

**CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING**

**September 19, 2024**

**520 Market Street**

**6<sup>th</sup> 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. We begin today's meeting with the introduction of two Resolutions regarding Bond Refinancing. Public Hearings on these Resolutions will be held on October 17, 2024 at the Camden County Courthouse, 520 Market Street, Camden, NJ at 12:00 Noon.

**Resolution #1**

Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Camden, New Jersey providing the County's consent to (i) (a) 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, and (b) the refunding of certain prior County Guaranteed Loan Revenue Bonds of the Camden County Improvement Authority issued to finance the acquisition, construction, renovation or installation of certain capital projects of the County; (ii) the issuance by the Authority of a series of its tax-exempt "County Guaranteed Loan Revenue Bonds (County Capital Program), Series A of 2024" and a series of its tax-exempt "County Guaranteed Loan Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series B of 2024" for the purposes of (a) financing the County project authorized hereby and (b) refunding certain prior County Guaranteed Loan Revenue Bonds of the Authority issued to finance the acquisition, construction, renovation or installation of certain capital projects of the County; (iii) the loan agreement by and between the County and the Authority in connection with the financing and refinancing authorized hereby; and (iv) certain other matters related thereto and pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:37A-56.

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

## **Resolution #2**

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 A of 2024” and “County Guaranteed Loan Revenue Bonds Refunding Bonds, Series B of 2024” to be issued by the Camden County Improvement Authority for the purposes of (a) financing the acquisition and installation of certain capital equipment and the construction of certain capital infrastructure improvements in, by and for the County and (b) refunding all or a portion of the callable maturities of the Authority’s outstanding County Guaranteed Loan Revenue Bonds (County Capital Program), Series 2014 and the Authority’s outstanding County Guaranteed Loan Revenue Bonds (County Capital Program), Series 2015.

Director Cappelli asked for a motion to adopt the introduction of the Resolution. Commissioner Nash 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 Nash made a motion with a second by Commissioner Betteridge and all roll call:

AYE:           ALL PRESENT  
ABSTAIN:    AL DYER  
                  LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR.

## **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 Dyer and on roll call all Commissioners present voted aye.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Director asked the Clerk if there was any correspondence. The Clerk responded yes, Director, we have two pieces of correspondence this month. The first correspondence is from

Vince Sarches of Haddon Heights. *I just wanted to thank you sincerely for this summer concert series. I was so fortunate to catch the August 14th concert with Steven Page. The show was fantastic, great sound and a great performance. Undoubtably the most rewarding and enjoyable tax dollar I ever spent! Please keep up the good work and acts like this, really a terrific program!*

The second correspondence is from Michele Alfano. *THANK YOU for all the amazing summer concerts each year! Accidentally walked up to Bronx Wanderers last night. Amazing show! I hope these continue.*

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. Deputy Director McDonnell made the motion with a second by Commissioner Young and all Commissioners present voted aye.

The Director closed the public hearing.

Director Cappelli said at Caucus on Tuesday afternoon, the Board of Commissioners reviewed and discussed all resolutions to be acted upon today. We will now be voting on the Resolutions in blocks based on the unanimous consent of the Commissioners.

### **RESOLUTIONS 1 THROUGH 95**

The Director asked for a motion to adopt Resolutions 1 through 95. Commissioner Young made a motion with a second by Commissioner Dyer and on roll call:

AYE: ALL PRESENT

ABSTENTIONS: JEFFREY NASH – Resolutions 35, 52 and 85  
JONATHAN YOUNG, SR. – Resolutions 12, 51 and 72  
EDWARD McDONNELL – Resolution 83  
LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR. – Resolutions 8, 9, 18, 26, 54 and 85

1. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget from the New Jersey Department of Transportation for River Road Infrastructure Improvements, in the amount of \$4,000,000.00.

2. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget from the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Kaighn Avenue Infrastructure Program, in the amount of \$3,600,000.00.

3. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget from the New Jersey Department of Transportation for Street and Roadway Improvements to Haddon Avenue (Phase 2), in the City of Camden, in the amount of \$6,000,000.00.

4. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget from the New Jersey Department of Transportation for FY 2024 Local Bridge Future Needs, in the amount of \$1,412,118.00.

