

Freeholder Director Petillo read into the record the below message.

Due to public health issues arising from the coronavirus situation, the Sussex County Board of Freeholders will "meet" on Wednesday, March 25 at 6PM and will handle county government business remotely via a conference call.

County residents are invited to listen and will have an opportunity to make comments.

Residents are invited to attend this meeting by calling: 973-310-7191.

FREEHOLDER MEETING OF MARCH 25, 2020 AT 6:00PM
FREEHOLDER MEETING ROOM
REGULAR BUSINESS

Item

1. CALL TO ORDER BY DIRECTOR at 6:00 PM

- 2. ROLL CALL** Freeholder Fantasia, Freeholder Fasano, Freeholder Hertzberg, Freeholder Petillo, Freeholder Yardley

Also Present: County Administrator Greg Poff, County Counsel Kevin Kelly and Clerk to the Board Teri Lyons

3. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

4. PUBLIC STATEMENT

"Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 Adequate Notice as defined by Section 3D of Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, has been made by regular mail, such notice being submitted on January 3, 2020 from the Administrative Center of the County of Sussex, located at One Spring Street, Newton, New Jersey to the following:

New Jersey Herald	WSUS Radio
New Jersey Sunday Herald	WNNJ Radio
Star Ledger	

and is also posted on the bulletin board maintained in the Administrative Center for public announcements and has been submitted to the Sussex County Clerk in compliance with said Act."

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION to approve the Agenda made by Freeholder Fantasia
Seconded by Freeholder Hertzberg
(Voice vote)- All voted in the Affirmative

6. PROCLAMATIONS/CERTIFICATES/PRESENTATIONS

PROCLAMATION

Recognizing March as Red Cross Month- Read into the record by Freeholder Petillo.
148-2020

MOTION to adopt the Proclamation made by Freeholder Yardley
Seconded by Freeholder Hertzberg
(Voice Vote)- All voted in the Affirmative

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS none for this evening.

8. PUBLIC SESSION FROM THE FLOOR

Comments are limited to 3 minutes or less and must only address issues regarding agenda items. Please state your name, and print your name and municipality on the sign in sheet.

Time 6:07PM

MOTION to open the floor for public comment made by Freeholder Yardley
Seconded by Freeholder Fantasia
(Voice Vote)- All voted in the Affirmative

No public comment

MOTION to close the floor for public comment made by Freeholder Hertzberg
Seconded by Freeholder Fantasia
(Voice Vote)- All voted in the Affirmative

9. FREEHOLDERS' COMMENTS

Freeholder Fasano thanked everyone for making this call and meeting happen under these circumstances and he thanked the countless number of people who are helping Sussex County stay operational.

Freeholder Hertzberg thanked all on the frontlines for all of their efforts and hard work keeping things going.

Freeholder Yardley thanked the countless number of people working and keeping things going during this very difficult time.

Freeholder Fantasia thanked everyone for their work. The Governor has been issuing directives daily and everyone has been very flexible in a very tense time. The County has an Emergency Preparedness team, who are have knowledge in education and training to respond to this type of emergency. Is very impressed with this team. The Congregate Nutrition Program is helping seniors that were participating in this program to receive their meals at home thanks to Newton Medical Center who cooks the meals and Catholic Charities who delivers the meals. We are thankful to have these continued services. The food pantry remains open. Their hours are 8:30AM to 4:30PM. Residents can call 973-383-3600 during their business hours. Individuals in need can apply for benefits online at www.njhelp.org . If you do not have access to the internet, social services can mail out an application for you. As of right now all homelessness emergency overnight housing is being provided. SNAP recipients who are due to be recertified in March and April will continue to receive their benefits until they can be recertified. Case reviews that are due in March or April will automatically receive a 60 day extension. All this information is on the County's website at www.sussex.nj.us.

