

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN
FREEHOLDERS HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2019 AT 7:00 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, Pierson and Thornton (4)
Freeholder Morey-Absent

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 3, 2019.”

MOMENT OF SILENCE

FLAG SALUTE-Led by Freeholder Pierson.

MINUTES – MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF 08/27/19 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: Mr. Church updated the Board on the following public works projects:

Sea Isle Boulevard would have rumble strips installed Thursday night starting 8:30 p.m., ending around 5:00 a.m. The chief of police would be notified of the exact time prior to start. Both lanes of traffic would remain open.

At the Wildwood Gateway Project, Verizon would be setting six poles on the 16th of September, Atlantic City Electric would be there the week of the 23rd; road work would resume full time on the 23rd as well.

On Main Street in Dennisville the drainage and sidewalk work were complete. Roadwork was scheduled to start Monday and be finished by October 1st, in time for Dennisville Day being held on October 5th this year.

Bids would be accepted for the Ingram’s re-decking project next week, on Thursday. The entire project was being funded through the I-Bank.

The other federal aid project, the roundabout, was being advertised Wednesday, September 11th.

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Authorization to begin construction on Corson Tavern Road was pending. The engineer thought the approval was very close and they would hear something this week or next week. The project was covered by a \$1.6 million grant. The construction estimate came in at approximately \$2.4 million. The balance would be paid using county aid from the state; no expense to the county on the project.

The sewer project on Bay Avenue in Ocean City was scheduled to begin October 23rd. Residents and visitors were encouraged to use West Avenue instead of Bay Avenue during construction of the force main being installed by the CCMUA. The traffic signal at 34th and West would be adjusted to allow for better traffic flow during the project.

- 2) COUNTY COUNSEL: Jeffrey Lindsay had no report.
- 3) COUNTY TREASURER: Absent.

FREEHOLDER REPORTS:

- 1) FREEHOLDER PIERSON: In honor of Overdose Awareness Day, Village Pharmacy in Upper Township and Walmart in Rio Grande received certificates of recognition from the Board of Chosen Freeholders for their ongoing efforts to prevent prescription and opioid drug misuse. Denis Brown assisted Freeholder Pierson in presenting the certificates to the businesses on behalf of the board, in acknowledgment for their contributions to the community.

Freeholder Pierson attended the 31st Annual Concerned Citizens of Whitesboro Reunion on Saturday, August 31st and then on Sunday, September 1st he participated in the final USCG Sunset Parade of the year, where he trouped the line with Cape May Mayor Chuck Lear and other officials.

He announced, beginning September 17th the Messiah Lutheran Church, 2298 Rt. 9 in Cape May Court House would hold group meetings to support family members of persons with opiate addiction. The meetings were scheduled to be held the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month. The group was organized and sponsored using grant money obtained through the county.

- 3) FREEHOLDER HAYES: Freeholder Hayes attended the Arts for History fundraiser on September 7th. The annual art show and auction sponsored by the County Historical and Genealogical Society (Museum) was held at the Ocean View Resort Campground and featured various forms of art.

She reported that Brand USA, a destination marketing company, visited recently as part of their international campaign. Columnist, Margaret Swaine of Toronto toured the county with the Cape May City Chamber of Commerce and MAC guiding her to assorted points of interest.

The freeholder talked about a resolution of one the issues encountered this season, in her town of residence, Ocean City. The seagulls had become extremely aggressive towards people, attempting to take food from them. She explained how the city paid a company to come in with trained falcons and owls. The birds patrolled the area around the boardwalk, essentially driving out the gulls within a short period of time. Apparently the seagulls were threatened by the other species of birds. She complimented the city on its' ingenuity.

- 4) FREEHOLDER DESIDERIO: No report.
- 5) FREEHOLDER THORNTON: The Southern Regional Medical Examiner's Office met with Cape May County recently concerning services. Director Thornton attended the meeting with some staff from the Department of Finance. The county budget was going to increase approximately 5% he

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informed, to a little over \$600,000 for the entire southern region. Historically, every county had their own medical examiner. Today, the cost was divided up between Cape May and Cumberland Counties, according to demand.

