

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2022 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-Absent (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 Tuesday, January 11, 2022.”

MOMENT OF SILENCE-Dedicated to Commissioner Desiderio’s dad and his family.

FLAG SALUTE-Led by Commissioner Thornton.

MINUTES – MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE 01/11/22 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 updated the Board on his projects. He reported Pacific Avenue in Wildwood as being the only construction job ongoing at the time. All other jobs were temporarily halted due to weather. The Ocean Drive project would be awarded tonight with the authorization of Res. No. 65-22. The contractor had already come in to begin prepping that; work would start as soon as weather permitted. The final plans and specifications for the Upper Thorofare and Mill Creek Substructure Repairs and the Great Channel Bridge Priority Repairs were sent to the State, work was scheduled to begin in the spring. Several road projects were already in line to go out to bid in the spring; scheduled to be finished by the fall.

2) COUNTY COUNSEL: Jeff Lindsay had no report.

3) COUNTY TREASURER: Brittany Smith had no report.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

1) COMMISSIONER MOREY: Mr. Morey informed his colleagues the County Planning Board had recently adopted the County Comprehensive Plan, although they had been working on the plan for several years. It was a substantial document providing an impressive amount of information, he said. He described it as being a

great resource for the county, especially for individuals who would like to learn more about Cape May County or who are interested in doing business with the county. A link to the Comprehensive Plan could be found on the county website, on the Planning Department's homepage.

2) COMMISSIONER HAYES: Ms. Hayes commented regarding a small election held today for a bond referendum for Lower Cape May Regional High School and Richard M. Teitelman Middle School. Lower Township, Cape May and West Cape May voted on a bond proposal for replacement of the HVAC systems in both schools. A new roof was needed on the Richard M. Teitelman School. The Election Board was able to use their new Dominion voting equipment and get a feel for it, due to this being a very small election, she said.

Last night, she attended the South Jersey County Commissioners Association meeting, held virtually. Ginny Haines, Assistant Director of the Ocean County Commissioners Board was sworn in as president of the organization. The meetings were productive in that the members shared their ideas and solutions. They were all looking forward to the 2022 meetings.

Commissioner Hayes recognized Luke Sooy and Teagan Emmer, Irish Dancers from the county, who both won in the national competition for their age group. They would compete for the Irish Dance World Championship title in Belfast Ireland in April.

3) COMMISSIONER DESIDERIO: No report.

4) COMMISSIONER THORNTON: The Director met with County Consultant Mike Donohue and the representatives from ORSTED to discuss the offshore wind development project.

RESOLUTIONS:

INTRODUCED BY MR. DESIDERIO, SECONDED BY MS. HAYES

- 35-22 Resolution urging the President of the United States and the United States Environmental Protection Agency to take appropriate action to issue waivers and implement other reforms to allow for the blending of renewable fuels under the Federal "Clean Air Act," while containing costs for independent refiners.
(This Resolution urges the President of the United States and the United States Environmental Protection Agency to take appropriate action to issue waivers and implement other reforms to allow for the blending of renewable fuels under the Federal "Clean Air Act," while containing costs for independent refiners.)
- 36-22 Resolution reappointing William G. Burns, Jr. as a member to the Cape May County Municipal Utilities Authority.
(This Resolution authorizes the reappointment of William G. Burns, Jr. as a member to the Cape May County Municipal Utilities Authority for a term of five (5) years. Term shall expire 2/1/27.)
- 37-22 Resolution authorizing County of Cape May to provide matching funds for Career and Technical Education Program Round II Expansion Grant to support renovations proposed by Cape May County Technical School District.
(This Resolution authorizes the County of Cape May to provide matching funds for Career and Technical Education Program Round II Expansion Grant to support renovations proposed by Cape May County Technical School District.)
- 38-22 Resolution establishing the mileage rate for 2022.
(This Resolution establishes the reimbursable mileage rate for 2022 for use of a personal vehicle while engaged in County business when a County owned vehicle is unavailable. Rate set at 58.5 cents per mile.)

