

CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

September 15, 2022

520 Market Street

6th Floor Conference Room

Camden, New Jersey

The meeting was called to order by Director Cappelli at 12:00 p.m.

The Clerk called the roll and the following Commissioners answered:

PRESENT: AL DYER, MELINDA KANE, JEFFREY NASH, VIRGINIA
BETTERIDGE, 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 a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance

The Director said good afternoon ladies and gentlemen. Welcome to the meeting of the Camden County Board of Commissioners.

Director Cappelli said we will begin our meeting with the introduction of two (2) Resolutions pertaining to County capital financing. Public Hearings to be held October 20, 2022 at the Camden County Courthouse, 520 Market Street, 6th Floor Meeting Room, Camden, NJ at 1200 noon.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 1

Resolution of the County of Camden in the State of New Jersey authorizing a Guarantee by the County of the payment of the principal of and interest on the “County Guaranteed Loan Revenue Bonds (County Capital Program), Series 2022” to be issued by the Camden County Improvement Authority for the purposes of financing the acquisition and installation of certain capital equipment and the construction of certain capital infrastructure improvements in, by and for the County.

The Director asked for a motion to adopt the introduction of the Resolution. Deputy Director McDonnell made a motion with a second by Commissioner Young and all Commissioners present voted aye.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2

Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Camden, New Jersey providing the County's consent to (i) the financing of the acquisition and installation of certain capital equipment and the construction of certain capital infrastructure improvements in, by and for the County; (ii) the issuance by the Authority of a series of its tax-exempt "County Guaranteed Loan Revenue Bonds (County Capital Program), Series 2022" for the purposes of financing the County project authorized hereby; (iii) the Loan Agreement by and between the County and the Authority in connection with the financing authorized hereby; and (iv) certain other matters related thereto and pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:37A-56.

The Director asked for a motion to adopt the introduction of the Resolution. Commissioner Betteridge made a motion with a second by Commissioner Young and all Commissioners present voted aye.

MINUTES

The Director asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the previous Commissioners Meeting as presented. Commissioner Betteridge made a motion with a second by Commissioner Kane and all roll call:

AYE: ALL PRESENT

ABSTAIN: EDWARD McDONNELL

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 Commissioner Betteridge and on roll call all Commissioners present voted aye.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Director asked the Clerk if there was any correspondence. The Clerk responded no, there was none with month.

The Director said the next portion of the meeting is open to the public for discussion of resolutions to be acted upon this afternoon. 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. The Director opened the public hearing.

Hearing no members of the public wishing to comment, the Director asked for a motion to close the public hearing. Commissioner Nash made the motion with a second by Commissioner Young and all Commissioners present voted aye.

The Director closed the public hearing.

The Director said at Caucus on Tuesday afternoon, the Board of Commissioners reviewed and discussed all resolutions to be acted upon today.

RESOLUTIONS 1 THROUGH 83

The Director asked for a motion to adopt Resolutions 1 through 83. Deputy Director McDonnell made a motion with a second by Commissioner Kane and on roll call:

AYE: ALL PRESENT

ABSTENTIONS: JONATHAN YOUNG, SR. – Resolutions 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10 and 28
LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR. – Resolutions 10, 17, 24, 33 and 46

1. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget from the Federal Highway Administration, New Jersey Department of Transportation, for Camden County Roadway Safety Improvements FY22 - Guide Rail Design, in the amount of \$279,931.24.

2. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget from the Cross County Connection Transportation Management Association for the 2022 Transportation Demand Management Reimbursement Program, in the amount of \$2,500.00.

3. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget from the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) for the Church Road Quick Obligation 2021, in the amount of \$580,754.18.

ABSTAIN: JONATHAN YOUNG, SR.

4. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget from the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) for Improvements to Union Avenue (CR 615) Roadway Improvements, in the amount of \$198,191.14.

ABSTAIN: JONATHAN YOUNG, SR.

5. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget from the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) for Project No. 23-63-021, 2023 Camden County Transit Planning and Programming, in the amount of \$41,500.00.

ABSTAIN: JONATHAN YOUNG, SR.

6. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget from the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) for Project No. 23-61-020, 2023 Supportive Regional Highway Planning Program, in the amount of \$44,015.00.

