

MINUTES



6:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 5, 2022

Call to Order

Salute to the Flag

Open Public Meetings Statement

Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, I hereby announce that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided, as required by said Act, which notice was filed with the County Clerk, posted in the vestibule of the County Courthouse and sent to the Courier Post and South Jersey Times on January 3, 2022 at 12:45 p.m.

Roll Call

	Present	Absent
Commissioner Konawel	X	
Deputy Director Simmons	X	
Commissioner Jefferson	X	
Commissioner DeSilvio	X	
Commissioner Barnes	X	
Commissioner DiCarlo	X	
Director DiMarco	X	

Changes to the Agenda

Approval of the **September 21, 2022** regular meeting minutes.

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Konawel			X			
Deputy Director Simmons	X		X			
Commissioner Jefferson					X	
Commissioner DeSilvio			X			
Commissioner Barnes		X	X			
Commissioner DiCarlo			X			
Director DiMarco			X			

Comments: N/A

PROCLAMATIONS

54068 Proclamation in Recognition of the 20th Anniversary of Turner-Wood Dental. (Previously Presented by Deputy Director Heather Simmons)

54069 2022 Best of Proclamations. (Previously Presented by Deputy Director Heather Simmons)

54070 Proclamation in Recognition of Andrew Bergin for Achieving the Rank of Eagle Scout. (Previously Presented by Commissioner Denice DiCarlo)

Public portion on agenda items only (time limit of five (5) minutes per person, per public portion).

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	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Konawel			X			
Deputy Director Simmons	X		X			
Commissioner Jefferson			X			
Commissioner DeSilvio			X			
Commissioner Barnes		X	X			
Commissioner DiCarlo			X			
Director DiMarco			X			

Comments:

George Gallethin, Woodbury – commented on Resolution 54071 and Resolution 54080 regarding the Port of Paulsboro Dredging project. Administrator Bruner explained that there was no increase and that the BID price was higher and the State needed to provide the additional funds.

Harry DeWitt, Mantua - questioned Resolution 54074 regarding petty cash for the Treasurer’s office. Administrator Bruner explained that the amount listed was the maximum amount in the account.

CLOSE

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Konawel			X			
Deputy Director Simmons	X		X			
Commissioner Jefferson			X			
Commissioner DeSilvio			X			
Commissioner Barnes		X	X			
Commissioner DiCarlo			X			
Director DiMarco			X			

Comments: N/A

RESOLUTIONS

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

DIRECTOR DIMARCO
DEPUTY DIRECTOR SIMMONS

54071 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INSERTION OF SPECIAL ITEMS OF REVENUE INTO THE 2022 COUNTY BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87.

54072 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHANGE IN CUSTODIAN OF PETTY CASH FUNDS FOR THE GLOUCESTER COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE.

54073 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CHANGE IN THE MONETARY AMOUNT OF PETTY CASH FUNDS FOR THE GLOUCESTER COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE.

54074 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CHANGE IN THE MONETARY AMOUNT OF THE PETTY CASH FUND FOR THE GLOUCESTER COUNTY TREASURER’S OFFICE.

54075 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER TO JOIN THE NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING ALLIANCE #CK04 AS A PARTICIPATING MEMBER.

54076 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH NATURAL PET, INC. D/B/A ENGLISH CREEK SUPPLY FROM OCTOBER 6, 2022 TO OCTOBER 5, 2023 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$61,000.00.

54077 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT WITH ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE, LLC, FROM SEPTEMBER 16, 2022 TO SEPTEMBER 15, 2023 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$75,000.00.

54078 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH BRT TECHNOLOGIES, LLC FROM SEPTEMBER 21, 2022 TO DECEMBER 31, 2022 FOR \$60,580.00.

Motion to approve Resolutions 54071 through 5078 as read.

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Konawel			X			
Deputy Director Simmons	X		X			
Commissioner Jefferson			X			
Commissioner DeSilvio			X			
Commissioner Barnes		X	X			
Commissioner DiCarlo			X			
Director DiMarco			X			

Comments: N/A

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
& PUBLIC WORKS

DEPUTY DIRECTOR SIMMONS
COMMISSIONER DICARLO

54079 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF FEDERAL AID COST REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT NUMBER 22-DT-BLA-866 WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR \$1,762,862.74.

54080 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF FUNDING AGREEMENT MODIFICATION NO. 1 AND ACCEPTANCE OF \$3,983,000.00 FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE PORT OF PAULSBORO DREDGING PROJECT.

54081 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH SOUTH STATE, INC. FROM OCTOBER 5, 2022 TO COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT FOR \$1,192,200.00.

