

**ATLANTIC COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**via Cisco Webex Video Conferencing**

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**Minutes of Meeting**  
**September 7, 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, 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**

The prayer and flag salute were led by Chairwoman Kern.

Chairwoman Kern stated that as we approach the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of 9/11 that we keep our nations heroes who have lost their lives defending our nation at the hands of terrorists in our thoughts, including the brave thirteen service men and women in Afghanistan. We should also keep in prayer the victims and those recovering from the devastating impact of Ida on our nation in our prayers today.

**ROLL CALL**

The following roll call was recorded: PRESENT: Balles, Bertino, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley (Arrived at 4:13 p.m.) and Kern. ABSENT: Coursey.

A quorum was present.

**MINUTES OF MEETING July 20, 2021**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Fitzpatrick seconded a motion to adopt and dispense with the reading of the July 20, 2021 minutes.

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

**PRESENTATION**

Commending Galloway Township Ambulance Squad in their effort to support the fight against COVID-19 (Resolution No. 428).

**RESOLUTION NO. 428\* Resolution commending Galloway Township Ambulance Squad in their effort to support the fight against COVID-19**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Bertino seconded a motion commending Galloway Township Ambulance Squad in their effort to support the fight against COVID-19 (Sponsor: Richard R. Dase).

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

\*Not in numerical order

**PRESENTATION**

Volunteers in Medicine by Jacqueline Meiluta, Executive Director.

**ORDINANCE NO. 7  
FINAL READING  
Ordinance to vacate and  
abandon an existing sight  
triangle easement along Third  
Street at Arena Court in  
Hammonton identified as  
Block 2201, Lots 11, 11.01,  
11.02 and 11.03**

Commissioner Bertino moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion to adopt on final reading Ordinance No. 7-2021, an ordinance to vacate and abandon an existing sight triangle easement along Third Street at Arena Court in Hammonton identified as Block 2201, Lots 11, 11.01, 11.02 and 11.03.

Chairwoman Kern opened the meeting to the public at 4:20 pm.

There being no comments, Chairwoman Kern close the meeting to the public at 4:20 pm.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 8  
FIRST READING  
Ordinance authorizing  
acquisition of an easement  
from a parcel of property  
designated as Block 304, Lot 1  
on the tax map of the City of  
Ventnor for a signal  
replacement project**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Risley seconded a motion to introduce on first reading Ordinance No. 8-2021, an ordinance of the County of Atlantic authorizing acquisition of an easement from a parcel of property designated as Block 304, Lot 1 on the tax map of the City of Ventnor for a signal replacement project by means of agreements or by condemnation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 ET SEQ. and N.J.S.A. 20:3-1 ET SEQ.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 9  
FIRST READING  
Ordinance establishing the  
Office of Deputy  
Superintendent of Elections in  
Atlantic County**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Dase seconded a motion to introduce on first reading Ordinance No. 9-2021, an ordinance of the Atlantic County Board of Commissioners establishing the Office of Deputy Superintendent of Elections in Atlantic County pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:32-26.1.

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

**MOTION TO MOVE  
RESOLUTION NO. 489 TO  
THE TOP OF THE AGENDA**

Commissioner Risley moved and Commissioner Dase seconded a motion to move Resolution No. 489 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. 489\*  
Resolution in support of  
Atlantic County Economic  
Alliance's application for a  
U.S. Department of Commerce  
Economic Development  
Administration Statewide  
Regional Planning Grant via  
the New Jersey Economic  
Development Authority**

Commissioner Balles moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing a resolution in support of Atlantic County Economic Alliance's application for a U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration Statewide Regional Planning Grant via the New Jersey Economic Development Authority.

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

\*Not in numerical order

**RESOLUTION NO. 452  
Amending Resolution No. 522  
(10-20-20), a grant agreement  
for the PY 2020 Workfirst New  
Jersey Program**

Commissioner Risley moved and Commissioner Bertino seconded a motion amending Resolution No. 522 adopted on October 20, 2020, a grant agreement with the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development for the PY 2020 Workfirst New Jersey Program to extend term date until October 31, 2021 for no additional amount.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 453  
Amending Resolution No. 378  
(7-20-21), a grant agreement  
for the FY 2021 Operation  
Helping Hand Grant Program**