ABSTAIN: JONATHAN YOUNG, SR.

7. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget from the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) for Project No. 23-53-311, 2023 Camden County Regional Geographic Information Systems Program Grant, in the amount of \$34,000.00.

ABSTAIN: JONATHAN YOUNG, SR.

8. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to solicitation of quotations, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Betts Platinum Group, LLC d/b/a J-Tech Truck Rental, for cone truck rental, in the amount of \$9,900.00 - CAF#900231391.

9. Resolution authorizing an Agreement, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Urban Engineers, Inc., for Engineering Services for the Design of Roadway Safety Improvements, in the amount of \$279,931.24. Funding contingent upon passage of the Chapter 159 Resolution.

10. Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 1 and Final (Bid B-9/2021), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Richard E. Pierson Construction Co., Inc., for Kresson Road (CR 671) Improvements, Brace Road (NJSH 154) to South Lantern Lane, in the Township of Cherry Hill, for an increase in the amount of \$42,895.06 - CAF#9900231160.

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

11. Resolution rejecting Bid B-22/2022, Roadway Improvements for Haddon Avenue (CR 561) Phase 2 from Marne Avenue to East Linden Avenue, in the Township of Haddon and Borough of Collingswood for the Department of Public Works for substantial revision of the bid specifications.

12. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-35/2022), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Deer Carcass Removal Service, LLC, for the provision of Deer Carcass Removal Services, under the Camden County Cooperative Pricing System, ID#57 CCCPS, on an "as-needed" basis.

13. Resolution authorizing a Permanent Utility Easement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and MyPro Homes, for maintenance of twin ductile iron pipe within Kresson Road (CR 671) approximately 100 feet east of the intersection of Markkress Road, in the Township of Cherry Hill.

14. Resolution authorizing Deeds of Temporary Easement, Deed of Permanent Easement, and an Acquisition in Fee, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and various property owners, related to the improvements to Somerdale Road Bridge in the Township of Gloucester, in the total amount of \$3,500.00 - Various CAFs.

15. Resolution authorizing Deeds of Permanent Easement and Utility Easements, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and various property owners, related to the improvements to Berlin Cross-Keys Road, Contract 3 in the Borough of Pine Hill and Townships of Gloucester and Winslow, in the total amount of \$7,050.00 - Various CAFs.

16. Resolution authorizing the submission of a Grant Application, by the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the 2023 County Aid Program, in the amount of \$9,320,436.00.

17. Resolution endorsing Ordinance 2022-16 of the Township of Waterford, amending Chapter 266 of the Code of the Township of Waterford entitled "Vehicles and Traffic", to revise the speed limit and implement a "No Passing Zone".

ABSTAIN: LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR.

18. Resolution consenting to Ordinance O-2022-019 of the Township of Winslow, County of Camden, amending Chapter 276, Article II "Parking" of the Code of the Township of Winslow.

19. Resolution approving personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Commissioner Dyer.

20. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to solicitation of quotations, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and Conroy, Inc. t/a Conroy's Corner, for the purchase of paint, in the amount of \$10,000.00 - CAF#9900231455.

21. Resolution authorizing an Agreement, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and Anchor Point Architecture, Inc., for design services for a roof replacement at The Camden County Boathouse, in the amount of \$22,750.00 - CAF#9900231403.

22. Resolution ratifying an award of Contract (State Contract #20-GNSV2-01164), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and Modern Group, Ltd., for annual preventive maintenance service for emergency generator equipment at various Camden County locations, in the amount of \$29,753.96. Funding available in the amount of \$9,918.00 - CAF#9900231475. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2023 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

23. Resolution authorizing a Lease Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and 800 Bridgecam, LLC, for lease of office space for the Board of Social Services satellite offices, in the amount of \$197,000.00 for a five-year term. Funding available in the amount of \$10,000.00 - CAF#9900231282. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026 and 2027 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

24. Resolution ratifying a Shared Services Agreement, by and between the County of Camden and the South Jersey Transportation Authority (SJTA), for shuttle services in Camden County.

ABSTAIN: LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR.

25. Resolution accepting a donation by the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) from Guaranteed Rate Affinity Offices, of used office furniture for the Camden County Board of Social Services.

