

ATLANTIC COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
via Cisco Webex Video Conferencing

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Minutes of Meeting
June 1, 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., Standard Time, on the above-mentioned date, 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** The prayer and flag salute were led by Chairwoman Kern.
- ROLL CALL** The following roll call was recorded: PRESENT: Balles, Bertino, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. ABSENT: Coursey.
- A quorum was present.
- MINUTES OF MEETING April 20, 2021** Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion to adopt and dispense with the reading of the April 20, 2021 minutes.
- The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Coursey.
- MOTION TO MOVE RESOLUTION NO. 321 TO THE TOP OF THE AGENDA** Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Risley seconded a motion to move Resolution No. 321 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: None.
- RESOLUTION NO. 321* Resolution commending AtlantiCare for their leadership, community support and partnership in the fight against COVID-19** Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Fitzpatrick seconded a motion commending AtlantiCare for their leadership, community support and partnership in the fight against COVID-19 (Sponsor: Maureen Kern).
- The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Balles, Bertino, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.
- COVID-19 UPDATES** Patricia Diamond, Atlantic County Public Health Officer.

*Not in numerical order

**ORDINANCE NO. 5
FINAL READING
An ordinance establishing
speed limits along Doughty
Road (CR 609) in the City of
Pleasantville and Township of
Egg Harbor**

Commissioner Bertino moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to adopt on final reading Ordinance No. 5-2021 establishing speed limits along Doughty Road (CR 609) in the City of Pleasantville and Township of Egg Harbor.

Chairwoman Kern opened the public hearing for comments at 4:21 p.m. There being no comments, the meeting was closed to the public at 4:21 p.m.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 6
FINAL READING
An ordinance establishing a
left-turn prohibition on
Westcoat Road (CR 685) in the
City of Absecon**

Commissioner Balles moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to adopt on final reading Ordinance No. 6-2021 establishing a left-turn prohibition on Westcoat Road (CR 685) in the City of Absecon.

Chairwoman Kern opened the public hearing for comments at 4:22 p.m. There being no comments, the meeting was closed to the public at 4:22 p.m.

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

**MOTION TO TABLE
RESOLUTION NO. 85
2021 Atlantic County Budget**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion to table Resolution No. 85, the 2021 Atlantic County Budget.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 265
Budget amendment in
accordance with N.J.S.A.
40A:4-9**

WITHDRAWN (6-1-21): Budget amendment in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-9.

**RESOLUTION NO. 299
Grant application and
acceptance for the FY2022
Right to Know Act**

Commissioner Risley moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to authorize a grant application and acceptance from the New Jersey Department of Health for the FY2022 Right to Know Act in an amount not to exceed \$10,544.00 for the term commencing July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 300
Grant application and
acceptance for the continued
operation of the Atlantic
County Family Success
Centers**

Commissioner Risley moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to authorize a grant application and acceptance from the New Jersey Department of Children and Families for the continued operation of the Atlantic County Family Success Centers in an amount not to exceed \$924,559.00 for the period commencing July 1, 2021 and terminating June 30, 2022.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 301
Grant application and
acceptance for Veterans'
Transportation Assistance**

Commissioner Risley moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to authorize a grant application and acceptance from the New Jersey Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs for Veterans' Transportation Assistance in the amount not to exceed \$17,000.00 for the period commencing July 1, 2021 and terminating June 30, 2022.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 302
Grant application and
acceptance for Veterans'
Transportation Assistance**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Risley seconded a motion to authorize a grant application and acceptance from the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development for the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Data Reporting and Analysis Allocation funds in the amount not to exceed \$12,971.00 for the period commencing July 1, 2020 and terminating June 30, 2021.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 303
Grant application and
acceptance to replace the
HVAC system at the Galloway
Township Library**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Dase seconded a motion to authorize a grant application and acceptance from the New Jersey State Library grant to be used to replace the HVAC system at the Galloway Township Library for funding in the amount not to exceed \$920,661.00 with a County cash match of \$920,661.00 and total program amount of \$1,841,322.00.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 304
Grant application and
acceptance to replace the
HVAC system at the Egg
Harbor Township Library**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Bertino seconded a motion to authorize a grant acceptance from the New Jersey State Library grant to be used to replace the HVAC system at the Egg Harbor Township Library for funding in the amount not to exceed \$549,013.50 subject to a County cash match of \$549,013.50 and total program amount of \$1,098,027.00.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 305
Grant application and
acceptance to replace the
HVAC system at the Mays
Landing Library**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion to authorize a grant acceptance from the New Jersey State Library grant to be used to replace the HVAC system at the Mays Landing Library for funding in the amount not to exceed \$694,212.00 subject to a County cash match of \$694,212.00 and a total program amount of \$1,388,424.00.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 306
Grant application and
acceptance for Community
Health Workers for COVID-19
Response and Resilient
Communities grant funds**

Commissioner Fitzpatrick moved and Commissioner Risley seconded a motion to authorize a grant application and acceptance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion for Community Health Workers for COVID-19 Response and Resilient Communities grant funds in the amount of \$1,800,000.00 for the period commencing August 31, 2021 and terminating August 30, 2024.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 307
Renewal competitive
Contract to provide
emergency food assistance
for the homeless**

Commissioner Risley moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to enter into a renewal competitive contract with the Community Food Bank of South Jersey to provide emergency food assistance for the homeless for the total amount not to exceed \$48,000.00 for the period commencing January 1, 2021 and terminating December 31, 2021.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 308
Bid contract to provide glass,
window and frame repair and
maintenance for various
locations**