She spoke on the testing for the virus. As we saw in Bergen County how quickly they became overwhelmed with people they have also been very generous and allowing people who live outside of Bergen County to come and get tested. Passaic County is handling it differently and only available to Passaic County residents. She thinks as our numbers go up we should be able to get more tests. She said there has been a tremendous response from County businesses and residents regarding donations of PPE supplies. She is very proud or our residents and thanked everyone who has contacted her. She said this is a very high stress time and social media is a great way to stay connected. New Jersey has activated the 211 number. Anyone can call this if you feel you need some support. She hopes everyone follows the social distancing directives from the Governor and she wants everyone to stay healthy and safe.

Freeholder Petillo thanked staff at the county, the hospital and first responders. She thanked everyone for practicing social distancing and reaching out to those in your area. She read a memorandum from Carol Novrit. This week the Division of Health established a hotline for residents to call Monday thru Friday between the hours of 9-4. The number is 973-579-9488. She listed a state wide website to answer questions for covid19 is www.covid19.nj.gov. The Center for Disease Prevention Site is www.cdc.gov. The New Jersey Department of Health is www.nj.gov/health and the Sussex County Division of Health is <https://sussex.nj.us/covid19>.

10. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- A. RESOLUTION RE: 149-2020**
AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE A MODIFICATION TO INCREASE THE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT SERVICES/TANF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES CONTRACT #TS19019 WITH THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,129.00 FOR THE PROVISION OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AND TO EXTEND THE CONTRACTED TERM OF JANUARY 1, 2019 TO DECEMBER 31, 2019 TO THE REVISED TERM OF JANUARY 1, 2019 TO DECEMBER 31, 2020 FOR A TOTAL CONTRACTED AMOUNT OF \$32,200.00
- B. RESOLUTION RE: 150-2020**
AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION # EN20-028 TO THE N.J.D.E.P. FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A PROGRAM UNDER THE COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ACT N.J.S.A. 26:3A2-21 ET SEQ. FOR THE SUSSEX COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF HEALTH AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE ENTRY INTO INTERAGENCY AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX AND N.J.D.E.P. COVERING THE PROVISIONS OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2019 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2020 IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$336,974.00; COMBINDED OF GRANT FUNDS \$193,870.00 AND COUNTY MATCHING FUNDS OF \$143,104.00
- C. RESOLUTION RE: 151-2020**
AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND THE CLERK OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH NJ TRANSIT FOR NJ JOB ACCESS AND REVERSE COMMUTE (NJ JARC SFY 21) ROUND 7, FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2020 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2021 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$240,000.00

- D. RESOLUTION RE: 152-2020**
AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNUAL TECHNICAL SUPPORT AND HOSTING FEE SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX'S OFFICE OF TRANSIT FROM ROUTEMATCH SOFTWARE, INC FROM APRIL 01, 2020 UNTIL MARCH 31, 2021 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$19,585.89
- E. RESOLUTION RE: 153-2020**
AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNUAL SYSTEM MAINTENANCE AND MOBILITY MANAGEMENT CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX'S OFFICE OF TRANSIT FROM ROUTEMATCH SOFTWARE, INC FROM MARCH 28, 2020 THROUGH MARCH 27, 2021 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$41,400.00

The Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Sussex has reviewed the Consent Agenda consisting of various proposed Resolutions and determined that adoption of the said Resolutions is in and will further the public interest. If any Freeholder would like to remove an item to be considered separately, please do so now.

MOTION to approve the Consent Agenda A – E made by Freeholder Fantasia
Seconded by Freeholder Hertzberg
(Roll call vote)

- Freeholder Fantasia Yes
- Freeholder Fasano Yes
- Freeholder Hertzberg Yes
- Freeholder Petillo Yes
- Freeholder Yardley Yes

11. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION to approve the Regular Meeting – March 11, 2020 made by Freeholder Fantasia
Seconded by Freeholder Fasano
(Voice Vote)- All voted in Affirmative

MOTION to approve the Executive Session – March 11, 2020 made by Freeholder Fantasia
Seconded by Freeholder Fasano
(Voice Vote)- All voted in the Affirmative

