

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 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, and Thornton-Present (3)
Commissioners Pierson and Morey-Absent (2)

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

FLAG SALUTE-Led by Commissioner Director Thornton.

MINUTES – MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE 01/25/22 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 reported the following:
 - ✓ Pacific Avenue Resurfacing in Wildwood Crest- ongoing work.
 - ✓ Ocean Drive Resurfacing in Avalon-beginning March 2nd work to resume between 62nd and 80th Streets.
 - ✓ Ocean Drive Bridge Upgrades & Improvements-advertising for RFP’s to prequalify a pool of consultants.
 - ✓ A required federal aid recertification taking place with the NJDOT.
 - ✓ Bayshore Road project in Lower Township- work to resume in 2 weeks.

- 2) COUNTY COUNSEL: Jeff Lindsay had no report.

- 3) COUNTY TREASURER: Brittany Smith had no report.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

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- 1) COMMISSIONER HAYES: Ms. Hayes recently attended the following: Habitat for Humanity housewarming in Upper Township; New Jersey Association of Counties Reorganization meeting in Trenton; American Legion/VFW Patriot's Pen Award ceremony at the Crest Memorial School in Wildwood Crest.
- 2) COMMISSIONER DESIDERIO: Vice-Director Desiderio explained that he would be hosting a meeting with local legislators and elected officials on Friday, February 11th at 11:30 a.m., at the City Hall in Sea Isle City. The purpose of the meeting was to brainstorm with local agencies regarding a problem that started last year in many shore communities. The towns were experiencing large groups of congregating juveniles becoming disorderly. The police, due to changes in the law, now had decreased authority to keep the situations under control.
- 3) COMMISSIONER THORNTON: Director Thornton reported his participation in conference calls with the State regarding school age children and mask mandates.

He complimented what was accomplished by Commissioners Desiderio and Morey with their involvement on the COVID-19 Recovery Task Force.

RESOLUTIONS:

INTRODUCED BY MR. DESIDERIO, SECONDED BY MS. HAYES

- 69-22 Resolution authorizing payment to the Travelers Insurance Company for a claim expense in the amount of \$347.00.
(This Resolution authorizes a payment to the Travelers Insurance Company, Deductible Billing Department for a claim expense in the amount of \$347.00.)
- 70-22 Resolution rejecting the proposal submitted January 26, 2022, in response to 2022 Specification No. 1 to furnish, deliver, install and maintain one (1) new Jail Management System for the Cape May County Correctional Center.
(This Resolution rejects the proposal received January 26, 2022, in response to 2022 Specification No. 1, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2 (b) the lowest bid substantially exceeds the appropriation.)
- 71-22 Resolution accepting Grant Award from New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety NJ CARES for FFY 2021 Operation Helping Hand Grant No. FYOHH-4-2021 for the period of September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022 in the amount of \$52,631.57.
(This Resolution authorizes the Cape May County Prosecutor's Office to participate in a State Grant No. FYOHH-4-2021 and accept State funds for Operation Helping Hand.)
- 72-22 Resolution awarding As-Needed Contracts to furnish and deliver clothing and outer wear items for various County of Cape May Departments.
(This Resolution awards as-needed contracts to Smart Stitch, LLC, United Uniforms, LLC, Hanover Uniform, Concept Printing, Inc., and Image First Uniforms for a term of one (1) year commencing February 9, 2022, with two (2) additional one-year options.)
- 73-22 Resolution transferring funds 2021 Budget.
(This Resolution authorizes the transfer of funds from one department to another department.)
- 74-22 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).)

