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MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

FORMAL MEETING OF AUGUST 13, 2019

MINUTES

Chair Cimino called the Formal Meeting to order at 8:00 P.M. on August 13, 2019, in Room 211 of the Joyce L. McDade Administration Building, 640 South Broad Street, Trenton, New Jersey.

The following members of the Board answered the Roll Call of the Clerk to the Board:

Present - Freeholders Cannon, Colavita, Frisby, Koontz, Melker, Walter and Cimino

The Clerk to the Board read the Invocation.

Chair Cimino led the Pledge of Allegiance and Salute to the Flag.

The Clerk to the Board announced that in accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law, notice of this Formal Meeting had been mailed to The Trenton Times, The Trentonian and The Princeton Packet newspapers as well as having been posted in both the County Administration Building and Courthouse at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting.

At this time, Chair Cimino invited members of the public to comment on any item listed on the Agenda.

There were no comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On the motion of Freeholder Walter, seconded by Freeholder Cannon, the Minutes of the following meetings were approved:

Formal Meeting of May 6, 2019

VOTE ON MOTION

Ayes -7. Nays - 0. Abstain -0. Absent - 0.

Ayes – Freeholders Cannon, Colavita, Frisby, Koontz, Melker, Walter and Cimino

On the motion of Freeholder Colavita, seconded by Freeholder Cannon, the Minutes of the following meeting were approved:

Formal Meeting of May 23, 2019

VOTE ON MOTION

Ayes -6. Nays - 0. Abstain - 1. Absent - 0.

Ayes – Freeholders Cannon, Colavita, Koontz, Melker, Walter and Cimino

Abstain – Freeholder Frisby

On the motion of Freeholder Cannon, seconded by Freeholder Frisby, the Minutes of the following meeting were approved:

Formal Meeting of June 13, 2019

VOTE ON MOTION

Ayes -6. Nays - 0. Abstain - 1. Absent - 0.

Ayes – Freeholders Cannon, Colavita, Frisby, Koontz, Walter and Cimino

Abstain – Freeholder Melker

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Purchasing Department, dated July 3, 2019, RE: Minutes and Bid Results for the Week of June 24, 2019.

A communication was received from the Purchasing Department, dated July 16, 2019, RE: Minutes and Bid Results for the Week of July 8, 2019.

A communication was received from the Purchasing Department dated July 31, 2019, RE: Minutes and Bid Results for the Week of July 15, 2019.

A communication was received from the Purchasing Department, dated July 31, 2019, RE: Minutes and Bid Results for the Week of July 22, 2019.

A communication was received from the Purchasing Department, dated August 6, 2019, RE: Minutes and Bid Results for the Week of July 29, 2019.

A communication was received from Brian M. Hughes, County Executive, dated July 30, 2019, RE: Appointments Requiring Freeholder Advise and Consent.

A communication was received from Lillian Nazzaro, Esq., Deputy County Administrator, dated August 13, 2019, RE: Follow-Up Questions from Freeholder Cimino.

A communication was received from Lillian Nazzaro, Esq., Deputy County Administrator, dated August 13, 2019, RE: Follow-up Questions from Freeholder Meeting of July 18, 2019.

A communication was received from Lillian Nazzaro, Esq., Deputy County Administrator, dated August 13, 2019, RE: Questions from Freeholder Walter.

RESOLUTIONS

At this time, the Clerk to the Board called for a Motion to Vote in Block on the following Resolutions listed on the Agenda.

Freeholder Colavita, seconded by Freeholder Cannon, that:

RESOLUTIONS NO. R-1 THROUGH R-36, ON THE AGENDA “BE VOTED ON IN BLOCK”

VOTE ON MOTION

Ayes - 7. Nays - 0. Abstain - 0. Absent -0.