26. Resolution approving personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Commissioner Kane.

27. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to solicitation of quotations, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Parks) and A&J Landscaping, for the purchase of flowers, in the amount of \$7,815.00- CAF#9900231398.

28. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid #A-37/2022), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Parks) and Think Pavers Hardscaping, LLC, for Challenge Grove Park Basketball Court Improvements, in the amount of \$115,100.00 - CAF#9900231529.

ABSTAIN: JONATHAN YOUNG, SR.

29. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-39/2022), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Parks) and The Masso Group, LLC, for Management of Seasonal Ice Skating Rink and Concession Services, in the amount of \$225,000.00 - CAF#9900231668.

30. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract 16-FLEET-00132), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Parks) and Landscape Forms, Inc., for the purchase of bollards to be installed at Wiggins Park, in the amount of \$84,102.00 - CAF#9900231503.

31. Resolution amending a Lease Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Parks) and the City of Camden, for access and use of seven (7) City Parks: Dominick Andujar Park, Cornelius Martin Park, 7th & Clinton Street Park, New Camden Park, Union Field, the Whitman Park Expansion and Robert B. Johnson Park.

32. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to solicitation of quotations, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Parks) and Hale Trailer Brake & Wheel, Inc., for trailer rentals, in the amount of \$4,400.00 - CAF#9900231406.

33. Resolution authorizing the approval of a recommendation from the Open Space Preservation Trust Fund Advisory Committee, relative to Round 22 - Historic Preservation Projects, in the amount of \$405,000.00 - Various CAFs.

ABSTAIN: LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR. (Gloucester Township)

34. Resolution authorizing the appointment of a member to the Mosquito Commission.
35. Resolution approving personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Commissioner Nash.
36. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the 2022-2023 Tuberculosis Control Grant, in the amount of \$115,271.00.
37. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the 2022-2023 Special Child Health Case Management Grant, in the amount of \$305,000.00.
38. 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 IEI Group, Ltd., for the design and development of specifications for the Nutrition Hub, in the amount of \$218,145.00 - CAF#9900231499.
39. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-40/2022), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health and Human Services) and First Priority Emergency Vehicles, Inc., for the purchase of a Mobile Outreach Van, in the amount of \$185,003.00. - CAF#9900231638.
40. Resolution authorizing a Lease Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health and Human Services) and Branch Village Urban Renewal, LLC, for lease of medical office space for various clinics, in the amount of \$1.00 per month.
41. Resolution ratifying the submission of a Grant Application, by the County of Camden (Department of Health and Human Services) to the New Jersey Department of Health, Division of Local Public Health, for the 2022-2023 Local Public Health Overdose Fatality Review Team Grant, in the amount of \$75,000.00.
42. Resolution authorizing the submission of a Grant Application by the County of Camden (Department of Health and Human Services) to the New Jersey Department of Human Services, for the 2023 Comprehensive Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Treatment Grant, in the amount of \$1,584,681.00.
43. Resolution approving personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Commissioner Betteridge.
44. Resolution authorizing a Bond Substitution in the amount of \$130,000 to provide funding for an HVAC Computer Control System Replacement.
45. Resolution authorizing the acceptance of funds for the 2021 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Grant, in the amount of \$30,950.00.
46. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to solicitation of quotations, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Corrections) and Cooper Health System,

for the provision of Medicaid Presumptive Eligibility Screenings for individuals incarcerated in the Camden County Correctional Facility, in the amount of \$28,301.19 - CAF#9900231408.

ABSTAIN: LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR.

47. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to solicitation of quotations, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Corrections) and Advanced Restaurant Technologies, for the provision of quarterly cleaning and degreasing of various kitchen equipment for the facility's staff and inmate kitchens, in the total amount of \$18,492.00 – CAF#9900231411.

48. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to solicitation of quotations, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Corrections) and Kommunity Kares, for a Pilot Program for the provision of transitional housing for homeless individuals released from the Department of Corrections, in the amount of \$37,800.00 - CAF#9900231630.

49. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-41/2022), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Corrections) and Municipal Emergency Services, Inc., for the purchase of uniforms for the Camden County Department of Corrections (Main Jail and Juvenile Detention Center), Camden County Police Department and the Camden County Prosecutor's Office, on an "as-needed" basis.