5. Resolution authorizing a Bond Substitution in the amount of \$105,000 to provide funding for the Rehabilitation of the Camden County Golf Academy.

6. Resolution authorizing Agreements, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and various engineering firms, for the provision of On-Call Licensed Site Remediation Professional Services for various Linear Construction Projects for the County of Camden, on an as-needed basis.

7. Resolution 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 for Bridge Design and Bridge Construction Inspection Services for Major and Minor Bridges in various Camden County Municipalities, on an "as-needed" basis.

8. Resolution 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 for Dam Design and Inspection Services of various dams located in Camden County, on an "as-needed" basis.

**ABSTAIN: LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR. (Colliers Engineering & Design)**

9. Resolution authorizing Agreements, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and various firms for On-Call Materials Testing and Inspection Services for various Camden County Projects, on an as-needed basis.

**ABSTAIN: LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR. (Colliers Engineering & Design)**

10. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid B-11/2024) by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Morton Salt, Inc., for Furnishing and Delivering of Sodium Chloride and Pretreated Liquid Enhanced Sodium Chloride, for various locations in Camden County, under the Camden County Cooperative Pricing System, ID #57-CCCPS, on an "as-needed" basis.

11. Resolution rejecting Bid B-13/2024, for Snow Plowing on various roads in various municipalities in the County of Camden, as no bids were received.

12. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-40/2024), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Marino General Construction, Inc., for Repair and Reconstruction of the Lakeland Salt Barn, in the amount of \$89,400.00 - CAF# 9900243962.

**ABSTAIN: JONATHAN YOUNG, SR.**

13. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-35/2022 - 3rd Year Option), 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.

14. Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 3 and Final 2 (Bid B-3/2022), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Black Rock Enterprises, LLC, for roadway improvements to CR 616 (Church Road), Vicinity of NJ 38 to Camden County Line, in the Township of Cherry Hill, for a decrease in the amount of \$19,503.37.

15. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid B-8/2024), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc., for Blenheim-Erial Road (CR 706) Roadway Improvements from Black Horse Pike (NJ Route 168) to Blackwood-Clementon Road (CR 534), Gloucester Township, in the amount of \$2,087,300.00 - CAF#9900244049.

16. Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 1 and Final (Bid B-1/2023), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Zone Striping, Inc., for Maintenance of Thermoplastic Painting on CR-700 Series Roads in various Townships in Camden County, for an increase in the amount of \$24,174.31 - CAF#9900243601.

17. Resolution authorizing a Shared Services Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and the Borough of Bellmawr, for the purchase of salt and the plowing of Camden County Roads 659, 753, 658 and 551 located in the Borough of Bellmawr.

18. Resolution endorsing Ordinance 24-18 of the Township of Gloucester amending Chapter 81, entitled "Vehicles" and Traffic".

**ABSTAIN: LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR.**

19. Resolution authorizing the appointment of a member to the Camden County Construction Board of Appeals.

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

21. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-42/2023 - 2nd Year Option), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and Burlington County Auto Parts, Inc., for the purchase of automotive replacement parts, for Camden County Departments and various outside Agencies and Authorities under the Camden County Cooperative Pricing System, ID#57-CCCPS, on an as-needed basis.

22. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid ESCNJ 22/23-08), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and Krueger International, Inc., for the purchase of office furniture, for the Camden County Elections and

Archives Center, under the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Cooperative Pricing System ID#65-MCESCCPS, in the amount of \$53,838.52 - CAF#9900243702.

23. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the 2024 Delaware Valley Regional Trails Program, in the amount of \$200,000.00.

24. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the 2023 Delaware Valley Regional Trails Grant Program, in the amount of \$100,000.00.

25. Resolution authorizing a Capital Substitution in the amount of \$9,091 to provide funding for Camden County Parks Department - New Vehicles.

26. Resolution amending an Agreement, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Parks) and Colliers Engineering & Design, for additional closely related Professional Engineering Services for design of the Cooper River and Delaware Back Channel Water Trail, for an increase in the amount of \$16,000.00 - CAF#9900243 907.

**ABSTAIN: LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR.**

27. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid ESCNJ 24/24-01), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Parks), and MRC, Inc., for the purchase of self-cleaning bathroom units for Haddon Lake Park, under the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Cooperative Pricing System ID#65-MCESCCPS, in the amount \$385,000.00 - CAF#9900243910.

28. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-43/2024), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Parks) and Vulcan Construction, Inc., for John Curtis Track Rehabilitation and Site Improvements at Cooper River, in the amount of \$407,360.00- CAF#9900244039.

29. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-44/2024), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Parks) and Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc., for Parking Lot and Site Improvements at Wiggins Waterfront Park, in the amount of \$426,600.00- CAF #9900244045.

30. Resolution authorizing an Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Parks) and Westfield Architects & Preservation Consultants, for preparation of a Preservation Plan for the Hopkins House and a Conditions Assessment for Contributing Structures within Cooper River Park, in the amount of \$79,995.00 - CAF#9900243903.

31. Resolution authorizing a Shared Services Agreement, by and between the county of Camden (Department of Parks, Division of Open Space and Farmland Preservation) and the Borough of Stratford, for funding for the purchase of the Quaker Store and on-going maintenance of same by the Borough, in the amount of \$150,000.00 - CAF#9900243885.

32. Resolution authorizing a Right of Entry Permit and Indemnification Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Parks) and various property owners in the City of Camden, to allow LINK Trail design consultants access to the properties for the purpose of trail design.

33. Resolution amending Resolution No. 28, adopted April 22, 2021, authorizing the submission of a Grant Application by the County of Camden (Department of Parks) to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Green Acres Program, for the Preserve New Jersey Historic Preservation Fund Historic Site Management Grant, to extend the work period and agreement end dates and increase the County match.

34. Resolution authorizing an amended Green Acres Project Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Parks, Division of Open Space and Farmland Preservation) and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

35. Resolution authorizing the purchase of a surety bond for the purpose of posting financial assurance for a remedial action permit relative to Block 4403, Lot 11 in the Township of Winslow.

**ABSTAIN: JEFFREY NASH**

36. Resolution authorizing the approval of a recommendation from the Open Space Preservation Trust Fund Advisory Committee, to provide funding to South Jersey Land and Water Trust for the purchase of Laurel Lake Preserves, in Laurel Springs, in the amount of \$300,000.00 - CAF#9900243880.

37. Resolution supporting a statewide prohibition on the sale of commercially raised dogs and cats in pet stores.

38. Resolution approving personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Commissioner Nash.

39. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the 2024-2025 Local Core Capacity for Public Health Emergency Preparedness Grant, in the amount of \$303,301.00.

40. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the 2024-2026 New Jersey Association of County and City Health Officials Sustaining Local Public Health Infrastructure Grant, in the amount of \$168,049.00.

41. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the National Opioid Abatement Trust II Grant, in the amount of \$1,679,122.65.

42. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the 2022 New Jersey State Farmer's Market Nutrition Program, in the amount of \$2,000.00.

43. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the 2024 Area Plan Grant, in the amount of \$45,397.12.

44. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the 2024-2025 Tuberculosis Control Grant, in the amount of \$115,271.00.

45. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the Strengthening Local Public Health Capacity Program, in the amount of \$45,202.00.

46. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the Local Public Health Overdose Fatality Review Team Grant, in the amount of \$75,000.00.

47. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the Child Care Resource and Referral Services Grant 23-24, in the amount of \$35,750.00.

48. Resolution authorizing a Bond Substitution in the amount of \$10,400.00 to provide funding for the Camden County Nutrition Hub.

49. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the 2024-2025 Child Care Resource and Referral Services Grant 24-25, in the amount of \$3,761,448.00.

50. 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 space planning design services at the Michael J. DiPiero Building, in the amount of \$81,240.00 - CAF#9900244054.

51. Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 1 (Bid A-47/2023), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health and Human Services) and Arthur J. Ogren, Inc., for the Camden County Nutrition Hub, for an increase in the amount of \$145,244.41 - CAF#9900244065.

**ABSTAIN: JONATHAN YOUNG, SR.**

52. Resolution authorizing an Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health and Human Services, Community Health Services) and Rowan College of New Jersey, to provide students with field and clinical experience in Public Health, at no cost to the County.

**ABSTAIN: JEFFREY NASH**

53. Resolution ratifying an Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health and Human Services, Community Health Services) and Eastern Washington University, to provide students with field and clinical experience in Public Health, at no cost to the County.