Ayes – Freeholders Cannon, Colavita, Frisby, Koontz, Melker, Walter and Cimino

Freeholder Cannon offered the following Resolutions, seconded by Freeholder Koontz:

NO. 2019-341 SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE – STATE OF NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, AWARDS COUNTY OF MERCER FUNDS FOR BODY ARMOR REPLACEMENT FUND PROGRAM FOR THE MERCER COUNTY SHERIFFS OFFICE, CORRECTION CENTER AND PROSECUTORS OFFICE. AMOUNT: \$47,727.34

- NO. 2019-342** SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE – STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS, DIVISION OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT (CSBG) AWARDS COUNTY OF MERCER FUNDS. PERIOD: JANUARY 1, 2018 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2018. AMOUNT: \$11,395.40
- NO. 2019-343** SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE – STATE OF NEW JERSEY GOVERNOR’S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE AWARDS COUNTY OF MERCER THE MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE TO PREVENT ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE GRANT. PERIOD: JULY 1, 2019 TO JUNE 30, 2020. TOTAL AMOUNT: \$435,401.00
- NO. 2019-344** SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE – STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES FOR A FARMERS MARKET NUTRITION PROGRAM MINI GRANT FOR THE PERIOD OF JUNE 1, 2018 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2018; GRANT AMOUNT: \$2,625.00
- NO. 2019-345** SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE – STATE OF NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND PREPAREDNESS (OHSP), STATE HOMELAND SECURITY PROGRAM (SHSP). FOR THE 2018 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT FUNDS. AMOUNT: 305,278.11. PERIOD: SEPTEMBER 1, 2018 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2021
- NO. 2019-346** SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE – STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS’ AFFAIRS FOR VETERANS TRANSPORTATION SERVICES BY T.R.A.D.E. FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2018 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2019. GRANT AMOUNT: \$15,000.00

- NO. 2019-347** SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE – STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (NJDOT) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019 LOCAL BRIDGES FUND PROGRAM FOR COUNTY AID FOR STRUCTURALLY DEFICIENT BRIDGE NO. 330.1 ALEXANDER STREET OVER STONY BROOK, PRINCETON AND BRIDGE NO. 331:1; ALEXANDER STREET OVER ALEXANDER CREEK, PRINCETON COUNTY OF MERCER. TOTAL AMOUNT: \$3,165,977.00
- NO. 2019-348** COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN PBA LOCAL 187 (SHERIFF’S OFFICERS) AND THE COUNTY OF MERCER. FIVE (5) YEAR CONTRACT FROM JANUARY 1, 2019 TO DECEMBER 31, 2023
- NO. 2019-349** AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 2018-365, ADOPTED SEPTEMBER 13, 2018 AND COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN TEAMSTERS LOCAL NO. 469 COMMUNICATION OFFICERS) AND THE COUNTY OF MERCER, PERIOD: JANUARY 1, 2014 TO DECEMBER 31, 2019 – “AMEND ARTICLE 6, SECTION 4”
- NO. 2019-350** COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A COMPETITIVE CONTRACT WITH JOANNE C. LOCKE FOR THE PROVISION OF SYSTEM MONITORING FOR HOMELESS SERVICES IN MERCER COUNTY. PERIOD: SEPTEMBER 1, 2019 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2020 (WITH AN OPTION TO EXTEND FOR ONE YEAR). AMOUNT: \$95,200.00 (\$65,000.00 [COUNTY FUNDS]; AND (\$30,200.00 [CITY OF TRENTON CONTINUUM OF CARE FUNDS (COC) FUNDS])

- NO. 2019-351** MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
HEREBY ACCEPTS A 2019 MIDYEAR AREA PLAN
CONTRACT GRANT AWARD FROM THE STATE OF NEW
JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES,
DIVISION OF AGING SERVICES FOR THE PROVISION OF
MERCER COUNTY AREA PLAN ON AGING PROGRAMS
AND SERVICES FOR MERCER COUNTY OLDER ADULTS
AND CAREGIVERS. PERIOD: JANUARY 1, 2019
THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2019. AMOUNT: \$2,835,909.00
(LESS INITIAL FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$1,008,616.00) (FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDS) (NO
COUNTY FUNDS)
- NO. 2019-352** COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD
AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A GRANT AWARD FROM
THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF
COMMUNITY AFFAIRS, DIVISION OF HOUSING AND
COMMUNITY RESOURCES FOR COMMUNITY
SERVICES BLOCK GRANT (CSBG) FUNDS. PERIOD:
JANUARY 1, 2019 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2019.
AMOUNT: \$232,725.00. (STATE FUNDS) (NO COUNTY
FUNDS)
- NO. 2019-353** COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD
AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A COUNTY OF MERCER
HOME CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT WITH THE PLACE
AT EAST WINDSOR, LLC FOR A LOAN AWARD
PURSUANT TO THE HOME INVESTMENT
PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM – HOUSING PRODUCTION
PROGRAM. (FEDERAL FUNDS: \$325,000.00 – NO
COUNTY FUNDS)

