

ATLANTIC COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Stillwater Building

201 Shore Road, Northfield, New Jersey 08225

and via Cisco Webex Video Conferencing

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Minutes of Meeting

November 9, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Atlantic County Board of County Commissioners was called to order by Chairwoman Maureen Kern at 4:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on the above-mentioned date, in the Stillwater Building located at 201 Shore Road, Northfield, NJ and via Cisco Webex Video conferencing as a result of COVID-19.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT

Statement of Open Public Meeting Compliance: Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, Chairwoman Kern announced that adequate notice of this meeting, as required by said Act, has been published in *The Press of Atlantic City*, and mailed to *The Current*, *The Daily Journal*, *The Hammonton Gazette* and *The Hammonton News*; posted on the bulletin boards at 1333 Atlantic Avenue, Atlantic City, the Stillwater Building, 201 Shore Road, Northfield and the County Clerk's Office in Mays Landing.

PRAYER, MOMENT OF SILENCE AND FLAG SALUTE

A moment of silence was held in memory of Range Master Tom Jerdan followed by the prayer led by Commissioner Gatto and the flag salute led by Chairwoman Kern.

ROLL CALL

The following roll call was recorded: PRESENT: Balles, Bertino (via Webex), Coursey, Dase (via Webex), Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. ABSENT: None.

A quorum was present.

MINUTES OF MEETING September 21, 2021

Commissioner Coursey moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to adopt and dispense with the reading of the September 21, 2021 minutes.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

PRESENTATION

Honoring Dr. Barbara Gaba for her induction into the Rutgers University African-American Alumni Alliance Hall of Fame (Resolution No. 617).

RESOLUTION NO. 617* Resolution honoring Dr. Barbara Gaba for her induction into the Rutgers University African-American Alumni Alliance Hall of Fame

Commissioner Coursey moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion honoring Dr. Barbara Gaba for her induction into the Rutgers University African-American Alumni Alliance Hall of Fame (Sponsor: Ernest D. Coursey).

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

COMMENTS

State Senator Vince Polistina announced he was sworn-in yesterday and the office is now open and fully functional to constituent services. He requested an update on the Atlantic County Central Municipal Court.

*Not in numerical order

PRESENTATION

Overdose Fatality Review Team update by Jennifer Pielhau, Program Coordinator.

ORDINANCE NO. 11

FIRST READING

An ordinance of the Atlantic County Board of County Commissioners amending the Atlantic County Code to make a provision for the inclusion of the Central Municipal Court of Atlantic County as a Division of Atlantic County Government

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Risley seconded a motion to introduce on first reading Ordinance No. 11-2021, an ordinance of the Atlantic County Board of County Commissioners amending the Atlantic County Code to make a provision for the inclusion of the Central Municipal Court of Atlantic County as a Division of Atlantic County Government.

County Counsel Jim Ferguson provided a detailed overview of the court.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: Coursey.

MOTION TO MOVE

RESOLUTION NO. 614 TO THE TOP OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Balles moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to move Resolution No. 614 to the top of the agenda.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: Coursey.

RESOLUTION NO. 614*

Resolution adopting the agreement establishing the Central Municipal Court of Atlantic County and otherwise approving of its method of operation.

Commissioner Balles moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion adopting the agreement establishing the Central Municipal Court of Atlantic County and otherwise approving of its method of operation.

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Risley seconded a motion to amend section C of Resolution 614 by adding a regular member to the Governance Committee and a regular member to the Personnel Committee from the Atlantic County Board of County Commissioners.

The above-mentioned motion was amended and adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: Coursey. ABSTAINED: Dase.

Andrew Freedo, representing Sheriff's Office PBA Local 243 inquired as to the location of the central municipal courts and security. County Counsel Ferguson responded.

Joe O'Donahue, resident of Egg Harbor Township and former member of the Sheriff's Office PBA Local 243 expressed his concern regarding private security.

