### CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF FREEHOLDERS FREEHOLDER MEETING January 16, 2020

### Voorhees Town Center Voorhees, New Jersey

The meeting was called to order by Director Cappelli at 7:00 p.m.

The Clerk called the roll and the following Freeholders answered:

## PRESENT: MELINDA KANE, CARMEN RODRIGUEZ, JEFFREY NASH, JONATHAN YOUNG, SR., EDWARD McDONNELL, LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR.

The Director stated that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

The Director asked everyone to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance, which was led by Zoey Blackman then the National Anthem, which was sung by Zoey Blackman

The Director thanked everyone and asked for a round of applause.

Director Cappelli said the County has large print agendas available from the Clerk for the visually impaired.

The Director welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Camden County Board of Freeholders and said we are very pleased to be in Voorhees. It is the practice of the Board of Freeholders to hold their meeting each month in one of the municipalities outside the County seat of Camden, so all members of the public have full access to the meetings of the Board. He said as is our custom, we will begin tonight's meeting with a presentation to the governing body. The Director asked Mayor Mignogna and members of the governing body to come forward. Director Cappelli said it is great to be back in Voorhees., Mayor and members of Committee, we continue to enjoy a great partnership in helping each other govern and serve our residents. All of you do a terrific job in Voorhees. It is a great community and there is a lot to be proud of. Mayor Mignogna said on behalf of my colleagues, Deputy Mayor Michelle Nocito, Committeeman Harry Platt and other members of our committee and our community, thank you and welcome to Voorhees Township. We always look forward to having our partners here once a year. Enjoy our restaurant row this evening if you are looking for somewhere to have a bite to eat afterward. If you have not already done so, please check out our Veterans Wall of Honor in the hallway. It is something we are very proud of. Thank you.

#### **PRESENTATION**

Director Cappelli said, as we go from town to town and have our meetings, we ask the governing body for the name of a non-profit in town worthy of a small donation and recognition by the Board of Freeholders. This governing body has chosen The Alicia Rose Victorious Foundation. The Director said Mario and Gisele were not able to be here tonight. For those of you who are not familiar, this Foundation began in 2002 in the basement of Mario and Gisele DiNatale's home and is named in honor of their 17-year-old daughter Alicia who courageously fought cancer. The DiNatale's have made it their life's commitment to raise funds to help those battling cancer and to aid in research. They have also made financial donations to Children's Hospital. They have touched the lives of over 75,000 people and families who have been affected by cancer. It's a tremendous organization and foundation and I am sorry the DiNatales could not be here tonight but Mayor Mignogna, we present this to you on their behalf.

#### **COMMUNITY LEADER**

Freeholder Kane asked Marianne Leone to step forward. Each month we ask the municipality hosting our meeting to provide us with the name of a person they feel is worthy of receiving a Community Award from the Freeholders based on their making a difference to the residents of their municipality. This month we are awarding the Community Award to Marianne Leone. Marianne has been a Voorhees resident for 17 years and is a huge supporter of the arts. She has been a wildlife photographer for 16 years and taught photography at the Markeim Arts Center for 3 years. She has also self-published a book of her photographs. Marianne organized, established and is the Chairwoman the Voorhees Art Council which is comprised of local artists and businesspeople with a mission to bring the arts alive in Voorhees. Marianne is also the founder and manager of the Voorhees Arts Center & Gallery which opened here at the Voorhees Town Center in 2018. It has been a huge success from the start. The gallery served over 1700 people in the first year. Voorhees Arts Center & Gallery provides space for local artists to express and share their creativity and is currently showing the artwork of 30 Voorhees residents. The venue also offers art classes and programs to the community. Marianne also started the Arts on the Boulevard Seasonal Exhibit Program. Freeholder Kane said thank you Marianne for all you have contributed to the arts and to Voorhees.

Marianne said I am so grateful for this honor. I love living in Voorhees and I am so grateful that people are responding to the arts being alive in Voorhees.