- NO. 2019-354** COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A COUNTY OF MERCER CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT WITH PROJECT FREEDOM, INC., FOR A LOAN AWARD PURSUANT TO THE HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM – HOUSING PRODUCTION PROGRAM. (FEDERAL FUNDS: \$500,000.00 – NO COUNTY FUNDS)
- NO. 2019-355** COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT (AWARDED THROUGH A NON-FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS) WITH ERICH THALHEIMER, ACOUSTICAL ENGINEER, TO CONDUCT A NOISE MITIGATION STUDY AT THE MERCER COUNTY FIREARMS RANGE AND TO PROVIDE/RECOMMEND NOISE MITIGATION MEASURES. AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED: \$17,500.00. PERIOD: AUGUST 1, 2019 THROUGH JULY 31, 2020
- NO. 2019-356** AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 2017-83, ADOPTED JANUARY 26, 2017 AND COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE CENTRAL JERSEY PARTNERS REGIONAL PLAN MODIFICATION 2019 FOR THE COUNTIES OF MERCER, MIDDLESEX, MONMOUTH AND OCEAN AS PER THE WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT OF 2014 (WIOA): PERIOD: JULY 1, 2019 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2021 (NO STATE – NO COUNTY FUNDS)
- NO. 2019-357** COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A RIGHT OF WAY ENTRY AGREEMENT WITH LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP ON A PORTION OF MERCER MEADOWS, DESIGNATED AS BLOCK 6101, LOTS 7 AND 8, LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF BIKE PATH/TRAIL. COUNTY COST: \$0.00

- NO. 2019-358** COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A NON-PROFIT ASSISTANCE PROJECT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF MERCER AND D&R GREENWAY LAND TRUST FOR ASSISTANCE IN THE ACQUISITION OF THE KOCH PROPERTY, KNOWN AS BLOCK 5, LOT 29, HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP, NEW JERSEY. COUNTY COST NOT TO EXCEED: \$99,800.00
- NO. 2019-359** COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A NON-PROFIT ASSISTANCE PROJECT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF MERCER AND D&R GREENWAY LAND TRUST FOR ASSISTANCE IN THE ACQUISITION OF THE MAZIARZ PROPERTY, KNOWN AS BLOCK 4, LOT 24.02, HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP, NEW JERSEY. COUNTY COST NOT TO EXCEED: \$158,400.00
- NO. 2019-360** COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE AN EXTRAORDINARY UNSPECIFIABLE SERVICE (E.U.S) AGREEMENT WITH THE CRYPISIS GROUP FOR CYBER SECURITY AND FORENSIC ASSESSMENT SERVICES OF THE COUNTY INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS. CONTRACT PERIOD: AUGUST 1, 2019 TO JULY 31, 2020. AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED: \$40,000.00
- NO. 2019-361** COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 WITH J. FLETCHER CREAMER & SON, INC., FOR ON CALL SERVICES FOR THE INSTALLATION, REPLACEMENT AND REPAIR OR GUIDERAIL AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT MERCER COUNTY (AB2017-34) INCREASE: \$49,450.00 (+2.19%) REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT: \$2,302,575.00

