

**CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
FREEHOLDER MEETING
APRIL 18, 2013
COLLINGSWOOD HIGH SCHOOL
424 COLLINGS AVENUE
COLLINGSWOOD, NEW JERSEY 08108**

The meeting was called to order by Freeholder Director Louis Cappelli, Jr. at 7:00 p.m. and asked the Clerk to call the roll:

PRESENT: GENTEK, LEONARD, NASH, MCDONNELL, CAPPELLI
Freeholder Rodriguez was seated at 7:02 p.m.
Freeholder McCray was seated at 7:07 p.m.

The Director stated that this meeting has been advertised in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Director Cappelli asked everyone to stand for a moment of silence with our thoughts first for the Boston Marathon victims tragedy and also for the Texas Fertilizer Factory victims to be followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Collingswood Odyssey of the Mind Team.

The Director announced that the County of Camden has available if requested Large Print Agendas for the visually impaired. He said if you require a large print agenda, please see the Clerk seated to the far right.

The Director welcomed everyone and said we are very pleased tonight to be in Collingswood. He said it is the practice of the Board to hold our meetings each month in one of our municipalities outside of the County Seat of Camden so that all members of the public will have access to the full meetings of the Board. He said as is custom during our road meetings, we will ask members of the governing body to step forward. He said we are joined this evening by Commissioner Joan Leonard and Commissioner Mike Hall. He said Mayor Maley had an appointment at the Garfield School where he is reading.

The Director called upon the Commissioners to come forward. The Director said just a few words about the governing body here in Collingswood. He said there has been a tremendous strong leadership of government here in Collingswood going back to ancient times when Mayor Mike Brennan was the Mayor and that tradition was carried on by Mayor Bud Law and now by Mayor Jim Maley who is joined by Commissioner Leonard and Commissioner Hall. The Director said I can tell you that the three individuals who lead this town right now, care first and foremost about the residents of this town and the good things that happen here. He said there are a lot of good things that have been happening in this town and it is certainly a model as far as towns go – the model for the rest

of the state, the redevelopment work that has taken place is outstanding; the preservation of historic buildings, the trees planted throughout this town. He said that is all due to the efforts of Mayor Maley, Commissioner Leonard and Commissioner Hall. He said I had the privilege of serving with both the Mayor and Commissioner Leonard on this governing body and at the time Mike Hall was the fire chief, he did an outstanding job there and he brings his expertise to this Commission. He said we are very proud to call ourselves partners with the governing body here in Collingswood.

PRESENTATIONS

The Director said to the Commissioners before I ask you to say a few words, we have a presentation from Freeholder Rodriguez. Freeholder Rodriguez said with me I bring you a check of your CDBG funds so you can continue the outstanding work that you are doing in this community because this is one community which really has transformed in some years but you have turned it around amazingly, starting when our Director was here, I think that all started then. Freeholder Rodriguez said it is an amazing leadership that we have here and just so you can continue the effort because you have turned it around, made it great and you keep making it better, we present to you a check of \$48,100.00 for the various projects you have going on through the community.

Commissioner Leonard thanked the Freeholders and said we really appreciate it – we try to do a good job with the funding that we receive to do the best thing that we can for the community doing great work by being frugal at the same time and working together as a team with the Freeholders and with our citizens and our volunteers and schools. We are all working together toward making the town great. Thanks for recognizing us – the kind words are appreciated and since we are all working together, this weekend is the hazardous waste drop off with the County that Collingswood is hosting at our Green Festival so that is one way that we are working together. That is one way that we are trying to work together to reach out to our citizens so thanks for doing that with us and thanks very much.

Commissioner Hall said all I have to say is "GO ODYSSEY OF THE MIND" He said I am so proud of the young girls and boys who are sitting in front of us here. The Commissioner said they are amazing. Thank you for having us, thanks for the money, we love getting other people's money and spending it. We would like to see you come out to the Green Festival on Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The weather is going to be beautiful. Thanks.

GIFT

Director Cappelli said Commissioner Hall mentioned Odyssey of the Mind Team. He said

Collingswood has a long tradition of State Champions. The State Champions are usually in football, Lacrosse, Hockey sports but we have new State Champions here in Collingswood and that is the Collingswood Rec Odyssey of the Mind Team. He asked them to come forward with their Coach Kenneth Allendoerfer. The Director said Kenneth is teaching tonight he is not here, Christine Celia who assists with this effort is here. The Director said let me tell you a little bit about the Collingswood Odyssey of the Mind Team. The Director said first of all you should know that when the Freeholders go to different towns for meetings, we ask the Governing Body of each town for the name of a non-profit organization where they receive a small donation from the Board of Freeholders. He said Collingswood picked this organization this year because they are in a fundraising drive and you will know why in a minute. He said this is an international education program that provides creative solving problem opportunities for children. It combines science, technology, visual and performing arts, improvisation and creativity. He said the students develop solutions to long term problems ranging from building mechanical devices to performing new versions of literary classics. Last year a group of volunteers established Odyssey of the Mind as part of the Collingswood Recreation Program. These teams were formed for their first season. Their "It's how you look at it team", the pet project team and the "Top Secret Discovery Team". He said last weekend the Pet Project Team traveled to the State Finals at Ewing High School and were crowned New Jersey State Champions! The Director said and Jim Maley thought he was the smartest guy in town!! The Director said now the team travels on to the World Competition which takes place at Michigan State University. He said we have to raise a lot of funds for these young folks.

Ms. Celia thanked the Freeholders. Each member introduced themselves.

The Director thanked the children and said to keep up the good work and good luck in Michigan.

The Director also announced that the fundraiser for their trip to Michigan State is May 16th - please support it.

COMMUNITY AWARD

Director Cappelli called upon Richard Klingerman to come forward. The Director said as we go from town to town we also look to recognize a citizen of each town for a community award from the Board of Freeholders and in Collingswood we have chosen Mr. Richard Klingerman to be the recipient for this award. He asked Commissioner Joan Leonard to come forward as well. The Director said Mr. Klingerman's hard work in the Collingswood community fosters pride, neighborhood enrichment and community spirit. He has worked at the Borough to develop open space and community gardens and his tireless efforts have lead to the development of an organization that meets monthly during the growing months - the development of garden sites and a forum to address all things garden-related here in

Collingswood. He helps to produce fresh fruits and vegetables for churches and for food pantries. The Collingswood Community Garden has provided neighborhood beautification, a strong sense of community and greater respect for the environment. The Director congratulated Mr. Klingerman and thanked him for all his hard work.

Mr. Klingerman thanked the Freeholders on behalf of the Community Garden. He said this is our fourth season.