#### YOUNG COMMUNITY LEADER

Freeholder Young said as we travel throughout the County each month, we like to make sure we have the opportunity to celebrate our youth and make sure they understand their value. Each month we ask the municipality to pick a youth in our community who is doing outstanding work. This month's Young Community Leader is Olivia Rose Arculeo. Ms. Olivia Rose is a senior at Eastern Regional High School. Olivia was moved to action when she wanted to join the golf team at Eastern High School. She joined the boys' golf team because the school didn't have

a girls' team. While playing on the boys' team Olivia decided to fight for a girls' team. She approached the Board of Education about the matter and soon other girls began to share their interest, but they didn't want to join the boys' team. The growing interest in a girls' team encouraged Olivia to keep on fighting. She petitioned the Eastern Regional School Board and attended meetings regularly rallying for the girls to have a team. On May 15, 2019 the School Board approved the formation of a girls' golf team. Olivia's determination to see a change opened the door for Eastern's female students to golf on a girls' team. Olivia now plans to keep the interest level of female students high to ensure the girls' golf team remains a part of the athletic program. Freeholder Young said every time a female or young lady steps on the course to play golf at Eastern you will be remembered. Thank you for all you do and congratulations. Olivia said I was not aware when I first stepped into this whole process that it would get as big as it has. Adults would come up to me and say oh my gosh, you're Olivia, you are the girl that did the girls' golf team. I am glad that it is where it is today because it is going to continue and not just for me or the girls who are in my year or the next couple of years. It is going to stay for a long time just like any other sport, the basketball team, the soccer team, the football team. Other schools had girls' teams and since we started, I know Cherry Hill East and West started one, as well. I wanted to open more opportunities for kids who did not know it was out there.

### SUSTAINABILITY AWARD

Freeholder Young said I also have the honor of being the liaison to the Office of Sustainability. Each month we choose a Sustainable Champ. This month's Sustainable Champ is Sustainable Voorhees. He asked Ed Hale and Marianne Leone to come forward. Sustainable Voorhees has worked tirelessly to keep Voorhees on the right track to sustainability. Voorhees obtained Certified Bronze status through the Sustainable Jersey program in 2013. Their ongoing efforts earned them the prestigious Silver certification in October 2016 and again in December 2019. Sustainable Voorhees supports the Voorhees Arts Center & Gallery. The Center & Gallery is the hub for Arts in Voorhees, offering diverse programming for all ages as well as incredible artwork by local artists. Sustainable Voorhees has connected with residents through various outreach events to stress the importance of sustainability, such as the Voorhees Green Fair to celebrate, learn, and grow surrounding a sustainable lifestyle, Bird and Nature Walks and an educational movie series on recycling plastics, the plight of pollinators and our precious resource – water. We are proud to recognize Sustainable Voorhees as our Camden County Sustainability Champion for the Month of January.

### **PRESENTATION**

Director Cappelli asked all members of the South Jersey Recovery Residences team to come forward along with Dominic Vesper, John Pellicane and Patty DiRenzo. The Board of Freeholders, through its Addiction Awareness Task Force, sponsors something called REAL Sports, which stands for Recovery Encouragement Athletic Leagues. One of the leagues we have is a basketball league. These leagues help people in recovery stay in recovery and have some comradery and support as they go through their struggles and do what they need to do to recover from their addiction disorders. This has become very popular in Camden County and this league grows leaps and bounds every year. We started with basketball and now we have golf. It has been very successful and a great assistance to all those in recovery. This team is an extension of South Jersey Recovery Residences SJRR are licensed sober living houses for those struggling with substance misuse and disorders. The team members are Andrew Pulini, TJ Manopello, Mike Saia, Jimmy MacDonald, Robert Duda, Stephen Smaritto, Greg Maurer, and Justin Wroblewski.

Greg Maurer said I am team member of South Jersey Recovery Residences. It really is an honor to be recognized for our efforts in our community by our community. For those that do not know, South Jersey Recovery Residences is clean and safe sober living. It is a structured environment that provides a safe place for those that are seeking recovery or are already in recovery. We help guide them to get jobs, clean up wreckage and move forward with their lives. We really appreciate everyone on the Task Force and everyone in the room that supports recovery from addiction. Thank you so much.