50. Resolution ratifying the submission of a Grant Application, by the County of Camden (Department of Corrections, Division of Juvenile Justice) to the New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission for FY 2023 State Community Partnership Grant and Family Court Grant, in the amount of \$1,364,017.00.

51. Resolution authorizing the submission of a Grant Application, by the County of Camden (Department of Corrections, Division of Juvenile Justice) to the New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission for FY 2023 Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative Funding (JDAI) Grant, in the amount of \$120,000.00.

52. Resolution ratifying a Memorandum of Understanding, by and between the County of Camden (One Stop Career Center) and the Camden County College (Camden County Adult Basic Skills Consortium), for the provision of Adult Basic Skills Services.

53. Resolution approving personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Commissioner Young.

54. Resolution amending Resolution No. 62, adopted August 18, 2022, establishing program and funding categories relating to Camden County's allocation of American Rescue Plan Funds.

55. Resolution authorizing 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 CentralSquare Technologies, for Software Application Services for the term 10/1/22 through 9/30/23, in an amount not to exceed \$183,803.76. Funding available in the amount of \$45,950.94 – CAF#9900231321. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2023 Permanent Budget.

56. Resolution authorizing the reappointment of members to the Camden County College Board of Trustees.

57. Resolution authorizing the reappointment of the County Auditor.

58. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid ESCNJ 22/23-08), by and between the County of Camden (Board of Elections) and Corporate Source, Inc., for the purchase of office furniture, under the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Cooperative Pricing System ID#65-MCESCCPS, in the amount of \$45,502.39 - CAF#9900231426.

59. Resolution ratifying a two-percent cost-of-living pay increase for the Commissioners of the Board of Elections, retroactive to January 1, 2022.

60. 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 Avi Steinhardt, for photography services, in the amount of \$6,000.00 - CAF#9900231505.

61. 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 J-Dogs, Inc., for inflatable games, in the amount of \$2,220.00 - CAF#9900231504.

62. Resolution approving personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Deputy Director McDonnell.

63. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the SFY 2022 Governor Phil Murphy - Operation Helping Hand Program, in the amount of \$123,809.50.

64. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to solicitation of quotations, by and between the County of Camden (Office of the Prosecutor) and Drew and Rogers, Inc., for the purchase of expansion file jackets, in the amount of \$4,650.00 CAF#9900230989.

65. Resolution amending Resolution No. 88, adopted August 18, 2022, authorizing the appointment and reappointment of Members to the Camden County Homelessness Trust Fund Advisory Board, to correct a typographical error.

66. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to solicitation of quotations, by and between the County of Camden (Office of the Sheriff) and Atlantic Tactical, Inc., for the purchase of armory supplies, in the amount of \$4,046.28 - CAF#9900231444.

67. Resolution rejecting Bid A-38/2022, extradition services for the Camden County Office of the Sheriff as the one bid received was non-compliant with the bid specifications.

68. Resolution ratifying the submission of a Grant Application, by the County of Camden (Office of the Sheriff) to the New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development, for reimbursement of the cost of Title IV-D Enforcement for Child Support and Paternity Matters.

69. Resolution ratifying an award of Contract, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(l)(dd), by and between the County of Camden (Office of the Sheriff) and Idemia Identity & Security USA LLC, d/b/a Morpho USA, Inc., for Livescan System maintenance, in the amount of \$22,599.29 - CAF#9900230833.

70. Resolution authorizing the reappointment of the County Administrator.

71. Resolution ratifying an award of Contract (Bid ESCNJ 19/20-30), by and between the County of Camden (Division of Information Technology) and Business Automation Technologies, Inc., d/b/a Data Network Solutions, for voice over IP services for various Camden County departments, under the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Cooperative Pricing System ID#65-MCESCCPS, in the amount of \$131,760.00 - Funding available in the amount of \$21,960.00 - CAF#9900231377. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2023, 2024 and 2025 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

72. Resolution ratifying an award of Contract (State Contract 17-TELE-00229), by and between the County of Camden (Division of Information Technology) and Main Access Systems, Inc., for purchase and installation of a control access system for 101 Woodcrest Road, in the amount of \$36,900.00 - PO #224323.

73. Resolution authorizing an Agreement, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Office of County Counsel) and McCarter & English, LLP, for the provision of General Bond Counsel Services.

