

CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
July 18, 2024
520 Market Street
6th Floor Conference Room
Camden, New Jersey

The meeting was called to order by Director Cappelli at 12:00 p.m.

The Clerk called the roll and the following Commissioners answered:

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

The Director stated that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

The Director asked everyone to rise for a moment of Silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Director said good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen. Welcome to the meeting of the Camden County Board of Commissioners. We welcome everyone, in particular John Donnadio, Executive Director of the New Jersey Association of Counties. We also have representatives here from Camden County Technical Schools, as well as a student who is the recipient of this year's 2024 NJAC Foundation Scholarship Award which will be presented by Commissioner Kane and Mr. Donnadio.

PRESENTATION

NJAC FOUNDATION 2024 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Commissioner Young welcomed John Donnadio and said NJAC is a county-supported agency that advocates on behalf of counties when Trenton is being counter-intuitive to business. NJAC intervenes to speak on behalf of the counties. NJAC has a Foundation that supports our county school districts. This year we raised \$90,000 for scholarships for our students throughout New Jersey who go to our vo-tech schools. Not only do we have great partners involved, such as PSE&G which is a major sponsor of NJAC, but every dime of this money raised goes to students. I am proud to be a part of this organization.

Commissioner Kane asked student Zoey Pangburn to come forward along with John Donnadio. Mr Donnadio said Commissioner Young really said it all. One of my favorite things to do is to work with the NJAC Foundation. Over the past decade we have given over \$500,000 in scholarships. We give away 100% of the money raised to hard-working, county vocational and technical school graduates like Zoey who is here with us today. We are grateful to the

generosity of companies like PSE&G and SJI who continue to be great corporate partners in the State of New Jersey. The caliber of the students we get every year is just incredibly impressive. I want to wish Zoey and the other students and their families the best of luck. Thank you.

Commissioner Kane said I would like to share a little bit of Zoey with everyone. Zoey is an excellent student. She is a member of the ECAD Program, which is an admissions-based program that allows students to pursue an associate degree while still in high school. Zoey had to prove that she was academically ready for college as a tenth grader to qualify for the program. In addition to her incredible academic accomplishments, Zoey is also involved in several activities outside of school. She is a member of the National Honor Society, the National Technical Honor Society, various high school clubs and was the president of her class as a 10th grader. Zoey is the recipient of the South Jersey Industries Scholarship and will be attending Rutgers University in the Fall. *Correction: Zoey will be attending Rider in the Fall.* We are so very proud of you for exemplifying what the best in Camden County is like. Commissioner Kane asked Zoey to introduce her mother.

Commissioner Kane also recognized the students who were unable to join us this afternoon:

Andres Sanchez Garcia - Recipient of the Amazon Scholarship Award. Andres will be attending Rowan University in the Fall to pursue studies in Accounting.

Gabriel Cimoch - Recipient of the SHI International Scholarship Award. Gabriel will be attending Rowan University in the Fall to study Cybersecurity.

Rebekah Lopez - Recipient of the PSE&G Scholarship Award. Rebekah will be studying Environmental Science at Rutgers University in the Fall.

Anthony Hale - Recipient of the At&T Scholarship Award. Anthony will be attending Stockton University in the Fall to pursue studies in Cybersecurity.

Director Cappelli said congratulations to the students and their families. It is a nice day to celebrate and is reflective of your achievements in school.

The Director said we are also joined today by our Government Services Officers and members of the Camden County Metro Police Department to recognize them for handling a security incident which took place on June 25 at City Hall. The Director asked the following officers to step forward:

- Government Services Officer Supervisor, Terhan Hinson
- Government Services Officers Jeserica Santos, Richard Hirschfeld and Ryan Dobleman

- Metro Police Officers Anthony Benson and Rick Williams

Director Cappelli said it is often the case that you don't know what goes on behind the scenes with Security and a lot of it we can't talk about because they are security issues that cannot be disclosed due to security purposes. The individuals you see before us had an incident take place here in City Hall. They handled it with extreme professionalism and kept everyone safe. These individuals did a tremendous job and are a great example for all law enforcement and security officers to follow.

The Director said next we have the introduction of an Ordinance:

Ordinance of the County of Camden authorizing an update to the adoption of an assessment on certain services furnished by hospitals located within the County's borders for the purpose of increasing funding to support the provision of necessary services by such hospitals to low-income citizens and provide new fiscal resources to the County of Camden

Public Hearing to be held on August 15, 2024, at the Camden County Courthouse, 520 Market Street, 6th Floor Meeting Room, Camden, NJ at 12:00 PM

Director Cappelli asked for a motion to adopt the introduction of the Resolution. Commissioner Dyer made a motion with a second by Commissioner Nash and all Commissioners present voted aye.

MINUTES

The Director asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the previous Commissioners Meeting as presented. Commissioner Nash made a motion with a second by Commissioner Betteridge and all roll call:

AYE: ALL PRESENT

ABSTAIN: JONATHAN YOUNG, SR.

COMPTROLLER'S REPORT

The Director asked for a motion to adopt the Comptroller's Report. Deputy Director McDonnell made a motion with a second by Commissioner Dyer and on roll call all Commissioners present voted aye.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Director asked the Clerk if there was any correspondence. The Clerk responded no, Director, we do not have any correspondence this month.

The Director said the next portion of the meeting is open to the public for discussion of resolutions to be acted upon this afternoon. 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 the County of Camden. The Director opened the public hearing.