Commissioner Balles moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion amending Resolution No. 378 adopted on July 20, 2021, a grant agreement with the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Office of the Attorney General for the FY 2021 Operation Helping Hand Grant Program to include subaward number SFYOHH-01-2021 for no additional amount.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 454  
Amending the Atlantic County  
FY 2014 Annual Action Plan  
for the Community  
Development Block Grant  
Program**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Bertino seconded a motion amending the Atlantic County FY 2014 Annual Action Plan with the US Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Community Development Block Grant Program for no additional amount.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 455  
Amending Resolution No. 403  
(8-3-21) to submit the Atlantic  
County FY 2021 to FY 2025  
Consolidated Plan and the  
Atlantic County FY 2021  
Annual Action Plan for the  
Community Development  
Block Grant Program and the  
Home Investment Partnership  
Program**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Dase seconded a motion amending Resolution No. 403 adopted on August 3, 2021 to submit the Atlantic County FY 2021 to FY 2025 Consolidated Plan and the Atlantic County FY 2021 Annual Action Plan to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Community Development Block Grant Program and the Home Investment Partnership Program for an amount up to \$1,179,416.00.

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

**MOTION TO COMBINE  
AND ADOPT RESOLUTION  
NOS. 456 TO 462**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion to combine and adopt Resolution Nos. 456 to 462.

**RESOLUTION NO. 456  
Chapter 159**

Insert into the budget of the year 2021 the sum of \$90,000.00 from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety, Juvenile Justice Commission, State Facilities Education Act (SFEA) 21-22.

**RESOLUTION NO. 457  
Chapter 159**

Insert into the budget of the year 2021 the sum of \$13,954.00 from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Criminal Justice, Megan's Law 18-19.

**RESOLUTION NO. 458  
Chapter 159**

Insert into the budget of the year 2021 the sum of \$7,429.99 from the State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) FY17.

**RESOLUTION NO. 459**  
**Chapter 159** Insert into the budget of the year 2021 the sum of \$77,000.00 from New Jersey Transit, FTA Section 5310 Formula Grant CY17 (Operating).

**RESOLUTION NO. 460**  
**Chapter 159** Insert into the budget of the year 2021 the sum of \$2,001,602.00 from the State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services, Division of Aging Services, Area Plan 2021.

**RESOLUTION NO. 461**  
**Chapter 159** Insert into the budget of the year 2021 the sum of \$150,000.00 from the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services, Local Efficiency Achievement Program (LEAP) FY2021.

**RESOLUTION NO. 462**  
**Chapter 159** Insert into the budget of the year 2021 the sum of \$21,782.00 from New Jersey Transit, Continuum of Care FY20.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 463**  
**Amended professional services agreements with various architects, engineers, designers, and other professional consultants from the 2015-2016 pool** Commissioner Balles moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to authorize amended professional services agreements with various architects, engineers, designers and other professional consultants from the 2015-2016 pool to extend the term date until August 31, 2022 at no additional cost.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 464**  
**Amended professional services agreements with various architects, engineers, designers and other professional consultants from the 2017-2018 pool** Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion to authorize amended professional services agreements with various architects, engineers, designers, and other professional consultants from the 2017-2018 pool to extend the term date until August 31, 2022 at no additional cost.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 465**  
**Amended professional services agreements with various architects, engineers, designers, and other professional consultants from the 2018-2019 pool** Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion to authorize amended professional services agreements with various architects, engineers, designers, and other professional consultants from the 2018-2019 pool to extend the term date until August 31, 2021 at no additional cost.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 466**  
**Amended professional services agreements with various architects, engineers, designers, and other professional consultants from the 2019-2020 pool** Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion to authorize amended professional services agreements with various architects, engineers, designers, and other professional consultants from the 2019-2020 pool to extend the term date until August 31, 2022 at no additional cost.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 467**  
**Amended professional services agreements with various architects, engineers, designers, and other professional consultants from the 2020-2021 pool**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion to authorize amended professional services agreements with various architects, engineers, designers, and other professional consultants from the 2020-2021 pool to extend the term date until August 31, 2022 at no additional cost.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 468**  
**Professional services agreements to establish the 2021-2022 pool for Atlantic County Facilities projects**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion to authorize professional services agreements with various architects, engineers, designers, and other professional consultants to establish the 2021-2022 pool on an as needed basis for Atlantic County Facilities projects for an aggregate total not to exceed \$750,000.00 for all contracts for the period commencing September 1, 2021 and terminating August 31, 2022.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 469**  
**Professional services contract to provide dietitian consultant services for Meadowview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and Intergenerational Services**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Bertino seconded a motion to authorize a professional services contract with Nutrition Link Services to provide dietitian consultant services for Meadowview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and Intergenerational Services for an amount not to exceed \$65,600.00 for the period commencing October 1, 2021 and terminating September 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. 470**  
**Renewal competitive contract to serve as Medical Director for the Departments of Human Services and Public Safety**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion to authorize a renewal competitive contract with Dr. Christopher J. Lucasti, D.O. to serve as Medical Director for the Departments of Human Services and Public Safety for an amount not to exceed \$38,000.00 for a one-year period commencing August 1, 2021 and terminating July 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. 471**  
**Renewal competitive contract for the provision of pharmaceutical services to Meadowview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion to authorize a renewal competitive contract with Partners Pharmacy for the provision of pharmaceutical services to Meadowview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center for an amount not to exceed \$398,800.00 for a one-year period commencing September 1, 2021 and terminating August 31, 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. 472**  
**Bid contract to furnish and deliver kitchen and catering supplies for the Department of Human Services**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Risley seconded a motion to authorize a bid contract with various vendors to furnish and deliver kitchen and catering supplies for the Department of Human Services for the total sum not to exceed \$185,334.49 for the term commencing September 1, 2021 and terminating August 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, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 473**  
**Bid contract for the resurfacing of Old Tilton Road (CR 687) in Egg Harbor Township and Pleasantville**

