

ATLANTIC COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Stillwater Building
201 Shore Road, Northfield, New Jersey 08225
and via Cisco Webex Video Conferencing

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Minutes of Meeting July 18, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Atlantic County Board of County Commissioners was called to order by Chairman John Risley at 4:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on the above-mentioned date, in the Stillwater Building located at 201 Shore Road, Northfield, NJ and via Cisco Webex Video.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT

Statement of Open Public Meeting Compliance: Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, Chairman Risley 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* and *The Hammonton Gazette*; 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 offered by Commissioner Gatto followed by the flag salute led by Chairman Risley.

A moment of silence was held for Commissioner Coursey's mother, Mrs. Hazel Coursey.

ROLL CALL

The following roll call was recorded: PRESENT: Bertino, Dase, Fitzpatrick (via Webex), Gatto, Kern, Parker and Risley. ABSENT: Balles and Coursey.

MINUTES OF MEETING July 11, 2023

Commissioner Parker moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to adopt and dispense with the reading of July 11, 2023 minutes.

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

PRESENTATION

NJAC Foundation Scholarships to the 2023 recipients.

ORDINANCE NO. 5 FIRST READING Ordinance designating locations in County owned and/or occupied buildings where public access is prohibited or limited

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Kern seconded a motion to introduce on first reading Ordinance No. 5-2023 designating locations in County owned and/or occupied buildings where public access is prohibited or limited to preserve security, safety and to protect and prevent disclosure of confidential information.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 6 FIRST READING Ordinance amending provisions of Ordinance No. 1-2021 adopted on March 2, 2021, which adopted an assessment on certain services furnished by hospitals located within the County's borders for the purpose of increasing funding to support the provision of

Commissioner Kern moved and Commissioner Parker seconded a motion to introduce on first reading Ordinance No. 6-2023 amending provisions of Ordinance No. 1-2021 adopted on March 2, 2021, which adopted an assessment on certain services furnished by hospitals located within the County's borders for the purpose of increasing funding to support the provision of necessary services by such hospitals to low-income citizens and provide new fiscal resources to the County of Atlantic.

necessary services by such hospitals

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

RESOLUTION NO. 375
Grant application and acceptance for the Youth Services Coordinator Grant

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Dase seconded a motion authorizing a grant application and acceptance from the New Jersey Department of Children and Families, Division of the Children's System of Care for the Youth Services Coordinator Grant for an amount not to exceed \$39,825.00 for the period commencing July 1, 2023 and terminating June 30, 2024.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 376
Amending Resolution No. 192 (4-18-23), a grant for the FY 2023 County Environmental Health Act Grant to change the grant period only

Commissioner Kern moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion amending Resolution No. 192 adopted on April 18, 2023, a grant from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for the FY 2023 County Environmental Health Act Grant to extend the grant period to June 30, 2023 at no additional cost.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 377
Grant application and acceptance pursuant to the Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Kern seconded a motion authorizing a grant application and acceptance from New Jersey Transit and the United States Department of Transportation pursuant to the Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act for an amount not to exceed \$580,286.00 for the term commencing January 1, 2024 and terminating December 31, 2024.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 378
Amending Resolution No. 169 (4-19-22), a grant to accept additional funding for the Highway Traffic Safety Program

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Kern seconded a motion amending Resolution No. 169 adopted on April 19, 2022, a grant from the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety to accept additional funding for the Highway Traffic Safety Program for a net increase of \$120,000.00 and a total amendatory amount not to exceed \$163,500.00 for the period commencing October 1, 2022 and terminating September 30, 2023.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 379
Amending Resolution No. 170 (4-19-22), a grant for a Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) Enforcement Program

Commissioner Bertino moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion amending Resolution No. 170 adopted on April 19, 2022, a grant from the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety for a Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) Enforcement Program for a net increase of \$60,000.00 and a total amendatory amount not to exceed \$175,000.00 for the period commencing October 1, 2022 and terminating September 30, 2023.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 380
Renewal competitive contract to provide pharmaceutical services for the Meadowview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center

Commissioner Parker moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing a renewal competitive contract with Partners Pharmacy to provide pharmaceutical services for the Meadowview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center for an amount not to exceed \$398,800.00 for the period commencing September 1, 2023 and terminating August 31, 2024.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 381
Contracts for the provision of hospice services at the Meadowview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Kern seconded a motion authorizing contracts with various providers for the provision of hospice services at the Meadowview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center at no cost for the period commencing August 1, 2023 and terminating July 31, 2024.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 382
Renewal bid contract for supplemental electrical work