74. Resolution authorizing a Location Agreement, by and between the County of Camden and CALL HER KING, LLC, for a photo shoot and filming, at no cost to the County.

75. Resolution authorizing the reappointment of the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners.

76. Resolution amending Resolution No. 2, adopted January 3, 2022, establishing Committees, Committee Appointments, Committee Departmental Assignments, Departmental Organization, and Commissioner Responsibilities and Assignments.

77. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to solicitation of quotations, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Police Services) and Bellmawr Truck Repair Co., Inc., for repairs to mobile command trucks and Skywatch, in the amount of \$8,062.88 - CAF#9900231194.

78. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-45/2022), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Police Services) and F AAC, Inc., for the purchase of a driver training simulator/milo range theater system, in the amount of \$290,412.50. Funding available in the amount of \$170,505.26 - CAF#9900231670. Balance of funding available through the Municipal Forfeiture Fund.

79. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract #20-GNVS2-00983), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Police Services) and Hertz Corporation, for rental vehicles, in the amount of \$50,005.00. Funding available in the amount of \$25,002.50 - CAF#9900231173. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2023 Fiscal Year Budget.

80. Resolution ratifying an award of Contract (State Contract #22-TELE-05441), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Police Services) and Cellco Partnership, d/b/ a Verizon Wireless, for cellphone, modem and telecommunication services, in the amount of \$475,000.00. Funding available in the amount of \$80,000.00 - CAF#9900231217. Balance of funding contingent upon receipt of remaining 2022 Budget and passage of the 2023 Fiscal Year Budget.

81. Resolution ratifying an award of Contract (State Contract #A-85943), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Police Services) and Cellco Partnership, d/b/ a Verizon Wireless, for the provision of internet, landline and telecommunication services, in the amount of \$110,000.00. Funding available in the amount of \$14,000.00 - CAF#9900231218. Balance of funding contingent upon receipt of remaining 2022 Budget and passage of the 2023 Fiscal Year Budget.

82. Resolution ratifying the submission of a Grant Application, by the County of Camden (Department of Police Services) to the Office of the Attorney General, New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Criminal Justice, for the FY 2022 Body Armor Replacement Fund Grant, in the amount of \$15,000.00.

83. Resolution approving personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Commissioner Director Cappelli.

The Director called for a motion on Resolution No. 84 acknowledging personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Constitutional or Statutory Row Offices.

RESOLUTION 84

NO MOTION MADE – FAILED

Director Cappelli opened the meeting to any member of the public who wished to address the Board of Commissioners.

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

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

Commissioner Nash said I would like to thank the members of the Parks Department for an outstanding season. The grounds crew did a great job making sure that all 24 parks were in pristine condition this summer. They really did a great job picking up the trash, cutting the lawns and really making it absolutely spectacular for our residents. In addition, I want to thank Deputy County Administrator Dom Vesper and Director Maggie McCann Johns and everyone at the Parks Department for all of the improvements. There are 16 projects that are actually in motion as we speak. I want to highlight some that were recently opened. The Whitman Park project has been completed. We had a ribbon cutting this morning. The park is just spectacular. It is really a tribute to the collaborative effort of everyone involved. It is very gratifying to know that the kids in that community will have that type of facility for the short term and the long term. Great things can happen. Other projects such as the pickle ball courts are open. It seems pickle ball is the most popular sport in Camden County because people are lined up around the block to play. Now we are looking to put in solar lights so they can play at night. We are working with communities like Winslow Township on enhancing their facilities as well.

I want to thank Commissioner Jon Young for his work on the Terrorism Memorial. It is really magnificent. Better than its renderings. I was really impressed. The piazza which is under construction is just spectacular and will be a great addition to our park.

Finally, I want to give a shout out to two agencies which do not get a lot of public recognition but do a great job. The Mosquito Commission, with its reorganization, has done a great job this summer. I have gotten more complements about mosquito work this summer than all my years before. The CCMUA, I know they have some great challenges. There have been ongoing meetings about some of the EPA mandates they are going to have to get involved in, but Scott Schreiber and his team have done a great job.

XPN Festival is this weekend.