54. Resolution amending Resolution No. 47, adopted May 18, 2023 authorizing a Letter of Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health and Human Services) and the Governor's Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (GCADA), relative to the Municipal Alliance Program Youth Leadership Grant and authorizing Shared Services Agreements with various municipalities for the provision of same, to reallocate funding.

**ABSTAIN: LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR. (Gloucester Township)**

55. Resolution ratifying a Shared Services Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health and Human Services) and the County of Gloucester for the provision of Weights and Measures Services.

56. Resolution authorizing the submission of a Grant Application, by the County of Camden (Department of Children's Services) to the New Jersey Department of Health, Division of Family Development, for the Child Care Resource and Referral Program Grant, in the amount of \$3,761,448.00.

57. Resolution approving personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Commissioner Betteridge.

58. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 funds into the Budget for the Camden County Courthouse Regional Corrections Center Initiative, in the amount of \$6,400,000.00.

59. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the County Environmental Health Act (CEHA) Grant, in the amount of \$264,965.00.

60. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget from the New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission, for the 2024-2025 State Facilities Education Act, in the amount of \$121,500.00.

61. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act for Program Year 2024, in the amount of \$1,853,776.00.

62. Resolution authorizing the use of Competitive Contracting Request for Proposals, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1 et seq., for Substance Abuse and Addiction Counseling and Assessment Services for the Camden County Department of Corrections.

63. Resolution authorizing the appointment of Rebecca J. Franceschini as Warden of the Camden County Correctional Facility.

64. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract #20-TELE-01195), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Safety) and SHI International, for the purchase of firewall equipment, in the amount of \$82,867.76 - CAF#9900243767.

65. Resolution authorizing a Memorandum of Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Safety) and various Municipal Fire Departments, Fire Districts, Fire Companies, EMS Agencies, Hospital-based EMS Providers and Police Departments, relative to the use of specific computer aided dispatch software.

66. Resolution ratifying an Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Safety) and Western Carolina University, Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice, Emergency & Disaster Management Program, for an internship program in the field of Emergency & Disaster Management, at no cost to the County.

67. Resolution authorizing the acceptance of funds for the County Environmental Health Act (CEHA) Grant, in the amount of \$264,965.00.

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

69. Resolution amending Resolution No. 43, adopted August 15, 2024, establishing program and funding categories relating to Camden County's allocation of American Rescue Plan funds.

70. 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, LLC, for software application support services, in the amount of \$194,997.36. Funding available in the amount of \$50,501.37 - CAF#9900243423. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2025 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

71. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-41/2024), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Events and Community Outreach) and Tri State Staging, for leased mobile stages and stagehand labor for the Camden County Department of Parks and Department of Events and Community Outreach, in the amount of \$16,168.55 per month. Funding available in the amount of \$48,505.00 - CAF#9900244047. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2025 and 2026 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

72. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid B-12/2024), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Administration/Division of Cooper River Venues) and Marino Construction, Inc., for Rehabilitation of the Camden County Golf Academy, in the amount of \$534,311.00. Funding available in the amount of \$429,857.00 - CAF#9900244062. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the Bond Substitution Resolution.

**ABSTAIN: JONATHAN YOUNG, SR.**

73. Resolution amending Resolution No. 51, adopted August 15, 2024, authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-39/2024), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Administration/Division of Cooper River Venues) and Global Golf Sales Corporation, for Floating Golf Balls for the Camden County Golf Academy, to correct a typographical error.

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

75. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the FY 2025 Child Advocacy Development Grant - Treatment Services, Programs, Technology and Capital Improvement, in the amount of \$180,267.00.

76. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program, in the amount of \$7,836.32.

77. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the 2023 State Body Armor Replacement Fund Grant, in the amount of \$12,721.73.

78. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid 24-38), by and between the County of Camden (Office of the Prosecutor) and SHI International Corp., for the purchase of laser scanners, under the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance System ID #CK04, in the amount of \$134,482.16 - Various CAF#s.

79. Resolution amending Camden County Policy and Procedure #147 Procurement; and #150 Subrecipient Management.

80. Resolution Commemorating the 125th Anniversary of Camden County Historical Society and the 290th Anniversary of Benjamin Cooper Tavern.