RESOLUTION NO. 577

Amending Resolution No. 444 (10-6-20), a grant application and acceptance for the Local Public Health Overdose Fatality Review Teams 2021

Commissioner Coursey moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion amending Resolution No. 444 adopted on October 6, 2020, a grant application and acceptance from the New Jersey Department of Health for the Local Public Health Overdose Fatality Review Teams 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 for the term commencing June 30, 2020 and terminating September 30, 2022.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

*Not in numerical order

RESOLUTION NO. 578
Grant application for the
Older Americans Act 2022
Area Plan contract grant

Commissioner Coursey moved and Commissioner Fitzpatrick seconded a motion authorizing a grant application to the New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Aging Services for the Older Americans Act 2022 Area Plan contract grant in an amount not to exceed \$1,729,651.00 for the period commencing January 1, 2022 and terminating December 31, 2022.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 579
Grant acceptance Abuse for
participation in the Alliance to
Prevent Alcoholism and Drug
Abuse

Commissioner Coursey moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing a grant acceptance from the New Jersey Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse for participation in the Alliance to Prevent Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in an amount not to exceed \$304,857.81 for the period commencing July 1, 2022 and terminating June 30, 2023.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 580
Grant application for the
replacement of Lakes Creek
Bridge (EH-29) Project

Commissioner Coursey moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing a grant application to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the replacement of Lakes Creek Bridge (EH-29) Project in an amount not to exceed \$2,438,853.00.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 581
Grant application for the
Urban Gateway Enhancement
Program

Commissioner Coursey moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing a grant application to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Urban Gateway Enhancement Program in an amount not to exceed \$32,000.00.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 582
Grant acceptance for the
SFY21 Body-Worn Camera
Grant Program

Commissioner Coursey moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing a grant acceptance from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety, Office of the Attorney General for the SFY21 Body-Worn Camera Grant Program in an amount not to exceed \$71,330.00 for the term commencing January 1, 2021 and terminating December 31, 2025.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 583
Grant application for Section
5311 funding pursuant to the
Federal Transit Act

Commissioner Risley moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing a grant application to the New Jersey Transit and the United States Department of Transportation for Section 5311 funding pursuant to the Federal Transit Act in the amount of \$150,000.00 for the term commencing January 1, 2022 and terminating December 31, 2022.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

**MOTION TO COMBINE
AND ADOPT RESOLUTION
NOS. 584 TO 587**

Commissioner Risley moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to combine and adopt Resolution Nos. 584 to 587.

**RESOLUTION NO. 584
Chapter 159**

Insert into the budget of the year 2021 the sum of \$758,908.00 from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Criminal Justice, Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) 21-22.

**RESOLUTION NO. 585
Chapter 159**

Insert into the budget of the year 2021 the sum of \$115,000.00 from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Highway Traffic Safety, Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) 21-22.

**RESOLUTION NO. 586
Chapter 159**

Insert into the budget of the year 2021 the sum of \$32,000.00 from the State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation, Urban Gateway Enhancement Program 2021.

**RESOLUTION NO. 587
Chapter 159**

Insert into the budget of the year 2021 the sum of \$2,000,000.00 from the State of New Jersey, Department of State, Division of Elections, 2021 Early Voting Election.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 588
Renewal agreements for the
provision of youth shelter beds**

Commissioner Coursey moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing renewal agreements with various vendors for the provision of youth shelter beds for the total amount not to exceed \$110,000.00 for the term commencing January 1, 2022 and terminating December 31, 2022.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 589
Competitive contract to
provide Cloud Hosted
Electronic Bidding Services
and Support for the Atlantic
County Purchasing Office**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Risley seconded a motion authorizing a competitive contract with Infotech, Inc. to provide Cloud Hosted Electronic Bidding Services and Support for the Atlantic County Purchasing Office for an amount not to exceed \$103,250.00 for the period commencing from January 1, 2022 and terminating December 31, 2026.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 590
Renewal bid contract to
include the ability to utilize
the system for community
notifications that may not be
emergency in nature and for
internal notification by
County departments**