Gina Marie from Congressman Norcross' office said thank you to Camden County for working to create this wonderful organization. The Congressman asked me to come here on his behalf and present the team with certificates honoring them for their win.

## **EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH**

Freeholder Nash said good evening everyone. Camden County has over 3,000 employees and every month we have the honor of selecting one person of that group of 3,000 to be recognized as the Employee of the Month. We could think of no better person to name this month than Parks Department employee, Dan Nowakowski. Freeholder Nash asked Dan and Director Maggie McCann Johns to come forward. This is a great honor for me because I happen to be the liaison to the County's Parks Department which includes 23 parks systems that stretch throughout Camden County and they are magnificent parks. Dan is the County's lead arborist. The County has a very sophisticated process to select who will be the person to take care of the County's trees. You have to be a certified arborist and we are very fortunate to have Dan, who does such an amazing job. He started as a laborer and a truck driver in the Department of Public Works- Highway Division. Dan became a certified arborist in 2008. In 2013 he became a NJ State Licensed Tree Expert and in 2018 he came to the Parks Department to be our lead arborist. We have thousands and thousands of trees in our 23 parks throughout the County. Taking care of the trees is the job of an expert and we have who we feel is the best arborist in the entire State of New Jersey. Freeholder Nash said I get many phone calls every day about trees that have issues, whether they be sick or have fallen. Every time I get a call or Maggie McCann Johns gets a call you can be assured that Dan gets the call and he responds to every single tree issue We are so fortunate. He and his crew planted more than 75 trees throughout our parks. In addition to being a tree expert, Dan is competitive when it comes to his barbecue. His famous ribs won 1st place at the 2019 Camden County Employee Team Building BBQ and Cook-Off. For those who work in Camden County and who know, that is a very big deal. He also enjoys camping. Dan is married to Emma and they have a daughter named Mabel.

Maggie said that in the short time that Dan has been with us, he has done a tremendous job with our trees and making sure that people are safe in our parks and that we are replenishing those trees. The 75 trees that he planted since he has been with us in 2018 is a fraction of what he will continue to do in his time with us. We appreciate what you have done for us already.

Freeholder Nash presented Dan with a clock and a gift card.

Dan thanked the Board of Freeholders and Freeholder Nash, Joe, Scott and Maggie and said it feels great to be recognized. Thank you.

The Director said next we will have a first reading of a Bond Ordinance:

### FIRST READING

Bond Ordinance of the County of Camden, New Jersey Appropriating\$11,000,000 for the Development and Construction of Athletic Fields and Related Parks and Recreational Improvements at the Former Campbell's Field Site in the City of Camden, and Authorizing the Issuance of \$10,450,000 Bonds or Notes of the County for Financing Part of such Appropriation.

PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 20, 2020 AT CAMDEN COUNTY COLLEGE, CAMDEN CAMPUS, CONFERENCE CENTER THEATER, 200 N. BROADWAY, CAMDEN, NJ AT 7:00 PM

The Director asked for a motion to adopt. Freeholder Rodriguez made a motion with a second by Freeholder Young and on roll call all Freeholders present voted aye.

#### **MINUTES**

The Director then asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the previous Freeholder Meetings as presented. Deputy Director McDonnell made a motion with a second by Freeholder Young and on roll call:

AYE: ALL PRESENT

#### **COMPTROLLER'S REPORT**

The Director asked for a motion to adopt the Comptroller's Report. Deputy Director McDonnell made a motion with a second by Freeholder Young and on roll call:

AYE: ALL PRESENT

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Director asked the Clerk if there was any correspondence. The Clerk responded, no, Director, we do not.

The Director said the next portion of the meeting is open to the public for discussion of resolutions to be acted upon. There will be another public hearing later in the meeting at which members of the public can ask any questions they want regarding the business of the County of Camden. This portion is limited to the discussion of those resolutions to be acted upon.

The Director opened the public hearing.

The Director said seeing no members of the public wishing to comment, he asked for a motion to close the public hearing. Deputy Director McDonnell made the motion with a second by Freeholder Rodriguez and all Freeholders present voted aye.

The Director closed the public hearing.