PROCLAMATION

Freeholder Nash welcomed everyone. He said I have the privilege of being the Freeholder liaison to the Camden County Municipal Utilities Authority otherwise known every quarterly when you get your bill, the CCMUA. The Freeholder called upon Andrew Kricun, Executive Director of the CCMUA and some of the Commissioners who are here with us today to join me and come forward. Freeholder Nash then called upon the person who is getting the recognition tonight and that is the long-standing Chairperson of the CCMUA since 1998, Doreen Dixon. Freeholder Nash said she is joined by many of her colleagues at the CCMUA because of the remarkable job this woman has done on behalf of the residents of Camden County. Freeholder Nash said I have been a Freeholder long enough to remember when the CCMUA was a troubled agency somewhat because the rates were going up and up and up; residents were very unhappy with that, they did not recognize the environmental benefit that the MUA was providing to our community and there was a lot of talk about privatization, privatizing the CCMUA putting in the hands of a private company, who many people in Camden County thought would do a better job. He said there was a time back in 1997 when the Chairperson at that time suggested that we raise the rate almost doubling it and that is when Camden County stepped in and we explored privatization but the best thing that we ever did was to select a woman in the community who has a degree in accounting, is a Fells graduate, has worked in the community, worked in the State of New Jersey and currently works in Gaming Enforcing in the State of New Jersey and that is this remarkable woman from Voorhees Township, Doreen Dixon. He said she took hold of the CCMUA as the Chairperson and she set a course, a positive course, that today is recognized not only in the State of New Jersey but nationally and Andy Kricun can talk about some of the national awards our MUA has won both for management, government and environment. It is because of the direction that this woman provided to us as the long-standing chair. She was selected in 1998 and she served up until this year which is a remarkable run for anyone in government and Doreen we are here today although you will continue to remain a Commissioner on the CCMUA, I know you are doing all kinds of traveling for work overseas but we appreciate that you are going to stay on as a Commissioner and continue to serve the residents of Camden County. For that, you spent all those years working for virtually nothing and you get a

Proclamation. He said the Proclamation spells out all the accomplishments that you have given to the residents of Camden County. I just want you to know on behalf of the County Board of Freeholders how grateful we are for your service to our public. Thank you so much.

Andy Kricun thanked the Freeholder – it is an honor to say a few words about Doreen Dixon. She really has done a good job for the CCMUA and for the residents of Camden County. He said Freeholder Nash was right our agency was a very troubled agency environmentally as well as having odor problems. He said through our leadership of Chairwoman Dixon and Vice-Chairman Farley as well, they really turned the CCMUA around and gave direction to the staff to improve our operations, to reduce our rates and as Freeholder Nash said we have received recognition from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and from the National Association of Clean Water Agencies, the Delaware River Basin Commission and the American Water Works Association as one of the very best waste water utilities in the whole country. Starting with the Freeholder Board and the Board of Commissioner, the staff has worked with that guidance to improve things and we are very grateful for all that Doreen has done to lead the staff and to help the environment. It has been a pleasure to work with her all these years as well. Congratulations, Doreen, on this well-deserved recognition.

Ms. Dixon said no leader can achieve anything without the team that supports them. First, thank you to the Freeholders, in particular, Freeholder Nash, who took a chance on someone like myself to serve on the Commission Board and to serve in the leadership. She said certainly any leader is only as good as the team behind them in terms of the staff and the Commissioners that make up the team. They are diverse in terms of their professionalism, in terms of their membership and we thank them so much for everything that they have done because they brought the fish back to the water, rowing to our County and many other people are running to the park now to be a part of something that we thought was important to preserve. Thank you for the opportunity to serve. Thank you for the support that you have given. She said I already passed the baton to the new chair but I will continue to support you during the transition which I continue to be a member. Thank you all for being here tonight.

PROCLAMATION

Freeholder McCray called upon Madison Bradley to come forward and her family and parents. Freeholder McCray said I think it was back in November or December, I woke up and was reading the paper on-line – it has a great article about a young lady from Haddon Township who was actually going down to Atlanta during the NFC Championship. She went down there to represent South Jersey her hometown and our County in the NFL Punt, Pass and Kick Championship. It was her first time competing nationally. She has been dominating the local field for quite a few years,

three to be exact, and has placed first among girls in her age group. She has participated with the local sports team here, the Eagles, who hold 77 events – the winners then compete at the sectionals. The top 4 participants advance to the team competition where the winners represent their NFL teams. He said the week after Christmas, Madison finally got the call, her score was the best of 10 and 11 year old girls, who won the team competitions and she went down there and ranked number 1 in the country in her division and she faced three other girls with a score of 255 feet – the combined distance of her best pass, punt and kick and she won the National Championship. Please help me congratulate her in that. The Freeholder said I think it is an awesome fete and I have been trying to get you here for a few months and now we finally have. On behalf of the entire Board of Freeholders and the entire County, we present you with this Proclamation for all your hard work and determination. You represented your family well, your town and best of all, our County.

Madison's Dad said thank you. Freeholder McCray said thank you for raising up a great young lady.

PROCLAMATION

Freeholder McCray said April 14th through 20th is National Public Safety and Telecommunications Week. He asked members of the Public Safety Team that are here tonight to come forward. Rob Blaker, Chief Jankowski, Captain Eric Hoban, Grace Doyle, Dispatcher Kim Miller, Lt. George Marks, Lt. Bill Richards, Dispatcher Gaylen Giosa, Dispatcher Paul Masso, Dispatcher Vaness Curin. Freeholder McCray said to those of you who are in the audience, these are members of our Public Safety Team that are stationed in Lindenwold and many times you probably here their voices and you never see their faces. This month during this week, we just wanted to take the time to honor them and show our gratitude for those who are first and most crucial when disaster strikes. He said our employees worked tirelessly to ensure public safety – our police officers, firefighters and EMT's in responding to all those emergencies. He said our communications workers are the first and most crucial contact our residents have with emergency services. It is through their training that help get you the services that you need when you most need them. He said our Camden County Communications employees are second to none – I think everybody in the County believes that with their tireless work, their dedication, expertise and efficiency is to be commended above all. I just wanted to personally thank all of you as we celebrate this National Public Safety Telecommunications Week. He presented them with a Proclamation and called upon Chief Jankowski to say a few words.

Chief Jankowski said as the Freeholder said, these men and women are on duty 24 hours a day, seven days a week. They are the first point of contact when someone is having the worst day of their life and they are highly skilled, highly trained to react within seconds to get you the help that you need. They go unnoticed, unseen

and they are the people in this County that everyone depends upon to get them the help that they need every single day of the week. You can rest assured and sleep good at night because they are on duty doing their job. We all should be thankful that they are there and that they are there every day and they are highly trained and we continually work to have the best 911 Center in the State of New Jersey. I am proud of them and I am proud of the job that they have been doing.

PROCLAMATION

Freeholder McCray said I heard of this woman and the great work she has done in the City of Camden for a number of years. I never had a chance to meet her – I have seen her perform. He asked Tawanda Jones and any members of the community that are with her or members of her team to come forward.

Freeholder McCray said I have known of this lady for quite a long time and never had the opportunity to personally meet her. It is definitely a pleasure. He said I actually grew up in the Whitman Park section of Camden on Whitman Avenue and have long heard of what you are doing with this group. Freeholder McCray said this drill team was established in 1986, the Sophisticated Sisters Drill Team, the almighty percussion section drum line back in November 1986. Over the years they have strived to provide a safe haven for Camden City youth and offer these young ladies and gentlemen motivation, education, discipline and empowerment through the structure of a drill team. Tawanda is on a mission – she is accomplishing that and maybe some people would say she has accomplished that over these years to empower Camden's youth running her drill team like a drill sergeant. She also stresses the importance of education requiring her youth to maintain a C Grade to stay on the team and a B Grade average to perform with the team. He said the importance of community requiring her youth to commit 200 hours of community service per year and to write an essay about how to improve their neighborhoods. He said I think this is just awesome. This year, even though we could give her a Proclamation every year for all the hard work she has done – this year Tawanda is being nominated as the 2013 CNN Hero in the championing of children category and I think we should all commend her for the work she is doing in the City of Camden representing Camden County and this great State of New Jersey. She already won the 2013 CNN Hero Award.

