# 170<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL REORGANIZATION BUSINESS MEETING CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS JANUARY 3, 2014 - 5:00 P.M. CAMDEN COUNTY COURTHOUSE

16<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR FREEHOLDER CONFERENCE ROOM 520 MARKET STREET, CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY 08102

The meeting was called to order by the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, Marianne DiPiero at 5:00 p.m. The Clerk then called the roll.

PRESENT: GENTEK, LEONARD, MCCRAY, NASH, RODRIGUEZ, MCDONNELL, CAPPELLI

The Clerk stated that this meeting was advertised in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Ms. DiPiero then asked everyone to stand for a moment of silence. The Clerk called upon Sheriff Charles Billingham to lead everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. DiPiero welcomed everyone to the 170<sup>th</sup> Annual Reorganization Business Meeting of the Camden County Board of Chosen Freeholders. Ms. DiPiero said the first order of business is to swear-in our newly elected Freeholders. She said it is my pleasure to welcome State Assemblyman Gilbert L. "Whip" Wilson to come forward to administer the Oath of Office to Dr. Edward T. McDonnell for the office of Freeholder.

## OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO EDWARD T. MCDONNELL

Assemblyman Gilbert L. "Whip" Wilson and Freeholder McDonnell came forward. Anna Marie Wright held the Bible. Assemblyman Wilson then administered the oath of office for Freeholder to Edward T. McDonnell.

## OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO CARMEN RODRIGUEZ

Ms. DiPiero called upon Senator Donald Norcross to come forward to administer the oath of office to Carmen Rodriguez for the office of Freeholder. Nilsa Cruz-Perez held the Bible. Senator Norcross administered the oath of office for Freeholder to Carmen Rodriguez.

#### NOMINATION FOR FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR

Ms. DiPiero said at this time I would like to open the floor for nominations for the office of Freeholder Director for the year 2014.

Freeholder Jeffrey Nash welcomed everyone and said it is my honor to nominate Louis Cappelli, Jr. to be our Freeholder Director. Freeholder Nash said Lou has been an outstanding leader. He continues to take on tough issues with great leadership, intelligence, integrity and compassion. This year, he did something phenomenal not only for the City of Camden but all the residents of the County with the County Police Department - Metro Division. He said, Lou, it was remarkable and you have the respect of every member of the Board. He said Lou Cappelli has increased services while still holding the line on taxes. He said, it is my honor to nominate you again as Freeholder Director for 2014. Freeholder McCray seconded the nomination and on roll call:

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Gentek -- Aye to Louis Cappelli, Jr. as Director Leonard -- Aye to Louis Cappelli, Jr. as Director McCray -- Aye to Louis Cappelli, Jr. as Director Nash -- Aye to Louis Cappelli, Jr. as Director Rodriguez -- Aye to Louis Cappelli, Jr. as Director McDonnell -- Aye to Louis Cappelli, Jr. as Director Cappelli -- Aye to Louis Cappelli, Jr. as Director
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## OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR

Senator Donald Norcross administered the oath of office for Freeholder Director to Louis Cappelli, Jr. Freeholder Cappelli's father held the Bible.

Freeholder Cappelli thanked his colleagues for their confidence. He said we had a great 2013 and I am looking forward to 2014 being greater.

#### NOMINATION FOR DEPUTY FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR

Freeholder Director Cappelli then asked for nominations from the floor for the office of Deputy Freeholder Director for the year 2014.

Freeholder Carmen Rodriguez said it is an honor for me today to be able to nominate as Deputy Director, a Freeholder who has demonstrated tremendous vision and leadership, someone who has championed the cause of fiscal responsibility with a caring and compassionate concern for the individuals and someone whose consistent focus has challenged all of us to work harder and smarter for the people we serve. She said he has helped us manage one of the worst recessions. Freeholder Rodriguez said, therefore, I nominate Dr. Edward T. McDonnell as Camden County Freeholder Deputy Director for the year 2014.

