

**MINUTES OF THE REORGANIZATION MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HELD THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 2023 AT 5:00 PM
IN THE CAPE MAY COUNTY TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
188 CREST HAVEN ROAD
CAPE MAY COURT HOUSE, NEW JERSEY**

Presentation of the Colors by the Cape May County Sheriff's Color Guard

Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Jeffrey Pierson

The "National Anthem" was sung by Rachel Miller, Middle Township High School

Assemblyman Antwan McClellan offered the benediction.

Commissioner E. Marie Hayes had the Oath of Office administered to her by Assemblyman Erik Simonson. Her grandchildren Vincent Carrano, holding the bible, and Lauren Carrano were by her side with the rest of her family standing behind.

Commissioner Andrew Bulakowski had the Oath of Office administered virtually, by Michael J. Donohue, Esquire, former Judge of the New Jersey Superior Court. The commissioner's girlfriend Michele stood at his side holding the bible.

Assemblyman Erik Simonson sang "God Bless America".

Statements were made by Commissioner E. Marie Hayes and Commissioner Andrew Bulakowski.

Congratulations, and comments were offered by Commissioner Pierson, Commissioner Morey and Vice-Director Desiderio.

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Call to Order: Vice Director Leonard C. Desiderio

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 the posting of 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 Press and filing the same with the County Clerk, all being done on Tuesday, December 13, 2022."

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

Commissioners Bulakowski, Hayes, Morey, Pierson and Desiderio

RESOLUTIONS:

INTRODUCED BY MR. BULAKOWSKI, SECONDED BY MR. PIERSON

1-23 Resolution electing County Commissioner Leonard C. Desiderio Director of the Board.

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Commissioners	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Bulakowski	X				X	
Ms. Hayes	X					
Mr. Morey	X					
Mr. Pierson	X					X
Mr. Desiderio	X					

The Oath of Director Leonard C. Desiderio was administered by Michael J. Donohue, Esquire, Former Judge of the New Jersey Superior Court. He took the oath with his wife, daughter and mother by his side.

Comments were made by Commissioner Director Desiderio.

INTRODUCED BY MR. MOREY, SECONDED BY MR. BULAKOWSKI

2-23 Resolution electing County Commissioner E. Marie Hayes Vice-Director of the Board.

Commissioners	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Bulakowski	X					X
Ms. Hayes	X					
Mr. Morey	X				X	
Mr. Pierson	X					
Mr. Desiderio	X					

INTRODUCED BY MR. PIERSON, SECONDED BY MS. HAYES

3-23 Resolution designating departments for 2023.

Commissioners	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Bulakowski	X					
Ms. Hayes	X					X
Mr. Morey	X					
Mr. Pierson	X				X	
Mr. Desiderio	X					

INTRODUCED BY MS. HAYES, SECONDED BY MR. MOREY

4-23 Resolution assigning departments for 2023.

Commissioners	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Bulakowski	X					
Ms. Hayes	X				X	
Mr. Morey	X					X
Mr. Pierson	X					
Mr. Desiderio	X					

INTRODUCED BY MR. PIERSON, SECONDED BY MR. BULAKOWSKI

5-23 Resolution designating County Commissioner member or liaison for various Boards, Commissions and Agencies outside of Cape May County Government for the year 2023.

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Commissioners	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Bulakowski	X					X
Ms. Hayes	X					
Mr. Morey	X					
Mr. Pierson	X				X	
Mr. Desiderio	X					

Motion to approve Reorganization Resolution Nos. 6-23 through 18-23

Commissioners	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Bulakowski	X					
Ms. Hayes	X					
Mr. Morey	X					X
Mr. Pierson	X				X	
Mr. Desiderio	X					

- 6-23 Resolution regarding the Open Public Meetings Act.
- 7-23 Resolution adopting the Rules of the Board for 2023.
- 8-23 Resolution adopting the 2023 Cash Management Plan and designating the custodian and signatories for the “County of Cape May, Board of County Commissioners Account”.
- 9-23 Resolution appointing Certifying Officers for 2023.
- 10-23 Resolution establishing Certifying Officers for various organizations and commissions for 2023.
- 11-23 Resolution appointing County Commissioner Will Morey Insurance Fund Commissioner.
- 12-23 Resolution appointing County Commissioners Leonard C. Desiderio and E. Marie Hayes as members to the Board of School Estimate for Atlantic Cape Community College.
- 13-23 Resolution appointing County Commissioners Leonard C. Desiderio, E. Marie Hayes and Will Morey as members to the Board of School Estimate for the Cape May County Technical/Special Services School District.
- 14-23 Resolution appointing County Commissioners E. Marie Hayes and Jeffrey L. Pierson as voting members and Kevin Lare as alternate member to the New Jersey Association of Counties.
- 15-23 Resolution appointing County Commissioners Will Morey and Andrew Bulakowski as members to the Cape May County Planning Board.
- 16-23 Resolution approving Salaries for 2023.
- 17-23 Resolution establishing Temporary Budget – 2023.
- 18-23 Resolution designating Cape May County members to the Policy Board of the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization (SJTPO).

