

ATLANTIC COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
Stillwater Building, 201 Shore Road
Northfield, New Jersey

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Minutes of Meeting
December 15, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

A Regular meeting of the Atlantic County Board of Chosen Freeholders was called to order by Chairman James Curcio at 4 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on the above-mentioned date at the Stillwater Building, 201 Shore Road, Northfield, New Jersey.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT

Statement of Open Public Meeting Compliance: Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, Chairman Curcio announced that adequate notice of this meeting, as required by said Act, has been provided to The Press, the Mainland Journal, 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 AND FLAG SALUTE

The prayer was led by Freeholder Schroeder followed by the flag salute led by Chairman Curcio.

ROLL CALL

The following roll call was recorded: PRESENT: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. ABSENT: Giordano (Vacation)

MINUTES OF MEETING NOVEMBER 17, 2009

Freeholder Cooper moved and Freeholder Garrett seconded a motion to adopt and dispense with the reading of the November 17, 2009 minutes.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Giordano.

COUNTY SHERIFF PROMOTION OF OFFICERS CEREMONY MOTION

Sheriff Balles conducted a promotion ceremony for two Sheriff's Officers.

Freeholder Sutton moved and Freeholder Cooper seconded a motion to move Resolution No. 703 to the top of the agenda.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Giordano.

***RESOLUTION NO. 703 HONORING FREEHOLDER THOMAS RUSSO**

Freeholder Cooper moved and Freeholder Sutton seconded a motion to pass a Resolution honoring Freeholder Vice Chairman Thomas Russo.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Giordano.

PRESENTATION

Presentation of Resolution and Gifts to Freeholder Vice Chairman Thomas Russo on the occasion of his retirement.

ORDINANCE NO. 16 - 2009 FINAL READING VACATE AND ABANDON A SIGHT TRIANGLE EASEMENT

Freeholder Sutton moved and Freeholder Schroeder seconded a motion to adopt on final reading Ordinance No. 16 of 2009 to vacate and abandon a sight triangle easement across part of Lots 2.01 and 2.02 in block 113, at the intersection of Dorset and Ventnor Avenues in the City of Ventnor.

Chairman Curcio opened the meeting to the public for their comments on Ordinance No. 16 of 2009 at 4:39 p.m. Being none, Chairman Curcio closed the public portion of the meeting at 4:39 p.m.

***Not in Numerical Order**

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call:
AYES: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Giordano.

**RESOLUTION NO. 684
CANCELLATION OF
UNEXPENDED BALANCES
IN THE 2009 BUDGET**

Freeholder Sutton moved and Freeholder Cooper seconded a motion to adopt a resolution requesting a cancellation of unexpended balances in the 2009 budget pursuant to N.J.S. 40A:4-60.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call:
AYES: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Giordano.

**RESOLUTION NO. 685
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
AGREEMENT FOR
INDEPENDENT EXTERNAL
AUDIT SERVICES**

Freeholder Sutton moved and Freeholder Cooper seconded a motion to award a professional services agreement to Hutchins, Farrell, Meyer and Allison, P.A. for the provision of independent external audit services for an amount not to exceed \$84,000.00.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call:
AYES: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Giordano.

**RESOLUTION NO. 686
TRANSFER RESOLUTION**

Freeholder Sutton moved and Freeholder Garrett seconded to adopt a resolution in accordance with provision of N.J.S. 40A:4-58 to transfer funds in the amount of \$308,300.00 in the 2009 appropriation of the County of Atlantic.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call:
AYES: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Giordano.

**RESOLUTIN NO. 687
EUS CONTRACT FOR
EXCESS WORKER'S
COMPENSATION
INSURANCE**

Freeholder Sutton moved and Freeholder Garrett seconded a motion to award an EUS contract to Insurance Agencies, Inc., as an agent for the Safety National Casualty Corp., to purchase Excess Worker's Compensation Insurance for an amount not to exceed \$157,500.00.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call:
AYES: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Giordano.

**RESOLUTION NO. 688
AMENDING RESOLUTION
NO. 592 (10/28/08)
REGARDING AN
AGREEMENT FOR THE
COUNTY MUNICIPAL OPEN
SPACE PARTNERSHIP
PROGRAM**

Freeholder Russo moved and Freeholder Cooper seconded a motion to amend Resolution No. 592 adopted on October 28, 2008 regarding an agreement with the City of Atlantic City for the County Municipal Open Space Partnership Program to relocate funding to the acquisition of Block 325, Lot 1 at no additional cost.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call:
AYES: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Giordano.

**RESOLUTION NO. 689
TABLED**

Freeholder Dase moved and Freeholder Cooper seconded a motion to table Resolution No. 689.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call:
AYES: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Giordano.

**RESOLUTION NO. 690
AMENDING RESOLUTION
NO. 332 (6/16/09)
REGARDING AN
AGREEMENT FOR**

Freeholder Sutton moved and Freeholder Cooper seconded a motion to amend Resolution No. 332 adopted on June 16, 2009 regarding an amendatory agreement with Sirsi Dynix, Inc. for the Envisionware PC Reservation System for an additional amount not to exceed \$65,475.00 and for a total amendatory contract amount not to exceed \$634,060.00.

INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF AN INTEGRATED LIBRARY SYSTEM

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: Schroeder. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Giordano.

RESOLUTION NO. 691 RENEWAL AGREEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF THE HIGH RISK CASE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AND VICTIM IMPACT PROGRAM

Freeholder Cooper moved and Freeholder Dase seconded a motion to award a renewal agreement with the Atlantic County Division of Probation for the provision of the High Risk Case Management Program and Victim Impact program for an amount not to exceed \$21,492.00, which represents 25% of the anticipated \$85,965.00 full contract amount.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Giordano.