Commissioner Parker moved and Commissioner Kern seconded a motion authorizing a renewal bid contract with Northeast Electrical Services, LLC for supplemental electrical work for an amount not to exceed \$124,120.00 for the term commencing July 1, 2023 and terminating June 30, 2024.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 383
Bid contract to provide door replacement and repair at various County locations

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Parker seconded a motion authorizing a bid contract with Jersey Architectural Door and Supply, Inc. to provide door replacement and repair at various County locations for an amount not to exceed \$206,000.00 for the term commencing July 1, 2023 and terminating June 30, 2025.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 384
Business associate agreement to be included in the grant renewal supporting the Children's Inter-Agency Coordinating Council (CIACC)

Commissioner Parker moved and Commissioner Kern seconded a motion authorizing a business associate agreement with the New Jersey Department of Children and Families, Division of Children's System of Care to be included in the grant renewal supporting the Children's Inter-Agency Coordinating Council (CIACC).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 385
Alternate method contract to upgrade the FARO laser scanner in the Prosecutor's Office

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Kern seconded a motion authorizing an alternate method contract with FARO Technologies, Inc. to upgrade the FARO laser scanner in the Prosecutor's Office for an amount not to exceed \$46,863.82 for a two-year term from date of contract execution in 2023 and terminating in 2025.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 386
Amending Resolution No. 518
(9-20-22) and Resolution No. 340
(6-20-23), authorizing the
payment for increased policy
premiums owed on the flood
insurance policy for Atlantic
County's property located at
1225 Drexel Avenue in Atlantic
City

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Kern seconded a motion amending Resolution No. 518 adopted on September 20, 2022 and Resolution No. 340 adopted on June 20, 2023, authorizing the payment to Insurance Agencies, Inc. for increased policy premiums owed on the flood insurance policy for Atlantic County's property located at 1225 Drexel Avenue in Atlantic City for an amount not to exceed \$3,911.00 for the period of July 1, 2023 to July 1, 2024.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 387
Renewal Memorandum of
Understanding for the
Environment and Public Health
(EPH) internship program

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Kern seconded a motion authorizing a renewal Memorandum of Understanding with Rutgers University, Office of Continuing Professional Education for the Environment and Public Health (EPH) internship program at no cost for the term commencing July 18, 2023 and terminating July 17, 2024.

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

MOTION TO COMBINE AND
ADOPT RESOLUTION NOS.
388 TO 390

Commissioner Parker moved and Commissioner Kern seconded a motion to combine and adopt Resolution Nos. 388 to 390.

RESOLUTION NO. 388
CHAPTER 159

Insert into the budget of the year 2023 the sum of \$120,000.00 from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety, Highway Traffic Safety 22-23.

RESOLUTION NO. 389
CHAPTER 159

Insert into the budget of the year 2023 the sum of \$60,000.00 from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety, DRE (Drug Recognition Expert) 22-23.

RESOLUTION NO. 390
CHAPTER 159

Insert into the budget of the year 2023 the sum of \$333,333.00 from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety, Opt for Help and Hope Grant Program 23-24.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 391
Shared services agreement for
the housing of Atlantic County
juveniles at the Bergen County
Juvenile Detention Center

Commissioner Parker moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing a shared services agreement with Bergen County for the housing of Atlantic County juveniles at the Bergen County Juvenile Detention Center for an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 for the term commencing July 1, 2023 through and including December 31, 2023.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 392
Shared services agreement for
the housing of Atlantic County
juveniles at the Essex County
Juvenile Detention Center

Commissioner Kern moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing a shared services agreement with Essex County for the housing of Atlantic County juveniles at the Essex County Juvenile Detention Center for an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 for the period beginning July 1, 2023 and continuing until June 30, 2028.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 393
Memorandum of Agreement
(MOA) with CWA 1036
Prosecutor's Agents and
authorizing a formal written
collective bargaining agreement
incorporating the terms of the
MOA**

Commissioner Parker moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with CWA 1036 Prosecutor's Agents and authorizing a formal written collective bargaining agreement incorporating the terms of the MOA for a six (6) year period commencing January 1, 2020, through and including December 31, 2025.

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

**REPORTS OF SPECIAL
COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD**

Commissioner Parker announced the meeting with Atlantic Cape Community College was very productive.

Chairman Risley also attended the meeting and is concerned about enrollment and marketing at the college.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS
AND PETITIONS**

Written communications and petitions were received by this office from July 12, 2023 to July 18, 2023.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman Risley opened the meeting to the public at 4:28 p.m. There being no comments, Chairman Risley closed the public portion at 4:29 p.m.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Commissioner Kern reminded the community of the upcoming National Night Out events.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Risley entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Parker moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to adjourn the Commissioners' meeting. The motion was unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Submitted by,

Tara Silipena
Clerk of the Board