The Director said at Caucus on Tuesday afternoon, the Board of Freeholders reviewed all resolutions to be acted upon. It was at that time the Board discussed items to be voted on. We will be voting on resolutions in blocks based on the unanimous consent of the Freeholders.

## **RESOLUTIONS 1 through 51**

The Director asked for a motion to adopt Resolutions 1 through 51. Freeholder Holcomb made a motion with a second by Freeholder Nash and on roll call:

AYE:	ALL PRESENT
ABSTENTIONS:	JEFFREY NASH – Resolution 49 CARMEN RODRIGUEZ – Resolution 33
	JONATHAN YOUNG, SR. – Resolution 41
	LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR. – Resolutions 26, 33, 38, 40, 41 and 44

1. Resolution ratifying an award of Contract, pursuant to solicitation of quotations, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and J & P Commercial Cleaning, for cleaning services at the Camden County Boathouse, in the amount of \$24,600.00 - CAF#9900215911.

2. Resolution ratifying and amending an Agreement, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and IEI Group, Ltd, for additional closely related Professional Design Services for 6th Floor Project, in the amount of \$9,680.00 - CAF#9900215736.

3. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract #A81702), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and 9 to 5 Seating, for the provision of office chairs for meeting spaces, waiting rooms and public areas for new offices of Surrogate and Board of Taxation at Forrest Hall, in an amount of \$18,482.87 - CAF#9900215753.

4. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract #T408176-A81714), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and Group

LaCasse, for the provision of furniture for private offices and conference rooms for new offices of Surrogate and Board of Taxation at Forrest Hall, in an amount of \$57,542.55 - CAF#9900215754.

5. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract #AS 1705), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and Affordable Interior Systems, for the provision of office workstations and supporting systems furniture for new offices of Surrogate and Board of Taxation at Forrest Hall, in an amount of \$121,476.60 - CAF#9900215849.

6. Resolution authorizing and directing payment, by the County of Camden (Library System) to Midwest Tape, LLC, for Library Materials for 2020, in the amount of \$362,000.00. Funding available in the amount of \$85,000.00 - CAF#9900216074. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2020 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

7. Resolution authorizing and directing payment, by the County of Camden (Library System) to Baker & Taylor, for library materials, in an amount not to exceed \$343,399.00. Funding available in the amount of \$80,000.00 - CAF#9900216059. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2020 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

8. Resolution ratifying and directing payment, by the County of Camden (Library System) to Rutgers, the State University, for Security Services at the Nilsa I. Cruz-Perez Downtown Branch, in an amount not to exceed \$112,320.00. Funding available in the amount of \$50,000.00 - CAF#9900215880. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2020 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

9. Resolution authorizing an Agreement, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Proposals, (2<sup>nd</sup> one-year option), by and between the County of Camden (Division of Environmental Affairs) and Thanks for Being Green, LLC, t/a Magnum Computer Recycling, for recycling of electronic waste, and amending Resolution No. 37, adopted February 21, 2019.

10. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request For Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Parks) and Consulting and Municipal Engineers, for provision of a Parks, Open Space and Recreational Facilities Assessment, in the amount of \$36,300.00 - CAF#9900216111.

11. Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 4 (Bid A-31/2018), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Parks) and Command Co., Inc., for Haddon Lake Dell improvements, for an increase in the amount of \$17,032.00 - CAF#9900215756.

12. Resolution supporting initiation of an Application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program for the disposal of a portion of Kirkwood Lake (Block 196, Lot 26) in the Township of Voorhees, County of Camden, State of New Jersey

13. Resolution authorizing personnel actions by or on behalf of Freeholder Nash.

14. Resolution authorizing an Agreement, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health and Human Services) and

Pinnacle Treatment Centers NJ-III, LLC, for professional substance use disorder services, in the amount of \$63,000.00 - CAF#9900216154.

15. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-67/2019), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health and Human Services) and Wolfington Body Company, Inc., for passenger buses for the Camden County Senior Citizen Day Center, in the total amount of \$130,426.00 - CAF#9900216149.

16. Resolution authorizing an Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health & Human Services) and Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, School of Nursing to provide training to students in public health in the County's Programs, at no cost to the County.

