### ATLANTIC COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

**Stillwater Building** Virtual Meeting via Webex 201 Shore Road, Northfield, New Jersey 08225

> ~ ~ ~ **Minutes of Meeting** March 17, 2020

**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, MOMENT OF SILENCE AND FLAG **SALUTE** 

Moment of silence, 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.

**February 4, 2020** 

MINUTES OF MEETING Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to adopt and dispense with the reading of the February 4, 2020 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** 

POSTPONED: Recognizing March as "American Red Cross Month" in Atlantic County.

Update on COVID-19 by Patricia Diamond, Atlantic County Public Health Officer and Vince Jones, Emergency Management Coordinator.

Nanette Galloway asked how long does the virus last on office papers, etc. County Health Officer Pat Diamond responded.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2** FIRST READING An Ordinance to vacate and abandon clear sight triangle covenants and restrictions concerning the Weekstown Community Church, located along Pleasant Mills Road, at Block 6401, Lot 26, in Mullica **Township** 

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to introduce on first reading Ordinance No. 2-2020 to vacate and abandon clear sight triangle covenants and restrictions concerning the Weekstown Community Church, located along Pleasant Mills Road, at Block 6401, Lot 26, in Mullica 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. 125 Grant application for funding the 2020 Distracted Driving Crackdown Program Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize a grant application to the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety for funding the 2020 Distracted Driving Crackdown Program in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00 for the period commencing April 1, 2020 and terminating April 30, 2020.

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. 126 Grant application for the 2020 Click It or Ticket Mobilization Program Freeholder Risley moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize a grant application to the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety for the 2020 Click It or Ticket Mobilization Program in an amount not to exceed \$35,000.00 for the period commencing May 25, 2020 and terminating June 7, 2020.

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. 127 Amending Resolution No. 465 (8-27-19), grant application from the New Jersey Transit for Senior Citizens and Disabled Residents Transportation Assistance Program (SCDRTAP) Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to amend Resolution No. 465 adopted on August 27, 2019, grant application from the New Jersey Transit for Senior Citizens and Disabled Residents Transportation Assistance Program (SCDRTAP) amending to correct the grant amount from \$490,516.00 to \$520,804.63.

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. 128 Amending Resolution No. 467 (8-27-19), grant application for Section 5311 funding pursuant to the Federal Transit Act Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Bertino seconded a motion amending Resolution No. 467 adopted on August 28, 2019, grant application to the New Jersey Transit and the United States Department of Transportation for Section 5311 funding pursuant to the Federal Transit Act amending to correct the grant amount from \$441,824.00 to \$490,516.00.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 129 Professional services agreements to provide post offer preemployment physicals and associated diagnostic testing to prospective employees for designated positions Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to authorize professional services agreements with AtlantiCare Physician Group, PA and Health Med Associates, PC dba as Health Med Urgent Care to provide post offer pre-employment physicals and associated diagnostic testing to prospective employees for designated positions for an amount not to exceed \$30,320.00, for the period commencing April 1, 2020 and ending March 31, 2021.

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. 130 Renewal agreement to provide social services for the homeless Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to enter into a renewal agreement with Community Food Bank of South Jersey to provide social services for the homeless for a total amount not to exceed \$48,000.00, for the initial period commencing January 1, 2020 and terminating December 31, 2020.

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. 131 Amending Resolution No. 378 (7-2-19) agreements for a Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act-Out of School Youth Program Freeholder Bennett moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to amend Resolution No. 378 adopted on July 2, 2019, agreements with Stockton University and Ideal Institute of Technology for a Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act-Out of School Youth Program for a total amendatory amount for all agreements not to exceed \$964,916.00.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 132 Renewal bid to furnish and deliver miscellaneous office supplies Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to enter into a contract with W.B. Mason Company to furnish and deliver miscellaneous office supplies in a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$152,624.13 through the period commencing June 1, 2020 through May 31, 2021, 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. 133 Change order for resurfacing of Blue Anchor Road, Section 1 in the Borough of Folsom Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to approve Change Order No. 1 and final, contract with Arawak Paving Co., Inc., for resurfacing of Blue Anchor Road, Section 1 in the Borough of Folsom for a total amendatory contract amount of \$1,224,233.17, extending the term until November 8, 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. 134 Renewal lease agreement to occupy Harborfields Detention Center Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to enter into a renewal lease agreement with the State of New Jersey, Division of Property Management and Construction for the Juvenile Justice Commission to occupy Harborfields Detention Center in an amount not to exceed \$157,276.00 per year for five years commencing July 1, 2020 and terminating June 30, 2025.

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. 135 Amended agreement with the Borough of Buena regarding replacement of Plymouth Street Culvert (BV-111) Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to enter into an amended agreement with the Borough of Buena regarding replacement of Plymouth Street Culvert (BV-111) extending the agreement term until May 29, 2020 at no additional 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. 136 Agreement with the City of Margate for repaying of the intersection of Jerome Avenue (CR 563) and Amherst Freeholder Risley moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to enter into an agreement with the City of Margate concerning jurisdiction and cost sharing for repaving of the intersection of Jerome Avenue (CR 563) and Amherst Avenue for a sum amount not to exceed \$49,115.97.

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. 137 Acceptance of deeds/easements from various grantors in accordance with Atlantic County Planning Standards Freeholder Bertino moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize the acceptance of deeds/easements from various grantors in accordance with Atlantic County Planning Standards.

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. 138
Authorizing an agreement
of sale to acquire
approximately 35 acres of
land in Hamilton
Township for open space
preservation purposes

Freeholder Bennett moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to enter into an agreement of sale and to execute such documents as necessary to acquire approximately 35 acres of land designated as Block 854, Lots 44-50 in Hamilton Township for open space preservation purposes for the sum not to exceed \$96,000.00.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 139 Business Associate Agreement with the 2020/2021 State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) Grant Freeholder Bennett moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize a Business Associate Agreement between the New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Aging Services and the Atlantic County Office on Aging to be included with the 2020/2021 State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) Grant.

