

**CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CAUCUS MEETING
MAY 18, 2021 - 12:00 PM
16th FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
520 MARKET STREET, CAMDEN, NJ 08102**

Director Cappelli called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. and the following Commissioners answered to their name:

PRESENT: AL DYER, MELINDA KANE, JEFFREY NASH, JONATHAN YOUNG, SR., EDWARD McDONNELL, LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR.

EXCUSED: CARMEN RODRIGUEZ

Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, the meeting was closed to the public attending in person. The public was availed the opportunity to participate via live streaming and to send in questions during and after the meeting.

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

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the Director proceeded with the Caucus Agenda. Director Cappelli said we will have three (3) Public Hearings on Bond Ordinances and Hearing and two (2) Public Hearings on the County Budget at Thursday's Commissioners' meeting. The Public Hearings will be closed to in-person attendance by the public but will be streamed live via www.camdencounty.com/live. Members of the public are welcomed and encouraged to view and participate via the live feed.

PUBLIC HEARING #1

Bond Ordinance further amending a Bond Ordinance finally adopted January 21, 2016, as amended by Bond Ordinances finally adopted October 19, 2017, September 17, 2018, October 17, 2019 and June 18, 2020 by the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, in order to provide for a further change in the improvements authorized by such ordinance.

PUBLIC HEARING #2

Bond Ordinance amending a Bond Ordinance finally adopted July 16, 2020, by the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, in order to provide for a change in the improvements authorized by such ordinance.

PUBLIC HEARING #3

Bond Ordinance amending a Bond Ordinance finally adopted June 15, 2017, by the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, in order to provide for a change in the improvements authorized by such ordinance.

The Director said the next three (3) Resolutions are related to adoption of the County's 2021 Budget:

Budget Resolution #1

Resolution authorizing, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-8, the 2021 Camden County Budget to be read by title only.

PUBLIC HEARING on Budget Resolution #2

Resolution to Exceed the County Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a Cap Bank (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14) for the Calendar Year 2021.

PUBLIC HEARING on Budget Resolution #3

2021 Camden County Budget, as Introduced and Approved.

The Director called upon each Commissioner individually to present his or her Resolutions.

Resolutions and discussion of proposed Resolutions by or on behalf of Commissioner Dyer

Commissioner Dyer read Resolutions 1 through 15 into the record and they were approved to be placed on the Agenda for adoption.

Resolutions and discussion of proposed Resolutions by or on behalf of Commissioner Kane

Commissioner Kane read Resolutions 17 through 21 into the record and they were approved to be placed on the Agenda for adoption.

Commissioner Kane walked-on the following Resolution:

Resolution authorizing a month-to-month Contract, pursuant to Competitive Contracting Request for Proposals #16-21 (5th Year Option), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and Pritchard Industries, Inc., for Janitorial Services at various Camden County facilities, in the amount of \$280,000.00. Funding available in the amount of \$140,000.00 - CAF#---. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2021 Permanent Budget.

Resolutions and discussion of proposed Resolutions by or on behalf of Commissioner Nash

Commissioner Nash read Resolutions 22 through 35 into the record and they were approved to be placed on the Agenda for adoption.

Resolutions and discussion of proposed Resolutions by or on behalf of Commissioner Rodriguez

Commissioner Rodriguez read Resolutions 36 through 40 into the record and they were approved to be placed on the Agenda for adoption.

Resolutions and discussion of proposed Resolutions by or on behalf of Commissioner Young

Commissioner Young read Resolutions 41 through 52 and 54 into the record and they were approved to be placed on the Agenda for adoption. Resolution 53 was pulled.

Resolutions and discussion of proposed Resolutions by or on behalf of Commissioner Deputy Director McDonnell

Deputy Director McDonnell read Resolutions 55 through 64 into the record and they were approved to be placed on the Agenda for adoption.

Deputy Director McDonnell walked on the following three (3) Resolutions:

Resolution exceeding the County Entity CAP for the Board of Elections

Resolution exceeding the County Entity CAP for the Board of Taxation.

Resolution authorizing an award of contract by and between the County of Camden (Board of Elections) and Echelon Ford for the purchase of one 2021 Ford Transit Cargo Truck for election ballots transport in the amount of \$43,226.81 – CAF#---

Resolutions and discussion of proposed Resolutions by or on behalf of Commissioner Director Cappelli

Director Cappelli read Resolutions 65 through 90 and 92 and 93 into the record and they were approved to be placed on the Agenda for adoption. Resolution 91 was pulled.

The Director opened the meeting to the public for discussion of the Resolutions and/or any other matters.

Seeing no members of the public wishing to comment, the Director asked for a motion to close the public portion. Commissioner Nash made a motion with a second by Commissioner Young. All Commissioners present voted aye.

CLOSED SESSION RESOLUTION

The Director read the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of the hereinafter-specified subject matter.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed:
 - A. **PERSONNEL**
 - Personnel Actions

It is anticipated at this time that the above subject matter will be made public when members of the Camden County Board of Commissioners have made final determination.

3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The Director asked for a motion to adopt the Resolution and go into closed session to discuss the aforementioned matters. Commissioner Young made a motion with a second by Commissioner Nash at 12:30 p.m.

The Commissioners returned from closed session with a motion made by Deputy Director McDonnell and a second by Commissioner Nash at 12:43 p.m.

There being no further discussion, the Director asked for a motion to adjourn. Deputy Director McDonnell made a motion to adjourn with a second by Commissioner Young at 12:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karyn Gilmore
Clerk of the Board