

**MINUTES OF A CAUCUS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,
HELD IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 4 MOORE ROAD, CAPE MAY
COURT HOUSE, NEW JERSEY ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2022 AT 3:00 P.M.**

Director Thornton called the meeting to order. The following members answered roll call:

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

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 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 Director Thornton.

Agenda Items

Presentations:

1. Dr. Nancy Hudanich: Round 2 Career and Technical Education Program Expansion Grants

Dr. Hudanich went over the Cape May Tech total proposed project amount for Round 2 of Securing Our Children’s Future Bond Act, with the County’s 25% contribution.

- 75% SOCFBA Eligibility, \$14,450,859
- 25%, \$4,816,953.00, County Commissioners

There would be some new programs of study along with updates to existing programs in the school’s curriculum. The needs keeping up with a 10-year projected growth rate were described in depth by the superintendent.

She detailed the expenditure of the grant money, if obtained, with the County contribution as financing the following:

- Marine Maintenance Classroom/Equipment/Tools/Furniture
- Automotive Classroom/Equipment/Tools/Furniture
- Diesel/Small Engine Classroom/Equipment/Tools/Furniture
- Medical Assisting, Dental Assisting & Allied Medical Classroom/Equipment/Tools/Furniture
- Veterinary Assisting Classroom/Equipment/Tools/Furniture
- Electrical Trades Classroom/Equipment/Tools/Furniture
- Pre-Eng., Cybersecurity and Information Technology Classroom/Equipment/Tools/Furniture
- Esports Arena
- Natural Science Classroom/Equipment/Tools/Furniture
- Room utilization project-repurpose rooms (movement of Aquatics & academics)
- Renovated Faculty Lounges

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- Expanded Cafeteria & College/Career Readiness Center
- Renovated Boathouse
- New dock and road
- Outdoor updated for grow ponds

Discussion:

1. Allison Hansen- Purchasing Report

Ms. Hansen detailed awards, extensions, or changes to contracts, and competitive contracting of the following resolutions: Res. Nos. 48-22, 53-22 and 60-22.

Res. 48-22 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.

Res. 53-22 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.

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

2. Robert Church-Engineer's Update

The following resolutions on the agenda to be authorized during the Regular Meeting of Board tonight were acknowledged or discussed by Mr. Church.

Res. 63-22 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.

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

Res. 65-22 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.

Res. 66-22 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.

Res. 67-22 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.

Res. 68-22 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.

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3. Kevin Lare-Administrator Report

Mr. Lare reminded upcoming for the 2022 Budget adoption process there were a couple "Save the Dates". First, the budget deliberation hearing was scheduled for February 16th at 1:00 p.m. Notice was sent out by the Deputy Clerk, Donna Doyle. Next, the introduction of the 2022 Budget would take place on February 22nd, at the Regular Meeting of the Board. A team was working on the details (Kevin, Brittany, Sara and Jeff). They had a strong surplus this year, he said. They were looking at ways to maybe pay as you go for equipment etc. and fund some of the projects such as maintenance paving, as they came up instead of borrowing through a bond ordinance each time. He described it as looking ahead at building a fund to pay for design services, etc. as needed.

4. Commissioner Discussions

Commissioner Morey-No discussion.

Commissioner Hayes-No discussion.

Commissioner Desiderio-No discussion.

Commissioner Director Thornton-No discussion.

Moved by Mr. Desiderio seconded by Ms. Hayes to adjourn the caucus. Roll call: Commissioners Desiderio, Hayes, Morey and Thornton (AYE-4) (NAYE-None) (ABSTAIN-None) (ABSENT-One). Carried.

Caucus adjourned at 3:39 p.m.

Administrator/Clerk of the Board