

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN
FREEHOLDERS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2020 AT 4:30 P.M.
IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
4 MOORE ROAD
CAPE MAY COURT HOUSE, NEW JERSEY**

The meeting convened with Director Thornton presiding and the following members answering roll call:

Freeholders Desiderio, Hayes, Morey, Pierson and Thornton (5)

STATEMENT OF DIRECTOR

“This is a notice read pursuant to the requirements of the “Open Public Meetings Act.” At least 48 hours advance notice of this meeting has been provided by posting of the same in writing on the bulletin boards in the County Administration Building, and the County Clerk’s Office and mailing a copy of the notice to the Cape May County Herald and the Atlantic City Press and filing the same with the County Clerk, all being done on Thursday, January 15, 2020.”

MOMENT OF SILENCE

FLAG SALUTE-Led by Freeholder Pierson.

MINUTES – MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF 01/14/20 REGULAR MEETING
FH Desiderio moved/ FH Hayes seconded

Freeholders	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Desiderio	X				X	
Ms. Hayes	X					X
Mr. Morey	X					
Mr. Pierson	X					
Mr. Thornton	X					

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

REPORTS:

- 1) COUNTY ENGINEER: Bob Church reported that the final paving work was completed on Hope Corson Road today. The only thing left to finish was the striping of the roadway.

The Gateway Project resumed after a one day hiatus due to the POTUS visit in Wildwood. Today, traffic was switched over to the south side so the contractor could start on the north side improvements. The work up on the bridge was complete with the walls, and the south side of road was complete, as well.

At Ingrams Thorofare Bridge, spans 3, 7, 9 and 11 were poured yesterday, resulting in the causeway closure last night, to allow the fresh concrete to set. Tonight, spans 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10 would be poured and the causeway would be closed again from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. That would almost complete the southerly portion of the bridge on the west side, he stated. Three more pours were scheduled to take place over the spring.

In conclusion, he reported Rt. 47 at Dias Creek was closed because of a NJ DOT maintenance contract. It wasn’t planned. Two sixty inch pipes under Rt. 47 were defective, causing a sinkhole to form. The condition was declared an emergency. The pipes required replacement. The DOT didn’t seem to consider traffic maintenance, which was a disappointment he further stated. They could have closed one lane, alternated traffic and a used a temporary signal, keeping the road open. The completion date was scheduled for June. The engineer had requested a baseline schedule and asked if it was possible for

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the contractors to utilize double shifts to get the work done faster, before shore traffic started picking up in May. The DOT agreed they would try to get the work done as quickly as possible. Bob suggested the Board authorize a resolution at the next meeting, asking the DOT for the completion date in writing. He would have the resolution prepared for the next meeting.

- 2) COUNTY COUNSEL: Jeffrey Lindsay had no report.
- 3) COUNTY TREASURER: Brittany Smith reported the note for the Tech Village Project was renewed on January 16th. The interest rate had dropped from 2.74% to 1.79% resulting in a \$100,000 savings in interest.

FREEHOLDER REPORTS:

- 1) FREEHOLDER MOREY: Mr. Morey attended a meeting earlier today with Leslie Gimeno and others with the Municipal Redevelopment Advisory Committee at the Greater Wildwood Chamber of Commerce. The overall concept and the advisory committee's role were discussed. Their input was sought, but decision authority rested with the county and the municipality. The Atlantic County Improvement Authority was the project manager for the process. Within the next 60 days the "Area in Need of Redevelopment" would be defined and then a "Redevelopment Plan" would begin.

The freeholder recognized Ron Simone as being reappointed to the Planning Board for another 3 years by Res. No. 89-20 and elected as chair. The fact that he had been on the board since 2018 and also served on the Development Review Committee, was noted. His service was much appreciated by the BOCF.

Vice-Director Desiderio asked to be advised of the next Municipal Redevelopment Advisory Board Committee meeting so he could participate.

Freeholder Morey noted his attendance at the New Jersey Association of Counties Reorganization and swearing-in of Marie Hayes as President of NJAC.

- 2) FREEHOLDER PIERSON: Mr. Pierson attended the Southern New Jersey Freeholders Association meeting in Ocean City at the Flanders on Monday night, witnessing the swearing-in of Freeholder Hayes as the new president. SNJFA was comprised of 8 southern counties which met monthly to discuss regional issues and share notes he informed. They were also attached to NJAC, which Freeholder Hayes was also the president of this year. We have a stronger voice now in order to get things up to Trenton to our elected officials, so they can help us, he stated.

He commented on the Trump visit yesterday to the area.