Ms. Jones said the community knows me as "WAWA". She said I have been doing this for 26 years – we have young ladies and we also have young men. They are called the Distinguished Brothers. She said as you know the only thing you really here about Camden is its poverty and its violence but there is some good in our City – they are living proof. We have honor society members – many of our young ladies are in College now. We have one Destiny Bush who is in Washington State University and helped to build a Library in Africa. She has her full scholarship

for her Ph.D. These young ladies here are from all over the City of Camden. She introduced them. She thanked the Freeholders for having them here this evening.

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

Freeholder Leonard called upon Ashley Mitchell, her family, Linda Devlin and David from the Library to come forward. Freeholder Leonard said tonight I have the honor of giving the Employee of the Month award to Ashley Mitchell of the Camden County Library Commission. Freeholder Leonard said Ashley is someone who Linda and David and others in the Library consider somebody who is a model employee of the Library Commission. He said Ashley began working with the County in July 2011, when she moved here from Maryland, she now resides in West Collingswood. The Freeholder said Ashley is currently a Principle Library Assistant in the Vogelson Branch Circulation Department, supervising a staff of 16. She inspires confidence and attains enthusiastic commitment from her staff. She anticipates customer needs which are important when you understand the Vogelson Branch because we have many people who use that branch. She is quick to identify opportunities and demonstrates initiative in taking on new projects. She is an important part of our current strategic planning process which we are going through right now. He said she approaches every task with the intention of realizing the Library's mission and vision. The Freeholder said some people may say that is not a big deal but it actually is because we service a lot of people here in Camden County day in and day out – from Camden City down to Winslow, we have a number of people who use our libraries for various things whether it be bringing their children, their grandchildren, whether they want the latest DVD or they want a book for their Kindle. He said a lot of people as I learned the other night still want hard-back books which I didn't think happened today. He said Ashley is a model employee and what we like to see here in Camden County. I want to congratulate her on behalf of myself and the entire Freeholder Board.

Linda Devlin thanked the Freeholders for recognizing a Library employee as Camden County Employee of the Month. She said we have a lot of really great dedicated employees who work at our 8 branches and Ashley is certainly one of the best of them. I am so proud of what she does every day for our residents. She is extremely dedicated to her work and she is extremely dedicated to making sure that everyone who walks in our door gets fantastic customer service. She helps them find what they are looking for – they leave with a smile and that is what it is all about. Her enthusiasm is contagious and it is really a pleasure to work with her. I know all your co-workers and employees feel the same way – you are really a mentor and a role model for them. Thank you so much for everything that you do every day. I appreciate it so much. Thank you.

Ashley Mitchell thanked Linda and Dave for selecting her. She said as you know I was very

shocked – I didn't know what to expect. I am still in shock. She thanked everyone who came to support her. She thanked her family for coming and the Freeholders for making it possible for her to receive this award.

MINUTES

The Director asked for a motion to accept the Minutes as presented. Freeholder Leonard made a motion to adopt the Minutes with a second by Deputy Director McDonnell and on roll call:

AYE: LEONARD, MCCRAY, RODRIGUEZ,
MCDONNELL, CAPPELLI
ABSTAIN: GENTEK, NASH

CORRESPONDENCE

The Director asked if there was any correspondence. The Clerk advised that there was correspondence.

The Clerk advised we received an email sent to Freeholder Carmen Rodriguez as follows:

"Hi, my name is Rosa Trent and I'm writing to thank you for having the parenting conference. I went with my children and nephew. We took the bully class, clay class, science in the kitchen, and the nutrition for tens. We also went to the good lab which they loved. We ate and got our faces painted. I really enjoyed having the childcare. They did an amazing job with my little ones. Thank you again we really enjoyed ourselves."

COMPTROLLER'S REPORT

The Director asked for a motion to adopt the Comptroller's report. Deputy Director McDonnell made a motion to adopt with a second by Freeholder Leonard and on roll call, all Freeholders present voted aye.

The Director opened the meeting to the public for discussion of the Resolutions to be acted upon tonight. He said 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 Camden County. This portion is limited to discussion of resolutions to be acted upon tonight. The Director then declared the public hearing open.

Seeing no one wishing to speak, Freeholder Nash made a motion to close the public portion with a second by Deputy Director McDonnell.

The Director said at our Caucus Meeting on Tuesday evening the Board of Freeholders reviewed the Resolutions to be acted upon tonight. It was at that time that the Board discussed items to be voted on. He said we will be voting in Resolutions in blocks based on the unanimous consent of the Freeholders.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolutions 1 through 5 were adopted upon motion made by Freeholder Nash with a second by Freeholder Rodriguez and on roll call, all Freeholders present voted aye.

1. Resolution authorizing a Substitution of funds for County- wide Building Improvements/Renovations in the amount of \$215,905.00.

2. Resolution authorizing a Substitution of funds for demolition of various County Buildings in the amount of \$300,000.00.

3. Resolution authorizing a Substitution of funds for HVAC upgrades at various County Buildings, in the amount of \$164,000.00.

4. Resolution amending an Agreement, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and Bach Associates, for additional closely related engineering and design services and related modifications at the DiPiero Building at Lakeland, in an amount not to exceed \$32,546.00 - CAF#9900171749.

5. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and Becica Associates, LLC, for architectural services for the DiPiero Building, Lakeland Complex, in the amount of \$20,000.00 - CAF#9900172150.

Resolution 6 was adopted upon motion made by Freeholder Leonard with a second by Freeholder Rodriguez and on roll call:

6. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-6 negotiated - 3rd Yr. Option), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and Meridian Property Services, for Facility Management Services for various Camden County Buildings, in the amount of \$2,813,918.00, funds available in the amount of \$234,500.00 - CAF#9900172090. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2013 and 2014 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

AYE: GENTEK, LEONARD, MCCRAY,
RODRIGUEZ, MCDONNELL, CAPPELLI
ABSTAIN: NASH

Resolutions 7 through 20 were adopted upon motion made by Freeholder Nash with a second by Freeholder Leonard and on roll call, all Freeholders present voted aye.

7. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-12-13), by and between the County of Camden (Department Buildings and Operations) and JPC Group, Inc., for demolition of various Camden County Buildings, in the amount of \$213,200.00. Funding is contingent upon passage of the Substitution Resolution.

8. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract No. A-82709), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and Ricoh USA, Inc. for a cost per copy agreement for 21 copiers located in various Camden County Departments for a 48 month term in an amount not to exceed \$225,468.96, funds available in the amount of \$14,091.81 - CAF#9900171872. Balance of funding is contingent upon the availability and appropriation of funds in the 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

9. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract No. A-82767), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and Majestic Oil Company, for the purchase and delivery of diesel fuel. Funding is contingent upon the availability and appropriation of funds in the 2013 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

10. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract No. A-80910), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and Pedroni Fuel Company, for the purchase and delivery of unleaded fuel. Funding is contingent upon the availability and appropriation of funds in the 2013 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

11. Resolution ratifying a Lease Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and Colonial Lane, LLC, for warehouse storage of records and related items for use by various Offices of the Superior Court of New Jersey and its Probation Department, for the period of April 1, 2013 through March 31, 2014, in an amount not to exceed \$77,100.00. Funding is contingent upon the availability and appropriation of funds in the 2013 and 2014 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

12. Resolution authorizing the transfer of one (1) 2003 Chevrolet Impala, no longer needed by the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) to the Camden County College for use as an Information Technology Service Automobile.