54082 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS WITH LEE-WAY ELECTRIC, LLC AND TECHNAPRO ELECTRIC, LLC FROM OCTOBER 04, 2022 TO OCTOBER 03, 2023 IN AMOUNTS NOT TO EXCEED \$430,400.00 AND \$712,850.00.

54083 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF GLOUCESTER COUNTY.

54084 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS RESEARCH INSTITUTE, INC. (ESRI, INC.) VIA STATE CONTRACT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$20,562.36 FROM OCTOBER 4, 2022 TO OCTOBER 3, 2023.

Motion to approve Resolutions 54079 through 54084 as read.

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Konawel			X			
Deputy Director Simmons	X		X			
Commissioner Jefferson			X			
Commissioner DeSilvio			X			
Commissioner Barnes			X			
Commissioner DiCarlo		X	X			
Director DiMarco			X			

Comments: N/A

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY & VETERANS AFFAIRS

**COMMISSIONER DICARLO
DEPUTY DIRECTOR SIMMONS**

54085 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE FFY 2022 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM FROM THE NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND PREPAREDNESS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$176,650.88 WITH A FUNDING PERIOD FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 2022 TO JULY 31, 2025.

54086 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PURCHASE FROM MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, INC. C/O WIRELESS C & E, INC. VIA STATE CONTRACT FOR \$64,450.00.

Motion to approve Resolutions 54085 and 54086 as read.

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Konawel			X			
Deputy Director Simmons		X	X			
Commissioner Jefferson			X			
Commissioner DeSilvio			X			
Commissioner Barnes			X			
Commissioner DiCarlo	X		X			
Director DiMarco			X			

Comments: N/A

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

**COMMISSIONER JEFFERSON
COMMISSIONER BARNES**

54087 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT WITH CME ASSOCIATES.

54088 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ELECTRONIC SIGNAGE FOR VARIOUS COUNTY PARKS FROM KC SIGN & AWNINGS FOR THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$259,845.00.

54089 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A GRANT APPLICATION WITH THE NEW JERSEY COUNCIL FOR THE HUMANITIES AND ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000.00 WITH A CASH MATCH OF \$15,000.000 AND IN-KIND MATCH OF \$10,800.00 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$25,800.00 FOR THE TERM JANUARY 2022 TO JANUARY 2023.

Motion to approve Resolutions 54087 through 54089 as read.

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Konawel			X			
Deputy Director Simmons			X			
Commissioner Jefferson	X		X			
Commissioner DeSilvio			X			
Commissioner Barnes		X	X			
Commissioner DiCarlo			X			
Director DiMarco			X			

Comments: N/A

DEPARTMENT OF LAW & JUSTICE

**COMMISSIONER DESILVIO
COMMISSIONER KONAWEL**

54090 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY FOR THE AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE READER (ALPR) INITIATIVE GRANT IN AN AMOUNT TO BE DETERMINED UP TO \$450,000.00 FOR THE TERM DECEMBER 1, 2022 TO NOVEMBER 30, 2024.

54091 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY REGARDING THE SEXUAL ASSAULT RESPONSE TEAM/FORENSIC NURSE EXAMINER (SART) PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$171,397.00, WITH AN IN-KIND MATCH OF \$106,616.00, FOR A TOTAL PROGRAM AMOUNT OF \$278,013.00 FOR THE TERM OCTOBER 1, 2022 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2023.

Motion to approve Resolutions 54090 and 54091 as read.

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Konawel		X	X			
Deputy Director Simmons			X			
Commissioner Jefferson			X			
Commissioner DeSilvio	X		X			
Commissioner Barnes			X			
Commissioner DiCarlo			X			
Director DiMarco			X			

Comments: N/A

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, LAND & PROPERTY

**COMMISSIONER BARNES
COMMISSIONER JEFFERSON**

54092 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXTENSION TO THE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH FOUR SEASONS NURSERY, LLC FOR RENTAL OF COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,405.00.

Motion to approve Resolution 54092 as read.

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Konawel			X			
Deputy Director Simmons			X			
Commissioner Jefferson		X	X			
Commissioner DeSilvio			X			
Commissioner Barnes	X		X			
Commissioner DiCarlo			X			
Director DiMarco			X			

Comments: N/A

DEPARTMENT OF GOVERNMENT SERVICES

**COMMISSIONER KONAWEL
COMMISSIONER DESILVIO**

Old Business: N/A

New Business: Commissioner Barnes verified for the record a couple of light rail issues regarding the quite zones and read into the record an email from Mr. Hanson of the DRPA to Administrator Bruner that stated the equipment for the quite zones associated with the GCL project would be owned, funded, installed and maintained by the project and not the municipality. Commissioner Barnes also read a verification from the insurance company for the County referring to the rail line itself that there is no insurable interest in the rail lines or the light rail line, which means that the County doesn't have liability and the liability rests with the operator as per the Federal Rail Act.