81. Resolution authorizing the appointment of a member to the Camden County Homelessness Trust Fund Advisory Board.

82. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to Competitive Contracting Request For Proposals #24-29, by and between the County of Camden (Office of Community Development) and TRIAD Associates, for consulting services for Community Development Programs, in the amount of \$150,000.00. Funding available in the amount of \$50,000.00 - Various CAF#s. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2025 and 2026 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

83. Resolution authorizing award of Contracts, pursuant to Competitive Contracting Request for Proposals #24-15, by and between the County of Camden (Office of Community Development) and various agencies for the Community Development Block Grant Social Services Programs and Emergency Solutions Grant Program Services and Related Programs, in the amount of \$352,036.00 - Various CAF#s.

**ABSTAIN: EDWARD McDONNELL (The Larc School)**

84. Resolution amending Resolution No. 98, adopted October 21, 2021, authorizing a Shared Services Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Division of Community Development) and the City of Gloucester, for Fair Housing Officer services and various COVID-19 related activities under the State of New Jersey CDBG Program, to increase funding by \$542,907.00 - CAF#9900244066.

85. Resolution authorizing Shared Services Agreements, by and between the County of Camden (Office of Community Development) and various municipalities participating in the Community Development Block Grant Program, in the amount of \$1,357,815.00 - Various CAF#s.

**ABSTAIN: JEFFREY NASH (Winslow, Woodlynne)  
LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR. (Barrington, Pennsauken, Waterford)**

86. Resolution authorizing a Shared Services Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Office of County Counsel) and the County's various Agencies and Authorities, for the

provision of Affirmative Action Officer ("AAO") and Equal Employment Officer ("EEO") services.

87. Resolution authorizing an Agreement, by and between the County of Camden and the Camden County Improvement Authority appointing the Camden County Improvement Authority as the Redevelopment Entity for the property located at 2600 Mt. Ephraim Avenue, Camden, NJ 08104 (Block 715 Lots 1 & 19).

88. Resolution authorizing the County of Camden (Office of County Counsel) to enter into lease negotiations, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 20:3-1, et seq., with Legacy Treatment Services, for public health services in County-owned space.

89. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid 23-17), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Police Services) and Gold Type Business Machines (GTBM), for Info-Cop Annual Licenses Renewal, under the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance System ID #CK04, in the amount of \$250,000.00 - CAF#9900243610.

90. Resolution authorizing an award of contract (Bid A-41/2023 - 2nd Year Option), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Police Services) and The Original W. Hargrove Demolition, Inc., for Towing Services, on an "as-needed" basis.

91. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-42/2024), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Police Services) and Municipal Emergency Services, Inc., for uniform purchases 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.

92. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid 24-38), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Police Services) and SHI International Corp., for the purchase of cameras, hardware and licensing, under the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance System ID #CK04, in the amount of \$100,914.60 - CAF#9900243862.

93. Resolution authorizing the submission of a Grant Application, by the County of Camden (Department of Police Services) to the New Jersey Division of Community Affairs, for the Metro Police Technology Upgrades 2025 Grant, in the amount of \$1,000,000.

94. 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 Police Services) and Soundthinking, Inc., for gunshot detection software, in the amount of \$1,239,598.00. Funding available in the amount of \$403,930.00 - CAF#9900243345. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2025, 2026, and 2027 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

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

## **RESOLUTION 96**

The Director called for a motion on Resolution No. 96 acknowledging personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Constitutional or Statutory Row Offices. Hearing no one, that motion did not pass.

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

**Brian Hackett, Director of Government and Community Relations, Associated Humane Societies, 124 Evergreen Avenue, Newark.** *I wanted to thank Director Cappelli, Commissioner Nash and all the Commissioners generally for how wonderful Camden County has been in support of animal protection, causes and initiatives over the years. Specifically, I wanted to chime in today thanking you all for the Resolution that was passed today in favor of State legislation, which is Senate Bill 2511 and Assembly Bill 4051 which is a Bill that would support all the humane pet businesses in our State and support responsible pet acquisition to ensure that New Jersey residents are not subjected to animals that are sourced from very cruel places that we call puppy mills and transported into the state. I'm very proud to say current legislation has over 25% of all the members in each of the Assembly and the Senate as official co-sponsors on the legislation, including a number of legislators who represent pieces of Camden County. We are working hard to make sure that this legislation passes for the sake of protecting consumers and protecting animals and supporting good humane businesses throughout the state. Just a point of reference for the Board, Camden County is, I believe, now the 11th county that has passed a resolution in support of the state legislation to this effect. Most recently, Hudson County and Atlantic County Commissioners passed similar resolutions in support of the state legislation. I appreciate the opportunity to share this information and I want to applaud all of you for your forward thinking and your leadership on so many animal protection issues over the years that are of so much importance to Camden County residents and more broadly throughout the State of New Jersey. I am often referring to the work of Camden County in a number of ways when I go around the state and work on these issues. So, thank you all very much.* Director Cappelli said thank you, Mr. Hackett.

