

ATLANTIC COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
via Cisco Webex Video Conferencing

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Minutes of Meeting
June 16, 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, via Cisco Webex Video conferencing as a result of COVID-19.
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 <i>The Press of Atlantic City</i> , and mailed to <i>The Current</i> , <i>The Daily Journal</i> , <i>The Hammonton Gazette</i> and <i>The Hammonton News</i> ; 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	A moment of silence was held for Louis Farrell and Mary H. Wilson, wife of the late former Freeholder Dr. Charles Wilson, Sr. The prayer and flag salute were led by Chairman Formica.
ROLL CALL	<p>The following roll call was recorded: PRESENT: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Kern, Risley and Formica. ABSENT: None.</p> <p>A quorum was present.</p>
MINUTES OF MEETING May 5, 2020	<p>Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to adopt and dispense with the reading of the May 5, 2020 minutes.</p> <p>The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Kern, Risley and Formica. NAYS: None.</p>
COVID-19 UPDATES Health:	<p>Patricia Diamond, Atlantic County Public Health Officer.</p> <p>Creed Pogue, resident of Estell Manor, asked would it be a good time to expand the testing to the asymptomatic so the reality would be if you want a test, you could get a test. Also, isn’t there a consensus that widely available testing is part of being able to reopen? Atlantic County Public Health Officer Patricia Diamond.</p>
PRESENTATION	<p>Information regarding the Primary Election on July 7, 2020 by Maureen Bugdon, Atlantic County Superintendent of Elections and Commissioner of Registration.</p> <p>Creed Pogue, resident of Estell Manor, stated this may be a question for the Board of Elections, will ballots that are “undervoted” be reviewed for indications of voter intent? Atlantic County Superintendent of Elections and Commissioner of Registration Maureen Bugdon responded.</p>

**ORDINANCE NO. 4
FINAL READING
Ordinance amending the
Code of the County of
Atlantic by repealing
Chapter 86, Land
Development, and
substituting therefore a
new Chapter 86, to be
entitled Atlantic County
Land Development
Standards, and repealing
Ordinance No. 3 of 2002
and Ordinance No. 3 of
2010**

Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to adopt on final reading Ordinance No. 4-2020 amending the Code of the County of Atlantic by repealing Chapter 86, Land Development, and substituting therefore a new Chapter 86, to be entitled Atlantic County Land Development Standards, and repealing Ordinance No. 3 of 2002 and Ordinance No. 3 of 2010.

Chairman Formica opened the public hearing portion for comments at 4:34 p.m. There being no comments, Chairman Formica closed the public hearing at 4:34 p.m.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 6
FIRST READING
Ordinance to vacate a
portion of right of way
previously dedicated to
the County of Atlantic for
the widening of Old New
York Road (CR 610)
across Lots 23.01, 23.02
and 23.03, Block 29 in the
City of Port Republic**

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to introduce on first reading Ordinance No. 6-2020 to vacate a portion of the right of way previously dedicated to the County of Atlantic for the widening of Old New York Road (CR 610) across Lots 23.01, 23.02 and 23.03, Block 29 in the City of Port Republic.

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. 264
Grant application and
acceptance for FY 2021
Subregional
Transportation Planning
Work Program**

Freeholder Risley moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to submit a grant application and acceptance from the South Jersey Transportation Authority for FY 2021 Subregional Transportation Planning Work Program for an amount not to exceed \$113,600.00 contingent upon a County-in-kind match not to exceed \$28,400.00, for a total amount not to exceed \$142,000.00, for the period from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 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. 265
Grant application and
acceptance for CARES
Act-Section 5311 funding**

Freeholder Bertino moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to submit a grant application and acceptance from the New Jersey Transit for the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES) Act-Section 5311 funding in the amount of \$745,187.00, for the period starting March 20, 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. 266
Grant acceptance for the
Universal Service Fund
CWA Administration
Program**

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to accept grant funding from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for the Universal Service Fund CWA Administration Program in an amount not to exceed \$10,929.00, for the period commencing July 1, 2019 and terminating June 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. 267
Grant acceptance for the
LIHEAP CWA
Administration Program

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to accept grant funding from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for the LIHEAP CWA Administration Program in an amount not to exceed \$16,393.00, for the period commencing October 1, 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. 268
Grant application for FY
20 Emergency
Management
Performance Grant
(EMPG) – Emergency
Management Agency
Assistance (EMAA)