13. Resolution authorizing a Substitution for the design of the East Atlantic Bridge, in the amount of \$150,000.00.

14. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to solicitation of quotations, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and McGrath Municipal Equipment, LLC, for a 4-ton Hot Patch Trailer, in the amount of \$20,353.00 - CAF#9900171623.

15. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to solicitation of quotations, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Atlas Flasher & Supply Co., for two (2) Metro Mini Message Boards, in the amount of \$29,300.00 - CAF#9900171601.

16. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and T&M Associates, for 2013 Safety Inspection Services of various Dams located throughout Camden County.

17. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, 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 Construction Inspection/Construction Management for Construction Projects throughout Camden County, in the amount of \$20,000.00 - CAF#9900172119.

18. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and French & Parrello for On-Call Construction Management for Project Close Outs, throughout Camden County, in the amount of \$60,000.00 - CAF#9900172121.

19. Resolution authorizing an Amended Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and T&M Associates, for additional closely related Engineering Services for NJDEP Pre-Application Meeting relative to reconstruction of Berlin -Cross Keys Road (CR 689) in the Borough of Berlin, Borough of Pine Hill, Township of Gloucester and Township of Winslow, in an amount not to exceed \$17,984.68 - CAF#9900172094.

20. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid B-2/2013), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Asphalt Paving Co., for the Milling and Resurfacing along

Jarvis Road (CR 687), Gloucester Township, in the amount of \$496,900.00 - CAF#9900172000.

Resolution 21 was adopted upon motion made by Freeholder Nash with a second by Freeholder Leonard and on roll call:

21. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid B-3/2013), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Mount Construction Company, for Maintenance and Repairs for Lakeland Dam, Holly Run Dam and Kirkwood Dam, in the amount of \$382,801.80 - CAF#9900172042.

AYE: GENTEK, LEONARD, MCCRAY, NASH,
RODRIGUEZ, MCDONNELL
ABSTAIN: CAPPELLI

Resolutions 22 through 31 were adopted upon motion made by Freeholder Nash with a second by Freeholder Leonard and on roll call, all Freeholders present voted aye.

22. Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 2 (Bid A-10/2011), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Lexa Concrete, LLC, for TIGER I Martin Luther King Boulevard Waterfront Connection Project for a decrease in the amount of \$91,200.00.

23. Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 3 (Bid A-10/2011), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Lexa Concrete, LLC for TIGER I Martin Luther King Boulevard Waterfront Connection Project, for a decrease in the amount of \$18,200.00.

24. Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 4 (Bid A-10/2011) by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Lexa Concrete, LLC, for TIGER I, Martin Luther King Boulevard Waterfront Connection Project, in the amount of \$4,443.65 - CAF#9900172096.

25. Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 5 (Bid A-10/20-11), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Lexa Concrete, LLC, for TIGER I Martin Luther King Boulevard Waterfront Connection Project, for a decrease in the amount of \$73,201.25.

26. Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 4 (Bid A-10/2011), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Lexa Concrete, LLC, for TIGER I Pine Street Greenway Enhancement Project, City of Camden, for a decrease in the amount of \$57,368.09.

27. Resolution authorizing a Second Amended Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and T&M Associates, for additional closely related Licensed Site Remediation Professional Engineering Services, relative to the Lindenwold Department of Public Works Complex, in the amount of \$25,000.00 - CAF#9900172097.

28. Resolution amending Shared Services Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and South Jersey Transportation Authority (SJTA), to provide for Shuttle Services, relative to the Baird Boulevard Project, in the amount of \$50,000.00 - CAF#9900172015.

29. Resolution amending a Shared Services Agreement, authorized by Resolution No. 18, adopted January 26, 2012, by and between the County of Camden and the Camden County Technical Schools, relative to the provision of certain Support, Management and Administrative Services.

30. Resolution amending Resolution No. 9, adopted February 21, 2013, 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 2013 Local Bridge Future Needs Program, to correct identification of Bridge projects.

31. Resolution Supporting the Proposed Improvements to River Road (CR543) in the Township of Pennsauken.

Resolution 32 was adopted upon motion made by Freeholder Leonard with a second by Freeholder Rodriguez and on roll call:

32. Resolution authorizing consent to the Township of Cherry Hill for improvements to a Traffic Signal at Haddonfield Road (CR644) and Southerly Mall access.

AYE: GENTEK, LEONARD, MCCRAY,
RODRIGUEZ, MCDONNELL,
CAPPELLI

ABSTAIN: NASH

Resolutions 33 through 50 were adopted upon motion made by Freeholder Nash with a second by Freeholder Leonard and on roll call, all Freeholders present voted aye.

33. Resolution authorizing consent to Gloucester Township's Ordinance, amending Chapter 81, Section 31, "Speed Limits" and amending Chapter 81, Section 81-28 entitled "Bus Stops".

34. Resolution authorizing and directing payment by the County of Camden (Library System) to A&H Landscaping & Contracting, for snow removal services at the Haddon, Ferry, Voorhees and South County Branches for the balance of the 2012-2013 winter season, in the amount of \$12,680.00 - CAF#9900171978.

35. Resolution approving personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Freeholder Leonard.

36. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-9-13), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Corrections) and Super Laundry Equipment Corp., for the purchase and installation of three (3) industrial washing machines for the inmate laundry room, in the amount of \$52,305.00 - CAF#9900172080.

37. Resolution authorizing a Contract (State Contract No. WSCA 70256), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Corrections) and Dell Computers, for the purchase of a Network Server and backup system for the State mandated DSI Offender Management System in an amount not to exceed \$36,382.97 - CAF#9900171859.

38. Resolution authorizing a Contract (State Contract No. WSCA 77003), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Corrections) and Dell Marketing, for the purchase of software for the State mandated DSI Offender Management System in an amount not to exceed \$19,088.47 - CAF#9900172033.

39. Resolution authorizing an Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Office of the Prosecutor) and L3 Communications Corporation for certain expenses associated with the Lease of the H.I.D.T.A. Facility. Funding is contingent upon receipt of H.I.D.T.A. Grant Funds.

40. Resolution authorizing submission of a Grant Application by the County of Camden (Office of the Prosecutor) to the State of New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice for the Victim and Witness Advocacy Fund Supplemental Grant Program to support funding for the Camden County Office of Victim Witness Advocacy in the amount of \$56,743.00.

41. Resolution authorizing the submission of a Grant Application by the County of Camden (Office of the Prosecutor) to the State of New Jersey, Division of Highway Traffic Safety, for the Camden County Regionalized DWI Enforcement/Sobriety Checkpoint Project, for the period beginning October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014, in the amount of \$20,000.00.

42. Resolution authorizing the transfer of one (1) 2004 Ford Crown Victoria, no longer needed by the County of Camden (Office of the Prosecutor) to the Camden County College for training purposes at the Regional Emergency Training Center.

43. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to solicitation of quotations, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Safety) and Archonix Systems, LLC, for maintenance of 155 ccMDC's for the period May 1, 2013 through April 30, 2014, in the amount of \$18,774.38 - CAF#9900171726 and authorizing the purchase of eight (8) additional licenses and one year maintenance for an additional cost of \$9,000.00, total amount not to exceed \$27,774.38 - CAF#9900171649.

44. Resolution authorizing a Contract, pursuant to solicitation of quotations, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Safety) and Wireless Communications & Electronics for the purchase of eight (8) modems and installation of eight (8) Mobile Data Computers, in the amount of \$7,733.44 - CAF#9900171648.

45. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-13/2012 - 2nd Yr. Option), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Safety) and Archonix Systems, LLC for the Maintenance of the ccCAD and ccRMS Systems, in the amount of \$167,430.62 - CAF#9900171718.

46. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract No. WSCA B27172/75583), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Safety) and Wireless Communications & Electronics for mounting and installation for eight (8) MDC's for UMDNJ, in the amount of \$33,713.72 - CAF#9900171564.

47. Resolution approving personnel action requested by or on behalf of Freeholder McCray.

48. Resolution authorizing Contracts (3rd Yr. Option), pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Parks) and various Firms for Catering Services at the Camden County Boathouse.

49. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-15/2013), by and between the County of Camden (Parks Department) and Tri-State EZ Dock, Inc. d/b/a EZ Dock Mid-Atlantic, for the purchase of a Dock System for Cooper River Park in the amount of \$123,000.00 - CAF#9900172117.

50. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-14/2013), by and between the County of Camden (Parks Department) and R.J. Sherman & Associates, Inc. d/b/a Vermeer North Atlantic Sales & Service, for the purchase of a wood chipper, in the amount of \$39,871.00 - CAF#9900172126.

Resolution 51 was adopted upon motion made by Deputy Director McDonnell with a second by Freeholder Leonard and on roll call:

51. Resolution authorizing Second Amended Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Parks) and Cooper's Ferry Partnership for the provision of on-going Waterfront Development Activities, to extend term for the Calendar Year 2013, at no cost to the County.

AYE: GENTEK, LEONARD, MCCRAY,
RODRIGUEZ, MCDONNELL,
ABSTAIN: NASH, CAPPELLI

Resolutions 52 through 81 were adopted upon motion made by Freeholder Leonard with a second by Freeholder Rodriguez and on roll call, all Freeholders present voted aye.

52. Resolution authorizing renewal of a Right of Access Agreement, by and between the County of Camden and Arcadis, on property located at the intersection of Laurel Avenue and Crescent Boulevard, Borough of Collingswood.

53. Resolution authorizing a Right of Entry Agreement, by and between the County of Camden and PSE&G through the property located on Pacific Avenue, Block 1.01/Lot 1, in the Borough of Collingswood.

54. Resolution urging the Governor and the New Jersey State Legislature to retain \$21.6 Million in the State Recycling Fund, which is proposed to be diverted to the FY 2014 General Fund.

55. Resolution approving personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Freeholder Nash.

56. Resolution authorizing an Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health & Human Services) and Drexel University to provide students with clinical experience in public health at no cost to the County.

57. Resolution authorizing an Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health & Human Services) and the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey School of Public Health to provide training to students in

Public Health in the County's Program at no cost to the County.

58. Resolution authorizing award of Contracts, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health & Human Services) and Various Approved Vendors, for the provision of various Mental Health Services, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 - various CAF Nos. Balance of funding is contingent upon the availability and appropriation of funds in the 2013 Temporary and/or Permanent

59. Resolution approving personnel action requested by or on behalf of Freeholder Rodriguez.

60. Resolution amending the 2013 Temporary Budget.

61. Resolution authorizing a Substitution of funds to provide financing for repairs and replacement of a stage at Wiggins Park, in the amount of \$600,000.00.

62. Resolution authorizing award of Contracts, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Proposals, by and between the County of Camden and Various Approved Vendors for the provision of Private Investigator Services for the County and County Agencies and Authorities.

63. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Division of Purchasing) and Ignarri-Lummis Architects, for the provision of Specification Writing Services in the amount of \$33,000.00, funds available in the amount of \$8,250.00 - CAF#9900171852. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2013 & 2014 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

64. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-16/2013), by and between the County of Camden (Division of Purchasing) and Hess Corporation, for Retail Electric Supply Services under the South Jersey Power Cooperative.

65. Resolution authorizing the renewal of the Camden County Cooperative Contract Purchasing System - CK-10-Camden.

66. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-12 - 3rd Yr. Option), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Events & Community Outreach) and Tri-State Erection, Inc. for the lease of Mobile Stages and Stagehand

Labor, in the amount of \$80,000.00 , funds available in the amount of \$20,000.00 - CAF#9900171958.

67. Resolution rejecting Bid A-13/2013 New Stage at Wiggins Park, Camden, New Jersey, as all bids received were in non-compliance with bid specifications.

68. Resolution authorizing the sale of alcoholic beverages by authorized non-profit organizations or vendors at various Special Events using secured designated areas for the 2013 Special Events Season.

69. Resolution authorizing a Substitution of funds for Computer Software Upgrades for the Office of the County Clerk in the amount of \$7,254.00.

70. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract No. A-77003), by and between the County of Camden and Dell Marketing, LLC for the development of a new database for County Boards and Commissions, in the amount of \$39,320.08, funds available in the amount of \$10,000.00 - CAF#9900171875. Balance of funding is contingent upon passage of the 2013 Permanent Budget.

71. Resolution authorizing Second Amendment to Shared Services Agreement, by and between the County of Camden and Camden County College and authorizing a Shared Services Agreement with the Camden County Municipal Utilities Authority to add an additional Facility for Vehicle Maintenance and Repair of County-owned Vehicles.

72. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to solicitation of quotations, by and between the County of Camden (Various Departments) and Auto Shine Super Wash, Inc. for car washing services in the amount of \$25,000.00.

73. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to solicitation of quotations, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Police Services) and Sign-A-Rama, for various signs and related materials in the amount of \$13,017.00 - CAF#9900171801.

74. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-10-2013), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Police Services) and This & That Uniforms, LLC for Breast Badges for the Camden County Department of Police Services, in the amount of \$40,995.50 - CAF#9900172076 and rescinding Resolution No. 62, adopted March 21, 2013.

75. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract No. A-81295), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Police Services) and Lawmen Supply Company of New Jersey, Inc., for the purchase of ammunition for the Camden County Police Department, in the amount of \$61,242.00 - CAF#9900171860.

76. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract No. WSCA NASPO 75583/B27172), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Police Services) and Wireless Communications & Electronics, for the purchase of twenty-eight mobile data computers, in the amount of \$46,077.08 and rescinding Resolution No. 71, adopted February 21, 2013. Funding is contingent upon Camden County Law Enforcement State Trust Fund.

77. Resolution authorizing a Memorandum of Agreement, by and between the County of Camden and the City of Camden, relative to improvements to the Police Administration Building.

78. Resolution ratifying an award of Contract, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 (1) (dd), by and between the County of Camden (Office of the Surrogate) and County Business Systems for maintenance of the EMC/AX 5 Server for the period January 15, 2013 to January 14, 2014, in the amount of \$2,780.00 - CAF#9900172071.

79. Resolution authorizing secondary employment policy and establishing fees schedule for the Camden County Department of Police Services and the Camden County Office of the Sheriff.