RESOLUTION NO. 692 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR MEDICAL CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES AND RELATED SERVICES FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS

Freeholder Sutton moved and Freeholder Garrett seconded a motion to award a professional services contract to Professional Rehabilitation Associates of NJ to provide medical case management services and related services for workers' compensation claims for an amount not to exceed \$226,077.00.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Giordano.

RESOLUTION NO. 693 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION OF AN EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Freeholder Cooper moved and Freeholder Sutton seconded a motion to award a professional services contract to AtlantiCare Behavioral Health for the provision of an Employee Assistance Program for an amount not to exceed \$25,488.00.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Giordano.

RESOLUTION NO. 694 BID CONTRACT FOR ADA RENOVATIONS TO RESTROOM FACILITIES AT VARIOUS ATLANTIC COUNTY LOCATIONS

Freeholder Sutton moved and Freeholder Cooper seconded a motion to award a bid contract to M.B. Markland Contracting Company for ADA renovations to restroom facilities at various Atlantic County locations for an amount not to exceed \$287,000.00.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Giordano.

MOTION TO COMBINE AND ADOPT RESOLUTIONS NO. 695 AND 696

Freeholder Cooper moved and Freeholder Schroeder seconded a motion to combine and adopt Resolutions No. 695 and 696 regarding grant applications.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Giordano.

RESOLUTION NO. 695 GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE DETENTION DIVERSION PROGRAM/CASE MANAGEMENT AND ADVOCACY

Grant application to the New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission for the Detention Diversion Program/Case Management and Advocacy for funding in the amount of \$37,132.00.

RESOLUTION NO. 696 GRANT APPLICATION THE 2009 EDWARD BYRNE

Grant application to the New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice for the 2009 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant for funding in the amount of \$125,031.00.

**MEMORIAL JUSTICE
ASSISTANCE GRANT**

**RESOLUTION NO. 697
AMENDING RESOLUTION
NO. 45 (1/27/09) REGARDING
A GRANT APPLICATION
FOR A WASTEWATER
MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Freeholder Cooper moved and Freeholder Garrett seconded a motion to amend Resolution No. 45 adopted on January 27, 2009 regarding a grant application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for a Wastewater Management Plan for funding in the amount of \$100,000.00.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Giordano.

**MOTION TO COMBINE AND
ADOPT RESOLUTIONS NO.
698 AND 699**

Freeholder Cooper moved and Freeholder Sutton seconded a motion to combine and adopt Resolutions No. 698 and 699, Chapter 159's.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Giordano.

**RESOLUTION NO. 698
CHAPTER 159**

Insertion into the budget funds from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development under the caption of Community Development Block Grant FY08 in the sum of \$356,997.00.

**RESOLUTION NO. 699
CHAPTER 159**

Insertion into the budget funds from the State of New Jersey, Department of Labor and Workforce Development under the caption of Workforce Development Partnership Program 09-10 in the sum of \$52,753.00.

**RESOLUTION NO. 700
RECOGNIZING SHERIFF
OFFICER ANDREW
FREETO'S MILITARY TOUR
IN KUWAIT**

Freeholder Cooper moved and Freeholder Russo seconded a motion to permit Sheriff Balles to introduce Officer Freeto.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Giordano.

Freeholder Sutton moved and Freeholder Russo seconded a motion to adopt a resolution recognizing Sheriff Officer Andrew Freeto's military tour in Kuwait.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Giordano.

**RESOLUTION NO. 701
RECOGNIZING DECEMBER
2009 AS NATIONAL
IMPAIRED DRIVING
PREVENTION MONTH**

Freeholder Sutton moved and Freeholder Russo seconded a motion to adopt a resolution recognizing December 2009 as National Impaired Driving Prevention Month (Sponsor: Freeholder McDevitt).

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Giordano.

**RESOLUTION NO. 702
SUPPORTING THE SOUTH
JERSEY TRANSPORTATION
AUTHORITY'S EFFORTS TO
DEVELOP THE SOUTH
JERSEY TRAFFIC
OPERATIONS AND PUBLIC
SAFETY COMMAND
CENTER**

Freeholder Russo moved and Freeholder Sutton seconded a motion to adopt a resolution supporting the South Jersey Transportation Authority's efforts to develop the South Jersey Traffic Operations and Public Safety Command Center (Sponsor: Freeholder Schroeder).

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Cooper, Dase, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: None. ABSTENTIONS: Garrett. ABSENT: Giordano.

MOTION

Freeholder McDevitt moved and Freeholder Sutton seconded a motion to

suspend the rules to allow certificates to be presented which were provided by Sheriff Balles.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Cooper, Dase, Garrett, McDevitt, Russo, Schroeder, Sutton and Curcio. NAYS: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Giordano.

PUBLIC PORTION

Chairman Curcio opened the meeting to the public at 5:22 p.m.

Tim Kreischer spoke regarding Resolutions No. 690 and 693.

Anthony Rainowski spoke regarding the layoff of County drivers (AFSCME).

Carol Boney (13 Stone Mill Road, Egg Harbor Township) questioned the publication in The Press of the bidding of nutrition sites.

Juanita Gunter stated that she never received notification from Civil Service regarding the layoff of County drivers.

There were no further comments and Chairman Curcio closed the public portion of the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

FREEHOLDER COMMENTS

Freeholder Schroeder questioned how many people were laid off?

**WRITTEN
CORRESPONDENCE**

Written correspondence was received by this office for the period of November 27, 2009 to December 15, 2009.

ADJOURNMENT

Freeholder Curcio asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Freeholder Sutton moved and Freeholder Cooper seconded a motion to adjourn the Freeholder meeting. The motion was unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 6 p.m.

Submitted by,

**Sonya G. Harris
Clerk to the Board**