

**MINUTES OF THE REORGANIZATION MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, HELD JANUARY 6, 2021 AT 5:00 PM
IN THE FREEHOLDER MEETING ROOM OF THE
WILLIAM E. STURM, JR. ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
4 MOORE ROAD
CAPE MAY COURT HOUSE, NEW JERSEY**

Moment of Silence-

Commissioner Hayes requested the moment of silence by dedicated to Ron Grunstra of Ocean City, who died from complications of COVID-19. Ron was an Air Force Veteran, teacher, coach, assistant principal and most recently, a realtor for an Ocean City office.

Pledge of Allegiance-Led by Freeholder Pierson

Oath of Office:

The Oath of Office was administered to Commissioner Will Morey by Senator Michael L. Testa, Jr. with wife Janice, sons Kyle and Barrett, and family friend Marina by his side.

The Oath of Office was administered to Commissioner Jeffrey L. Pierson by Dean Marcolongo, Surrogate with granddaughter Shannon Free by his side.

The Oath of Office was administered to Sheriff Robert A. Nolan by Senator Michael L. Testa, Jr. with wife Michele by his side.

The Oath of Office was administered to County Clerk Rita M. Rothberg (formerly Fulginiti) by Senator Michael L. Testa, Jr. with husband Michael by her side.

Comments:

Comments were offered by Commissioners Thornton, Desiderio, Hayes, Pierson, and Morey.

Kevin Lare was welcomed as new Acting Administrator.

Senator Testa, Assemblymen Simonsen and McClellan on behalf of the General Assembly issued Joint Accommodations & Praises to Sheriff Bob Nolan, County Clerk Rita Rothberg, Commissioners Jeff Pierson and Will Morey.

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The meeting convened with Commissioner Director Thornton presiding and the following members answering roll call:

Roll Call: Commissioners Desiderio, Hayes, Morey, Pierson and Thornton (5)

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 Atlantic City Press and filing the same with the County Clerk, all being done on Tuesday, December 8, 2020.”

RESOLUTIONS: Read by Donna Doyle, Deputy Clerk of the Board

Introduced by Mr. Desiderio, seconded by Mr. Pierson

1-21 Resolution electing County Commissioner Gerald M. Thornton Director of the Board.

Freeholders	Ayes	Nayes	Abstain	Absent	Moved	Second
Mr. Desiderio	X				X	
Ms. Hayes			X			
Mr. Morey			X			
Mr. Pierson	X					X
Mr. Thornton	X					

Introduced by Mr. Pierson, seconded by Mr. Morey

2-21 Resolution electing County Commissioner Leonard C. Desiderio Vice-Director of the Board.

Freeholders	Ayes	Nayes	Abstain	Absent	Moved	Second
Mr. Desiderio	X					
Ms. Hayes	X					
Mr. Morey	X					X
Mr. Pierson	X				X	
Mr. Thornton	X					

Introduced by Mr. Desiderio, seconded by Mr. Pierson

3-21 Resolution amending Resolution No. 790-20 appointing Kevin Lare as Acting County Administrator and Acting Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Cape May for a term of one year.

Freeholders	Ayes	Nayes	Abstain	Absent	Moved	Second
Mr. Desiderio	X				X	
Ms. Hayes	X					
Mr. Morey			X			
Mr. Pierson	X					X
Mr. Thornton	X					

Previous comments regarding Res. 790-20 should be applied to this record per Commissioner Morey.

4-21 Resolution designating departments for 2021.

5-21 Resolution assigning departments for 2021.

6-21 Resolution designating County Commissioner member or liaison for various Boards, Commissions and Agencies outside of Cape May County Government for the year 2021.

7-21 Resolution regarding the Open Public Meeting Act.

8-21 Resolution adopting the Rules of the Board for 2021.

9-21 Resolution adopting the 2021 Cash Management Plan and designating the custodian and signatories for the "County of Cape May Board of County Commissioners Account".

10-21 Resolution appointing Certifying Officers for 2021.

11-21 Resolution establishing Certifying Officers for various organizations and commissions for 2021.

12-21 Resolution appointing County Commissioner Gerald M. Thornton Insurance Fund Commissioner.

MINUTES OF REORGANIZATION MEETING HELD JAN 6, 2021 (Continued)

- 13-21 Resolution appointing County Commissioners Gerald M. Thornton and E. Marie Hayes as members to the Board of School Estimate for Atlantic Cape Community College.
- 14-21 Resolution appointing County Commissioners Gerald M. Thornton, E. Marie Hayes and Will Morey as members to the Board of School Estimate for the Cape May County Special Services School District.
- 15-21 Resolution appointing County Commissioners Gerald M. Thornton, E. Marie Hayes and Will Morey as members of the Board of School Estimate of the Cape May County Technical School District.
- 16-21 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.
- 17-21 Resolution appointing County Commissioners Gerald M. Thornton and Will Morey as members to the Cape May County Planning Board.
- 18-21 Resolution approving Salaries for 2021.
- 19-21 Resolution establishing Temporary Budget-2021

Freeholders	Ayes	Nayes	Abstain	Absent	Moved	Second
Mr. Desiderio	X					
Ms. Hayes	X				X	
Mr. Morey	X					X
Mr. Pierson	X					
Mr. Thornton	X					

The meeting adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

Freeholders	Ayes	Nayes	Abstain	Absent	Moved	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