80. Resolution authorizing payment to Public Financial Management for Consulting Services in connection with the 2013 Interest Arbitration for Camden County Office of the Sheriff in the amount of \$29,000.00 - CAF#9900171882.

81. Resolution amending a Shared Services Agreement, adopted by Resolution No. 82 on July 22, 2010, by and between the County of Camden (Division of Community Development) and Gloucester City for Management of the Regional Contribution Agreement (RCA) Program in Gloucester City.

Resolution 82 was adopted upon motion made by Deputy Director McDonnell with a second by Freeholder Leonard and on roll call:

82. Resolution amending a Shared Services Agreement, adopted by Resolution No. 69 on July 22, 2012, by and between the County of Camden

(Division of Community Development) and The Township of Cherry Hill, inserting management and administration of HUD Community Development Block Grant Program Funding.

AYE: GENTEK, LEONARD, MCCRAY,
RODRIGUEZ, MCDONNELL,
CAPPELLI

ABSTAIN: NASH

Resolutions 83 through 89 were adopted upon motion made by Freeholder Nash with a second by Freeholder Rodriguez and on roll call, all Freeholders present voted aye.

83. Resolution amending a Contract, by and between the County of Camden (One Stop) and Hispanic Family Center to provide Community Work Experience with Job Skills Training directly related to employment for GA Customers for the period of September 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013, for the purpose of decreasing the amount of the contract by \$20,000.00.

84. Resolution amending Contracts, by and between the County of Camden (One Stop) and Hispanic Family Center to provide Community Work Experience with Job Skills Training directly related to employment for TANF customers and Open Entry Community Work Experience with Job Skills Training for the period of September 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013, for the purpose of decreasing the amount of each Contract by \$20,000.00 for a total decrease in the amount of \$40,000.00.

85. Resolution approving and authorizing execution for the Camden County Workforce New Jersey Area Contract, Program Year 2011, Modification #5, for funds covering the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 to decrease Workfirst funds in the amount of \$288,690.00 for a revised total contract of \$10,394,282.

86. Resolution amending a Contract, by and between the County of Camden (One Stop) and Image and Attitude, to provide Clothing Assistance Services for GA/FS Workfirst Customers, awarded by Resolution No. 85, adopted August 16, 2012, for the purpose of increasing the slots and contract in the amount of \$2,485.00 - CAF#9900171895.

87. Resolution amending a Contract, by and between the County of Camden (One Stop) and Image and Attitude, to provide Clothing Assistance Services to TANF Workfirst Customers, awarded by Resolution No. 86, adopted August 16, 2012, for the purpose of increasing the slots and contract in the amount \$525.00 - CAF#9900171894.

88. Resolution amending Camden County Request for Proposals Policy.

89. Resolution approving personnel actions by or on behalf of Director Cappelli.

Resolution 90 – no motion made – failed.

90. Resolution acknowledging personnel actions by or on behalf of Constitutional and Statutory Row Offices.

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

Darnell Hardwick of Sicklerville addressed the Freeholders. Mr. Hardwick said I have a couple of questions concerning the Metro Police.

I don't know if you can answer them now but hopefully I can get an answer within the next couple of days or so. He said the first question with the police officers, how many officers will make up the Camden County Metro Force on May 1st.

The Director responded and said as of May 1st we will have approximately 270 police officers. Of those 270 somewhere between 215 and 220 will be assigned to the streets. Mr. Hardwick asked when the force will reach the 401 number. The Director said either by the end of the summer or at the very latest the fall. He said we are going to start a class in July of somewhere between 125 officers. In the meantime, we continue to receive applications from trained officers who we can hire almost immediately. It depends on the application pool but no later than the fall. Mr. Hardwick said that class that you just mentioned is that a class of Class 2 officers or Police Academy. The Director responded the Police Academy. Mr. Hardwick said we are concerned with what is the ethnic gender breakdown of this force on May 1st. The Director said I can't tell you that yet because it is not fully formed but I can tell you as far as the leadership positions, the superior officers positions that we already formed, the breakdown is about 20 to 30 percent African American; 20 to 30 percent Latino and the rest Caucasian. We have great diversity in the leadership. Mr. Hardwick said what you are saying of the 260 you have we can't get the number for that. The Director said at the top of my head I can't but we can get back to you. Thank you, I will give a call.

Nancy Webster of Bucks County, Pennsylvania addressed the Freeholders. Ms. Webster said I was wondering I had to leave last time early because my son was sick and on my way home, I heard that you were making very disparaging comments about me. I want to have an explanation for that. The Director said actually I had some disparaging remarks to say about your website, the way you run your website and what you put on that website. I can tell you this, Ms. Webster,

when we began this process about two years ago, Camden County made a commitment to be as transparent as possible with regard to this process and to share the truth with the residents and with the police officers. The Director said back then, Joyce Gabriel who is seated behind you was pretty much in charge of putting out that information and did a tremendous job. As it all progressed forward, Dan Keashan joined and we made a very specific effort to put the truth out there, to be objective and informed as possible so that members of the public and members of the police force would understand what was happening.

Your website on the other hand has had nothing but lies, distortions, personal attacks and you contributed nothing to this process – you have done nothing but try to build your own name and you have done a great disservice to the people who you were hired to represent and who I hear you are now suing according to John Williamson. Frankly, all the information you have provided has done nothing but to cause confusion, to have people lose their jobs, not apply for jobs with us, so frankly the way you run your business is a disgrace and I think it is a sleazy way to do business and that is my thought. Ms. Webster asked if the Director was finished. Ms. Webster said here is the whole thing, I have a nursing background as I explained to you earlier and what I have always found is that the facts are one thing but the public has to be explained the significance of it. What you are not telling all the different counties, you keep saying it is voluntary if they want to join the Camden County PD but you are not disclosing that information that they too will have to dissolve their own police department and fire or lay off their entire department. She said I know that is in the document, page 6, paragraph 4 of the Camden PD but that is significant. She said when you go to a hospital you have informed consent. She said it is just as important to tell them the fine detail now. The Director said I have no idea about what you are talking about – it is purely voluntary, nobody is forcing them to do anything. I just wish you go back to Bucks County. You are here giving more misinformation.

Ms. Webster said nobody is standing up because it is not the numbers, it is not the boots on the ground, it's the brains on the ground. Especially after the Boston incident when you need to have quality, qualified professionals and the only qualified professionals are the current ones. You should be fighting as much as you can to keep them and you are not. The Director said, good night, is that all you have to say? Ms. Webster said I just have two documents that I would like to pass on to you. The Director said fine, pass them on. She said one is Bryen Coleman's letter that has never had any response when he is asking for the documentation and the other document is where a young man was saying that there is a very real threat for the new officers to be shot in the City of Camden because of the tension and the feeling of distrust with the new force. I am going to pass those two documents to you.

Darnell Hardwick of Sicklerville addressed

the Board once again. Mr. Hardwick said I am just amazed of your conduct. There were a couple of things – you talked about truthfulness. There were a couple of issues I brought up about the Shared Services during one of the meetings and one of the things that was talked about was the Camden Police where the County Police were actually using City equipment. He said you said before everyone here that the County Police are using County equipment but that is not the truth.