- NO. 2019-362** COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH EWING TOWNSHIP FOR THE PROVISION OF ROAD MAINTENANCE
- NO. 2019-363** COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 AND FINAL WITH C.J. HESSE, INC., FOR REHABILITATION OF TAXIWAYS H, B & F – PHASE III PROJECT AT THE TRENTON-MERCER AIRPORT. DECREASE BY -\$276,298.53 (-11.53%) – REVISED CONTRACT TOTAL AMOUNT: \$2,120,129.97
- NO. 2019-364** COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT (AWARDED THROUGH A NON-FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS) WITH C & S ENGINEERS, INC., TO PROVIDE CONSULTING SERVICES FOR MISCELLANEOUS ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING PROJECTS AT THE TRENTON-MERCER AIRPORT. PERIOD: AUGUST 16, 2019 THROUGH AUGUST 15, 2020. AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED: \$50,000.00
- NO. 2019-365** COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT (AWARDED THROUGH A NON-FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS) WITH C & S ENGINEERS, INC., TO PROVIDE PROGRAM MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE DISADVANTAGE BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM AT THE TRENTON-MERCER AIRPORT. PERIOD: AUGUST 16, 2019 THROUGH AUGUST 15, 2020. AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED: \$30,000.00

- NO. 2019-366** COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT (AWARDED THROUGH A FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS) WITH URBAN ENGINEERS, INC., TO PROVIDE CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PROJECTS AT THE TRENTON-MERCER AIRPORT. PERIOD: JULY 19, 2019 THROUGH JULY 18, 2020. AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED: \$57,400.00
- NO. 2019-367** AWARD OF BID RECEIVED MAY 10, 2019 TO MULTIPLE VENDORS FOR TEMPORARY NURSING SERVICES AT THE MERCER COUNTY CORRECTION CENTER. PERIOD: JULY 24, 2019 THROUGH JULY 23, 2021; AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED: \$1,850,000.00 (\$900,000.00 (YEAR ONE) \$950,000.00 (YEAR TWO) (AB2019-16)
- NO. 2019-368** AWARD OF BID RECEIVED MAY 17, 2019 TO DIAMOND DRUGS, INC., FOR PHARMACY SERVICES FOR THE MERCER COUNTY CORRECTION CENTER; TOTAL AMOUNT: \$506,515.40 (\$253,257.70 PER YEAR). PERIOD: AUGUST 1, 2019 THROUGH JULY 31, 2021, WITH AN OPTION TO EXTEND FOR ONE (1) YEAR (AB2019-25)
- NO. 2019-369** AWARD OF BID RECEIVED JUNE 14, 2019 TO MERSHON CONCRETE, LLC, FOR CONCRETE FOR THE COUNTY OF MERCER AND THE MERCER COUNTY COOPERATIVE CONTRACT PURCHASING SYSTEM. PERIOD: JUNE 24, 2019 THROUGH JUNE 23, 2020, WITH AN OPTION TO EXTEND FOR ONE (1) YEAR BASED UPON THE INDEX RATE. TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED: \$274,47380 (CK09MERCER2019-06B)

- NO. 2019-370** APPOINTMENT OF THEODORA WANG TO THE MERCER COUNTY AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD
- NO. 2019-371** APPOINTMENT OF CHRISTINA GAETANO AS A MEMBER OF THE MERCER COUNTY COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN
- NO. 2019-372** REAPPOINTMENT OF WILLIAM S. AGRESS TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE MERCER COUNTY PLANNING BOARD
- NO. 2019-373** COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND THE MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS DESIGNATE SEPTEMBER 7, 2019 AS WORLD DUCHENNE AWARENESS DAY IN MERCER COUNTY
- NO. 2019-374** MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS SUPPORTS THE CREATION OF A NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE BANK
- NO. 2019-375** COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE MERCER COUNTY PROSECUTOR AND PBA LOCAL 339 (PROSECUTOR'S DETECTIVE AND INVESTIGATOR UNIT); PERIOD: JANUARY 1, 2018 TO DECEMBER 31, 2019
- NO. 2019-376** COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN PROSECUTOR'S SUPERIOR OFFICERS UNIT AND THE COUNTY OF MERCER. PERIOD: JANUARY 1, 2019 TO DECEMBER 31, 2019

VOTE ON RESOLUTIONS:

Ayes -7. Nays - 0. Abstain - 0. Absent – 0.