17. Resolution authorizing an Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health and Human Services) and Community Planning and Advocacy Council (CPAC), for the provision of Management Services for various Human Services Programs, in the amount of \$140,000.00. Funding available in the amount of \$35,000.00 - CAF#9900216058. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2020 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

18. Resolution ratifying the submission of a Grant Application by the County of Camden (Department of Health and Human Services) to the National Association of County and City Health Officials for the 2020 Medical Reserve Corps Operational Readiness, in the amount of \$2,500.00.

19. Resolution appointing and re-appointing Members to the Camden County Board of Freeholders' Addiction Awareness Task Force.

20. Resolution appointing Members to the Camden County Mental Health Board.

21. Resolution authorizing personnel actions by or on behalf of Freeholder Rodriguez.

22. Resolution ratifying Agreements, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Corrections) and various Judges for Judicial Services for Video Court, Municipal Division for Camden County Arraignments and Inmate Court, in the amount of \$90,000.00. Funding available in the amount of \$22,500.00 - Various CAFs. Balance of funding contingent upon the passage of the 2020 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

23. Resolution ratifying a Shared Services Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Corrections) and the State of New Jersey, Judiciary, Administrative Office of the Courts, for the provision of video court services, in an amount not to exceed \$195,508.41. Funding available in the amount of \$49,000.00 - CAF#9900216115. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2020 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

24. Resolution authorizing an Agreement, pursuant to a Competitive Contracting Request for Proposals #15-49 (4th Year Option), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Corrections) and GD Correctional Services, LLC, for Food Services for the Camden County Correctional Facility, in the amount of \$1,650,000.00, and amending Resolution No. 26, adopted January, 17, 2019. Funding available in the amount of \$350,000.00 – CAF #9900216116. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2020 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

25. Resolution amending Resolution No. 92, adopted December 19, 2019, authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract #A-83906), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Safety) and Kova Corporation, for recording system upgrades, to correct a typographical error.

26. Resolution amending a Shared Services Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (One Stop) and South Jersey Transportation Authority (SJTA), for the provision of transportation for Eligible TANF Camden County residents in accordance with the Camden County Community Transportation Plan, to increase funding in the amount of \$456,800.00, for a revised Contract total of \$913,600.00 - CAF#9900216065.

## ABSTAIN: LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR.

27. Resolution authorizing personnel actions by or on behalf of Freeholder Young.

28. Resolution establishing a new Petty Cash Fund for the Sheriffs Department Special Unit, in the amount of \$850.00.

29. Resolution establishing a new Petty Cash Fund for the Mosquito Commission, in the amount of \$100.00.

30. Resolution authorizing an increase in the Petty Cash Fund for the Board of Election.

- 31. Resolution authorizing a change in Custodian in the Petty Cash Fund.
- 32. Resolution rescinding Petty Cash Fund for the Superintendent of Elections.

33. Resolution authorizing award of Contracts, pursuant to solicitation of quotations, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Administration) and various approved non-profit agencies and municipalities, for the provision of activities for hard-to-reach populations for the 2020 Federal Census, in the amount of \$160,000.00 - Various CAFs.

# ABSTAIN: CARMEN RODRIGUEZ and LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR.

34. Resolution ratifying an award of Contract (State Contract No. M0003 89850), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Finance) and Dell Marketing LP, for Software Support Services, in the amount of \$79,409.00. Funding available in the amount of \$20,000.00 - CAF#9900215869. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2020 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

35. Resolution ratifying an award of Contract, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-5(1)(dd), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Finance) and Superion, LLC, for Software Application Services, in an amount not to exceed \$161,859.60. Funding available in the amount of \$50,000.00 - CAF#9900215871. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2020 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

36. Resolution authorizing the approval of various State Contracts with various State vendors.

37. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to solicitation of quotations, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Events and Community Outreach) and Cherry Hill Hotel Management, LLC, for services related to the Employee Appreciation Dinner, in the amount of \$26,840.00. Funding available in the amount of \$17,500.00 - CAF#9900215885. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2020 Temporary and/or Permanent Bud

38. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to solicitation of quotations, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Events and Community Outreach) and The Collingswood Foundation for the Arts, for services related to the 2020 MLK Freedom Medal Ceremony, in the amount of \$20,992.50 - CAF#9900215884.