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- 39-22 Resolution authorizing Sublease Agreement with Animal Outreach of Cape May County for the operation of a spay/neuter clinic at the Cape May County Animal Shelter.
(This Resolution authorizes a Sublease Agreement with Animal Outreach of Cape May County and establishes terms in connection with the operation of a spay/neuter clinic in space provided for such purpose by the Cape May County Animal Shelter.)
- 40-22 Resolution authorizing renewal of flood insurance coverage with National General Insurance Company for the Wildwood Crest and Stone Harbor Library locations in the total amount of \$3,086.00.
(This Resolution authorizes flood insurance policies for the Wildwood Crest and Stone Harbor locations for the term 02/04/22 through 02/04/23.)
- 41-22 Resolution authorizing renewal of Surety Bond with RLI Insurance Company for Janet M. McMahan, Division Director of Finance & Purchasing in the amount of \$1,750.00.
(This Resolution authorizes renewal of Bond No. LSM1316441 for Janet M. McMahan, Division Director of Finance & Purchasing for the term of 01/01/22 through 01/01/23.)
- 42-22 Resolution authorizing renewal with National Union Fire Insurance Company of Pittsburgh, PA for group accident coverage in the amount of \$1,547.00.
(This Resolution authorizes renewal of coverage for Community Service (SLAP Program), Fire Hawk Program, OEM and County Volunteers Group Accident Insurance for the term of February 1, 2022 through February 1, 2023.)
- 43-22 Resolution authorizing payment to the Travelers Insurance Company for a claim expense in the amount of \$3,073.00.
(This Resolution authorizes a payment to the Travelers Insurance Company, Deductible Billing Department for a claim expense in the amount of \$3,073.00.)
- 44-22 Resolution authorizing payment to the Travelers Insurance Company for various claims in the total amount of \$68,137.45.
(This Resolution authorizes payment to the Travelers Insurance Company, Property-Casualty Department for various claims.)
- 45-22 Resolution authorizing renewal with American Home Assurance Company for Commercial Property Policy #025032496 in the total amount of \$506,786.58.
(This Resolution authorizes renewal of Commercial Property Policy #025032496 for the term of 01/01/2022 through 01/01/2023.)
- 46-22 Resolution amending the Cape May County Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace Policy.
(This Resolution amends the County's existing Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace Policy.)
- 47-22 Resolution authorizing an extension of Contract No. C0-141 with ADT Commercial, LLC for Expansion and Integration of Security Access and Video Surveillance Systems on an as-needed basis.
(This Resolution authorizes an extension of Contract No. C0-141 with ADT Commercial, LLC for Expansion and Integration of Security Access and Video Surveillance Systems on an as-needed basis to May 31, 2022.)
- 48-22 Resolution awarding Contract No. C2-1 to United Uniforms, LLC and Contract No. C2-2 to Action Uniform Co., LLC to furnish and deliver uniforms for various Public Safety Departments.
(This Resolution awards Contract Nos. C2-1 to United Uniforms, LLC and C2-2 to Action Uniform Co., LLC to furnish and deliver uniforms to various Public Safety Departments for a term of one year commencing January 30, 2022, with one (1) additional One-year option.)
- 49-22 Resolution authorizing agreements with various instructors for Fire Marshall's Office on an as-needed basis for a one-year term commencing January 1, 2022.

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(This Resolution authorizes agreements with various instructors from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022, at an hourly rate pursuant to the attached memorandum.)

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 MS. HAYES, SECONDED BY MR. DESIDERIO

- 50-22 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).)
- 51-22 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.)
- 52-22 Resolution authorizing execution of various Memorandums of Understanding for Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Service Program Dental Grants.
 (This Resolution authorizes the execution of Memorandums of Understanding with various vendors for Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Service Program Dental Grants on an as-needed basis.)
- 53-22 Resolution amending Contract No. C9-63 to Senior Care Centers of America, Inc. d/b/a Active Day of Cape May for Adult Day Services-Medical as needed for the Department of Human Services Division of Aging and Disability Services.
 (This Resolution amends Contract No. C9-63 with Senior Care Centers of America, Inc. d/b/a Active Day of Cape May to adjust the daily rate to \$82.00, per the State of New Jersey Department of Human Services Office of Management and Budget approved rate change effective October 1, 2020.)
- 54-22 Resolution approving additional funding for Contract No. SH22005 for Social Services for the Homeless Grant awarded by New Jersey Department of Human Services in the amount of \$25,000.00 for the period of January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.
 (This Resolution authorizes additional funding for the FY22 Social Services for the Homeless Grant Funding in the amount of \$25,000.00, for the period 1/1/22 through 12/31/22.)
- 55-22 Resolution accepting additional Grant Award from the New Jersey Department of Health for the Cancer Education and Early Detection Grant (CEED) No. DCHS22CED011 for the period of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 in the amount of \$12,040.00.
 (This Resolution accepts additional grant award in the amount of \$12,040.00 to support breast and cervical cancer screening and transportation services.)
- 56-22 Resolution supplementing the 2022 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.)