12. APPOINTMENTS AND/OR RESIGNATIONS – None

13. RESOLUTIONS

- A. RESOLUTION RE: 154-2020**
AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO FOURTH AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR ANTENNA SITE TOWER BETWEEN GTP TOWERS I, LLC AND THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX

MOTION to adopt the Resolution made by Freeholder Hertzberg
Seconded by Freeholder Fantasia
(On Roll Call)

- Freeholder Fantasia Yes
- Freeholder Fasano Yes
- Freeholder Hertzberg Yes
- Freeholder Petillo Yes
- Freeholder Yardley Yes

- B. RESOLUTION RE: 155-2020**
AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN ON THE ONE HAND, THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX (THE "COUNTY"), AND ON THE OTHER HAND, INTEGRITY ROOFING, INC. ("INTEGRITY"), SR PRODUCTS, A DIVISION OF SIMON ROOFING AND SHEET METAL, CORP. ("SR") AND WB CONTRACTING CORP. ("WB") IN THE MATTER CAPTIONED AS COUNTY OF SUSSEX V. INTEGRITY ROOFING, ET ALS., IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, LAW DIVISION, SUSSEX COUNTY, DOCKET NO. SSX-L-538-18

MOTION to adopt said Resolution B made by Freeholder Hertzberg
Seconded by Freeholder Fantasia

(Roll Call vote)

- Freeholder Fantasia Yes
- Freeholder Fasano Yes
- Freeholder Hertzberg Yes
- Freeholder Petillo Yes
- Freeholder Yardley Yes

14. **AWARDS OF CONTRACT/CHANGE ORDERS/BID**

- A. RESOLUTION RE: 156-2020**
AWARD OF CONTRACT EXTENSION FOR MISCELLANEOUS BUILDING TRADE SERVICES (PLUMBING) TO BE PERFORMED IN AND AROUND VARIOUS SUSSEX COUNTY BUILDINGS TO MAGIC TOUCH CONSTRUCTION COMPANY INC FROM APRIL 10, 2020 UNTIL APRIL 9, 2021
- B. RESOLUTION RE: 157-2020**
AWARD OF CONTRACT EXTENSION FOR MISCELLANEOUS BUILDING TRADE SERVICES (ROOFING AND WATERPROOFING) TO BE PERFORMED IN AND AROUND VARIOUS SUSSEX COUNTY BUILDINGS TO USA GENERAL CONTRACTORS CORPORATION FROM APRIL 10, 2020 TO APRIL 9, 2021
- C. RESOLUTION RE: 158-2020**
AWARD OF CONTRACT THROUGH THE COMPETITIVE CONTRACTING PROCESS FOR PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES IN THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, NOTES AND RELATED MATTERS TO ARCHER & GREINER, P.C. FROM DATE OF CONTRACT AWARD UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2020
- D. RESOLUTION RE: 159-2020**
AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) NEW CURRENT MODEL YEAR RAM 5500 OR EQUAL TRUCK CAB-CHASSIS FROM BEYER OF MORRISTOWN, LLC (DBA BEYER CHRYSLER DODGE JEEP RAM FROM DATE OF CONTRACT AWARD UNTIL DELIVERY AND ACCEPTANCE IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$47,656.00
- E. RESOLUTION RE: 160-6060**
AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR AERIAL LARVICIDING AND/OR ADULTICIDING FOR THE OFFICE OF MOSQUITO CONTROL TO REBECCA LYNN FLYING SERVICE INC., FROM APRIL 1, 2020 UNTIL OCTOBER 31, 2020 IN THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$60,000.00
- F. RESOLUTION RE: 161-2020**
AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE FOR ON-CALL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR COUNTY ROADWAY, SIGNAL, TRAFFIC SAFETY AND GENERAL PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS TO BOSWELL ENGINEERING INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$44,400.00
- G. RESOLUTION RE: 162-2020**
AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE FOR ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES FOR SUSSEX COUNTY BRIDGE X-48 ON MUDTOWN ROAD, WANTAGE TOWNSHIP TO BOSWELL ENGINEERING INC., IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$226,447.20

The Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Sussex has reviewed the Award of Contract/Change Orders/Bids consisting of various proposed Resolutions and determined that adoption of the said Resolutions is in and will further the public interest.