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Bertino seconded a motion to submit a grant application to the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management/Federal Emergency Management Agency for FY 20 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG), Emergency Management Agency Assistance (EMAA) in an amount not to exceed \$55,000.00, subject to a county in-kind match of \$55,000.00, for a total program amount not to exceed \$110,000.00 for the period from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 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. 269
Amending Resolution No.
287 (5-14-19), grant
application and
acceptance for the State
Health Insurance
Program (SHIP)

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to authorize amending Resolution No. 287 adopted May 14, 2019, a grant application and acceptance from the New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Aging Services for the State Health Insurance Program (SHIP) in an amount not to exceed \$5,500.00, to extend the term of the agreement, originally commencing April 1, 2019 and ending March 31, 2020, with a new termination date of 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. 270
Amending Resolution No.
209 (5-5-2020), grant
application and
acceptance for the
Medicare Advanced
Payment Grant to be
used to cover costs
related to Covid-19 at
Meadowview Nursing
and Rehabilitation
Center

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion amending Resolution No. 209 dated May 5, 2020, a grant application and acceptance from the United States Department of Health and Human Services for the Medicare Advanced Payment Grant to be used to cover costs related to Covid-19 at Meadowview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in the amount of \$500,000.00, for a total award of \$769,661.15.

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. 271
to 273

Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to combine and adopt Resolution Nos. 271 to 273.

RESOLUTION NO. 271
Chapter 159

Insert into the budget of the year 2020 the sum of \$58,008.00 from the United States Department of Justice, Atlantic County Coronavirus Emergency Response FY 20.

RESOLUTION NO. 272
Chapter 159

Insert into the budget of the year 2020 the sum of \$150,000.00 from the New Jersey Transit, Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311 Innovations Grant 2020.

RESOLUTION NO. 273 Chapter 159	Insert into the budget of the year 2020 the sum of \$500,000.00 from United States Department of Health and Human Services, Medicare Advanced Payment 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. 274 Amended professional services agreements with various vendors under the 2019-2020 Title Services Pool	Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion amending professional services agreements with various vendors under the 2019-2020 Title Services Pool to extend termination date until July 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. 275 Professional services agreement with The Hope All Day Foundation, Inc., to provide addiction recovery services	Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to authorize a professional services agreement with The Hope All Day Foundation, Inc., to provide addiction recovery services for an amount not to exceed \$126,059.00, for the period commencing June 30, 2020 and ending June 29, 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. 276 Bid contract to provide HVAC replacement at Harborfields Youth Detention Center	Freeholder Bertino moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to approve a bid contract with Gaudelli Bros., Inc., to provide HVAC replacement at Harborfields Youth Detention Center for the total sum not to exceed \$1,684,000.00 to do the work and/or supply the materials as set forth in the contract for the term commencing June 1, 2020 and terminating July 31, 2021.
	Creed Pogue, resident of Estell Manor, asked does the State reimburse any of this and is it being bonded? County Administrator DelRosso responded.
	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. 277 Bid contract to provide roof removal and replacement for Meadowview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and the Cronin Dental Clinic	Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to approve a bid contract with Jottan, Inc., to provide roof removal and replacement for Meadowview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and the Cronin Dental Clinic for the total sum not to exceed \$1,544,907.00 to do the work and/or supply the materials as set forth in the contract for the term commencing June 1, 2020 and terminating April 30, 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. 278 Change order for parking lot improvements to the Stillwater Parking Lot and Youth Shelter Basketball Court to extend the term date only	Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Gatto seconded a motion to approve Change Order No. 1, a contract with GWP Enterprises, Inc., for parking lot improvements to the Stillwater Parking Lot and Youth Shelter Basketball Court to extend the term date to September 25, 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. 279
Alternate method
contract with MTS
Software Solutions, Inc.,
to provide maintenance
service for the DocuWare
Imaging proprietary
software

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to enter into an alternate method contract with MTS Software Solutions, Inc., to provide maintenance service for the DocuWare Imaging proprietary software for an amount not to exceed \$28,163.00, for the one year period commencing June 26, 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. 280
Agreement to provide
construction engineering
and inspection services
for the Bicycle
Infrastructure Project in
Margate and Ventnor

Freeholder Bertino moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to enter into an agreement with Environmental Resolutions, Inc., to provide construction engineering and inspection services for the Bicycle Infrastructure Project in Margate and Ventnor for an amount not to exceed \$65,142.04, for the period commencing June 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. 281
Intergovernmental
services agreement to
provide technical
assistance on water and
soil conservation matters