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Freeholder Ian Leonard said I second the nomination of Freeholder Edward T. McDonnell for the office of Freeholder Deputy Director. Freeholder Director Louis Cappelli, Jr. asked for the Clerk to call the roll. On roll call, the Freeholders voted as follows:

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Gentek --Aye to Edward T. McDonnell as Deputy Director Leonard --Aye to Edward T. McDonnell as Deputy Director McCray --Aye to Edward T. McDonnell as Deputy Director Nash --Aye to Edward T. McDonnell as Deputy Director Rodriguez --Aye to Edward T. McDonnell as Deputy Director McDonnell --Aye to Edward T. McDonnell as Deputy Director Cappelli --Aye to Edward T. McDonnell as Deputy Director
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## OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO DEPUTY FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR

Assemblyman Gilbert L. "Whip" Wilson administered the oath of office for Deputy Freeholder Director to Edward T. McDonnell. Anna Marie Wright held the Bible.

Director Cappelli then opened the meeting to the public for discussion of the resolutions only. He said after review of Resolutions 1 through 57 by each Freeholder, the resolutions are being presented by the consent of the entire Freeholder Board. Seeing no one wishing to speak, the Director asked for a motion to close the public portion. Deputy Director McDonnell made a motion to close the public portion with a second by Freeholder Leonard and on roll call, all Freeholders present voted aye.

The Director then proceeded with the agenda. The Director said with the unanimous consent of the Freeholders, they would be voting on Resolutions 1 through 57.

#### MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTIONS 1 THROUGH 57

Director Cappelli asked for a motion to adopt Resolutions 1 through 57. Freeholder Leonard made a motion to adopt with a second by Freeholder Nash and on roll call, all Freeholders voted aye.

- 1. Resolution adopting rules for the Year 2014.
- 2. Resolution establishing Committees, Committee Appointments, Committee Departmental Assignments, Departmental Organization, and Freeholder Responsibilities and Assignments.
- 3. Resolution adopting the 2014 Temporary Budget.
- 4. Resolution indemnifying Camden County Officials/Employees.
- 5. Resolution establishing Petty Cash.
- 6. Resolution establishing a Change Fund.
- 7. Resolution establishing Pay Dates.
- 8. Resolution authorizing Bill Payment Procedures.
- 9. Resolution authorizing advance to the Prosecutor.
- 10. Resolution authorizing advance to the Prosecutor for Special Investigations.
- 11. Resolution authorizing advance to the Sheriff for extradition of prisoners.
- 12. Resolution authorizing advance to the Camden County Police Department.
- 13. Resolution establishing a Cash Management Plan.
- 14. Resolution designating signatories on all County Bank Accounts and all Office of Community
- 15. Resolution authorizing Custodians for County of Camden Department of Corrections Bank Accounts.
- 16. Resolution designating Banks.
- 17. Resolution delegating authority to execute certifications of available funds on behalf of the County of Camden.
- 18. Resolution designating Official Newspapers.
- 19. Resolution authorizing payment of utility and government provided service bills.
- 20. Resolution delegating authority to execute contracts and purchase orders below bid limit.
- 21. Resolution authorizing execution of contracts or other official documents on behalf of the.

- 22. Resolution authorizing the continuance of a non-interest bearing checking account and naming signatories to such account for the purpose of holding and maintaining monies found in the possession of juveniles admitted to the Camden County Youth Detention Center.
- 23. Resolution authorizing and affirming continued participation by the County of Camden in the New Jersey Asset and Rebate Management Trust and authorizing the Treasurer to invest certain funds therein.
- 24. Resolution authorizing three (3) Camden County Officials to approve and authorize budget modifications for Human/Social Services Contract Programs.
- 25. Resolution authorizing the Warden to declare a State-of-Emergency at the Camden County Correctional Facility as circumstances warrant
- 26. Resolution authorizing certain uses of Camden County property for charitable purposes or displays.
- 27. Resolution authorizing consent for placement of temporary signage or banners over certain County Roads/Highways and/or the temporary closure or limited access to certain County Roads/Highways.
- 28. Resolution authorizing Shared Services Agreements with various Municipalities for shared services, as needed, in the form of traffic painting, general highway maintenance matters, and other routine municipal uses at the cost of labor and materials and other relevant costs.
- 29. Resolution approving Camden County Department of Public Works Procedures for Federal Aid Highway Projects as required to obtain Certification and Eligibility for Future Federal Funding.
- 30. Resolution approving Camden County Planning Board Land Development Review Fees.
- 31. Resolution confirming existing fee schedules, permit regulations, application regulations and other rules/regulations promulgated by various Camden County Departments.
- 32. Resolution authorizing the adoption of revised Camden County Department of Parks and Department of Events and Community Outreach fee schedules, permits, permit applications and permit rules.
- 33. Resolution authorizing the Camden County Library Commission, Camden County Mosquito Extermination Commission and the Camden County Board of Social Services to utilize the County's Finance System in 2014.
- 34. Resolution designating the Camden County Improvement Authority as the County's authorized agency to perform economic development functions for the County of Camden and authorizing agreement consistent therewith.