MOTION to approve Contracts A –G made by Freeholder Yardley
Seconded by Freeholder Fantasia

Discussion

Freeholder Fantasia asked Teri to take a note to see if there will be any funding for Tick Borne Viruses.

(Roll call vote)

- Freeholder Fantasia Yes
- Freeholder Fasano Yes
- Freeholder Hertzberg Yes
- Freeholder Petillo Yes
- Freeholder Yardley Yes

15. **FINANCIAL**

- A. RESOLUTION RE: 163-2020**
PAYMENT OF BILLS LIST
MARCH 25, 2020

MOTION to approve the Resolution made by Freeholder Fantasia
Seconded by Freeholder Hertzberg

(Roll call vote)

Freeholder Fantasia Yes
Freeholder Fasano Yes
Freeholder Hertzberg Yes
Freeholder Petillo Yes
Freeholder Yardley Yes

B. RESOLUTION RE: 164-2020
AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS OF 2020
OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX

MOTION made by Freeholder Fantasia
Seconded by Freeholder Yardley

On Roll Call

Freeholder Fantasia Yes
Freeholder Fasano Yes
Freeholder Hertzberg Yes
Freeholder Petillo Yes
Freeholder Yardley Yes

C. INTRODUCTION FOR FIRST READING- ORDINANCE 20-02

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS 2020 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, BY AND IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING \$14,811,465 THEREFOR (INCLUDING GRANTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,971,768) AND AUTHORIZING \$7,705,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE COUNTY TO FINANCE PART OF THE COSTS THEREOF

MOTION to adopt this Ordinance on first reading and authorize the Clerk to advertise this Ordinance as introduced for first reading, and also post same on the bulletin board in the lobby of the County Administrative Center, together with a Notice of Public Hearing stating that a hearing will be held on April 22, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. prior to final adoption of this Ordinance made by Freeholder Fantasia
Seconded by Freeholder Hertzberg

(Roll Call Vote)

Freeholder Fantasia Yes
Freeholder Fasano Yes
Freeholder Hertzberg Yes
Freeholder Petillo Yes
Freeholder Yardley Yes

D. INTRODUCTION FOR FIRST READING- ORDINANCE 20-03

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE SUSSEX COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL, LOCATED WITHIN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING \$895,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$895,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, FOR FINANCING OF SUCH APPROPRIATION

MOTION to adopt this Ordinance on first reading and authorize the Clerk to advertise this Ordinance as introduced for first reading, and also post same on the bulletin board in the lobby of the County Administrative Center, together with a Notice of Public Hearing stating that a hearing will be held on April 22, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. prior to final adoption of this Ordinance made by Freeholder Fasano
Seconded by Freeholder Yardley

(Roll Call Vote)

Freeholder Fantasia Yes
Freeholder Fasano Yes
Freeholder Hertzberg Yes
Freeholder Petillo Yes
Freeholder Yardley Yes

E. INTRODUCTION FOR FIRST READING- ORDINANCE 20-04

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE UNDERTAKING OF 2020 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AT AND FOR CERTAIN FACILITIES OF SUSSEX COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE, LOCATED WITHIN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING \$2,800,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,800,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, FOR FINANCING SUCH APPROPRIATION, THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST

**ON THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF WHICH WILL BE ENTITLED
TO STATE AID, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 12 OF THE LAWS OF NEW
JERSEY OF 1971**

MOTION to adopt this Ordinance on first reading and authorize the Clerk to advertise this Ordinance as introduced for first reading, and also post same on the bulletin board in the lobby of the County Administrative Center, together with a Notice of Public Hearing stating that a hearing will be held on April 22, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. prior to final adoption of this Ordinance made by Freeholder Yardley

Seconded by Freeholder Fasano

(Roll Call Vote)