Commissioner Risley moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to enter into a bid contract with Jersey Architectural Door and Supply, Inc. to provide glass, window and frame repair and maintenance for various locations throughout Atlantic County in an amount not to exceed \$168,590.00 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, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 309
Bid contract to provide water
treatment services for Atlantic
County**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion to enter into a bid contract with Chem Clean Systems, LLC to provide water treatment services for Atlantic County for the total sum not to exceed \$45,960.00 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, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 310
Renewal interlocal services
agreement for the provision of
security services at the
Pleasantville Branch of the
Atlantic County Library
System**

Commissioner Risley moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to authorize a renewal interlocal services agreement with the City of Pleasantville for the provision of security services at the Pleasantville Branch of the Atlantic County Library System in an amount not to exceed \$55,000.00 and to extend the term of the agreement one year to expire on April 30, 2022.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 311
Extension to the shared
services contract for the
housing of adult female
inmates**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Bertino seconded a motion to authorize an extension to the shared services contract between Atlantic County and Burlington County for the housing of adult female inmates to extend the term until June 14, 2022.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 312
Interlocal agreement concerning the design, construction, maintenance and jurisdictional control of a bike lane within a portion of the right of way of Somers Point Mays Landing Road (CR 559) in the City of Somers Point

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Fitzpatrick seconded a motion to authorize an interlocal agreement with the City of Somers Point concerning the design, construction, maintenance and jurisdictional control of a bike lane within a portion of the right of way of Somers Point Mays Landing Road (CR 559) in the City of Somers Point.

Michelle Post, Reporter from The Press, requested a description of the project. Regional Planning and Development Department Head John Peterson responded.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 313
Interlocal agreement concerning the design, construction, maintenance and jurisdictional control of a bike lane within a portion of the right of way of New York Avenue (CR 665) in the City of Somers Point

Commissioner Dase moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to authorize an interlocal agreement with the City of Somers Point concerning the design, construction, maintenance and jurisdictional control of a bike lane within a portion of the right of way of New York Avenue (CR 665) in the City of Somers Point.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 314
Equipment Use Agreement with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Mosquito Control Commission

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Dase seconded a motion to authorize an equipment use agreement with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Mosquito Control Commission at no cost for the period commencing July 1, 2020 and terminating June 30, 2021.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 315
Equipment Use Agreement with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Mosquito Control Commission

Commissioner Bertino moved and Commissioner Dase seconded a motion to authorize an equipment use agreement with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Mosquito Control Commission at no cost for the period commencing July 1, 2021 and terminating June 30, 2022.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 316
Renewal of the Atlantic County Cooperative Pricing System and to request a name change to the Atlantic County Extended Cooperative Pricing System

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Risley seconded a motion authorizing the renewal of the Atlantic County Cooperative Pricing System and to request a name change to the Atlantic County Extended Cooperative Pricing System for the five year term starting August 26, 2021 and terminating August 26, 2026.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 317
Authorizing Atlantic County
to enter into a County
Cooperative Pricing
Agreement with the New
Jersey Cooperative
Purchasing Alliance #CK04

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Risley seconded a motion authorizing Atlantic County to enter into a County Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance #CK04.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 318
Shared services agreement for
security services within the
Folsom School District

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Bertino seconded a motion authorizing a shared services agreement with the Folsom Board of Education for security services within the Folsom School District 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, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 319
Alternate method agreement to
provide maintenance service
for the DocuWare Imaging
proprietary software

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Risley seconded a motion to authorize an alternate method agreement with MTS Software Solutions, Inc. to provide maintenance service for the DocuWare Imaging proprietary software in an amount not to exceed \$28,161.00 for the one year period commencing June 26, 2021.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 320
Appointment to the Atlantic
County Advisory Commission
on Women

Commissioner Risley moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to authorize the appointment of Millie Tate to the Atlantic County Advisory Commission on Women for a term to expire on February 28, 2024.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 321
Resolution commending
AtlantiCare for their
leadership, community
support and partnership in the
fight against COVID-19

Moved to the top of the agenda: Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Fitzpatrick seconded a motion commending AtlantiCare for their leadership, community support and partnership in the fight against COVID-19 (Sponsor: Maureen Kern).

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

REPORTS OF SPECIAL
COMMITTEES

Commissioner Fitzpatrick reported that the Area Agency on Aging is accepting input from the public tomorrow at 1 p.m. The telephone number is listed on the County's website.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Fitzpatrick inquired as to the status of Steve Stokes' application for the Workforce Development Board. Commissioner Kern stated she forwarded the resume to Administration. Commissioner Gatto and County Administrator DelRosso responded.

**WRITTEN
COMMUNICATIONS AND
PETITIONS**

Written communications and petitions were received by this office from May 19, 2021 to June 1, 2021.

Commissioner Gatto reported that Hope All Day Recovery Center held an open house with a meet and greet. Former Substance Abuse Coordinator Bob Widitz was honored and there is now a Bob Widitz Award that will recognize individuals helping those in recovery.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairwoman Kern opened the meeting to the public at 4:54 p.m.

Guy Simmons, owner of TMT Clams/Sea Watch International, expressed his concern regarding the rapid pace of offshore wind developers. He requested the Board consider a resolution addressing the environmental impact to the fishing industry.

There being no further comments, Chairwoman Kern closed the public portion at 4:55 p.m.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Chairwoman Kern announced that June is both Healthy Men's month and National Safety month.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairwoman Kern entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Fitzpatrick seconded a motion to adjourn the Commissioners meeting. The motion was unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

Submitted by,

Sonya G. Harris
Clerk of the Board