He reminded how insidious robocalls were becoming and warned residents to never give out personal information over the phone.

A Patriot's Day Ceremony would be held tomorrow at 5:00 p.m. in front of the Administration Building. He asked everybody to attend in remembrance of those who lost their lives.

INTRODUCED BY MR. DESIDERIO, SECONDED BY MS. HAYES

- 707-19 Resolution appointing certain County employees to their permanent position in their respective offices. (Facilities & Services)
(This Resolution is appointing County employees to a permanent title from the New Jersey Civil Service Commission based upon a qualifying action.)
- 708-19 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.)
- 709-19 Resolution approving Corrective Action Plan for the 2018 Audit.
(This Resolution accepts the Corrective Action Plan for the Audit Report Year – December 31, 2018 with no comments or recommendations being made by the County's Auditing firm.)
- 710-19 Resolution authorizing execution of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Cape May County Chamber of Commerce for the 5th Annual Cape May County UAS Conference.
(This Resolution authorizes a Memorandum of Understanding with the Cape May County Chamber of Commerce for the coordination and planning of the 5th Annual Cape May County UAS Conference, September 22-24, 2019.)
- 711-19 Resolution authorizing the execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the Department of Engineering for the project known as "Hudson Avenue Pocket Park" providing for the funding of a portion of this project, in a total amount not to exceed \$170,211.20 with adoption of all other terms and conditions of the annexed schedules.
(This Resolution authorizes a Shared Services Agreement with the Department of Engineering for funding for the above-referenced project under the Open Space Program, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:12-16, et seq.)
- 712-19 Resolution authorizing the execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the Department of Facilities and Services/Department of Parks for the project known as "Demolition of Structures along Route 9, Middle Township" providing for the funding of a portion of this project, in a total amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 with adoption of all other terms and conditions of the annexed schedules.
(This Resolution authorizes a Shared Services Agreement with the Department of Facilities and Services/Department of Parks for funding for the above-referenced project under the Open Space Program, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:12-16, et seq.)
- 713-19 Resolution authorizing execution of an addendum to Shared Services Agreement with South Jersey Economic Development District for Professional Technical Assistance for "EDA 16 Regional Innovation Strategy Scope and Application" and New Jersey EDA Innovation Challenge Planning Grant.
(This Resolution authorizes the execution of an addendum to Shared Services Agreement with South Jersey Economic Development District for Professional Technical Assistance for "EDA 16 Regional Innovation Strategy Scope and Application" and New Jersey EDA Innovation Challenge Planning Grant.)