Freeholder Fantasia Yes
Freeholder Fasano Yes
Freeholder Hertzberg Yes
Freeholder Petillo Yes
Freeholder Yardley Yes

F. INTRODUCTION FOR FIRST READING- ORDINANCE 20-05

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE UNDERTAKING OF A PORTION
OF THE 2020 ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAM, BY AND IN THE COUNTY OF
SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REAPPROPRIATING EXCESS BOND
PROCEEDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,000,000 TO PROVIDE FOR THE COST
THEREOF**

MOTION to adopt this Ordinance on first reading and authorize the Clerk to advertise this Ordinance as introduced for first reading, and also post same on the bulletin board in the lobby of the County Administrative Center, together with a Notice of Public Hearing stating that a hearing will be held on April 22, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. prior to final adoption of this Ordinance made by Freeholder Hertzberg

Seconded by Freeholder Fantasia

(Roll Call Vote)

Freeholder Fantasia Yes
Freeholder Fasano Yes
Freeholder Hertzberg Yes
Freeholder Petillo Yes
Freeholder Yardley Yes

16. PERSONNEL- No Personnel items for this meeting.

17. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Mr. Poff complimented the Freeholders for an excellent job this evening on this conference call. He has been engaged with the Emergency Preparedness Team the past few weeks. He respects the work this Team is doing for the County and also recognized Health, Public Nursing, EMO and Sheriff. These people are working tirelessly.

There have been ongoing weekly teleconferences with all 24 Mayors. The County's Call Center has been activated and is by Medical Corps personnel. The Center telephone number is 973-579-9488. Staff is available during regular business hours. After hours callers are directed to the state's hot line 800-962-1253.

18. COUNTY COUNSEL REPORT

Regarding Cochran House Settlement the credit is due to Special Counsel Ron Ahrens with the firm Riker, Danzig, Schereer Hyland & Perretti and also Joe Biuso Department Administrator for Facilities. Mr. Biuso's office records of the job and its correspondence were impeccable to the settlement.

No need for an Executive Session tonight; one of topics can be handled through a memorandum and the other will be carried to April 8th.

19. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Freeholder Fantasia was just notified that in accordance with new guidelines, the Arts & Heritage Council Gallery will be closed.

20. NEW BUSINESS

21. PUBLIC SESSION FROM THE FLOOR

Everyone is asked to keep their comments to 3 minutes. Please state your name and print name and municipality on sign in sheet.

MOTION to open the floor for public comment made by Freeholder Yardley
Seconded by Freeholder Fasano
(Voice vote)- All voted in the Affirmative

Peter Knight, Frankford- Thanked the Freeholders and all County Departments and agencies for the continued service being provided throughout the County. Extended special thanks for Freeholder Fantasia and her updates to her web site to push out the information that the County is also providing. He also thanked employees on the frontlines.

Councilman Joseph Limon, Franklin- Complimented the Freeholders for the use of this platform tonight and gave a shout out to the Health Department for all the communication provided on COVID19 and same for EMO. The County is doing a good job taking care of regular business as usual.

Laura Guancione, Stanhope- Expressed concerns that Drug Courts are closed. People receiving treatment were provided medicated patches which will last for 14 days will soon expire and disappointed by the lack of concern by the Judicial System.

David Hamer-Hodges, CWA Representative is concerned regarding library staff working when facility is closed.

MOTION to close the floor for public comment and return to regular business made by Freeholder Fasano
Seconded by Freeholder Fantasia
(Voice vote)- All voted in the Affirmative

22. REMINDERS

Please check the County's website at www.sussex.nj.us for meeting schedules.

23. EXECUTIVE SESSION – (Closed Session) – No Executive Session

24. ADJOURNMENT time is 7:01PM

MOTION to adjourn the meeting made by Freeholder Fantasia
Seconded by Freeholder Hertzberg
(Voice vote)- All voted in the affirmative

DATED: March 25, 2020

Respectively submitted,

Teri Lyons, Clerk