

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 25, 2021 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:

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

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 Wednesday, January 6, 2021.”

MOMENT OF SILENCE

FLAG SALUTE-Led by Commissioner Pierson

MINUTES – MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE 05/11/21 MEETINGS
Commissioner Desiderio moved/ Commissioner Hayes seconded

Commissioners	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) **ENGINEER:**

Bob Church reported on the following projects: Bay Avenue paving in Ocean City, Ingrams Thorofare Bridge deck project, 96th Street Bridge emergency repair work in Stone Harbor, Sunset & Broadway resurfacing in West Cape May and Bayshore Road emergency paving from Townbank to Sandman Boulevard in Lower Township.

2) **COUNTY COUNSEL:** No report.

3) **COUNTY TREASURER:** No report.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

1) **COMMISSIONER MOREY:**

Mr. Morey commented on the Bridge USA Summer Work Travel program, aka, J1 Visa program, and the effort being made on behalf of the county and state to bring the foreign students here for summer jobs. The issue was being handled by the individual consulates and their approaches varied, he stated.

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Business owners would be happy if 40% of the workforce was available this season, he further stated.

2) COMMISSIONER PIERSON:

Mr. Pierson participated in the following scheduled events appearing on the Board of County Commissioner's calendar: Evolution Salon Grand Re-opening in Lower Township, WOND Radio interview regarding COVID-19, Eagle Scout Ceremony for Logan Maund at the PAC Center in Middle Township and SNJCCA Meeting on the Battleship NJ in Camden County.

He also attended a retirement party for Jemal Beale, New Jersey Adjutant General and Commissioner of Military & Veterans Affairs.

He assisted in the recognition of and presentation of approximately 100 certificates of acknowledgement to various individuals, both county employees and volunteers, that helped with the distribution of vaccines at the Avalon Community Center.

He noted the lifting of the governor's mask mandate for fully vaccinated persons on Friday, May 28th.

He reminded on May 31st, Memorial Day, most municipalities would hold remembrance ceremonies. Cape May County's service would take place at 2:00 p.m. at the Veteran's Cemetery.

3) COMMISSIONER HAYES:

Ms. Hayes participated in the following meetings and/or community events over the past two weeks: Evolution Salon Grand Re-opening in Lower Township, Nan and Pop's Kitchen Grand Opening in Wildwood, Impala Suites Hotel Ribbon Cutting in Ocean City, 100th Birthday Celebration for Frances McCormick in Ocean City, Logan Maund Eagle Scout attainment ceremony at the PAC Center and SNJCCA Meeting in Camden, New Jersey.

4) COMMISSIONER DESIDERIO:

Mr. Desiderio reported his attendance at the ceremony for the change of command from Charles Haines to Mark Laury at the VFW Post 1963 in Sea Isle City.

On Friday, he was keynote speaker and additionally gave the oath of office to the 50th police class graduates from the Cape May County Police Academy. It was the first graduation ceremony to take place at the PAC since the pandemic struck in January 2020.

5) COMMISSIONER THORNTON:

Director Thornton reported not being on state calls this week, for the first time in 15 months. It was hoped they were suspended for now.

He participated in a call with the governor and some of the mayors last Thursday, he said. The governor indicated there would be some big changes on the horizon. Also, promised by the governor, an investigation of possible funding sources for the Wildwood boardwalk reconstruction.

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On May 20th, he logged onto the Cape May County Chamber virtual meeting featuring Jeff Vasser and Diane Wieland regarding economic recovery post COVID.

The Veterans Cemetery had flags placed on the graves on Saturday by many volunteers. Director Thornton was there to observe.

He emphasized how important it was for everyone to turn out to honor those who lost their lives in service on Monday, May 31st at 2:00 o'clock at the Veterans' Cemetery in Court House.

RESOLUTIONS:

INTRODUCED BY MR. DESIDERIO, SECONDED BY MS. HAYES

- 353-21 Resolution to rescind Petty Cash Funds for the Cape May County Bridge Department.
(This Resolution authorizes the rescinding of the petty cash account of the Cape May County Bridge Department.)
- 354-21 Resolution approving Commercial Fishing Revolving Loan Application to Ludlam Bay Oyster Co., LLC in the amount of \$100,000.00.
(This Resolution authorizes a commercial fishing loan in the amount of \$100,000.00 to Ludlam Bay Oyster Co., LLC, to purchase equipment for business expansion.)
- 355-21 Resolution authorizing signatories for the Superintendent of Schools Petty Cash Account.
(This Resolution authorizes changes to the signatories for petty cash account managed by the Superintendent of Schools due to change of staff.)
- 356-21 Resolution authorizing payment to the Travelers Insurance Company for a claim expense in the amount of \$60.00.
(This Resolution authorizes a payment to the Travelers Insurance Company, Deductible Billing Department for a claim expense in the amount of \$60.00.)
- 357-21 Resolution authorizing payment to the Travelers Insurance Company for various claims in the total amount of \$29,575.85.
(This Resolution authorizes payment to the Travelers Insurance Company, Property-Casualty Department for various claims.)
- 358-21 Resolution changing a custodian's name for the County Clerk Petty Cash Account.
(This Resolution authorizes a name change to personnel responsible for maintaining the County Clerk's Petty Cash Account from Rita Fulginiti to Rita Rothberg.)
- 359-21 Resolution awarding Contract No. C1-101 to Caprioni Portable Toilets, Inc. to Furnish, Deliver, Service and Rental of Portable Sanitation Toilets.
(This Resolution awards Contract No. C1-101 to Caprioni Portable Toilets, Inc. to Furnish, Deliver, Service and Rental of Portable Sanitation Toilets, for a term of one-year commencing June 10, 2021 with an option for one (1) additional option year.)
- 360-21 Resolution awarding Contract No. C1-102 to Marlee Contractors, LLC to provide Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Contractor Services.
(This Resolution awards Contract No. C1-102 to Marlee Contractors, LLC to provide heating, ventilation, air conditioning and refrigeration contractor services on an as needed basis for a term of one-year commencing May 26, 2021 with an additional one-year option.)