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- 714-19 Resolution authorizing the execution of a Historic Preservation Trust Fund Grant Program Grant Agreement with the Mid-Atlantic Center for the Arts (MAC) for the project known as “Exterior Restoration of Physick House Museum”, providing for a portion of the funding of this project, in a total amount not to exceed \$24,537.70, with adoption of all other terms and conditions of the annexed schedules.
(This Resolution authorizes a Historic Preservation Trust Fund Grant Program Grant Agreement with MAC, for funding for the above-referenced project under the Open Space Program, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:12-16, et seq.)
- 715-19 Resolution authorizing the execution of a Historic Preservation Trust Fund Grant Program Grant Agreement with the Naval Air Station Wildwood Foundation for the project known as “Hangar #1 Roof Rehabilitation, Telescopic Dr. & 16 Payne Light Restoration, Cape May County Airport”, providing for a portion of the funding of this project, in a total amount not to exceed \$33,030.00, with adoption of all other terms and conditions of the annexed schedules.
(This Resolution authorizes a Historic Preservation Trust Fund Grant Program Grant Agreement with Naval Air Station Wildwood Foundation, for funding for the above-referenced project under the Open Space Program, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:12-16, et seq.)
- 716-19 Resolution authorizing the execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Woodbine for the project known as “Woodbine/Cape May County Eco-Park Phase 2 & 3” providing for the funding of a portion of this project, in a total amount not to exceed \$1,173,000.00 with adoption of all other terms and conditions of the annexed schedules.
(This Resolution authorizes a Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Woodbine for funding for the above-referenced project under the Open Space Program, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:12-16, et seq.)
- 717-19 Resolution authorizing the execution of a Historic Preservation Trust Fund Grant Program Grant Agreement with the Mid-Atlantic Center For The Arts (MAC) for the project known as “Restoration of Cape May Lighthouse Staircase”, providing for a portion of the funding of this project, in a total amount not to exceed \$43,635.00, with adoption of all other terms and conditions of the annexed schedules.
(This Resolution authorizes a Historic Preservation Trust Fund Grant Program Grant Agreement with MAC, for funding for the above-referenced project under the Open Space Program, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:12-16, et seq.)
- 718-19 Resolution authorizing the execution of a Historic Preservation Trust Fund Grant Agreement with Historic Cold Spring Village Foundation for the project known as “Preservation of Spicer Leaming House”, providing for a portion of the funding of this project, in a total amount not to exceed \$76,800.00, with adoption of all other terms and conditions of the annexed schedules.
(This Resolution authorizes a Historic Preservation Trust Fund Grant Program Grant Agreement with Historic Cold Spring Village Foundation, for funding for the above-referenced project under the Open Space Program, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:12-16, et seq.)
- 719-19 Resolution appointing certain County employees to their permanent position in their respective offices. (Engineer)
(This Resolution is appointing County employees to a permanent title from the New Jersey Civil Service Commission based upon a qualifying action.)
- 720-19 Resolution awarding Contract No. C9-166 to South State, Inc. for Construction Site Work Improvements for County Commons located at 1127 Rt. 47 S., Rio Grande, NJ in the amount of \$4,341,880.18.
(This Resolution awards Contract No. C9-166 to South State, Inc. for Construction Site Work Improvements for County Commons located at 1127 Rt. 47 S., Rio Grande, NJ, in the amount of \$4,341,880.18, commencing September 11, 2019 through January 19, 2020 or until project completion and acceptance, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-15(9).)

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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. DESIDERIO

- 721-19 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).)
- 722-19 Resolution authorizing execution of a License Agreement between the Cape May County Department of Mosquito Control and the United States Coast Guard for the use of real property for the purpose of mosquito and surveillance operations.
 (This Resolution authorizes the execution of a License Agreement between the Cape May County Department of Mosquito Control and the United States Coast Guard for the use of real property for the purpose of mosquito and surveillance operations.)
- 723-19 Resolution authorizing payment to the Travelers Insurance Company for various claims in the total amount of \$18,620.56.
 (This Resolution authorizes payment to the Travelers Insurance Company, Property-Casualty Department for various claims.)
- 724-19 Resolution appointing certain County employees to their permanent position in their respective offices. (Health Department)
 (This Resolution is appointing County employees to a permanent title from the New Jersey Civil Service Commission based upon a qualifying action.)
- 725-19 Resolution authorizing Hospital/Facility Agreement with Cape May County Technical School District for Practical Nurse Training.
 (This Resolution authorizes a hospital/facility agreement with the Cape May County Technical School and the Cape May County Health Department for the school year 2019-2020.)
- 726-19 Resolution authorizing application to the Corporation for National and Community Service for the FY20 Retired Senior Volunteer Program in the amount of \$96,249.00.
 (This Resolution authorizes application for the FY20 Retired and Senior Volunteer Program; Federal Share \$62,523.00, Local \$33,726.00.)
- 727-19 Resolution accepting Grant Award from New Jersey Department of Human Services Division of Aging Services for 2019 Area Plan Grant No. DOAS19AAA011 in the amount of \$362,434.00 for the period of January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019.
 (This Resolution accepts a grant award for Area Plan Mid-Year Allocation funds in the amount of \$362,434.00, for the budget period of 1/1/19 to 12/31/19.)
- 728-19 Resolution amending the 2019 Budget for the 2019 Area Plan Grant in the amount of \$362,434.00.
 (This Resolution amends the 2019 Budget for the Area Plan Grant in the amount of \$362,434.00, providing funding to further support older adults with services such as home meal delivery, state health insurance assistance, thus allowing them to maintain independence and quality of life.)
- 729-19 Resolution authorizing the use of Competitive Contracting to provide Licensed Site Remediation Professional Services on an As-Needed Basis.
 (This Resolution authorizes the use of competitive contracting process pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1(3)i for selecting consultants.)