- 3) FREEHOLDER HAYES: Ms. Hayes attended the annual Martin Luther King Day celebration in Ocean City. Antwan McClellan, long time Ocean City resident and newly elected Assemblyman for District 1, was honored at the event.

She attended the Lower Township Council Meeting on January 22nd witnessing Frank Sippel's swearing-in as the new mayor of Lower Township.

The freeholder acknowledged her role as president of NJAC for the coming year. She commented that it was a group of bipartisan individuals that all worked together toward common goals and she was honored to sit in the position. She talked about the SNJFA group and how it was a smaller group which addressed issues particular to the 8 southern counties. At Monday night's meeting they had learned that Cumberland County was now working on building a child advocacy center like Cape May County was doing.

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- 4) FREEHOLDER DESIDERIO: Mr. Desiderio congratulated Freeholder Hayes. He commented on the POTUS visit to Cape May County and what an unbelievable feat it was to have the president here. He gave “hats off” to Wildwood as host.
- 5) FREEHOLDER THORNTON: Director Thornton reported he and Denis Brown did an hour long taping with David Spatz for WOND Radio. He attended a very interesting census meeting with Leslie Gimeno, he stated. We need to get the word out regarding the \$20 per hour jobs that would be available. He also attended the most recent SJTPO meeting. He commended Freeholder Desiderio for again being elected the chairman of the organization.

He spoke about the recognition of Cape May’s Harriet Tubman Museum in the Smithsonian Magazine. The museum was named one of the most anticipated openings of 2020. The project was headed by the Mullock family of Cape May Point in collaboration with the Macedonia Baptist Church. The museum was housed in the parsonage of the now vacant church. The County of Cape May was a grant sponsor for the project he added.

He recognized the secret service, first responders, health department employees, the City of Wildwood and many others that contributed to an outstanding, safe and controlled rally at the Convention Center for the President he stated.

The businesses that opened up and didn’t gouge people were amazing Freeholder Hayes commented. People that came down for the 1st time let it be known they would be coming back again. Everyone was saying it.

INTRODUCED BY MR. DESIDERIO, SECONDED BY MS. HAYES

- 58-20 Resolution appointing George Dilworth to the Cape May County Construction Board of Appeals.
(This Resolution authorizes appointment of George Dilworth to the Construction Board of Appeals.)
- 59-20 Resolution to decrease petty cash funds for the Cape May County Health Department.
(This Resolution authorizes decreasing the petty cash account of the Cape May County Health Department from \$300.00 to \$200.00.)
- 60-20 Resolution to rescind petty cash funds for the Cape May County Clerk of the Board.
(This Resolution authorizes the rescinding of the petty cash account of the Cape May County Clerk of the Board.)
- 61-20 Resolution transferring the petty cash account of the Cape May County Facilities & Services.
(This Resolution authorizes a change in personnel responsible for maintaining the Cape May County Facilities and Services Petty Cash Account from Daniel Lockwood, Brian Gallagher or Al Porreca to Daniel Lockwood, Jeffrey Stiles or Al Porreca.)
- 62-20 Resolution authorizing the sale of County-owned property located in Ocean City, New Jersey.
(This Resolution authorizes the sale of County-owned property located in Ocean City, New Jersey.)
- 63-20 Resolution authorizing new Surety Bond with RLI Insurance Company for Janet M. McMahon, Division Director of Finance & Purchasing in the amount of \$1,750.00.
(This Resolution authorizes new Bond No. LSM1316441 for Janet M. McMahon, Division Director for the term of January 1, 2020 through January 1, 2021.)