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361-21 Resolution 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.

(This Resolution authorizes the purchase of a three-year license and maintenance agreement with Microsoft for Department of Information Technology utilizing State Contract No. 89850 in the amount of \$179,178.42.)

Commissioners	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

362-21 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).)

363-21 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 for the Department of Human Services.)

364-21 Resolution authorizing payment to TDC Specialty Insurance Company for professional liability claim expenses in the total amount of \$12,916.42.

(This Resolution authorizes a payment to TDC Insurance Company, Deductible Billing Department for claim expenses in the total amount of \$12,916.42.)

365-21 Resolution amending Resolution No. 334-21 for an increase in hourly pay rate of Emergency Medical Technician Services at COVID-19 Vaccination Sites.

(This Resolution authorizes an amendment to the hourly pay rate for Emergency Medical Technician Services at COVID-19 vaccination sites.)

366-21 Resolution prohibiting individuals from smoking marijuana on County Property.

(This Resolution bars individuals from smoking marijuana on properties owned by the County of Cape May.)

367-21 Resolution 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.

(This Resolution authorizes Change Order No. 2 in the amount not to exceed \$47,619.00 and closing out Contract No. Co-137 with Aculabs to administer COVID-19 testing pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6...emergency affecting the public health, safety and welfare.)

368-21 Resolution applying to New Jersey Department of Health for funds to support Local Core Capacity for Public Health Emergency Preparedness (LINCS) for the period July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 in the amount of \$761,274.00.

(This Resolution authorizes grant application for funds to support Local Core Capacity for Public Health Emergency Preparedness (LINCS) for the budget period 7/1/21 through 6/30/22 in the amount of \$761,274.00.)

369-21 Resolution accepting Grant Award No. 20SRANJ007 from the Corporation for National and Community Service for the FY2021 Retired Senior Volunteer Program in the amount of \$96,249.00 for the period of April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022.

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(This Resolution accepts a grant award for the FY2021 Retired Senior Volunteer Program for the period 4/1/21 to 3/31/22 in the amount of Federal \$62,523.00 and Local Cash Match \$33,726.00.)

Commissioners	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

370-21 Resolution supplementing the 2021 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.)

371-21 Resolution reconfirming Resolution No. 320-21 adopted April 27, 2021.

(This Resolution reconfirms Resolution No. 320-21 urging Orsted, PSEG and the State of New Jersey to comprehensively and thoughtfully engage community stakeholders to address concerns of the potential detrimental impacts that the Ocean Wind Project may cause to the environment, Fishing Industry, Business Community and residents of Cape May County.)

372-21 Resolution authorizing the Board to hold a meeting excluding the public on May 25, 2021 at 3:30 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); pending litigation, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)(7) and matters falling within the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)(5).

(This Resolution authorizes the Board of County Commissioners 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.)

373-21 Resolution reconfirming Resolution No. 352-21 adopted May 11, 2021.

(This Resolution reconfirms Resolution No. 352-21 authorizing execution of an Asset Purchase Agreement between the Delaware River and Bay Authority, Michael Peteani and the County of Cape May.)

374-21 Resolution authorizing execution of a Memorandum of Agreement between the County of Cape May and the Cape May County Zoological Society.

(This Resolution authorizes the execution of a Memorandum of Agreement for the construction of a Toucan Exhibit at the Cape May County Park & Zoo.)

375-21 Resolution 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.

(This Resolution establishes reasonable regulations appropriate for controlling the qualifications of prospective bidders upon contracts to be awarded on behalf of the governing body pursuant to N.J.S.A.10A:11-25.)

376-21 Resolution adopting the rules for the Cape May County Park and Zoo.

(This Resolution adopts rules for the Cape May County Park and Zoo.)

Commissioners	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

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

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(This Resolution authorizes an Amendment to Shared Services Agreement between the County of Cape May and the Cape May County Bridge Commission.)

- 378-21 Resolution authorizing execution of a Leasing and Management Agreement with the Borough of West Cape May for Block 68, Lots 5 and 6.
(This Resolution authorizes execution of a Leasing and Management Agreement with the Borough of West Cape May.)
- 379-21 Resolution authorizing execution of a Memorandum of Agreement with the Delaware River and Bay Authority.
(This Resolution authorizes execution of a Memorandum of Agreement between the County and Delaware River and Bay Authority for improvements at the Cape May County Airport.)
- 380-21 Resolution 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.
(This Resolution accepts the work and closes the contract.)
- 381-21 Resolution authorizing the Atlantic County Improvement Authority to enter into a Sublease Agreement with AEDICELL.
(This Resolution authorizes ACIA to sublet Building 1, Suite 4 of Tech Village at the Cape May County Airport.)
- 382-21 Resolution establishing a County wide No Passing Zone determination at intersections on County roads.
(This Resolution establishes a County wide “No Passing Zone” determination at various intersections on County roads.)
- 383-21 Resolution 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.
(This Resolution modifies Tetra Tech, Inc.’s personnel billing rates associated with the professional engineering and licensed site remediation services at the Cape May County Airport.)

Commissioners	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:

Commissioner Desiderio moved/ Commissioner Hayes seconded

Commissioners	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: 5:10 P.M.

Commissioner Desiderio moved/ Commissioner Hayes seconded

Commissioners	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:

CLERK OF THE BOARD