# ABSTAIN: LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR.

39. Resolution authorizing personnel actions by or on behalf of Deputy Director McDonnell.

40. Resolution amending Resolution No. 9, adopted October 17, 2019 authorizing Agreements, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Various Vendors, for On-Call Professional Engineering Services for Dam Design and Inspection Services, for various dams located in Camden County, on an "as-needed" basis, to remove McCormick Taylor, Inc. from the pool.

# ABSTAIN: LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR.

41. Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 2 and Final (Bid B-10/2018), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Richard E. Pierson Construction Co., Inc., for Hampton Road (CR 623) Roadway Improvements, in the Township of Cherry Hill, for a decrease in the amount of \$11,652.26.

# ABSTAIN: JONATHAN YOUNG, SR. and LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR.

42. Resolution of Support for Preferred Preliminary Alternative for River Road (CR543) Concept Development Study, Federal Street to 36th Street, City of Camden.

43. Resolution of Support for Preferred Preliminary Alternative for Route 70 to Camden Feeder Road - 27th Street Concept Development Study, Marlton Pike to Federal Street/Baird Boulevard, City of Camden.

44. Resolution authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission, for Preliminary and Final Design Services for the Kaighns Avenue (CR607) Bridge over Cooper River (Roadway and Bridge Improvements).

# ABSTAIN: LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR.

45. Resolution amending Camden County Policy and Procedure No. 24 - Management Time Policy and adopting Camden County Policy and Procedure No. 598 - Recycling Policy.

46. Resolution appointing Designee and Alternate Member to the New Jersey Association of Counties.

47. Resolution rejecting Bid A-53/2019, Provision of Off-Site Records Storage Services, as bids received were non-compliant with bid specifications.

48. Resolution authorizing a month-to-month Agreement (Bid A-50/2017), by and between the County of Camden (Office of Archives and Records Management) and GRM Information Management Services, Inc., for the provision of off-site records storage services for various Camden County departments and agencies and authorities, under the Camden County Cooperative Pricing System, ID #57-CCCPS, on as "as-needed" basis, pending re-procurement of these services.

49. Resolution authorizing payment in equity by the County of Camden (Office of County Counsel) to Cozen & O'Connor, for legal services, in the amount of \$5,155.00. Funding available in the 2020 Reserve Account.

### ABSTAIN: JEFFREY NASH

50. Resolution rejecting Bid A-1/2020, for On-Line Police Reporting for the Department of Police Services as the one bid received was non-compliant with the bid specifications.

51. Resolution authorizing personnel actions by or on behalf of Director Cappelli.

## **RESOLUTION 52**

## **NO MOTION MADE – FAILED**

Director Cappelli opened the meeting to any member of the public who wished to address the Board of Freeholders. The Director declared the hearing open.

Seeing no members of the public wishing to comment, Director Cappelli asked for a motion to close the public hearing. Freeholder Nash made a motion with a second by Freeholder Young and all Freeholders voted aye.

The Director opened the floor to the members of the Board of Freeholders for their comments.

**Freeholder Nash** said this community lost one of its greatest leaders recently and that is Former Pennsauken Mayor Rick Taylor. I knew Rick for 30 years and we served together as Commissioners on the Delaware River Port Authority for 15 to 20 years. He was truly one of the great inspirations in government. He was smart and caring and compassionate. He meant the world to the people that he served whether it be as an educator in Pennsauken, a Principal, an elected official, a mayor or a commissioner. The great love of his life was his family, in particular his wife of 50 years, Bernice. Today was the first day of the viewing, tomorrow will be the funeral. I want to express our sympathies to the Taylor family. It was a great loss. **Freeholder Young** thanked Voorhees for hosting us this evening. It is always good to be in Voorhees. He thanked all his departments for all their hard work. If anyone knows of anyone who wants to adopt a dog or rent a dog or a cat, we have low cost spade and neutering. He thanked Rob Blaker from Communications for coming out. Have a good safe year.