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Motion to open Public Comment for Consent Agenda

Commissioners	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Bulakowski	X					
Ms. Hayes	X					
Mr. Morey	X				X	
Mr. Pierson	X					X
Mr. Desiderio	X					

Motion to close Public Comment for Consent Agenda

Commissioners	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Bulakowski	X					
Ms. Hayes	X					
Mr. Morey	X					X
Mr. Pierson	X				X	
Mr. Desiderio	X					

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve Resolution Nos. 19-23 through 38-23

Commissioners	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Bulakowski	X					
Ms. Hayes	X				X	
Mr. Morey	X					
Mr. Pierson	X					X
Mr. Desiderio	X					

RESOLUTIONS:

- 19-23 Resolution amending Resolution No. 217-09 setting forth the sum to be paid for burial of deceased indigent persons.
(This Resolution changes the sum to be paid for burial and cremation of deceased indigent persons.)
- 20-23 Resolution establishing the Cape May County Military Service Medal.
(This Resolution establishes the Cape May County Military Service Medal and Standard Operating Procedures for the issuance of the Medal.)
- 21-23 Resolution awarding Contract No. C2-247 to Federal Resources Supply Company to furnish and deliver one (1) new man-transportable, multi-mission robot for the Office of the Prosecutor.
(This Resolution awards Contract No. C2-247 to Federal Resources Supply Company to furnish and deliver one (1) man-transportable, multi-mission robot for the Office of the Prosecutor in the amount of \$232,099.51 with a five (5) year maintenance warranty.)
- 22-23 Resolution authorizing use of certain Regional, State, and National contract vendors for 2023.
(This Resolution enables the County to utilize Regional, State, and National Cooperative contracted Vendors.)
- 23-23 Resolution accepting Grant Award from the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Criminal Justice for the Body Armor Replacement Program – Prosecutor’s Office, for the period of September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2023 in the amount of \$2,756.12.
(This Resolution accepts a Grant Award for the Body Armor Replacement Program – Prosecutor Office, for the budget period 9/1/22 through 8/31/23.)

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- 24-23 Resolution accepting Grant Award from the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Criminal Justice for the Body Armor Replacement Program – Sheriff Office, for the period of September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2023 in the amount of \$7,590.67.
(This Resolution accepts a Grant Award for the Body Armor Replacement Program – Sheriff Office for the period of 09/01/22 to 08/31/23 in the amount of \$7,590.67.)
- 25-23 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).)
- 26-23 Resolution reappointing Joseph Faldetta as a member to the Cape May County Human Services Advisory Council.
(This Resolution authorizes the reappointment of Joseph Faldetta to the Human Services Advisory Council, term to be 01/01/23 to 12/31/23.)
- 27-23 Resolution applying to New Jersey Association of County and City Health Officials for The Enhancing Local Public Health Infrastructure Local Health Department Grant for the period of October 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 in the amount of \$1,194,310.00.
(This Resolution authorizes application to New Jersey Association of County and City Health Officials for the Enhancing Local Public Health Infrastructure Local Health Department Grant in the amount of \$1,194,310.00 for the period 10/1/22 to 6/30/23.)
- 28-23 Resolution supplementing the 2023 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.)
- 29-23 Resolution authorizing release of performance guarantee funds in the amount of \$1,485.00 to Joan Casale for improvements to Shunpike Road (CR #649), Lower Township.
(This Resolution authorizes release of the funds held as a performance guarantee for improvements within a County right-of-way to Joan Casale.)
- 30-23 Resolution revising permit regulations for opening or excavating County roads.
(This Resolution revises the permit regulations established by County Resolution No. 9465-82 for opening or excavating a County Road.)
- 31-23 Resolution appointing Patricia Gray Hendricks as a member of the Cape May County Planning Board.
(This Resolution appoints Patricia Gray Hendricks to the Cape May County Planning Board for a term of three years (3). Term to expire January 5, 2026.)
- 32-23 Resolution appointing members to the Cape May County Open Space Review Board.
(This Resolution authorizes the appointment of Joan Berkey and Cynthia S. Chemerys to the Open Space Review Board; term to expire June 1, 2023.)
- 33-23 Resolution awarding Contract No. C2-263 to Colliers Engineering & Design to provide Construction Engineering Services for Grassy Sound Fishing Pier Improvements.

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(This Resolution awards Contract No. C2-263 to Colliers Engineering & Design to provide construction engineering services for Grassy Sound Fishing Pier Improvements in the amount of \$19,750.00.)

34-23 Resolution authorizing application for Road Opening Permit to New Jersey American Water for Court House – South Dennisville Road (CR657), Township of Middle.

(This Resolution authorizes New Jersey American Water to install a 12” water main on Court House – South Dennisville Road (CR657), Township of Middle. Work will be completed promptly.)

35-23 Resolution reappointing Conrad Johnson, Jr. as County Fire Marshal. (This Resolution authorizes the reappointment of Conrad Johnson, Jr. as Cape May County Fire Marshal for a term of three years, pursuant to statute.)

36-23 Resolution appointing Deputy Fire Marshal. (This Resolution authorizes one year appointment of Anthony Caine, finishing out the term of Lewis Ostrander, as Deputy Fire Marshal needed to perform investigations of fire scenes and to conduct fire training courses as well as fire prevention instruction.)

37-23 Resolution establishing the mileage rate for 2023. (This Resolution establishes the reimbursable mileage rate for 2023 for use of a personal vehicle while engaged in County business when a County owned vehicle is unavailable. Rate set at 65.5 cents per mile.)

38-23 Resolution establishing adjusted per diem rate for employees involved in overnight travel on official County business. (This Resolution authorizes reimbursable allowances for meals taken while traveling on pre-authorized County business.)

MINUTES – MOTION TO APPROVE ALL MINUTES

Commissioners	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Bulakowski	X					
Ms. Hayes	X				X	
Mr. Morey	X					
Mr. Pierson	X					X
Mr. Desiderio	X					

PUBLIC COMMENTS-None

The meeting adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

Commissioners	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Bulakowski	X					
Ms. Hayes	X				X	
Mr. Morey	X					
Mr. Pierson	X					X
Mr. Desiderio	X					

APPROVED

DIRECTOR

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ATTEST:

CLERK OF THE BOARD