Ayes – Freeholders Cannon, Colavita, Frisby, Koontz, Melker, Walter and Cimino

ORDINANCE – INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

Freeholder Frisby offered the following Ordinance Introduction, seconded by Freeholder Koontz:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF MERCER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE MERCER COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE BY THE MERCER COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY, ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY, OF ITS REVENUE BONDS (COUNTY COURTHOUSE ANNEX PROJECT), SERIES 2015, AND DETERMINING CERTAIN

VOTE ON ORDINANCE:

Ayes – 7. Nays - 0. Abstain - 0. Absent -0.

Ayes – Freeholders Cannon, Colavita, Frisby, Koontz, Melker, Walter and Cimino

Freeholder Walter offered the following Ordinance Introduction, seconded by Freeholder Cannon:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT A MERCER COUNTY NEW JERSEY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, PURSUANT TO THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE PLAN OF THE OPTIONAL COUNTY CHARTER LAW (N.J.S.A. 40:41A-1 ET SEQ.) – ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A THIRD DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR TITLE (AMENDMENT NO. 20)

VOTE ON ORDINANCE:

Ayes – 7. Nays - 0. Abstain - 0. Absent -0.

Ayes – Freeholders Cannon, Colavita, Frisby, Koontz, Melker, Walter and Cimino

At this time, Chair Cimino invited the members of the public to comment on any item listed on the agenda.

There were no comments.

ADJOURNMENT

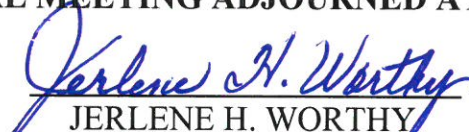
A motion to adjourn the Formal Meeting was offered by Freeholder Cannon and seconded by Freeholder Koontz, which was adopted by the unanimous vote of the members of the Mercer County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

VOTE ON MOTION

Ayes – 7. Nays - 0. Abstain - 0. Absent -0.

Ayes – Freeholders Cannon, Colavita, Frisby, Koontz, Melker, Walter and Cimino

FORMAL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:34 PM


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MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

INFORMAL MEETING OF AUGUST 13, 2019

MINUTES

Freeholder Board Chair Cimino called the Agenda Meeting to order at 6:06 P.M. on August 13, 2019, in Room 211 of the Joyce L. McDade Administration Building, 640 South Broad Street, Trenton, New Jersey.

ROLL CALL

The following members of the Board answered the Roll Call of the Clerk to the Board:

Present - Freeholders Cannon, Colavita, Frisby, Koontz, Melker, Walter and Cimino

Chair Cimino led the Pledge of Allegiance and Salute to the Flag.

SUNSHINE LAW

The Clerk to the Board announced that in accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law, notice of this Informal Meeting had been mailed to The Trenton Times, The Trentonian and The Princeton Packet newspapers as well as having been posted in both the County Administration Building and Courthouse at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting.

MINUTES

1. Formal Meeting of May 6, 2019
 2. Formal Meeting of May 23, 2019
 3. Formal Meeting of June 13, 2019
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COMMUNICATIONS

Nine (9) communications were discussed and approved for placement on the Agenda for the Formal Meeting of August 13, 2019.

Freeholder Walter thanked the Administration for their quick responses to her questions. She made reference to the Award of Bid for the Scotch Road overflow parking lot located at the Trenton-Mercer Airport. Freeholder Walter asked what type of surface would be used.

Deputy County Administrator, Lillian Nazzaro, responded that it would be paved.

Freeholder Walter mentioned alternatives to pavement that are cost effective and durable. She asked if the Administration ever looked into different types of surfaces other than asphalt.

Ms. Nazzaro said she would get that information to the Board.

Mr. Michael Herbert, Esq., Board Counsel, added that this particular lot would be used for rental cars and the private hangars would provide additional parking for overflow vehicles.

Freeholder Walter made mention of the alternative surface used in front of Homefront and asked the Administration for feedback on its durability.

Deputy Administrator Nazzaro did not have any information on that particular lot at this time, but reiterated that the New Jersey Department of Environment Protection (NJDEP) and the Soil Conservation Service both issued permits for the lot at the airport to be paved.