Seeing no other members of the public wishing to comment, Director Cappelli asked for a motion to close the public hearing. Deputy Director McDonnell made a motion with a second by Commissioner Young 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 want to recognize the passing of former Mayor, Bernie Platt who was a legend in this county. He was our colleague as a Commissioner and Mayor for two separate terms combined for almost 10 years. His service was one of the most meaningful and heartfelt services that you could attend because his son Harry gave the eulogy and his grandchildren stood up and talked about their Pop Pop. They reflected on the person he was, not

only as a community leader, but also as a Dad. So I do want to recognize that and that the County had prepared a condolence resolution for that purpose.

Regarding the Resolution No. 37 that Brian talked about, I want to thank Brian Hackett who has been a long time leader and animal advocate in the State of New Jersey. Brian, I hope you're still listening. He has traveled the state from top to bottom left to right to talk about animal advocacy issues, not only on the puppy mill question, but on so many different issues. He fights the fight every day for those who cannot speak. Brian, you have done a great job. The legislation banning the sale of puppy mill dogs or animals was introduced after Camden County initiated that effort in 2015. We became the first county in the state to call for the ban to prohibit the sale of puppy mill dogs in Camden County. Since that time, virtually every county has followed and over 150 million municipalities have followed. It's somewhat unfortunate that we did not become the first state in the country to ban the sale but I do believe that we have enough momentum to get it done this time. There are only 16 stores left that sell puppies from puppy mills. Hopefully it will close the door on that forever.

A note to the Parks Department. The parks had never looked better. I've been in this country for a very long time as well as the liaison to the Parks Department, so I get to see it every year. The parks are in spectacular condition and I am very proud of the work that the men and women do to clean the parks every day and to make sure that the landscaping aesthetically is perfect, but also the construction that is going on. There are over 60 projects that are in different levels of construction from engineering to ribbon cutting. Last week we cut the ribbon on a beautiful new softball field at Cooper River Park. We are going to have a groundbreaking next week or the week after for the skateboard park. We have playgrounds being installed throughout the county and so every municipality, every corner of Camden County is having some work being done. I am very proud of them. I see that the Recycler came out today. That is something the Environmental Affairs team works on all year round and it looks great.

**Commissioner Young** said I want to thank all of our county workers for doing a fantastic job. As we move into the fall weather our sustainability program will start to ramp up and get a little busier. Our Farmer's Market has launched with Triple Oaks Nursery. The market is open Thursdays from 3:00 to 7:00 and we have extended the time through the end of October. The Office of Sustainability and the Camden County Certified Gardeners, in partnership with the Office of Environmental Affairs, have been hosting an educational series on backyard composting through September at locations in Camden, Cherry Hill and Gloucester Township. There are still spaces available for workshops being held next Wednesday evening beginning at 6:00 PM at the Camden County Municipal Utilities Authority Administration Building in Camden. Residents pay a small fee to leave with a beautiful backyard composter. You can check our website for details on how to register. The Certified Gardeners are also partnering with Cedar Run Wildlife Refuge this Saturday for Wildlife Adventures for Young Mind programs at 10 AM at our Sustainability Campus. They are also hosting a Make It and Take It workshop on our Campus on Saturday the 28th at 10 AM. This month's topic is plant propagation and keeping plants through the winter months. It is also that special time our Director really loves when we get to harvest our grapes. We are in partnership this year with Saddle Hill and we will harvest the grapes next week. We will go to Saddle Hill and do a big presentation to them. We are glad to have them as a partner this year because we have Blue Ribbon Glen grapes that we grow right here in Camden County at our Sustainability Campus. They're always going to great job down there.