The Director said that is the truth, Sir. Mr. Hardwick said I went to City Council, they affirmed at the City that the County was using City equipment. The Director said City equipment that was transferred to the County. Mr. Hardwick said it was never transferred – there was no shared service agreement. The Director said we have an agreement and I will share it with you. Mr. Hardwick said number 2 about the 30 percent call-out. I asked specifically to Camden City is there a 30 percent call-out rate because that is what you are saying to the public. They told us that it is not correct – there is no 30 percent call-out rate. The Director said that is what I have been told by the City of Camden that there was a 30 percent call-out rate. The Director said what was the number given to you. Mr. Hardwick said they didn't want to give us the number – they said it is not 30 percent. The Director interjected and said it may have been higher. Mr. Hardwick said no it is lower. That is what I hear it is 4 percent. So, you are talking about misinformation, the misinformation that you have been giving the public – there hasn't been transparency. The Director said I disagree.

Seeing no other members wishing to speak, Freeholder Nash made a motion to close the public portion with a second by Freeholder Gentek and all Freeholders present voted aye.

The Director said at this time I will open the floor to the members of the Board of Freeholders for their comments.

Freeholder Nash said I had the opportunity to see some of the new officers in training down at Lakeland and I have to express my admiration and gratitude to the people who have worked from Camden City to our County administration who have done an absolutely phenomenal job in getting the County Metro force ready to take the streets in Camden City. He said I have sat here for months and months as we have gone through this process and I find it almost amazing that every person who has opposed this plan has not been a resident of the City of Camden. He said I appreciate and understand that Camden City officers would take issue with this Plan. I appreciate that but what is the overriding justification and compelling inspiration is that the City of Camden needs more police officers to protect the residents. That's the bottom line! That is what we are charged with to do in this position. Freeholder Nash said, Lou Cappelli, you have been our leader in this. You have taken this problem, have worked harder than any public official I have ever known and you have spearheaded this effort because you

firmly believe as the rest of the Board does is that we need to do something to protect the residents of that City. Not only because we have a moral and social obligation to do so but if we ever hope to revitalize the City of Camden which does not only impact the City but impacts every community in Camden County, you have to make it safe. We are working with the Governor and our local Legislators to make it safe and I want to congratulate you personally and these personal attacks that I have seen on websites and flyers and just in the streets is just unacceptable. You have gone through that and you have braved through that and I admire you for it. The Director said thank you, we have all worked hard for it.

Freeholder Leonard thanked the Commissioners for hosting the meeting. It is always a pleasure to have people welcome us. He said I also want to make an announcement through the Director's help and leadership here in Collingswood there are a few streets in the next 12 to 18 months that will be repaved here. One of them will be Collings Avenue from the White Horse Pike to Route 130 and the other one is Browning Road, which I know we have gotten numerous complaints.

The Director being a resident here has said we have to do something here. Through the Director's leadership, I want to tell the people of Collingswood that it will be done. We will start planning on it in the next couple of months and it will be done in the next 12 to 18 months.

Freeholder Leonard said I also want to congratulate Freeholder Rodriguez and the numerous people in Departments that helped her out – the Division of Children, the Health Department, Joyce Gabriel, Marge Dellavecchia and many others, I am sorry if I forgot you on "Raising the Next Generation Conference", which was involving parents and youth throughout Camden County. He said I heard it was a success through the number of people who participated and the information that was handed out there. He said, Carmen, I want to congratulate you and the many other people who work for the County who participated. Freeholder Leonard said the things that Jeff said tonight about the Camden County Police Department. I admittedly and many of the people on this Board know when I first heard this over two years ago, I was not warm to this idea, this sounds a little crazy. Over time, I certainly started to listen to what my colleagues had to say and others had to say and certainly what the residents had to say and realized it was the right thing to do. He said I know a lot of people who are friends of mine who are Camden Police Officers who are now Camden County Police Officers were not happy with it but it happened.

As a resident, I have to tell you over the last two weeks, you see these new recruits and former Camden police officers who are now Camden County Police Officers in Parkside. He said I have gotten a number of calls from residents who said it is about time. I say this all the time and I've said it over and over again in these meetings, the issues in Camden City, people just think that there are just 9 square miles of Camden City. That is not the case folks, they

are Camden County problems. The people who are buying the heroin and other drugs in Camden – over 90 percent aren't from the City of Camden. They come from the communities throughout Camden County. They often come in to buy their drugs or get high in Camden City and then get back on the Patco, light rail or drive. I can see it all the time going to work or coming home from work, people swerving in and out of lanes – people who have become a hazard to the public. He said it is time for the days of Camden City to be the armpit of Camden County and the State of New Jersey to be over. There are a lot of great people in the City of Camden – not good people – great people who I happen to know and Freeholder McCray and many others on this Board. Freeholder Rodriguez is from Camden City and is a teacher there and her mother still resides in Camden. I have to tell you for those who say this is ridiculous – you didn't come up with any answers or solutions. We tried and tried and it didn't work and the murders kept building up and building up so it is time for something new. It is time for the City of Camden to get back on its feet. It is time for the City of Camden to stop becoming dependent on others and becoming the laughing joke – not just Camden County but the State of New Jersey. It is time for us to get serious about recruiting people to come back to the City of Camden and make it the industrial powerhouse that it once was and to attract businesses to come back and hire those in Camden City to become productive members of society because there are many people who say give me a job and I will go to work but I have no options so what do you want me to do. I want to thank Lou for what he did as a leader because there have been many nights just sat there and said thank you and move on – I don't know if I would have done that. Lou, I want to congratulate you and thank you. To the people, Marge Dellvecchia, Dominic Vesper, Sherri Schweitzer, Ross Angilella, Ed Fannelle and countless other people not just in Camden County but in Camden City, who worked on this project, you all deserve a round of applause. With that I will say have a good weekend.

Director Cappelli congratulated Freeholder Rodriguez on your "Next Generation Parenting Conference". It was an outstanding production.

Freeholder Rodriguez said it definitely was a wonderful conference. First of all, I would like to thank all the residents here in Collingswood. As always, we receive a nice warm reception. It is definitely an innovative community that knows how to do things differently to bring about change. It is always nice to see what is happening here. The Raising the Next Generation Conference that we had really was an idea that I think was visionary. It was interactive, it was engaging, it was about bringing families together, bringing our community together. How can we make it better together if we are not together? That's what it was about, helping parents connect with children, especially in the age that we exist. It was wonderful. I would like to take a minute to thank so many employees throughout Camden because

although a huge component of this rested on the shoulders of Ann Biondi and our Health Department and Sister Donna, Department of Children's Services, there were many others throughout the County that also helped. There were many providers and presenters that also helped and our sponsors, we couldn't have done it without our sponsors. She said this conference cost us nothing. It did not cost one taxpayer penny to put it together and it said what we did, we created partnerships going forward to create new opportunities for our communities to keep moving forward to keep making it better together. I am really looking forward to that. I would also like to thank the networking and communications talent of Joyce Gabriel who really helped putting a lot of this together. I want to thank you especially along with Ann and Sister Donna, you guys really pulled it together. Thank you to so many people, so many people, but I just want to thank you three specifically and Joan Quinton, my go to for everything. She was always there always engaged, always interacting with everyone. I want to thank all of you guys and everyone who participated.

