

MINUTES OF A CAUCUS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, HELD IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 4 MOORE ROAD, CAPE MAY COURT HOUSE, NEW JERSEY ON TUESDAY, MAY 25, 2021 AT 3:00 P.M.

Deputy Clerk Doyle called the meeting to order. The following members answered roll call:

Commissioners Desiderio, Hayes, Morey and Thornton - Present (4)
Commissioner Pierson - Virtual (1)

Statement of the 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 Wednesday, January 6, 2021.”

Moment of Silence

Flag Salute- Led by Commissioner Pierson

Agenda Items

Presentations:

1. Neil Byrne, President-Zoological Society

Administrator Lare offered background information on the Zoological Society’s proposal to build a new Toco Toucan exhibit at the County Park & Zoo. Mr. Byrne would provide more detail regarding the project shortly. County Counsel and the Zoological Society worked together on the Memorandum of Agreement for Res. No. 374-21, which codified the work to be done, he explained. The Zoological Society’s proposal included both the funding and project management. The County’s responsibility included bidding and administrative support.

Mr. Byrne stated that they desired to build a new habitat for the Toco Toucans and were prepared to cover the cost entirely. Afterward, they would then bring in a breeding pair to live in it. A fundraising campaign was underway to raise \$200,000 to pay for construction of the exhibit. Another project already underway was to house kangaroos and emus across from the Toco Toucans. The project had an expected completion date of mid-June 2021.

Discussion:

1. Kevin Lare-Purchasing Report

Mr. Lare detailed awards, extensions, or changes to contracts, and competitive contracting of the following resolutions: Res. Nos. 359-21, 360-21, 361-21, 367-21 and 375-21.

Res. 359-21 awarding Contract No. C1-101 to Caprioni Portable Toilets, Inc. to Furnish, Deliver, Service and Rental of Portable Sanitation Toilets.

Res. 360-21 awarding Contract No. C1-102 to Marlee Contractors, LLC to provide Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Contractor Services.

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Res. 361-21 authorizing purchase of three-year Licensing and Maintenance Agreement with Microsoft utilizing New Jersey State Contract in the amount of \$179,178.42 per year.

Res. 367-21 authorizing Change Order No. 2 in the amount not to exceed \$47,619.00 and closing Contract No. Co-137 with Aculabs for COVID-19 testing at Crest Haven Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

Res. 375-21 adopting pre-qualification regulations for prospective bidders for Historic Preservation Work to Improve and Adapt the Historic Franklin Street School to become Cape May City Library.

2. Kevin Lare-Administrator Report

The Administrators report consisted of discussion on Governor's Murphy's Executive Order #242 and what it would mean for county employees.

The available dates and expanded hours for the Lower Cape May Vaccination Clinic were announced.

He informed the Board he was checking overtime and comp time reports on a cumulative basis coinciding with bi-weekly pays to determine the obligations of the county. He would eventually follow up with the findings if needed.

3. Robert Church-Engineer's Update

The following resolutions on the agenda to be authorized during the Regular Meeting of Board tonight were acknowledged or discussed by Mr. Church.

Res. 377-21 authorizing Amendment to Shared Services Agreement between the County of Cape May and the Cape May County Bridge Commission.

Res. 380-21 accepting the work and closing the contract of Site Enterprises, Inc. for Demolition of Various Buildings at the Cape May County Airport, Township of Lower.

Res. 382-21 establishing a County wide No Passing Zone determination at intersections on County roads.

Res. 383-21 authorizing Modification No. 11 in the amount of \$0.00 to the Professional Services Agreement with Tetra Tech, Inc. for Professional Engineering and Licensed Site Remediation Services at the Cape May County Airport.

4. Commissioner Discussions

Commissioner Morey- Mr. Morey posed a question regarding the resolution on tonight's agenda which prohibited smoking marijuana on County property, Res. No. 366-21.

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Also, he commented on Aedicell Inc. and their recent decision to lease space at the Cape May County Airport. (Res. No. 381-21) He was in the process of gathering information to provide the Board with an update of the entire redevelopment project. Cellular Tracking Technologies had grown the number of employees and would be leasing additional space. Preliminary approval had been granted for funding the construction of another building. The Open Space Board had submitted a template of the signage which would mark the site of the new installations and identify the source of the funding which made it possible.

Commissioner Hayes- Ms. Hayes informed that Aramark, Inc. was in the process of renaming the souvenir store at the County Park & Zoo. Of the following names: King of Cape May, Pride of Cape May, The Lions Den, Mane Street and Cub's Corner she asked for the Board's favorite. Aramark was seeking the Board's input and guidance. A short discussion ensued.

Moved by Mr. Desiderio seconded by Ms. Hayes to adjourn the caucus. Roll call: Commissioner Desiderio, Hayes, Morey, Pierson and Thornton (AYE-5) (NAYE-None) (ABSTAIN-None) (ABSENT-None). Carried.

Caucus adjourned at 3:43 p.m.

Administrator/Clerk of the Board