Commissioner Risley moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to authorize a bid contract with Think Pavers Hardscaping, LLC for the resurfacing of Old Tilton Road (CR 687) in Egg Harbor Township and Pleasantville for the total sum not to exceed \$1,752,953.00 for the period commencing from notice of award and terminating December 31, 2021 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. 474**  
**Bid contract for the roadway resurfacing of Mill Road (CR 651) Section 7A p/o 7B in the Town of Absecon**

Commissioner Risley moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to authorize a bid contract with Arawak Paving Co., Inc. for the roadway resurfacing of Mill Road (CR 651) Section 7A p/o 7B in the Town of Absecon for the total sum not to exceed \$1,019,000.00 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, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 475**  
**Agreement to incorporate the Absecon Library into the County Library System**

Commissioner Dase moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing an agreement with the City of Absecon to incorporate the Absecon Library into the County Library System for the term October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2031.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 476**  
**Lease agreement for the library facilities located at 305 New Jersey Avenue, Absecon**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Dase seconded a motion to authorize a lease agreement with the City of Absecon for the library facilities located at 305 New Jersey Avenue, Absecon in an amount not to exceed \$31,250.00 (per year) for the term commencing October 1, 2021 through September 31, 2031.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 477**  
**Lease agreement for warehouse space to be utilized by the Superintendent of Elections**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Bertino seconded a motion to authorize a lease agreement with S&T Realty, LLC for warehouse space to be utilized by the Superintendent of Elections in an amount not to exceed \$34,200.00 for the term commencing August 15, 2021 through July 15, 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. 478**  
**Resolution in support of Pleasantville's application to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for NJDOT FY 2022 Safe Routes to School Grant Program funds**

Commissioner Balles moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to authorize a resolution in support of Pleasantville's application to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for NJDOT FY 2022 Safe Routes to School Grant Program funds.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 479**  
**Intergovernmental services agreement for a Supplemental Learning Lab Program**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Fitzpatrick seconded a motion to authorize an intergovernmental services agreement with Atlantic Cape Community College for a Supplemental Learning Lab Program in an amount not to exceed \$80,350.00 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. 480**  
**Acquisition of additional right-of-way to accommodate road widening, drainage, and traffic signal improvements at the intersection of Pomona Road and Vera King Farris Drive at Stockton University along Block 875 Lot 1.01 in the Township of Galloway**