Freeholder Rodriguez said I also would like to take a moment to share with you my thanks to the Director. She said my thanks, Director, for standing true behind this Metro Police Department because although I know there was fear and concern, legitimately so, I understood and appreciated where it was coming from. I never discredited the concerns that existed. She said nothing says more than hearing the residents of this County coming to you – not really even knowing what capacity I am, they come to me, they speak in front of me because I am a teacher in Camden City and they say things like, man, this Metro has this City in lock down. She said these are quotes. Someone from Parkside said my neighborhood is quiet now – if that Metro Police comes after me, if I was on the run and Metro was after me, I would give in in a second – I am not fighting them. She said those are quotes, Director, from residents in the City who live day in and day out and have lived in fear. I would like to share those words with you because nothing speaks more than the words of the constituents. It is challenging, it continues to be challenging but just hearing those words – we only have brought on a few it is not full scale yet – speaks volumes of where we are going with this. She said I have spoken with officers on the force and they understand the challenges and they are energized by the challenges that they face. She said officers that I spoke with are energized – they see the challenges, they are excited by the challenges and they are determined to make a difference. She congratulated Director Cappelli.

Freeholder Gentek thanked the Mayor and Commissioners for hosting us here tonight. I would also like to congratulate Freeholder Rodriguez who did a wonderful job on the conference. She said I know with the Camden Police Force there are lots of Moms and Dads who will sleep better knowing that there are more boots on the street. I also had the opportunity

to go congratulate them on their graduation and going on to the streets and I heard all positive things. I thank all those men and women who will take to the streets and my thoughts and prayers are always with them. She said this is a three month mark for me as a Freeholder and one thing I can tell you is that I have seen a Freeholder Board and Camden County employees who give more than 200 percent to their job. They eat, sleep and dream Camden County which I have realized as well. I thank them for all they do. They are an unbelievable group of people and as a resident of Camden County, I congratulate all the Freeholders. I am so glad to be part of such a wonderful team and I thank all the employees. Thank you.

Freeholder McCray thanked Collingswood Mayor Maley and Commissioners for hosting the meeting.

He said I always have short stories about places that I know in Camden County, I have a short one for here. He said my Mom was 19 years old when she started working at Bell Telephone, she got transferred from Florida to New Jersey and actually worked in Camden for a few months then she was here on Haddon Avenue at the Bell Telephone Co. He said I actually left nursery school in Camden and she enrolled me out here at a Pre-School. I have very fond memories of her coming to see me and maybe grabbing lunch. He said it is great to see the transformation of the Haddon Avenue corridor here and where it was 10 to 15 years ago. He said the leadership has transformed this into a real economic hub, the housing and eateries and arts. Keep up the good work. He congratulated Freeholder Rodriguez for a great event and to her team for putting that together. He thanked the team in Lindenwold Public Safety for all that they do. There are a lot of great projects going on. To all members here from the County Departments, all the DCA's and Directors for your tireless work and every employee who was around the table with the City for the last 18 to 24 months with the Metro Police, I thank you. I think all my colleagues have said something about it. I just want to say one thing and I will say it again, what happened last Monday was an event because it had to be because we needed to show something to the rest of the nation, state, the world and the City residents that we had accomplished what we had set out to do but it is part of a much bigger process. Although, I applaud everyone that was a part of that process to get us to where we were Monday, we have a lot of work to do. We have an awesome task over the next few months as we bring on new officers as they get acclimated. I still hear your concerns, Darnell, the young lady from Bucks County, I don't think she is here but I hear her as well. These officers are excited, I have seen them, I talked to them. I have heard quotes and stories as well but I think at the end of the day, it comes down to engagement and it comes down to what was happening then and what is happening now. It speaks volumes that cops that are new to the City may have heard their own horror stories of going to do their job, opening themselves up and getting to know people. He said I talked to several of them, never

introduced myself as a Freeholder because titles mean nothing. If that happens to every single resident that they come in contact with, hopefully, they will get to know people on a level to where they can intervene when things get really hectic. He said I think the engagement of these police officers is really going to transform the City. I definitely applaud everyone that was part of the process especially Freeholder Director Cappelli for leading the charge. Hopefully, there are better things to come – one of those things that are in the greater spectrum of what needs to happen for our County seat. Public safety, public school system and of course economic development and the last one we have hinged on two of those at a very high level with public education and now with public safety. Let's keep doing the right thing and like I always say, continue to hold us accountable for the work that we are supposed to do here. Have a great weekend.

Deputy Director McDonnell said I am not going to praise Lou but all the words were well spoken and well taken. He said I want to thank Carmen and obviously congratulate her on the parenting conference. What a great event. He said the other thing is I don't know if everyone realized what happened here tonight. We had a CNN Hero from Camden County that is a pretty big distinction and we had the National Champion of the Punt, Kick and Pass Contest. That is unbelievable – both Camden County residents. I am very proud of them. He thanked everyone for coming.

Director Cappelli said by the time we next meet, we will have 270 Camden County Metro Division Police Officers. Two hundred fifteen of them will be assigned to the streets of Camden, which will double the number that were assigned prior to us beginning this process. If you really want to know why we are doing it and I think the Freeholders have put in some perfect words but if you walk through Parkside tonight where we deployed our first 23 trainees and 7 trainers, it is a calm neighborhood. He said residents are out speaking to police officers, kids are on bikes and walking and the impact that we have made just in that neighborhood and I know there will be bumps along the road and this is one neighborhood but if that is anything of what is to come, It is really going to be a remarkable impact on the City. One of the biggest complaints from police officers last night in Parkside is that they were board. Hopefully, it stays that way. The Director said I just want to thank all of my colleagues, I know they threw a lot of praise to me but we all hung in there together on this – this was not an easy thing to do. We all took our political hits but we all hung together as a Board and that is a real credit to everyone on this Board especially the two that live in Camden City, Freeholder McCray and Freeholder Leonard. It has been particularly hard for them living in the City where this is all happening. I want to thank everyone on this Board, I want to thank Sheriff Billingham, who helped to provide guidance from the beginning and

since then so many people, Sherri, Marge, Ross, David McPeak, Laura and Anna Marie, they contributed in ways for purchasing – they purchased basically an armory of uniforms and weapons over the past month. I don't know how you did it all. He thanked Joanne, Brett, Erin, all the Freeholder Aides. It has been a real team effort. He acknowledged Frank Cirii with personnel, Anthony Bucci, Ed Fannelle, Dominic Vesper, Joyce Gabriel, Dan Keashan, all contributed in so many different ways. He said I know I am leaving some people out which I hate to do but it has been a tremendous team effort. He said I want to thank most of all those officers who applied and accepted employment. So far 270 of them – this is one of the toughest jobs as far as police go in the nation and we have 270 brave men and women who have decided to take on this job in Camden County. Enough said about that, let's talk about the "Let's build Jakes' Playground". He said I want to thank Deputy Director McDonnell and Freeholder Nash for the leadership on that project. He said that is a situation where a tragic story turned into a lot of people banding together to do something great and thanks to Ed and Jeff a playground has been built, the Miracle Field being built and I think it will be the first complex of its kind in the nation. I also want to thank Mr. Ebach in the back who has been here for 46 years in the Collingswood School District, He said I was his best student ever! Thank you, Mr. Ebach. The Director thanked all the employees in Camden County for the hard work they do day in and day out on behalf of the residents.

There being no further business, the Director asked for a motion to adjourn. Freeholder Nash made a motion to adjourn with a second by Freeholder Rodriguez at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Clerk of the Board

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