Public Portion (time limit of five (5) minutes per person)

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Commissioner Konawel			X			
Deputy Director Simmons	X		X			
Commissioner Jefferson			X			
Commissioner DeSilvio			X			
Commissioner Barnes		X	X			
Commissioner DiCarlo			X			
Director DiMarco			X			

Comments:

Maureen Coplo, Deptford – commented on the K-9 Ember incident and read a poem into the record.

Ryan Campbell, Mantua - commented on his inability to call the County due to his phone number being blocked as well as the K-9 Ember incident.

Beth Christianson, Pitman – asked Commissioner Konawel about a property owned by him having past due taxes and water bill owed. Commissioner Konawel stated that William H. Konawel, Jr., and Christopher Konawel, Sr. owned the property.

Judith Standish, Deptford – read a statement into the record regarding the K-9 Ember incident.

Chief Gilbert, Prosecutor's office – made a statement about the K-9 Ember Investigation. Commissioner Konawel asked Chief Gilbert when the AGs office took over the Prosecutor's office. Chief Gilbert explained that the AG's took over a few years ago when the former Prosecutor Fiore resigned.

Charles Hughes, Woodbury – commented on the GCL and read an old newspaper article regarding the GCL into the record.

Anthony Alverio, Woodbury – commented on the K-9 Ember incident as well as the GCL.

Maureen McCabe, Mantua – commented on the K-9 Ember incident.

Harry DeWitt, Mantua – commented on the K-9 Ember incident.

Carol Rhodes, Mantua – commented on the K-9 Ember incident as well as the GCL.

Richard Nolan, Deptford – commented on the K-9 Ember incident.

John Alice, Sewell – commented on the residency of the Administrator Burner as well as Commissioner Konawel's residency at the time he filed his petition.

Thomas Sullivan, West Deptford – commented on the K-9 Ember incident as well as questioned Commissioner Konawel about his taxes and inquired if Commissioner Konawel lived in an apartment and paid property taxes. Commissioner Konawel confirmed he lived in an apartment and did not pay property taxes. Mr. Sullivan also questioned Commissioner Konawel why he continued to post about the chemical release in East Greenwich when an email went out about no social media posts. Commissioner Konawel stated that he had permission to post.

Jacci Vigilante, Harrison Twp. – made a statement on the K-9 Ember incident being political. Commissioner Barnes thanked the Chairwoman of the Gloucester County Republican Party. County Counsel Campo stated that her statement was incorrect that not every situation is reviewed as she stated and the County has reviewed the incident with their labor counsel, Brown and Connery extensively and our position is very clearly delineated and for her to make statements as an attorney who sues the County for her living and is also the County Chair of the opposing party should be beneath her and that her position is incorrect. Commissioner Konawel asked who the democrat county chair was. Administrator Bruner stated it was him and questioned Commissioner Konawel if he had made any statements. Commissioner Konawel said, no and that he just wanted it known that both County chairs were in the room. Deputy Director Simmons wanted to remind everyone that this was a government meeting and that we should all have a level of decorum during the meeting.

Marne McMann, Monroe Township – invited all Commissioners to the Monroe Township Council Meeting on Monday, October 24, 2022 at 7 p.m. She also commented on the Fries Mill Road and Route 322 project. Deputy Director Simmons suggested Ms. McMann set up an appointment to meet with her in her office to discuss the matter further.

Fernando Powers, Monroe Twp. – commented on the K-9 Ember incident and questioned why the Sheriff's Department which is the highest law of the land. Director DiMarco and Administrator Burner advised Mr. Powers that the Chief Law Enforcement Officer for the County is the Prosecutor who works for the Attorney General's office. County Counsel Campo confirmed that the Chief Law Enforcement Officer of the County is the prosecutor.

Anna Janda, Mantua Twp.- commented on the content in the County newsletter.

CLOSE

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Konawel			X			
Deputy Director Simmons	X		X			
Commissioner Jefferson			X			
Commissioner DeSilvio			X			
Commissioner Barnes		X	X			
Commissioner DiCarlo			X			
Director DiMarco			X			

Comments: N/A

Adjournment

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Konawel			X			
Deputy Director Simmons	X		X			
Commissioner Jefferson			X			
Commissioner DeSilvio			X			
Commissioner Barnes		X	X			
Commissioner DiCarlo			X			
Director DiMarco			X			

Comments: N/A

Time: 7:22 p.m.