Freeholder Walter asked the Administration for further information on the other surfaces available to pave lots and other entities throughout the County.

Freeholder Walter asked the Administration for the attendance records for the Mercer County Planning Board and the Mercer County Vo-Tech Board Reappointments. She explained that a vast majority of members had a stellar attendance record, but noticed that some members were not always in attendance. Freeholder Walter asked if the Administration periodically checks-in with members to see if their schedules coincide with the Board meetings.

Ms. Nazzaro responded that she would get further information on the matter.

Freeholder Walter requested the Board remove the Resolution from the Agenda until they were provided with more information.

Freeholder Koontz asked if the Administration had any set policies in place in regards to attendance even for volunteer board members.

Deputy Administrator Nazzaro responded that it would be written in the particular Board's By-Laws.

The Board collectively agreed to hold the Resolution until further information could be provided.

Freeholder Walter made reference to the response regarding R-15, which was a proposed Resolution authorizing a Professional Service Agreement with Erich Thalheimer, Acoustical Engineer, to conduct a noise mitigation study at the Mercer County Firearms Range and to provide/recommend noise mitigation measures. Freeholder Walter questioned if a noise mitigation study could be conducted in the neighborhoods surrounding the Trenton-Mercer airport.

Ms. Nazzaro answered that no noise studies were conducted at the airport and it was not a requirement of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).

Freeholder Walter felt this study should be conducted so the Board would have documented evidence of the noise occurring in and around the airport.

Mr. Paul Adezio, Esq., County Counsel, added that Mr. Thalheimer is strictly a noise mitigation expert dealing with firearms and that the airport noise mitigation could very well be more costly.

Freeholder Walter added that to date there was only anecdotal evidence and it would be prudent to look further into the matter.

Freeholder Frisby commented that he felt a base line of audio recording was a necessary measure for the residents living near the airport. He said there was no true model that showed the true decimal of the planes. Freeholder Frisby was in agreement with Freeholder Walter to have acoustical testing done.

Freeholder Cimino asked if there would be any acoustical evidence found in the environmental assessment done at the airport.

Freeholder Walter said a noise study was not required, but felt the residents would be reassured if the Board requested one be completed.

RESOLUTIONS

Thirty-six (36) proposed Resolutions were discussed and approved for placement on the agenda for the Formal Meeting of August 13, 2019.

Deputy Administrator Nazzaro informed the Board that there would be two additional Resolutions this evening. She explained that R-36 was a contract between the Mercer County Prosecutor and PBA Local 339 (Prosecutor's Detective and Investigation Unit) and R-37 was a Contract between the Prosecutor's Superior Officers Unit and the County of Mercer.

ORDINANCE – INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

1. AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF MERCER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE MERCER COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE BY THE MERCER COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY, ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY, OF ITS REVENUE BONDS (COUNTY COURTHOUSE ANNEX PROJECT), SERIES 2015, AND DETERMINING CERTAIN

 2. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT A MERCER COUNTY NEW JERSEY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, PURSUANT TO THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE PLAN OF THE OPTIONAL COUNTY CHARTER LAW (N.J.S.A. 40:41A-1 ET SEQ.) – ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A THIRD DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR TITLE (AMENDMENT NO. 20)
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PUBLIC SECTION

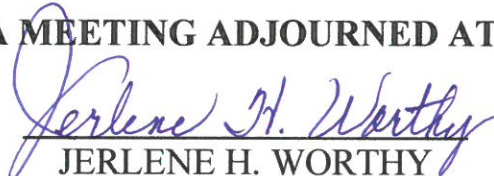
At this time, Chair Cimino invited the members of the public to comment on any item listed on the Agenda.

The following members of the audience addressed the Freeholder Board with their concerns and complaints regarding Trenton-Mercer Airport. Many of the residents spoke of the noise disturbances they faced on a regular basis and the harmful effects it has on their quality of life. **(See Schedule A, attached hereto, and made a part hereof).**

Gary Karpf, MD	Suzanna McGee
Anne Chmielewski	Debra Baseman
Kristen Megargee	Noemi de la Puente
Susan Herman	

The Freeholder Board was aware of their concerns and was interested in viewing all complaints made to the Trenton-Mercer Airport. They asked the Administration for further information.