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- 64-20 Resolution adding New Classification for County Employees.
(This Resolution establishes the use of additional NJCSC titles and their salary ranges for County employees by amending Resolution No. 5117-78.)
- 65-20 Resolution authorizing court-approved settlement of Claim Petition #2012-989.
(This Resolution authorizes a court-approved settlement of CP#2012-989 for total payments of \$23,820.00.)
- 66-20 Resolution authorizing court-approved settlement of Claim Petition #2009-27804.
(This Resolution authorizes a court-approved settlement of CP#2009-27804 for total payments of \$19,095.60.)
- 67-20 Resolution transferring funds 2019 Budget.
(This Resolution authorizes the transfer of funds from one department to another department.)
- 68-20 Resolution accepting Grant Award from New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety Division of Highway Traffic Safety for Underage Alcohol Enforcement Project No. AL-20-45-05-01 for the period October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020 in the amount of \$33,000.00.
(This Resolution accepts a grant award for the Cape May County Underage Alcohol Enforcement Project; grant period 10/01/19 through 9/30/20.)
- 69-20 Resolution accepting Grant Award from New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety Office of Insurance Fraud Prosecutor for Insurance Fraud Reimbursement Program (Cycle 20) from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 in the amount of \$130,700.00.
(This Resolution authorizes the County to accept a grant award in the amount of \$130,700.00 to be used for activities undertaken in connection with investigating and prosecuting insurance fraud for the period of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.)
- 70-20 Resolution authorizing use of competitive contracting for Architectural Site Work Engineering and Project Management Services for Child Advocacy Center.
(This Resolution authorizes use of competitive contracting for Architectural Site Work Engineering and Project Management Services pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(a)(i) Professional Services.)
- 71-20 Resolution authorizing various Agreements with certain vendors for Advertising, Commercials and Promotional Media for 2020 for Department of Tourism.
(This Resolution authorizes County Departments to use specified resources for Promotional Marketing without public advertising for bids pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(k).)
- 72-20 Resolution authorizing on-going public sale of surplus property and vehicles through contracted online auction service.
(This Resolution authorizes the County to hold online auctions as needed to dispose of County surplus property and vehicles through December 31, 2020.)
- 73-20 Resolution awarding Contract No. C0-05 to United Uniform LLC, to furnish and deliver uniforms for various County departments.
(This Resolution awards Contract No. C0-05 to United Uniform, LLC to furnish and deliver uniforms for various County departments, commencing January 30, 2020 for a term of one year with a one one-year option.)
- 74-20 Resolution awarding Contract No. C0-10 to Midmark Corporation D/B/A Mason Company to furnish, deliver and install indoor canine enclosures at County Animal Shelter in the amount of \$66,999.52.
(This Resolution awards Contract No. C0-10 to Midmark Corporation D/B/A Mason Company to furnish, deliver and install indoor Canine Enclosures at Cape May County Animal Shelter, in the amount of \$66,999.52 commencing January 30, 2020 and expiring upon project completion and closeout pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-15(9).)

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75-20 Resolution authorizing Agreement between the County of Cape May and Civic-Plus, LLC for a subscription to AudioEye in the amount of \$11,300.00 per domain.

(This Resolution authorizes an Agreement with Civic-Plus for a subscription to AudioEye for a term of twelve months, commencing January 30, 2020 in the amount of \$11,300.00 per domain.)

Freeholders	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Desiderio	X				X	
Ms. Hayes	X					X
Mr. Morey	X					
Mr. Pierson	X					
Mr. Thornton	X					

INTRODUCED BY MR. PIERSON, SECONDED BY MR. MOREY

76-20 Resolution granting and amending various Leaves of Absence to County Employees.

(This Resolution authorizes County Employees to be placed on a Leave of Absence in accordance with the County Leave of Absence Policy and the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA).)

77-20 Resolution authorizing Proprietary Software Maintenance Agreement with Unitronix Data Systems, Inc. for Department of Human Services Division of Social Services in the amount of \$43,988.40.

(This Resolution authorizes agreement between County of Cape May and Unitronix Data Systems, Inc., commencing January 1, 2020 for a term of one year in the amount of \$43,988.40 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5.1(dd).)

78-20 Resolution approving the monthly disbursements from the Department of Human Services for the TANF, General Assistance and Clearing Accounts.

(This Resolution accepts and approves the monthly disbursements for the TANF, General Assistance and Clearing Accounts as submitted by the fiscal Department of Human Services.)

79-20 Resolution accepting Grant Award from New Jersey Department of Human Services for County Comprehensive Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Services Contract No. 20-527-ADA-0 for the period of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 in the amount of \$272,094.00.

(This Resolution accepts a grant award contract No. 20-527-ADA-0 in the amount of \$272,094.00 with \$36,156.00 additional funding for the period 1/1/20 through 12/31/20.)

80-20 Resolution accepting Grant Award from New Jersey Department of Human Services Division of Aging Services for 2020 Area Plan Grant No. DOAS20AAA021 in the amount of \$647,397.00.

(This Resolution accepts a grant award for Area Plan Initial Allocation funds in the amount of \$347,397.00 with \$308,157.00 local match and \$62,335.00 program income for the budget period 1/1/20 to 12/31/20.)

81-20 Resolution authorizing execution of various Memorandums of Understanding for Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Service Program Dental Grants.

(This Resolution authorizes the execution of Memorandums of Understanding with various vendors for Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Service Program Dental Grants on an as needed basis.)