Commissioner Dase moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion to authorize an acquisition of additional right-of-way to accommodate road widening, drainage, and traffic signal improvements at the intersection of Pomona Road and Vera King Farris Drive at Stockton University along Block 875 Lot 1.01 in the Township of Galloway for nominal consideration of \$1.00.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 481**  
**Alternate method contract for the printing of election envelopes**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Risley seconded a motion to authorize an alternate method contract with Royal Printing Services for the printing of election envelopes for an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 for the period commencing August 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. 482**  
**Emergency contract for social engagement programs and services to help reduce/deter social isolation and increase social connectedness in those 60+ years and older due to COVID-19**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Fitzpatrick seconded a motion to authorize an emergency contract with Jewish Family Service for social engagement programs and services to help reduce/deter social isolation and increase social connectedness in those 60+ years and older due to COVID-19 in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00 for the term beginning September 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. 483  
Emergency contract for  
construction services to replace  
the New York Avenue Bridge  
(HML-66) over Gravelly Run  
in Hamilton Township**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Bertino seconded a motion to authorize an emergency contract with Richard E. Pierson Construction Co., Inc. for construction services to replace the New York Avenue Bridge (HML-66) over Gravelly Run in Hamilton Township in an amount not to exceed \$1,430,498.49 for the term beginning August 20, 2021 and terminating December 16, 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. 484  
Alternate method contract to  
provide a data management  
software system for the  
Department of Public Health**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion to authorize an alternate method contract with Accela Inc. to provide a data management software system for the Department of Public Health in an amount not to exceed \$165,870.00 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, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Gatto, Risley and Kern. NAYS: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 485  
Contracts for the provision of  
hospice services at  
Meadowview Nursing and  
Rehabilitation Center**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Dase seconded a motion to authorize contracts with various providers for the provision of hospice services at Meadowview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center at no cost for the period commencing August 1, 2021 and terminating July 31, 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. 486  
Memorandum of Agreement  
with the Atlantic County  
Prosecutor and Atlantic  
County Chief Assistant  
Prosecutors and authorizing a  
formal written collective  
bargaining agreement  
incorporating the terms of the  
memorandum of agreement**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion to authorize a memorandum of agreement with the Atlantic County Prosecutor and Atlantic County Chief Assistant Prosecutors and authorizing a formal written collective bargaining agreement incorporating the terms of the memorandum of agreement for a four (4) year period commencing January 1, 2020 through and including December 31, 2023.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 487  
Project labor agreement for  
the proposed Lake Lenape  
Park East Phase III Project**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Fitzpatrick seconded a motion to authorize a project labor agreement with the South Jersey Building and Construction Trades Council for the proposed Lake Lenape Park East Phase III Project.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 488  
Intergovernmental services  
agreement regarding  
assignment of a police officer to  
the Atlantic County  
Prosecutor's Office**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Bertino seconded a motion to authorize an intergovernmental services agreement with Mullica Township regarding assignment of a police officer to the Atlantic County Prosecutor's Office for the term starting September 15, 2021 and terminating 15, 2023.



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

**RESOLUTION NO. 489**  
**Resolution in support of Atlantic County Economic Alliance's application for a U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration Statewide Regional Planning Grant via the New Jersey Economic Development Authority**

Moved to the top of the agenda. Commissioner Balles moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing a resolution in support of Atlantic County Economic Alliance's application for a U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration Statewide Regional Planning Grant via the New Jersey Economic Development Authority.

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

**MOTION TO COMBINE AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NOS. 490 TO 493**

Commissioner Bertino moved and Commissioner Dase seconded a motion to combine and adopt Resolution Nos. 490 to 493.

**RESOLUTION NO. 490**  
**Appointment to the Atlantic County Fire Training Advisory Board**

Appointment of Nicholas L. LaRotonda to the Atlantic County Fire Training Advisory Board for a term to expire on March 1, 2022.

**RESOLUTION NO. 491**  
**Appointment to the Atlantic County Criminal Justice Advisory Board**

Appointment of Monica McQueen to the Atlantic County Criminal Justice Advisory Board for a term to expire on April 1, 2022.

**RESOLUTION NO. 492**  
**Appointment to the Atlantic County Solid Waste Advisory Council**

Appointment of David A. Bennett to the Atlantic County Solid Waste Advisory Council for a term to expire on January 1, 2024.