- 35. Resolution authorizing a Shared Services Agreement, by and between the County of Camden and the Camden County Improvement Authority for the administration of the CDBG, HOME Investment Partnership Program and Emergency Shelter Grant Programs.
- 36. Resolution authorizing the Camden County Policy & Procedure Manual for 2014.
- 37. Resolution establishing Settlement Policy.
- 38. Resolution establishing Request for Proposals Policy.
- 39. Resolution authorizing Competitive Contracting for all activities funded under the Area Plan Contract for Area Agencies on Aging and Competitive Contracting for Personal Assistance Services for the Chronically and Physically Disabled Adult Population, pursuant to the Personal Assistance Service Program administered by the Camden County Division of Senior and Disabled Services.
- 40. Resolution authorizing Competitive Contracting for all activities funded under the "To Work" Programs consisting of Workforce Investment Act, Temporary Assistance to needy Families Employability, Welfare-To-Work and any other funding streams for similar services administered by the Camden County One Stop.
- 41. Resolution confirming the acceptance of all plans and designs of completed projects for various Camden County improvements.
- 42. Resolution authorizing payment of transcript costs for depositions ordered by opposing counsel and for other transcript services produced by vendors not under contract with the County of Camden.
- 43. Resolution adopting Camden County emergency purchasing policies and procedures.
- 44. Resolution authorizing the Camden County Board of Chosen Freeholders use of investigatory powers for the purpose of issuing subpoenas pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:20-83 in connection with 911 functions.
- 45. Resolution of the County of Camden to confirm its intent to continue operation of the Psychiatric Hospital of the Camden County Health Services Center.
- 46. Resolution appointing Certifying Agent for Camden County's Employee's Pension Funds.
- 47. Resolution appointing Camden County Public Agency Compliance Officer.
- 48. Resolution appointing Freeholder Members of the Board of School Estimates of the Camden County College.
- 49. Resolution appointing Freeholder Members of the Board of School Estimates of the Camden County Technical Schools.
- 50. Resolution appointing Freeholder members to the Camden County Board of Social Services.
- 51. Resolution appointing Freeholder members and Alternate members to the Camden County Planning Board

- 52. Resolution appointing Freeholder Representative to the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission.
- 53. Resolution appointing Freeholder Director or designee to the Financial Disclosure Review Committee.
- 54. Resolution appointing Freeholder member to the Mental Health Board.
- 55. Resolution appointing Freeholder member and Alternate member to the Mosquito Extermination Commission.
- 56. Resolution appointing Freeholder Director or designee and Alternate member to the New Jersey Association of Counties.
- 57. Resolution appointing Freeholder member to the South Jersey Resource Conservation and Development Council.

The Director then opened the meeting to the public for discussion on any County issues.

Thomas A. Barbera, II, Mayor of Laurel Springs addressed the Freeholders. He said I would like to thank the County's Department of Public Works. He said we had a problem during the snow storm. We called the County Public Works Department on the 30th of December. He said Sam Martello and Chris came out the next day. He said when we couldn't find the problem, they worked it out. He said I don't get that quick response for service at my home from any professional who is charging for the service! The Mayor said I am very pleased with the County's Department of Public Works. They deserve a whole lot of credit.