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57-22 Resolution authorizing the Board to hold a meeting excluding the public on January 25, 2022 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) and pending litigation, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)(7).

(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.)

58-22 Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 9 to Contract No. C0-70 with R. Wilkinson & Sons Construction Inc. for the construction of new Safari Café at the Cape May County Zoo in the amount of \$28,111.38.

(This Resolution authorizes Change Order No. 9 to Contract No. C0-70 to furnish and install revised concrete footing and electrical service, and for furniture freight and storage as per the attached proposal in the amount of \$28,111.38.)

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 MS. HAYES

59-22 Resolution designating the month of February, 2022 as Career and Technical Education Month in Cape May County.

(This Resolution designates the month of February, 2022 as Career and Technical Education Month in Cape May County and encourages all residents to become familiar with the services and benefits offered by the Cape May County Technical School District.)

60-22 Resolution authorizing use of competitive contracting to solicit proposals for Landscape Architecture Services for the County of Cape May.

(This Resolution authorizes use of competitive contracting for Landscape Architecture Services for the County of Cape May pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1 through 40A:11-4.5)

61-22 Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. C0-215 with T&M Associates for Professional Planning Services for the development of a comprehensive plan in the amount of \$15,000.00.

(This Resolution authorizes Change Order No. 1 to Contract C0-215 for additional comprehensive plan modifications and census data updates per the attached proposal in the amount of \$15,000.00.)

62-22 Resolution authorizing Green Creek Volunteer Fire Company to solicit contributions along Bayshore Road (CR603) on various dates in the Township of Middle.

(This Resolution authorizes fire company volunteers to hold ‘coin drops’ to obtain public contributions which help offset operational expenses.)

63-22 Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 1-Final in the amount of \$1,973.40 to RTW Construction, Inc. contract for 2020 Miscellaneous Drainage Improvements II, Townships of Middle and Lower.

(This Resolution authorizes a change order for 2020 Miscellaneous Drainage II improvements to reflect as- built quantities and to affirm that no payments will be forwarded to the contractor retained on the project until adoption of the Stipulation and Consent Order of case number 21-18595.)

64-22 Resolution awarding contract to South State, Inc. in the amount of \$9,528,944.50 for 2021 Maintenance Paving on Various County Roads.

(This Resolution awards the contract for 2021 Maintenance Paving on Various County Roads.)

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- 65-22 Resolution awarding contract to South State, Inc. in the amount of \$3,028,329.34 for Ocean Drive (CR619) 62nd Street to 80th Street Resurfacing Improvements, Borough of Avalon.
(This Resolution awards the contract for Ocean Drive (CR619) 62nd Street to 80th Street Resurfacing Improvements, Borough of Avalon.)
- 66-22 Resolution amending Resolution No. 31-22, accepting the work and closing the contract with IH Engineers, Inc. for Professional Traffic and Roadside Safety Engineering Services on an as-needed basis.
(This Resolution corrects the amount shown in Resolution No. 31-22 for the previous accepting the work and closing the contract. The amended amount to be released is \$33,929.69.)
- 67-22 Resolution authorizing Modification No. 1 to the Partnership Agreement between the Department of the Army and Cape May County for design and construction of the Delaware Avenue (CR640) Emergency Shoreline Protection Program.
(This Resolution is to increase the County’s proportionate project sharing cost by \$685,125.00 for the construction of a steel sheeting cut off wall associated with the Delaware Avenue (CR640) slope stabilization project, City of Cape May.)
- 68-22 Resolution accepting Grant Award from United States Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration for construction of a multi-tenant technology building located at Cape May County Airport, Lower Twp, New Jersey in the amount of \$2,974,800.00.
(This Resolution authorizes the acceptance of an award from the US EDA for Federal Project No. 01-01-15107 in the amount of \$2,974,800.00 for the construction of multi-tenant technology building at The Hangers, Cape May County Airport.)

Commissioners	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Desiderio	X					
Ms. Hayes	X					X
Mr. Morey	X				X	
Mr. Pierson				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: Maria Mattera, a Fare Free Transportation employee and William Kimsey, a retired Fare Free Transportation employee were in attendance with an issue of concern over bonus pay. Mr. Kimsey had been a Meals on Wheels driver prior to his retirement on July 1, 2021. He did not receive the additional \$3.00 per hour stipend given to county employees who had worked hours during the COVID-19 pandemic. Ms. Mattera explained she was helping Mr. Kimsey with his issue because he was not computer savvy.

ADJOURN: 5:16 P.M.

Commissioner Desiderio moved/ Commissioner Hayes seconded

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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