**RESOLUTION NO. 493**  
**Reappointment to the Atlantic County Fire Training Advisory Board**

Reappointment of Dave Buzby, Mike Corbo, Vincent J. Jones, III, Howard Berchtold, Jr., Daniel Adams, Russell Fenton, Eugene Sharpe, Chris Tilley, Joseph Ward, Robert Winkler, and Gilbert Zonge to the Atlantic County Fire Training Advisory Board for terms to expire on March 1, 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. 494**  
**Roadway solicitation event in Galloway Township**

Commissioner Dase moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing consent for a roadway solicitation event by Pomona Volunteer Fire Company #3 at the intersection of Jimmie Leeds Road (CR 633) and Pomona Road (CR 575) in the Township of Galloway on Saturday, October 2, 2021 from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 428\***  
**Resolution commending Galloway Township Ambulance Squad in their effort to support the fight against COVID-19**

Moved to the top of the agenda. Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Bertino seconded a motion commending Galloway Township Ambulance Squad in their effort to support the fight against COVID-19 (Sponsor: Richard R. Dase).

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 495\***  
**Resolution commending Kate Bergen of Absecon for her service and contribution to the community and imploring the National September 11 Memorial and Museum to exhibit her “Women of 9/11” painting series**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion commending Kate Bergen of Absecon for her service and contribution to the community and imploring the National September 11 Memorial and Museum to exhibit her “Women of 9/11” painting series (Sponsors: Amy L. Gatto and Richard R. Dase).

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 496**  
**Resolution in support of the Somers Point being designated as a Bicycle Friendly Community**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Fitzpatrick seconded a motion authorizing a resolution in support of the Somers Point being designated as a Bicycle Friendly Community (Sponsors: Maureen Kern and Amy L. Gatto).

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 497**  
**Resolution in support of Village Super Market Inc. application before the CRDA seeking approval to build a Shop Rite Market in Atlantic City**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Fitzpatrick seconded a motion authorizing a resolution in support of Village Super Market Inc. application before the CRDA seeking approval to build a Shop Rite Market in Atlantic City (Sponsors: Caren L. Fitzpatrick and Ernest D. Coursey).

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 498**  
**Resolution in support of Senate Bill 1878 to ban smoking in casinos**

Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Fitzpatrick seconded a motion authorizing a resolution in support of Senate Bill 1878 to ban smoking in casinos (Sponsor: Caren L. Fitzpatrick).

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 499**  
**Resolution honoring U.S. soldiers, families of U.S. soldiers and U.S. allies that sacrificed their lives to fight in Afghanistan military operations**

Commissioner Balles moved and Commissioner Gatto seconded a motion authorizing a resolution honoring U.S. soldiers, families of U.S. soldiers and U.S. allies that sacrificed their lives to fight in Afghanistan military operations (Sponsor: Frank X. Balles).

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 Senior Citizen Advisory Board will return to in-person meetings on October 1, 2021.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS AND**

There were no written communications and petitions.

**PETITIONS  
PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Chairwoman Kern opened the meeting to the public at 5:33 p.m.

Yolanda Lawson, representing AFSCME No. 63 Council, and Locals 2302 and 3408, stated the union wanted a date to meet with Administration concerning hazard pay and the mold issue in certain County buildings. County Administrator DelRosso responded.

Linda, a resident of Pleasantville and an employee of Meadowview Nursing Home, stated that the employees never had a day off during the pandemic. She expressed she was terrified and scared to work.

Sophia Kent, representing Teamsters Local No. 331, stated that the work that was performed by the employees during the weekend and after-hours merits hazard pay.

William McLean, employee of Atlantic City, stated his concerns.

Eileen Davis, employee at Meadowview Nursing Home asked what happens to the employees with COVID-19 that haven't returned to work?

Evan Fauntleroy, an employee of the Dept. of Family and Community Development, asked why it is hard to receive hazard pay when the employees have risked their lives coming to work? He also asked about the policy for vaccinated employees versus the non-vaccinated employees? County Administrator DelRosso responded.

Jacqueline Farmer, a resident of Somers Point and an employee at COB, stated she was proud of the work that was performed and asked where was the humanity for the employees?

There being no further comments, Chairwoman Kern closed the public portion at 6:21 p.m.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Chairwoman Kern stated that September is National Suicide Prevention Month. It is a reminder for us all that not only this month, but throughout the year to check on your family, friends, and colleagues. September is also Childhood Cancer Awareness month.

Commissioner Fitzpatrick wished everyone a Happy Rosh Hashanah.

Commissioner Dase stated with schools beginning to open everyone should keep an eye on the road and drive safely.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairwoman Kern entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Gatto moved and Commissioner Balles seconded a motion to adjourn the Commissioners meeting. The motion was unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Submitted by,

Sonya G. Harris  
Clerk of the Board