AGENDA MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:15 PM


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August 13, 2019
Presentation to Mercer County Freeholders Meeting

My name is Gary Karpf. My wife Robin and I are both Physicians and I practice psychiatry, now for 37 years in Lawrenceville. We raised our family here. We planned to leave our 200- year-old historic farmhouse to our children. Maybe not.

Why are we so late to the game of airport concerns, after all the opportunities to speak to government officials and after master plans were approved and development underway? Now, so many new residents are up in arms. Because we have lived such busy productive lives we did not see and understand the growing impact until we experienced so many low flying jets, flying new patterns, in such greater numbers over and around our homes; enveloping our lives with noise and chemical pollution. The numerous disruptions caused by these low fly overs are stunning to the uninitiated. You must stop conversation, children hold their ears, and it jangles the nerves. And we are not just speaking for ourselves, but for the children of the future, your children. We are speaking up for your health, and the beautiful wildlife that has returned, thanks to you, to our magnificent county parks.

It is almost impossible for anyone to ever change their minds, especially elected officials once they are committed as you are, to a certain fiscal plan and policy, even when presented with new information. But despite our inherent resignation, we intend over time to present such new information that will address far deeper economic concerns about the long-term quality of life, all life here in our County, and hope that you too will reevaluate your prior short term commitment to economic growth and federal financing, and consider the longer term health and environmental concerns, and our overall quality of life.

We hope that once you consider these important issues that it is not too late to limit the traffic of Trenton Airport, the overall number of flights, the flight times of day, the size and the pollution of older jet equipment. We hope you will grow to see that you also have a deeper obligation to the economic impact of the long-term health of our wildlife, farm animals, water, produce and yes all of our health. Look at what the environment around Philadelphia or Newark airports actually look like. Do you really want Mercer County to devolve into that? What happened to those residential real estate values and tax base years ago, a sterile industrial wasteland? Have you really considered that long-term homework? Why haven't full environmental and health impact studies been completed?

Now let me speak as a physician: do any of you know anyone who is pregnant? Do you know anyone with stress related illnesses like anxiety, insomnia, attention deficit disorder, learning disorders, Asperger's syndrome, hypertension, heart disease, irritable bowel syndrome, allergies, asthma, peptic ulcer disease, angina; just to name a few. All of these conditions are made worse by noise and pollution. Who amongst us is going to take responsibility to keep track of Health changes in our environment that will change the quality of our lives forever? Every one of you will be gone, by the time these health changes are documented... those of you who were elected to serve us will be gone. What you thought were prudent fiscal decisions made with federal financing, without proper and thorough environmental health impact studies will be blamed for these long-term devastating effects. No one here watches the long term, what is wrong with us? Would you really take care of your children's children this way if you knew better? No responsible person would knowingly make these mistakes.

Here are some imperceptible facts: every single Airbus 320 take-off and landing emits 6900 pounds of carbon dioxide, 20 pounds of nitrogen oxide, 38 pounds of carbon monoxide, 2 pounds of sulfur dioxide, 1 pound of methane and 8 pounds of other hydrocarbon pollutants. It fouls your air, your soil and water, it stresses you whether you are aware of it or not. The noise alone jangles your nerves...try standing in the pole farm when a low flying plane is overhead and see what it does to you, the sensitive, children and wildlife. Not happy my friends, not happy at all. Health will decline, rest assured, but no one will be paying any attention because there is a little uptick in superficial economic activity in the short run. Then when you are gone, slowly but surely, people just like you and me will make decisions to move out of the area, health will surely decline, then real estate values will decline, residential neighborhoods will decline. But by the time people wake up, no one will be able to do anything about it. Who wants to take on the FAA?

How about passing control measures now, about the number of flights, the time of day, the flight paths, type of equipment used, pollution and noise? How about requiring a full environmental impact study? Don't just roll over for the FAA it is unseemly.

Thank you for your time and attention,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gary A. Karpf". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

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