Commissioner Coursey moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to authorize a renewal bid contract with CivicPlus, Inc. to include the ability to utilize the system for community notifications that may not be emergency in nature and for internal notification by County departments for an amount not to exceed \$30,900.00 for the term starting November 1, 2021 and terminating on October 31, 2022.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 591
Renewal bid contract for the provision of uniforms for the Atlantic County Sheriff Office and Office of Emergency Management

Commissioner Balles moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to authorize a renewal bid contract with Action Uniform Co., LLC for the provision of uniforms for the Atlantic County Sheriff Office and Office of Emergency Management for the total sum not to exceed \$59,700.00 for the term commencing January 1, 2022 and terminating December 31, 2022 to do the work and/or supply the materials as set forth in the contract.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 592
Bid contract for renovations to the windows and siding at the Stillwater Building Bridge in Northfield

Commissioner Risley moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing a bid contract with Panoramic Window and Door Systems, Inc. for renovations to the windows and siding at the Stillwater Building Bridge in Northfield for the total sum not to exceed \$160,000.00 for the period commencing from notice of award and terminating December 31, 2022 to do the work and/or supply the materials as set forth in the contract.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 593
Bid contract for the roof replacement at the Hammonton Branch Library

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Risley seconded a motion to authorize a bid contract with Patriot Roofing, Inc. for the roof replacement at the Hammonton Branch Library for the total sum not to exceed \$444,669.00 for the period commencing from notice of award and terminating December 31, 2022 to do the work and/or supply the materials as set forth in the contract.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 594
Bid contract to provide three (3) 2021 or newer refrigerated/heated food delivery vehicles

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion authorizing a bid contract with Gentilini Ford to provide three (3) 2021 or newer refrigerated/heated food delivery vehicles for the total sum not to exceed \$191,031.57 to do the work and/or supply the materials as set forth in the contract.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 595
Bid contract to furnish and deliver animal food to the Atlantic County Animal Shelter

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Risley seconded a motion to authorize a bid contract with JDJ Pets Inc. d/b/a Pets Plus and Legend + White Animal Health Corp. to furnish and deliver animal food to the Atlantic County Animal Shelter for the total sum not to exceed \$36,618.00 for the period commencing from December 1, 2021 and terminating November 30, 2022.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 596
Change order to add Absecon Library to the list of various locations for cleaning services

Commissioner Risley moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing change order no. 1, contract with Abel's Cleaning Agency, LLC to add Absecon Library to the list of various locations for cleaning services for a net increase in the amount of \$9,700.60 and a total amendatory contract amount not to exceed \$163,352.20.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 597
Change order for the One Stop Career Center Exterior Renovation Project

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion to authorize change order no. 1, contract with Garozzo & Scimeca Construction, Inc. for the One Stop Career Center Exterior Renovation Project to extend the term date only until June 30, 2022 at no additional cost.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 598
Change order for pedestrian and traffic signal improvements of twenty-eight (28) signalized intersections along County Route 629 in Longport, Margate, Ventnor and Atlantic City

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion to authorize change order no. 1, contract with L. Feriozzi Concrete Company for pedestrian and traffic signal improvements of twenty-eight (28) signalized intersections along County Route 629 in Longport, Margate, Ventnor, and Atlantic City for a net increase in the amount of \$157,228.35, a total amendatory amount not to exceed \$9,883,247.60 and to extend the term of the contract until December 31, 2022.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 599
Lease agreement for library facilities

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Risley seconded a motion to authorize a lease agreement with the City of Somers Point for library facilities in an amount not to exceed \$35,000.00 for the term commencing January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 600
Agreement for COVID Response and Resilient Communities grant funds

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Dase seconded a motion to authorize an agreement with Rowan University School of Osteopathic Medicine for Community Health Workers for COVID Response and Resilient Communities grant funds to provide training for community health workers and evaluate the project for an amount not to exceed \$262,500.00 for a term commencing August 31, 2021 and terminating August 30, 2024.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 601
Agreement for the provision of Special Child Health Services