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. 140 Resolution for a standardized resolution to be filed with the 2020/2021 State Health Insurance Assistance Program Grant Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to comply with the Department of Human Services requirement for a standardized resolution to be filed with the 2020/2021 State Health Insurance Assistance Program Grant by the Atlantic County Office on Aging.

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. 141
Alternate method contract
to provide maintenance
services for the Abacus
and Administrative
Software

Freeholder Bertino moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to enter into an alternate method contract with Unitronix Data Systems, Inc., to provide maintenance services for the Abacus and Administrative Software for the Department of Family and Community Development for an amount not to exceed \$65,651.16 for the term commencing January 1, 2020 and terminating December 31, 2020.

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. 142 Contract for quotes for actuarial analysis of postemployment dental and vision benefits liability Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to enter into a contract with Jefferson Solutions, Inc., for quotes for actuarial analysis of post-employment dental and vision benefits liability for the sum not to exceed \$5,930.00 to do the work and/or supply the materials as set forth in the contract for the term commencing from Freeholder approval and terminating December 31, 2020.

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. 143 Amending Resolution No. 238 (4-16-19) renewal agreement for the provision of a methadone treatment program to inmates Freeholder Bennett moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to amend Resolution No. 238 adopted on April 16, 2019, renewal agreement with John Brooks Recovery Center for the provision of a methadone treatment program to inmates at the Atlantic County Justice Facility in an amount not to exceed \$255,406.00, for the term commencing May 18, 2019 and terminating September 30, 2020.

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. 144 Emergency contract for the purchase and delivery of pressure treated lumber for emergency bridge repair work on Dorset Avenue Bridge Freeholder Bertino moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize an emergency contract with Diamond Lumber for the purchase and delivery of pressure treated lumber for emergency bridge repair work on Dorset Avenue Bridge and stock replenishment for future emergencies, in an amount not to exceed \$800.00.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 145 Appointment to the Atlantic County Local Advisory Council on Alcoholism Freeholder Risley moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to appoint Mary E. Duncan to the Atlantic County Local Advisory Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse for a term to expire on November 1, 2023.

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. 146 TO 148 Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to combine and adopt Resolution Nos. 146 to 148.

RESOLUTION NO. 146 Roadway solicitation event in the City of Brigantine Authorizing consent for a roadway solicitation event by Brigantine PBA Local 204 at the intersection of County Route 638 and Harbor Beach Boulevard in the City of Brigantine on Sunday, March 29, 2020 from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

RESOLUTION NO. 147 Roadway solicitation in event the Township of Galloway Authorizing consent for a roadway solicitation event by Oceanville Volunteer Fire Company #1 at the intersection of Pitney Road (CR 634) and Great Creek Road in the Township of Galloway on Saturday April 25, 2020 and Saturday September 26, 2020 from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

# **RESOLUTION NO. 148** in the Township of **Galloway**

Authorizing consent for a roadway solicitation event by Pomona Roadway solicitation event Volunteer Fire Company #3 at the intersection of Pomona Road (CR 575) and Jimmie Leeds Road (CR 633) in the Township of Galloway on Saturday, May 30, 2020 and Saturday, September 5, 2020 from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

> 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. 149** WITHDRAWN

WITHDRAWN (3-17-20): Resolution amending Resolution 3-2020 and informing the public and newspapers of the revised remaining schedule of the meetings during 2020 of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Atlantic and informing them of the assistance of available live streaming video electronic technology for viewing the meetings and participating in them in an effort to permit avoidance of physical attendance during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

## **RESOLUTION NO. 150 Resolution supporting the American Association of Diabetes Educators in its Diabetes Prevention Program**

Freeholder Bertino moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to authorize a Resolution supporting the American Association of Diabetes Educators in its Diabetes Prevention Program (Sponsor: Frank D. Formica).

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

## REPORTS OF SPECIAL **COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD**

Freeholder Kern reported she attended the Mental Health Advisory Board Meeting and requested information to help people currently experiencing anxiety; SAMHSA.gov provides mental health assistance.

Freeholder Bennett reminded everyone to check on individuals during the pandemic that have mental health conditions.

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

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Freeholder Risley asked if any refunding bonds are coming up since the interest rates are very low. County Treasurer Bonnie Lindaw responded that there is volatility at this time and our Bond Counsel recommended that we do not move forward to refund at this time.

## WRITTEN **COMMUNICATIONS** AND PETITIONS

Written communications received by this office for the period of March 4, 2020 to March 17, 2020.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Chairman Formica opened the meeting to the public at 5:16 p.m.

Nanette Galloway stated that Cape May County Freeholder Director requested out-of-town visitors to stay in their primary homes so not to stress the medical system and supermarkets. Will Atlantic County do the same?

There being no further comments, Chairman Formica closed the public portion at 5:17 p.m.

## GOOD OF THE ORDER

Freeholder Coursey thanked the Freeholder staff and the County's Information Technologies Division for coordinating the Board's first live-stream meeting. Atlantic City will also live-stream their first meeting tomorrow evening.

Freeholder Gatto reminded businesses of the registry provided informing of any assistance on the State or Federal level. The County may have to explore ways to assist. Freeholder Gatto encouraged use of delivery services from local restaurants.

Freeholder Bennett requested we continue to keep health care workers, social workers and first responders in our thoughts as they are on the front lines.

#### **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 5:24 p.m.

Submitted by,

Sonya G. Harris Clerk of the Board