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- 730-19 Resolution authorizing the use of Competitive Contracting for Professional Bridge Engineering Services on an As-Needed Basis.
 (This Resolution authorizes the use of competitive contracting process pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1(3)i for selecting consultants.)
- 731-19 Resolution granting permission to the City of Sea Isle City to close a portion of John F. Kennedy Boulevard (CR625) for their Annual Irish Festival on September 21 and September 22, 2019.
 (This Resolution gives permission to the City of Sea Isle City for the temporary closure of a portion of John F. Kennedy Boulevard for their Annual Irish Fall Festival.)
- 732-19 Resolution authorizing an Indemnification Agreement among NJ Run for the Fallen, Inc. and the County for a group run to be held on September 26, 2019.
 (This Resolution authorizes an organization to conduct an event involving the use of roads owned by the County, respectively.)
- 733-19 Resolution authorizing solicitation for Under Bridge Access Equipment Support on an As-Needed Basis.
 (This Resolution authorizes Cape May County to entertain proposals to rent under bridge access equipment for bridge inspections on an as-needed basis.)

Freeholders	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Desiderio	X		731-19			X
Ms. Hayes	X					
Mr. Morey				X		
Mr. Pierson	X				X	
Mr. Thornton	X					

INTRODUCED BY MS. HAYES, SECONDED BY MR. DESIDERIO

- 734-19 Resolution supplementing the 2019 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.)
- 735-19 Resolution authorizing the Board to hold a meeting excluding the public on September 10, 2019 at 6:00 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).
 (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.)
- 736-19 Resolution approving application for Use of County Facility for Middle Township High School to hold cross country practices and meets at the County Park.
 (This Resolution permits Middle Township High School students to use the County Park for cross country practices and meets.)
- 737-19 Resolution closing the contract and accepting the work of the Lomax Consulting Group, LLC (formerly known as Lomax-Morey Consulting, LLC) for Professional Services associated with the Cape May County Park/Zoo Wetlands Delineation.
 (This Resolution accepts the work and closes the contract.)
- 738-19 Resolution closing the contract and accepting the work of McCormick Taylor, Inc. for Professional Engineering Services for Sea Isle Boulevard (CR625) Phase II Final Design, Township of Dennis.
 (This Resolution accepts the work and closes the contract.)

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739-19 Resolution closing the contract and accepting the work of Pennoni Associates, Inc. for Professional Construction Engineering Services for Broadway/Seashore Road (CR626) Resurfacing Improvements, Borough of West Cape May and Township of Lower.

(This Resolution accepts the work and closes the contract.)

740-19 Resolution authorizing execution of an addendum to the Partnership Agreement between the County of Cape May and the Atlantic Cape Community College for the New Jersey Economic Development Authority Innovation Planning Challenge Grant.

(This Resolution authorizes execution of an addendum to the Partnership Agreement between the County of Cape May and the Atlantic Cape Community College for the New Jersey Economic Development Authority Innovation Planning Challenge Grant.)

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

ADDITION(S):

INTRODUCED BY MR. PIERSON, SECONDED BY MS. HAYES

741-19 Resolution authorizing execution of an agreement between the County of Cape May and Cape-Atlantic Integrated Network for Kids, Inc.

(This Resolution authorizes execution of an agreement for the placement of a minor at the Oasis Youth Shelter.)

742-19 Resolution certifying the Board of Chosen Freeholders has reviewed and accepted the Annual Audit for the year 2018.

(This Resolution certifies that each of the five Freeholders has reviewed the recommendations and general comments prepared by the auditing firm pertaining to the County's 2018 audit.)

Freeholders	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Desiderio	X					
Ms. Hayes	X					X
Mr. Morey				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: 7:23 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