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion to authorize an agreement with Children's Specialized Hospital for the provision of Special Child Health Services in Atlantic County in an amount not to exceed \$17,000.00 for the term commencing July 1, 2021 and terminating June 30, 2022.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 602
Resolution to comply with the Department of Human Services requirement for a standardized resolution to be filed with the 2022 Area Plan by the Atlantic County Division of Intergenerational Services

Commissioner Balles moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing a resolution to comply with the Department of Human Services requirement for a standardized resolution to be filed with the 2022 Area Plan by the Atlantic County Division of Intergenerational Services.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 603
Business Associate Agreement between the New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Aging Services and the Atlantic County Office on Aging to be included with the Older Americans Act 2022 Area Plan

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion to authorize a Business Associate Agreement between the New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Aging Services and the Atlantic County Office on Aging to be included with the Older Americans Act 2022 Area Plan.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 604
Renewal alternate method contract for the furnishing of software modules to Meadowview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center for billing and electronic medical record tasks

Commissioner Coursey moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing a renewal alternate method contract with PointClickCare Technologies, Inc. for the furnishing of software modules to Meadowview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center for billing and electronic medical record tasks in an amount not to exceed \$73,648.44 for the term commencing September 1, 2021 and terminating August 31, 2022.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 605
Alternate method contracts to establish a pool of providers for Individual Training Account (ITA) Services

Commissioner Coursey moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to authorize alternate method contracts to establish a pool of providers for Individual Training Account (ITA) Services with various education and training institutions for FY 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00 for the program year commencing July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 606
Alternate method contract for software licensing and maintenance

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Risley seconded a motion authorizing an alternate method contract with Accela, Inc. for software licensing and maintenance in an amount not to exceed \$36,000.00 for the term commencing October 1, 2021 and terminating September 30, 2022.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 607
Amending Resolution No. 38 (1-19-21), an EUS contract to provide an Overdose Fatality Review Team (OFRT)

Commissioner Coursey moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion amending Resolution No. 38 adopted on January 19, 2021, an EUS contract with Atlantic Prevention Resources to provide an Overdose Fatality Review Team (OFRT) for an amount not to exceed \$170,000.00 for the term commencing from December 1, 2020 to September 30, 2022.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 608
Amending Resolution No. 589
(11-17-20), an agreement to
provide medical examiner
services**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Fitzpatrick seconded a motion amending Resolution No. 589 adopted on November 17, 2020, an agreement with the State of New Jersey, Department of Health to provide medical examiner services for four years and nine months for a base amount not to exceed \$1,550,000.00 for the period commencing October 1, 2020 and terminating June 30, 2025.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 609
Resolution supporting an
application to be submitted by
the City of Absecon for the
New Jersey Department of
Transportation Safe Routes to
School Program funding**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Dase seconded a motion supporting an application to be submitted by the City of Absecon for the New Jersey Department of Transportation Safe Routes to School Program funding.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 610
Memorandum of Agreement
(MOA) with CWA 1036
Assistant Prosecutors and
authorizing a formal written
collective bargaining
agreement**

Commissioner Coursey moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with CWA 1036 Assistant Prosecutors and authorizing a formal written collective bargaining agreement incorporating the terms of the MOA for a five (5) year period commencing January 1, 2020.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 611
Memorandum of Agreement
with PBA Local 77 Rank and
File Detectives and
authorizing a formal written
collective bargaining
agreement**

Commissioner Coursey moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing a Memorandum of Agreement with PBA Local 77 Rank and File Detectives and authorizing a formal written collective bargaining agreement incorporating the terms of the MOA for a five (5) year period commencing January 1, 2021.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 612
Alternate method contract to
continue assisting the County
to implement the County
Option Hospital Fee Program**

Commissioner Coursey moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing an alternate method contract with Eyman Associates to continue assisting the County to implement the County Option Hospital Fee Program for Program Year 1 for an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 commencing from the execution of the contract through June 30, 2022 and Program Year 2 for an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00 commencing July 1, 2022 through June 20, 2023.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 613
Resolution requesting a transfer in the 2021 budget in accordance with the provision of N.J.S. 40A:4-58

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion authorizing a resolution requesting a transfer in the 2021 budget in accordance with the provision of N.J.S. 40A:4-58.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 614
Resolution adopting the agreement establishing the Central Municipal Court of Atlantic County and otherwise approving of its method of operation.