**Commissioner Kane** said I just want to start by saying this I miss being with all of you in person. I wanted to follow up on what Commissioner Nash said about the funeral service for Bernie Platt. As a 90-year-old man passing, the love and how he has touched so many people was just so evident and in his role as a Mayor and as a Freeholder but also as a funeral director and how he interacted with people in the worst of times and consoled and just did things without recognition or acknowledgement to help people within our community. I just wanted to thank him for his lifetime of service. If you look up the definition of Mensch, I believe Bernis Platt's name is next to that definition.

Last week on September 11th, it was the 23rd anniversary of that horrible event in our nation's history. There were several events going on within the County. We partnered with the City in a 9/11 ceremony outside of City Hall. Throughout our community there were services in recognition including American Water who did a beautiful placement of flags on the waterfront, just showing that we are not going to forget that day in our history. As a County, on the evening of September 11th, we had a remembrance medal ceremony at Cooper River Park, which is always very, very meaningful and emotional. We recognized 6 individuals who were first responders on that day and those who had been in the military in the war and subsequent wars on terror. I just wanted to acknowledge and be grateful that we live in a community that history is remembered, and lives and service and sacrifice is honored and remembered as well.

**Commissioner Dyer** said the summer concert series was great. I want to thank Roland Traynor. During my four years as a Commissioner this was the most I was able to interact and speak to the crowd. The line up was great. It was well attended. I think we had 10,000 people for Jeffrey Osbourne. Jeffrey was walking through the crowd and interacting. I tell people all the time that they have to attend these concerts. Its great to see residents from all over Camden County come out to enjoy some great music. Thank you Bob Harris. Bob lost a key member of his team, Julia Downes, and we have not lost a beat at the Department of Public Works because of his leadership. From me and the Commissioners, continue to do what you do. We appreciate you.

**Commissioner Betteridge** said as the summer is winding down, there are a couple of announcements to remind everyone. The tri-valent flu vaccine is now available. The kickoff will be at the Forum Catering Hall on Wednesday, October 9th from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM. The Forum is located on the Black Horse Pike in Blackwood. We had a successful immunization program for school-aged children. I believe there were a couple 100 in attendance. The beauty of that wasn't just the 200 different types of immunizations that we were able to provide to the children but we were able to offer other services as well. They were able to go to other areas of the county and meeting county programs and county stakeholders to receive additional help that the family may be lacking. So kudos to the Health Department for spearheading this. It was our first year and it was very successful. We had two confirmed cases of West Nile Viruses and 3-4 probable cases. So that is a total of 4. Protection is really needed. If you are a proponent of using Deet it's probably one of the best ways, but if you'd like to use the natural approach, lemon and eucalyptus oil works very well and long sleeve clothing. Also, for the residents, just as a reminder to please remove standing water that is in and around your property. It's really important for all of us to do our part to make sure that we don't continue to see a spike in the West Nile virus.

As a Hispanic, I was very proud on Monday evening, with the support of the Camden

County Board of Commissioners, to be part of the awards ceremony honoring 13 Hispanics in Camden County. We gathered at 5:00 PM at Wiggins Parks. We celebrated by breaking bread and then we walked to the main stage and brought the 13 honorees up and presented them during the final concert of the season and it was well attended. We received a lot of positive feedback and I just want to extend a thank you to everyone that participated to make sure that September 15<sup>th</sup> through October 15<sup>th</sup> the Latin/Hispanic community is being honored here in the county of Camden.

On November 14<sup>th</sup> the Camden County Board of Commissioners are hosting another conference in a series. This one is on food insecurity and is for providers. If anyone would like to attend, please reach out to my office and we will make sure that when the invitation is completed that we send it out.

**Commissioner Deputy Director McDonnell** said I want to join Jeff Nash in congratulating Scott Traynor and all the employees at the Parks Department. The parks are really in great shape from one end of the county to the other. Congratulations Jeff and Scott. I also want to thank all the employees of Camden County for all the great work they do every day on behalf of our citizens.

**Commissioner Director Cappelli** said I too want to express my condolences and sympathies to the family of Bernie Platt. Bernie was always a great public servant who put the people he represented first before anything. He was certainly great role model for everybody in Cherry Hill and Camden County. I would like to also thank all the employees of Camden County for the great work they do day in and day out for 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 12:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Clerk of the Board