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Director Cappelli thanked the Mayor for coming out in such inclement weather to commend our Public Works Department.

Seeing no one wishing to speak, Deputy Director McDonnell made a motion to close the public portion with a second by Freeholder Leonard and on roll call, all Freeholders present voted aye.

The Director then called upon the Freeholders for their comments.

Freeholder Leonard said I would first like to congratulate Ed McDonnell and Carmen Rodriguez on their re-election. It was well deserved for all their hard work, especially the work Carmen does with the Department of Health and Human Services and Ed for his hard work on the Budget and Personnel. He said Ed is very prudent when it comes to spending the taxpayers' money in Camden County. Freeholder Leonard said, thank you, Ed, for all you do. We get a lot done in this County budget year after year. He also commended Ross Angilella and David McPeak for helping to hold the line on taxes.

Freeholder Leonard congratulated Lou Cappelli for serving another year as Freeholder Director. He said what we have done this past year was unbelievable and we couldn't have done it without your leadership.

Freeholder Leonard said I would also like to thank Sam Martello and Frank Moran for their hard work. I am very proud of the Department of Public Works. He said the DPW, CCMUA and Parks Department have done a tremendous job these past days plowing all the streets throughout the County.

Freeholder Rodriguez said I would like to thank everyone for supporting me during my tenure so far. I look forward to the three

years to overcome recession and making life easier for our residents. She said I would like to congratulate my running mate, who is a prudent fiscally wise individual and yet compassionate and caring.

Freeholder Rodriguez said the Director, Deputy Director McDonnell, Freeholders Gentek, Leonard, McCray, and Nash - all of us standing together makes it possible for us to get this County to the next level. We have to be committed to the entire community. We are not here just for those in the room but for the entire County. She thanked everybody for their support. She said it has been fun and am looking forward to another three years. Thank you.

Freeholder Nash said I want to congratulate Ed and Carmen on another great election. It was a victory for Camden County. He congratulated Lou and Ed for serving as Director and Deputy-Director this year. Freeholder Nash commended Ian Leonard and his staff, Frank Moran at Parks and the CCMUA for being out over 24 hours clearing the roads throughout the County. He thanked Freeholder Leonard for being out overnight manning the crews. We appreciate it.

Deputy Director McDonnell thanked everyone for their vote of support. He said I agree with everyone, Lou has made 2013 an amazing year in many ways. The Deputy Director commended the County workforce. He said even though the workforce has been reduced, the productivity of the employees has never been better and that is a great tribute to the Board.

The Deputy Director said to Lou Cappelli, 2013 was the highpoint for you as Director making you eminently qualified to be Director once again. He congratulated Carmen Rodriguez on a great campaign. He said the County residents voted not for me and Carmen alone but it has to do with the services the County provides. He said it was an honor to run with Carmen who works with the Department of Health and Human Services and with the Seniors and so many residents. He said every year the Women's Health Fair grows with vendors and the number of residents who attend. He said he is looking forward to another great year. Thank you all very much!

**Director Cappelli** said I would like to congratulate Ed and Carmen in their overwhelming victory not only for government as Ed said but both of you for providing caring and compassionate services for those who need it the most. He said Ed works for the Veterans and disabled as well.

The Director thanked the Board for allowing him to serve as Director of the Board. He thanked Administration, Ross Angilella, Sherri Schweitzer, Marge DellaVecchia, Dominic Vesper, Sandi Kelly, Frank Moran and David McPeak. The Director also announced that the County's Bond Rating has been upgraded to AA. He said he will reserve his comments for the next meeting due to the inclement weather this evening. He said we have some plans that will be phenomenal thanks to the dedicated work of Administration and our employees. He said we are running the County Police Department - Metro for the first time. It has been a great year. He thanked everyone for coming out.

There being no further business, the Director asked for a motion to adjourn. Freeholder Leonard made a motion to adjourn with a second by Freeholder Rodriguez at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marianne M. DiPiero Clerk of the Board