Freeholders	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Desiderio	X					
Ms. Hayes	X					
Mr. Morey	X					X
Mr. Pierson	X				X	
Mr. Thornton	X					

INTRODUCED BY MS. HAYES, SECONDED BY MR. DESIDERIO

- 82-20 Resolution supplementing the 2020 Salary Resolution and approving appointments and salaries.
(This Resolution authorizes the hiring of new County employees, temporary assignment pay, salary changes or corrections, title changes and promotions of County employees when applicable.)

- 83-20 Resolution authorizing Phase II of Contract No. C8-113 to Michael Calafati Architect, LLC in the amount not to exceed \$453,500.00.
(This Resolution authorizes County approval for Phase II of Contract No. C8-113 to Michael Calafati Architect, LLC, in the amount not to exceed \$453,500.00 collaboratively with the Cape May County Library Commission and the City of Cape May for the Franklin Street School Project.)

- 84-20 Resolution authorizing the Board to hold a meeting excluding the public on January 29, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as possible or as practicable.
Matters falling within attorney-client privilege, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)(7) and pending litigation, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)(7).
(This Resolution authorizes the Board of Chosen Freeholders to conduct a meeting excluding the public at the stated time in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-1, et seq.)

- 85-20 Resolution authorizing an Addendum to Lease Agreement between the County of Cape May and Aramark Sports & Entertainment Services, LLC.
(This Resolution authorizes an Addendum to Lease Agreement between the County of Cape May and Aramark Sports & Entertainment Services, LLC.)

Freeholders	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Desiderio	X					X
Ms. Hayes	X				X	
Mr. Morey	X					
Mr. Pierson	X					
Mr. Thornton	X					

INTRODUCED BY MR. MOREY, SECONDED BY MR. PIERSON

- 86-20 Resolution appointing Scott Madden as Acting County Road Supervisor.
(This Resolution authorizes the appointment of an acting supervisor of the County Road Department for a term of one year.)

- 87-20 Resolution authorizing Green Creek Volunteer Fire Company to solicit contributions along Bayshore Road (CR603) on various dates in the Township of Middle.
(This Resolution authorizes fire company volunteers to hold ‘coin drops’ to obtain public contributions which help offset operational expenses.)

- 88-20 Resolution authorizing application for Road Opening Permit to South Jersey Gas Company for Landis Avenue (CR619), Sea Isle City.
(This Resolution authorizes South Jersey Gas Company to renew a gas main on Landis Avenue (CR619), Sea Isle City. Work will be completed promptly.)

- 89-20 Resolution reappointing Ron Simone as a member to the Cape May County Planning Board.
(This Resolution reappoints Ron Simone to the Cape May County Planning Board for a term of three (3) years.)

- 90-20 Resolution reappointing Bob Ashman as a member to the Cape May County Planning Board.
(This Resolution authorizes the reappointment of Bob Ashman to the Cape May County Planning Board for a term of three (3) years.)

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91-20 Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$106,099.73 to South State, Inc. for Rio Grande Avenue (CR661) Entrance Improvements from George Redding Bridge to Arctic Avenue, City of Wildwood.

(This Resolution authorizes a change order to adjust various pay items in the contract to reflect as-built conditions.)

92-20 Resolution authorizing Modification No. 1-Final in the amount of \$9,148.26 to the Professional Construction Engineering Services Agreement with Remington and Vernick Engineers, Inc. for Ocean Drive (CR621) over Upper Thorofare and Mill Creek Bridge Repair and Approach Guide Rail Replacement – Phase I, Township of Lower.

(This Resolution increases the ceiling amount for additional work to be performed by Remington and Vernick Engineers, Inc. under their professional construction engineering services agreement for Ocean Drive (CR619) over Upper Thorofare and Mill Creek Bridge Repair and Approach Guide Rail Replacement – Phase I, Township of Lower.)

Freeholders	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Desiderio	X					
Ms. Hayes	X					
Mr. Morey	X				X	
Mr. Pierson	X					X
Mr. Thornton	X					

MOTION TO PAY BILLS: FH Desiderio moved/FH Hayes seconded

Freeholders	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Desiderio	X				X	
Ms. Hayes	X					X
Mr. Morey	X					
Mr. Pierson	X					
Mr. Thornton	X					

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

ADJOURN: 5:07 P.M. FH Desiderio moved/FH Hayes seconded

Freeholders	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Desiderio	X				X	
Ms. Hayes	X					X
Mr. Morey	X					
Mr. Pierson	X					
Mr. Thornton	X					

APPROVED

DIRECTOR

ATTEST:

ADMINISTRATOR