Moved to the top of the agenda. Commissioner Balles moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion adopting the agreement establishing the Central Municipal Court of Atlantic County and otherwise approving of its method of operation.

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Risley seconded a motion to amend section C of Resolution 614 by adding a regular member to the Governance Committee and a regular member to the Personnel Committee from the Atlantic County Board of County Commissioners.

The above-mentioned motion was amended and adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: Coursey. ABSTAINED: Dase.

Andrew Freedo, representing Sheriff's Office PBA Local 243 inquired as to the location of the central municipal courts and security. County Counsel Ferguson responded.

Joe O'Donahue, resident of Egg Harbor Township and former member of the Sheriff's Office PBA Local 243 expressed his concern regarding private security.

RESOLUTION NO. 615
Appointment to the Library Advisory Commission

Commissioner Dase moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing the appointment of Carol Phillips to the Library Advisory Commission for a term to expire on January 1, 2024.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 616
Roadway solicitation event in Egg Harbor Township

Commissioner Balles moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing consent for a roadway solicitation event by Bargaintown Volunteer Fire Company #2 at the intersection of Ocean Heights Avenue (CR 559) and Zion Road (CR 615) in Egg Harbor Township on Saturday, December 4, 2021 and Sunday, December 5, 2021 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 617
Resolution honoring Dr. Barbara Gaba for her induction into the Rutgers University African-American Alumni Alliance Hall of Fame

Moved to the top of the agenda. Commissioner Coursey moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion honoring Dr. Barbara Gaba for her induction into the Rutgers University African-American Alumni Alliance Hall of Fame (Sponsor: Ernest D. Coursey).

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 618
Resolution supporting the
efforts of Congressman Van
Drew, Senator Booker and
Senator Menendez in
opposing potential changes to
F.A.A. operations

Commissioner Coursey moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion supporting the efforts of Congressman Van Drew, Senator Booker and Senator Menendez in opposing potential changes to F.A.A. operations (Sponsors: Richard R. Dase and Frank X. Balles).

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 619
Resolution to change the
November public meeting
schedule to cancel the
November 16, 2021 meeting
and set a new meeting date on
November 23, 2021

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion authorizing a resolution to change the November public meeting schedule to cancel the November 16, 2021 meeting and set a new meeting date on November 23, 2021.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL
COMMITTEES

There were no reports of special committees.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Fitzpatrick stated since \$7.8 million has been spent on repairs for the Dorset Avenue Bridge that when funds are available from the infrastructure bill we do something with that bridge.

WRITTEN
COMMUNICATIONS AND
PETITIONS

Commissioner Gatto reported she received correspondence from Congressman Van Drew's Office requesting our top road priorities for infrastructure funds. The Route 30 and Cologne Avenue intersection will be submitted.

Commissioner Balles stated, in reference to the Route 30 Cologne intersection, the correct verbiage is crashes not accidents. He also asked is there a design.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairwoman Kern opened the meeting to the public at 6:27 p.m.

There being no comments, Chairwoman Kern closed the public portion at 6:27 p.m.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Commissioner Coursey announced Veterans Day is Thursday and thanked all veterans for their service.

Chairwoman Kern reported that the Atlantic County Veterans Museum will be open Thursday to visitors from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairwoman Kern entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Coursey moved and Commissioner Risley seconded a motion to adjourn the Commissioners meeting. The motion was unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

Submitted by,

Sonya G. Harris
Clerk of the Board