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- 75-22 Resolution authorizing execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the County of Ocean for use of the Ocean County Juvenile Detention Center.
(This Resolution authorizes a Shared Services Agreement with the County of Ocean for the placement of Cape May County juveniles at the Ocean County Juvenile Detention Center.)
- 76-22 Resolution authorizing execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the Atlantic County Improvement Authority for the Development of Retained Property #1, as Designated in the Area in Need of Redevelopment, of Block 410.10, Lot 36 in the Township of Lower, County of Cape May.
(This Resolution authorizes Shared Services Agreement for Project Management Services with the Atlantic County Improvement Authority for the Development of Retained Property #1, as Designated in the Area in Need of Redevelopment, of Block 410.01, Lot 36 in the Township of Lower, County of Cape May.)
- 77-22 Resolution authorizing Cape May County to accept a Grant Agreement with the State Agriculture Development Committee under the Farmland Preservation Program for the acquisition of a development easement affecting Block 53 Lots 4-9, 48, 51.01, 52.01 & 58, Township of Dennis.
(This Resolution authorizes Cape May County to accept the grant agreement with the SADC in the amount of \$366,919.20 for the acquisition of a development easement from DLB Holdings, LLC, Township of Dennis.)
- 78-22 Resolution authorizing the execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the Township of Dennis for the project known as “Dennis Bike Path Phase I Additional Funding” providing for the funding of a portion of this project, in a total amount not to exceed \$430,000.00 with adoption of all other terms and conditions of the annexed schedules.
(This Resolution authorizes a Shared Services Agreement with the Township of Dennis for funding for the above-referenced project under the Open Space Program, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:12-16, et seq.)
- 79-22 Resolution authorizing the execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the Township of Dennis for the project known as “Chestnut Street Park Additional Funding” providing for the funding of a portion of this project, in a total amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 with adoption of all other terms and conditions of the annexed schedules.
(This Resolution authorizes a Shared Services Agreement with the Township of Dennis for funding for the above-referenced project under the Open Space Program, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:12-16, et seq.)
- 80-22 Resolution authorizing the execution of a Historic Preservation Trust Fund Grant Agreement with the City of Cape May for the project known as “Stabilization of the Former Allen AME Church” providing for a portion of the funding of this project, in a total amount not to exceed \$240,000.00, with adoption of all other terms and conditions of the annexed schedules.
(This Resolution authorizes a Historic Preservation Trust Fund Grant Agreement with the City of Cape May for funding for the above-referenced project under the Open Space Program, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:12-16, et seq.)
- 81-22 Resolution authorizing the execution of a Historic Preservation Trust Fund Grant Agreement with the Mid-Atlantic Center for the Arts for the project known as “Physick Estate Capital Projects for Historic Preservation” providing for a portion of the funding of this project, in a total amount not to exceed \$25,842.00, with adoption of all other terms and conditions of the annexed schedules.
(This Resolution authorizes a Historic Preservation Trust Fund Grant Agreement with the City of Cape May for funding for the above-referenced project under the Open Space Program, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:12-16, et seq.)
- 82-22 Resolution authorizing the execution of a Historic Preservation Trust Fund Grant Agreement with the Historic Cold Spring Village Foundation for the project known as “Historic Cold Spring Village Grange” providing for a portion of the funding of this project, in a total amount not to exceed \$29,430.00, with adoption of all other terms and conditions of the annexed

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schedules.

(This Resolution authorizes a Historic Preservation Trust Fund Grant Agreement with the City of Cape May for funding for the above-referenced project under the Open Space Program, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:12-16, et seq.)

- 83-22 Resolution authorizing the execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the City of Wildwood for the project known as “Byrne Community Center Complex Improvements” providing for the funding of a portion of this project, in a total amount not to exceed \$2,939,952.40 with adoption of all other terms and conditions of the annexed schedules.

(This Resolution authorizes a Shared Services Agreement with the City of Wildwood for funding for the above-referenced project under the Open Space Program, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:12-16, et seq.)

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

- 84-22 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.)

- 85-22 Resolution authorizing the Board to hold a meeting excluding the public on February 8, 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).

(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.)

- 86-22 Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. C1-142 with MJJ Construction, LLC for the construction of Toucan Exhibit at the Cape May County Zoo in the amount of \$5,823.00.

(This Resolution authorizes Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. C1-142 to furnish and install underground electrical service; remove unsuitable soils and replace with stone; install strapping at roof, and finish and hardware changes per the attached proposal in the amount of \$5,823.00.)

- 87-22 Resolution authorizing Application and Indemnification Agreement with Cape Express Soccer Club for use of County Park East for youth soccer practice.

(This Resolution permits use of the soccer field located at County Park East by Cape Express Soccer Club.)