Freeholder Bertino moved and Freeholder Bennett seconded a motion to enter into an agreement with Cape-Atlantic Soil Conservation District to provide technical assistance on water and soil conservation matters for an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00, for the 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. 282
Intergovernmental
services agreement to
provide landscaping and
grounds keeping services
at Oscar McClinton
Waterfront Park in
Atlantic City

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to enter into intergovernmental services agreement with the Casino Reinvestment Development Authority (CRDA) to provide landscaping and grounds keeping services at Oscar McClinton Waterfront Park in Atlantic City for an amount not to exceed \$24,775.00 for the 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. 283
Authorizing an additional
emergency contract to
furnish test kits and test
results to be utilized for
Covid-19 testing at the
Atlantic County drive up
test site

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to approve additional emergency contract with Bio-Reference Laboratories, Inc., to furnish test kits and test results to be utilized for COVID-19 testing at the Atlantic County drive up test site for amount not to exceed \$100,000.00.

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. 284
Approving the Atlantic
County Youth Services
Commission updated By-
Laws

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to approve the Atlantic County Youth Services Commission updated By-Laws.

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. 285
Resolution to comply
with the Department of
Human Services
requirements for a
standardized Board
Resolution to be filed
with the 2019/2020 State
Health Insurance
Assistance Program
Grant by the Atlantic
County Office on Aging

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Fitzpatrick seconded a motion to comply with the Department of Human Services requirements for a standardized Board Resolution to be filed with the 2019/2020 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. 286
National cooperative
agreement for the lease
and management of
various County vehicles

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to enter into a national cooperative agreement with Enterprise Fleet Management for the lease and management of various County vehicles in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000.00, for the period commencing on 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. 287
Bid contract for the
installation of bicycle
racks for the Margate-
Ventnor Bicycle
Infrastructure Project

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to enter into a bid contract with Ocean Construction, LLC, for the installation of bicycle racks for the Margate-Ventnor Bicycle Infrastructure Project for the total sum not to exceed \$154,714.00 to do the work and /or supply the materials as set forth in the contract for the term commencing upon approval by the New Jersey Department of Transportation and upon execution of the agreement between the parties 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. 288
Reappointments to the
Board of Education of the
Special Services School
District and the
Vocational School
District of the County of
Atlantic

Freeholder Gatto moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to reappoint Mark W. Ludwick and Philip S. Munafo to the Board of Education of the Special Services School District and the Vocational School District of the County of Atlantic for terms to expire on July 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.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL
COMMITTEES OF THE
BOARD

There were no reports of Special Committees of the Board.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Freeholder Risley stated during the May 5, 2020 Freeholder Meeting, he experienced technical difficulties which resulted in “no votes” on several resolutions.

NEW BUSINESS

Freeholder Fitzpatrick stated with the recent occurrences in our Country she suggested that the Board participate in a racism sensitivity training to identify institutional racism when it is observed. Chairman Formica responded.

County Treasurer Bonnie Lindaw reported on June 11, 2020 a bond sale was held for \$24,200,000 of general obligation bonds. A note was also sold for the Atlantic County Improvement Authority.

**WRITTEN
COMMUNICATIONS
AND PETITIONS**

There were no written communications received by this office for the period of June 2, 2020 to June 16, 2020.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman Formica opened the meeting to the public at 5:16 p.m. There being no comments, Chairman Formica closed the public portion at 5:16 p.m.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Freeholder Coursey reported that the City of Atlantic City has reached an agreement to demolish Trump Plaza. The City will also permit open containers of alcoholic beverages on the Boardwalk. Freeholder Coursey announced a tax decrease. He reported outside dining has commenced at Atlantic City restaurants and the opening of the casinos will be announced soon. The NAACP will host a Candidates forum tonight on Facebook Live. The Atlantic County Institute of Technology will hold their graduation ceremony on July 8, 2020

Freeholder Gatto stated she attended the opening of the Tennessee Beer Hall and there was a great crowd practicing social distancing. The Greater Atlantic City Chamber of Commerce is highlighting the restaurants that are providing outdoor dining and they all need our support. Next week the salons will open. Freeholder Gatto reported the well-organized event coordinated by young people in downtown Mays Landing. The event was peaceful with powerful messaging do in conjunction with the Hamilton Township Police and Government.

Freeholder Dase congratulated all the recent college, high school and eighth grade graduates. We need to continue to support our restaurants because they are hurting.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Formica entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Freeholder Risley moved and Freeholder Fitzpatrick seconded a motion to adjourn the Freeholder meeting. The motion was unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

Submitted by,

Sonya G. Harris
Clerk of the Board