill No. 117 which prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities that require long-term services and Senate Bill No. 3547 which permits Access Link to operate during State of Emergencies.

Freeholder Formica reported that Bob Frolow is experiencing a much higher frequency of veterans utilizing our services and putting a strain on the one and a half employees in the Veterans Office. The Atlantic County Memorial Day Program which has been held for the past 25 to 30 years, will be celebrated on May 24, 2019 at the Estell Manor Park at 2 p.m. Major General (Ret.) Mark L. Loeben is the guest speaker.

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 May 1, 2019 through May 7, 2019.

Freeholder Risley reported that Governor Murphy wisely rescinded his plan to take \$33 million from the State Firemen's Fund. Egg Harbor Township is blessed with five volunteer fire departments. This fund assists with funerals and other tragedies firefighters undergo.

Freeholder Fitzpatrick received a call from David Click regarding flooding on Delilah Road where there is a new development.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairwoman Gatto opened the meeting to the public at 6:32 p.m.

David Click, resident of Egg Harbor Township, reported the flooding problem near his residence. County Administrator DelRosso and Freeholder Formica responded.

Bob Hollinger, resident at the same property of Egg Harbor Township, added regarding the Delilah Road drainage problem that there is a large drain in front of their property that is clogged. The water sitting on the road causes hydroplaning of cars traveling fast.

There being no further comments, Chairwoman Gatto closed the public portion at 6:38 p.m.

GOOD OF THE ORDER Chairwoman Gatto thanked Hamilton Township for hosting the Freeholder Meeting. She recognized Hamilton Township Assistant to the Administrator Lisa Marcolongo, former Mayor Charles Pritchard and former solicitor Randy Lafferty. Chairwoman Gatto stated it would be great to hold meetings in our County Seat with so much happening in the Township.

Freeholder Kern wished all mothers a Happy Mother's Day.

Freeholder Fitzpatrick reported she was honored and happy to attend the Master and Doctorate degrees program at Stockton University. It was a wonderful event and speaks to Stockton's growth.

Freeholder Gatto reported that State Senator Brown is hosting his mobile office at the Absecon VFW on May 8, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. The New Jersey Association of Counties (NJAC) is holding their conference later this week. County Executive Levinson will be interviewed at NJAC's Pasta and Politics discussion. Richland and Ventnor are having their community day this week. She extended appreciation for teachers and nurses week.

ADJOURNMENT Chairwoman Gatto entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Fitzpatrick seconded a motion to adjourn the Freeholder meeting. The motion was unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Submitted by,

Sonya G. Harris
Clerk of the Board