- 88-22 Resolution authorizing Agreement with New Jersey Transit Corporation for the 2022 Senior Citizen and Disabled Resident Transportation Assistance Program (SCDRTAP) from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022 in the amount of \$414,649.00.

(This Resolution authorizes an agreement with the New Jersey Transit Corporation from 01/01/22 through 12/31/22 in the amount of \$414,649.00 to provide available and accessible transportation to senior citizens so they may obtain the necessities of life.)

- 89-22 Resolution authorizing consent to assignment of Contract No. C1-63 with Belleplain Emergency Corporation to Inspira Medical Centers, Inc.

(This Resolution authorizes County’s consent of assignment of Contract No. C1-63 with Belleplain Emergency Corporation to Inspira Medical Centers, Inc., effective December 1, 2021.)

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- 90-22 Resolution accepting Grant Award from New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety Division of State Police for FY21 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Hazmat Training Grant in the amount of \$18,614.00 for the period of September 30, 2021 to September 29, 2022.
(This Resolution accepts subgrant award No. 2021-03 for FY21 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant Training from 9/30/21 to 9/29/2022.)
- 91-22 Resolution authorizing execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the Atlantic County Improvement Authority for the Development of Retained Property #1, as Designated in the Area in Need of Redevelopment, of Block 410.10, Lot 36 in the Township of Lower, County of Cape May.
(This Resolution authorizes Shared Services Agreement for Property Management Services with the Atlantic County Improvement Authority for the Development of Retained Property #1, as Designated in the Area in Need of Redevelopment, of Block 410.01, Lot 36 in the Township of Lower, County of Cape May.)
- 92-22 Resolution authorizing Marmora Volunteer Fire Company to solicit contributions along Roosevelt Boulevard (CR623) on various dates in the Township of Upper.
(This Resolution authorizes fire company volunteers to hold ‘coin drops’ to obtain public contributions which help offset operational expenses.)
- 93-22 Resolution granting permission to Strathmere Volunteer Fire Company to close a portion of Commonwealth Avenue (CR619) in Upper Township for their annual 4th of July Parade.
(This Resolution gives permission to the Strathmere Volunteer Fire Company to temporarily close a portion of Commonwealth Avenue (CR619) for their annual 4th of July Parade.)
- 94-22 Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 2-Final in the amount of <\$131,099.21> and accepting the work and closing the contract of South State, Inc. for Woodbine-Oceanview Road (CR550) Resurfacing Improvements Phase I, Borough of Woodbine.
(This Resolution authorizes a final change order, accepts the work and closes the contract.)
- 95-22 Resolution authorizing execution of Agreement Modification No. 1 to Federal Agreement No. 20-DT-BLA-826 for Pacific Avenue (CR621) from Madison Avenue to Rambler Road, Township of Lower and Borough of Wildwood Crest.
(This Resolution is to increase the available reimbursement to cover additional construction costs deemed to be participating costs in excess of the modified grant allotment for Pacific Avenue (CR621) Resurfacing, Township of Lower and Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May.)
- 96-22 Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 1-Final in the amount of \$22,670.37 to South State, Inc. for Bayshore Road (CR603) Phase 3 Reconstruction from Wilde Avenue to Weber Avenue, Township of Lower.
(This Resolution authorizes a change order to adjust various pay items in the contract to reflect as-built conditions.)
- 97-22 Resolution amending Resolution No. 316-21 authorizing advancement of preliminary engineering for alternative 3 of the local public concept development of the Ocean Drive (CR621) Upgrades and Bridge Improvements.
(This Resolution modifies Resolution No. 316-21 to adjust the cost sharing amounts as originally outlined for Preliminary Engineering.)

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

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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: Mayor Pete Byron of Wildwood thanked and acknowledged the Board for its support and the input provided by Planning/Open Space, in his comments regarding the “Byrne Community Center Complex Improvements” project authorized by Res. No. 83-22.

Jody Alessandrino, Cape May MAC Director and CEO thanked the Board for their partnership and support of MAC’s Capital Project (Res. No. 81-22). He commended Barbara, Scott, Leslie and the Open Space Board for a tremendous job consistently performed.

ADJOURN: 5:26 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