Commissioner Kane said I also want to follow up on the dedication of the Terrorism Memorial this weekend. It was beautiful and was held in conjunction with the Travis Mannion Foundation Heroes Run. Both of those events combined made it a very meaningful morning for all those who attended. Just a reminder that September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month. I encourage everyone who does not have a library card to go online, sign up for a card and visit one of the beautiful branches of our library system.

Commissioner Young said I would like to start by thanking all my departments for the outstanding work they do. I also want to talk about the Terrorism Memorial. I want to thank Maggie publicly and Greg Fusco, our architect. It was a very trying memorial to complete. For anyone who has been affected by an act of terrorism, we hope it brings peace. October is National Pit Bull Month. Our Homeward Bound Center is an animal welfare agency which means we are one of the largest intakes of pit bulls in Southern New Jersey. We have a big drive going on right now. Please visit our website to help fund some of our efforts or come on down to adopt a pit bull.

Commissioner Dyer said I want to thank the County workforce for the work they do day in and day out. It is a true pleasure to see the work being done throughout Camden County under the leadership of Dom Vesper. We have a new leader at the Department of Public Works, Bob Harris. He and I have agreed to provide updates on roadway projects. As of right now we have roadway projects on Berlin Cross Keys Road, road improvements on Blackwood-Clementon Road,

road improvements on Sicklerville Road, as well as Union Avenue in Pennsauken and Almonesson Road in Gloucester Township. Being the liaison to the Department of Public Works it is important that we continue to communicate and provide these updates at every meeting.

I also want to thank Jeff Nash, the Parks Department and Maggie McCann Johns for a job well-done today at the Whitman Park ribbon cutting. One of the things I should have mentioned at the ribbon cutting was that the last speaker, Brad Hawkins, his son plays for the New England Patriots and he played on the old Whitman Park fields. Great job to everyone involved in improving that park. Finally, great job to Jon Young on the Terrorism Memorial. I brought my wife and my children, and my youngest daughter read every flag. If you have not seen that yet, please visit.

Commissioner Betteridge said it has been a busy 30 days. I echo the sentiments of my colleagues with all of the events we have personally attended. They all have been very meaningful. If it wasn't for the staff that puts it together, we would be lost, so thank you everyone. I want to report on a couple of meetings and places I have been. On August 12th I was able to attend the CAMCare meeting and met with Dennis Gonzalez, Executive Officer of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services as well as Dr. Pagan Raggio-Ashley, Senior Medical Officer of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. That collaboration led us to a virtual meeting with Caryelle Lasher and Dr. Nwako.

I commend everyone on the Caregivers Grant, especially Deputy Director McDonnell. He informed me this morning that 2,500 recipients have, to date, received \$1,000 each. That has made a tremendous difference, so I thank everyone on the Board for their support.

Camden County Health Hub has begun giving vaccines. The Hub is open from 2 p.m. – 6 p.m. on Tuesdays and from 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. on Thursdays. We encourage everyone to get the vaccinations that are available.

Deputy Director McDonnell said I am not going to repeat what my colleagues have said other than to congratulate Jon on the Terrorism Memorial. Jeff, Dominic and Maggie, the ribbon cutting this morning was fabulous. If you have not seen Whitman Park, you need to go there. It is better than almost all parks and ballfields in Camden County. Those kids very much deserve it. Al Dyer and Jeff Nash made brilliant remarks. They did a great job organizing the event. There was a lot of press there and Dan Keashen did a great job. It is so exciting to think how lives are going to be changed by that park. Thank you to all our employees.

Director Cappelli said I want to congratulate Deputy Director McDonnell on a great program. The relief for caregivers is something that was needed and obviously quite popular. Also, Commissioner Nash, the parks are outstanding. The special events this year were probably the most well-attended ever. The residents are truly appreciating and enjoying the summer programs that we present. Commissioner Young, the Memorial is beautiful. I would also like to commend everyone who participated in the Overdose Vigil at Timber Creek. Dominic Vesper, Frank Filipek, Jr. and everyone else involved. It was a special night and truly touched many hearts. Finally, I would like to thank all our employees for the work they do day in and day out on behalf of our residents.

The Director asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Young made a motion with a second by Commissioner Nash and all Commissioners voted aye. The meeting was adjourned at 12:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karyn Gilmore
Clerk of the Board