

**CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
CAUCUS MEETING  
NOVEMBER 8, 2021 - 12:00 PM  
6<sup>th</sup> 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.

ABSENT: CARMEN RODRIGUEZ,

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

The Director said we will have three (3) Public Hearings at Wednesday's Commissioners' meeting. In an effort to prevent the further spread of COVID-19, until further notice, the public is encouraged to participate via the live stream at <http://www.camdencounty.com/live>. Those wishing to attend in person should contact the Clerk no later than 9 AM the day of the public meeting as socially-distance seating may be limited.

**PUBLIC HEARING #1**

Resolution of the County of Camden in the State of New Jersey authorizing a Guarantee by the County of the payment of the principal of and interest on the "County Guaranteed Loan Revenue Bonds (County Capital Program), Series 2021" to be issued by the Camden County Improvement Authority for the purposes of financing the acquisition and installation of certain capital equipment and the construction of certain capital infrastructure improvements in, by and for the County.

**PUBLIC HEARING #2**

Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Camden, New Jersey providing the County's consent to (i) the financing of the acquisition and installation of certain capital equipment and the construction of certain capital infrastructure improvements in, by and for the County; (ii) the issuance by the Authority of a series of its tax-exempt "County Guaranteed Loan Revenue Bonds (County Capital Program), Series 2021" for the purposes of financing the County project authorized hereby; (iii) the Loan Agreement by and between the County

and the Authority in connection with the financing authorized hereby; and (iv) certain other matters related thereto and pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:37A-56.

### **PUBLIC HEARING #3**

Bond Ordinance of the County of Camden, New Jersey appropriating \$600,000 in supplemental funding for the development and construction of athletic fields and related parks and recreational improvements at the former Campbell's Field Site in the City of Camden and authorizing the issuance of \$570,000 Bonds or Notes of the County for financing part of such appropriation.

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 5 and 7 through 15 into the record and they were approved to be placed on the Agenda for adoption. Resolution 6 was pulled.

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

Commissioner Kane read Resolutions 16 through 22 into the record and they were approved to be placed on the Agenda for adoption. The Commissioner noted that she had one walk-on Resolution for the Agenda:

**Resolution authorizing a substitution in the amount of \$76,000.00 to provide additional funding for HVAC Upgrades to Building No. 18 at the Camden County DePalma Complex.**

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

Commissioner Nash read Resolutions 23 through 34 into the record and they were approved to be placed on the Agenda for adoption. Commissioner Nash made the following comments regarding Resolution 31 - This is the first large open space purchase the County will be making in over a decade. It is also the largest lot on the White Horse Pike. It is prime for development, supported by Winslow Township and the Mayor has agreed to maintain the property. The appraisal came in at \$3,750,000 but Summit has purchased the naming rights so the value has been reduced by \$500,000. Fifty percent of the balance will be paid by the State's Green Acres Fund and the County can pay their share of the purchase over two years. Commissioner Nash said I would like to give credit to Janina Robinson. This is her first purchase, and she did a great job negotiating this. Commissioner Nash said I would also like to thank Maggie McCann-Johns and our legal team headed by Eme Arzon who negotiated the sale.

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

In Commissioner Rodriguez's absence, Director Cappelli read Resolutions 35 through 42 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 43 through 53 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 Deputy Director McDonnell**

Deputy Director McDonnell read Resolutions 54 through 64 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 Director Cappelli**

Director Cappelli read Resolutions 65 through 91 into the record and they were approved to be placed on the Agenda for adoption.

Seeing no members of the public wishing to comment, the Director asked for a motion to close the public portion. Commissioner Young made a motion with a second by Commissioner Rodriguez. 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 Nash made a motion with a second by Deputy Director McDonnell at 12:34 p.m.

The Commissioners returned from closed session with a motion made by Commissioner Dyer and a second by Commissioner Young at 12:40 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 12:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karyn Gilmore  
Clerk of the Board