**Freeholder Kane** thanked everyone for coming out and thanked Voorhees for hosting us this evening. On Monday it is a national holiday and a day off for many of us to honor Civil Rights Activist Dr. Martin Luther King. There are numerous ways to give back on this day of service. One is through Rutgers University in Camden. It has organized a number of opportunities to volunteer at Cathedral Kitchen, the Food Bank of South Jersey and Urban Promise. Jersey Cares has organized an opportunity to volunteer at the Boys and Girls Club of Camden County where you can paint murals on windows and hopscotch mats. Gloucester Township, Cherry Hill Township and other communities have wonderful activities to honor Martin Luther King. Right here in the Voorhees Town Center, you can support the Alicia Rose Victorious Foundation in support of teen cancer awareness. You can go to their website for more information.

Freeholder Rodriguez wished everyone a Happy New Year. She thanked the Township of Voorhees for hosting us. She said I love Voorhees for its diversity and how well they welcome the amazing diversity. Census 2020 is around the corner and some of the hardest to count populations are those that come from other countries. Voorhees has many beautiful communities, so we want to make sure that in Voorhees they are totally on board with the Census and that they get counted. I saw Mr. Mayfield here. He is a federal census worker so if anyone is interested in job opportunities or becoming an ambassador, please speak to him. Freeholder Rodriguez also thanked the employees of the County for their hard work. They make our jobs pleasant and doable. In particular, I want to recognize, for her first Freeholder meeting, our new Director of the Department of Health and Human Services, Anne Walters. When Anne Biondi decided to step down, I was in a little panic but then I met Anne Walters and realized there was nothing to worry about. She is an amazingly talented woman, very humble, very down to earth and extremely intelligent. She is a nurse and a lawyer. She is everything the Health Department needs, and I am so grateful to have her on my team. Freeholder Rodriguez said I would also like to mention that Rob Jakubowski has been working very hard as our homeless liaison to create a program called Hearts in Hands. When people want to give, to feed the homeless, to donate things, Hearts in Hands is the avenue for you to connect your giving and make it meaningful. A lot of the giving that happens only enables homelessness and dirties the streets in Camden. We would like to encourage people to give but to give in a way that is impactful by going to Hearts in Hands. There you can find all the agencies that are working hard to get the homeless off the streets and into shelters and treatment as needed. There are many opportunities to help. If your church is one of those churches that likes to do mission work, make it impactful – go to Hearts in Hands and team up with someone.

The island of Puerto Rico was struck by two hurricanes two years ago. It is still devastated. It still does not have connectivity for all its residents. The people are not back to where they were. Many have left the island because they can no longer live there and that was after an economic suffering where the island was pretty much bankrupt before the hurricanes struck. Now we have had, within the period of about a month, over 100 earthquakes hitting the island. Freeholder Rodriguez said I find it interesting that we should be identifying what the cause is, although we all have our suspicions. At that same time, we all know that the people are suffering. The infrastructure was already pretty much down. Buildings are fractured and falling apart. People have lost their homes, they have had deaths and the suffering continues. Please, there are many that believe that Puerto Ricans are second class citizens, but we are human beings. Please keep the residents of the island in prayer because they are US Citizens and they are human beings first and foremost. That is my plea to everyone here today. Please pray for our brothers and sisters on the island.

**Deputy Director McDonnell** said I would like to join Jeff Nash in his thoughts about Rick Taylor. He was a wonderful person and a good friend. He will be dearly missed so we honor his memory tonight and tomorrow at his services. Thank you to Voorhees Township for having us and for being such great hosts to us. To all the employees of Camden County, thank you for all the great work you do every day. We appreciate it.

**Director Cappelli** said I would also like to echo Jeff's and Ed's comments. Rick Taylor was not only one of the nicest people I have known but also one of the funniest people I have known. He had a great sense of humor. To all the employees in Camden County, thank you so much for all the hard work you do day in and day out on behalf of the residents of Camden County

The Director asked for a motion to adjourn. Freeholder Young made a motion with a second by Freeholder Nash and all Freeholders voted aye.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karyn Gilmore Clerk of the Board