Hearing no members of the public wishing to comment, the Director asked for a motion to close the public hearing. Deputy Director McDonnell made the motion with a second by Commissioner Betteridge and all Commissioners present voted aye.

The Director closed the public hearing.

Director Cappelli said at Caucus on Tuesday afternoon, the Board of Commissioners reviewed and discussed all resolutions to be acted upon today. We will now be voting on the Resolutions in blocks based on the unanimous consent of the Commissioners.

RESOLUTIONS 1 THROUGH 78

The Director asked for a motion to adopt Resolutions 1 through 78. Commissioner Nash made a motion with a second by Commissioner Dyer and on roll call:

AYE: ALL PRESENT

ABSTENTIONS: MELINDA KANE – Resolution 51
VIRGINIA BETTERIDGE – Resolution 51
JONATHAN YOUNG, SR. – Resolutions 5, 6 and 68
LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR. – Resolution 51

1. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget from the Borough of Haddon Heights for Roadway Improvements on 13th Avenue, in the amount of \$49,900.75.

2. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget from Public Service Electric and Gas Company for Roadway Improvements to Haddon Avenue (CR 561) in the City of Camden, in the amount of \$999,851.65.

3. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget from the New Jersey Department of Transportation for Modification No. 2 to Federal Aid Agreement No. 21-DT-BLA-830 for Improvements to Union Avenue (CR 615), Park Avenue (CR 617) to Maple Avenue (CR 537) in the Township of Pennsauken, in the amount of \$136,093.38.

4. Resolution amending an Agreement, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and T&M

Associates, for additional closely related Professional Engineering Design Services for Kings Highway (CR 551) from Market Street (CR 634) to Hopkins Road, in the Boroughs of Mt. Ephraim, Audubon and Haddon Heights, for an increase in the amount of \$55,102.59 - CAF#9900243041.

5. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid B-6/2024), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and South State, Inc., for Improvements to Kings Highway (CR 551s) from Market Street (CR 634)(MP 1.23) to Hopkins Road (CR 647) (MP 3.65) in the Boroughs of Mount Ephraim, Audubon and Haddon Heights, in the amount of \$10,745,085.83 - CAF#9900243034.

ABSTAIN: JONATHAN YOUNG, SR.

6. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid B-7 /2024), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Lexa Concrete, LLC, for East Park Avenue (CR 621) Roadway Improvements, Center Street (CR 622) to East Chestnut Avenue (CR 619), in the Borough of Merchantville, in the amount of \$1,098,975.52 - CAF# 9900243022.

ABSTAIN: JONATHAN YOUNG, SR.

7. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid B-10/2024), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc., for furnishing and delivering of Maintenance and Repair Materials, on an "as needed" basis.

8. Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 1 and Final (Bid B-6/2023), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Lexa Concrete, LLC, for Route 70 Feeder - 27th Street (CR 609) from Marlton Pike (CR 601) to Federal Street (CR 537) Roadway Reconstruction and Traffic Signal Improvements, for a decrease in the amount of \$191,801.35.

9. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract 23-FLEET-34923), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Nielson Ford of Morristown, Inc., for the purchase of a 2023 Ford F-450, in the amount of \$94,874.00 - CAF#9900242689.

10. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract 23-FLEET-34922), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Works) and Nielson Ford of Morristown, Inc., for the purchase of a 2023 Ford F-250, in the amount of \$72,754.00 - CAF#9900242691.

11. Resolution authorizing the appointment of a member to the Camden County Construction Board of Appeals.

12. Resolution approving personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Commissioner Dyer.

13. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to Competitive Contracting Request for Proposals #21-29 (4th Year Option), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and Pritchard Industries, LLC, for Janitorial Services, in the amount of \$2,439,707.31. Funding available in the amount of \$250,000.00 - CAF#9900242880. Balance of funding contingent upon appropriation of sufficient funds in the 2024 Permanent Budget and passage of the 2025 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

14. Resolution authorizing the award of Contract (Bid A-33/2024) by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and Northeast Electrical Services, LLC, for electrical system maintenance, testing and repairs, on an "as-needed" basis.

15. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-32/2023 - 2nd Year Option), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and FM Generator, Inc., for a Preventive Maintenance Service Contract for Emergency Generator Equipment at various Camden County locations and Camden County College, under the Camden County Cooperative Pricing Systems, ID No. 57-CCCPS, on an "as-needed" basis.

16. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-27/2023 - 2nd Year Option), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations), and RDS Vending, LLC, for Vending Machine Services at various County locations.

17. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract 23-FLEET-34922), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Buildings and Operations) and Nielson Ford of Morristown, Inc., for purchase of one (1) Ford F250, in the amount of \$59,880.00 - CAF#9900242525.

18. Resolution authorizing an Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Office of Veteran's Affairs) and Harleigh Cemetery Association, for the provision of a Camden County Veteran's Memorial Cemetery.

19. Resolution ratifying a Lease Agreement (First 5-Year Option), by and between the County of Camden (Office of Veterans' Affairs) and Camden County College for Veterans' Affairs office space. Funding for this purpose has been included in the annual appropriation provided by the County to the College.

20. Resolution authorizing the appointment of a member to the Camden County Cultural and Heritage Commission.

21. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget from the New Jersey Clean Communities Grant, in the amount of \$177,710.58.

22. Resolution authorizing a Bond Substitution in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 to provide funding for the Camden County Department of Parks - Cooper River Improvements.

23. Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 1 and Final (Bid A-56/2022), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Parks) and Command Co., for Dominick Andujar Park Improvements - Phase II, for a decrease in the amount of \$40,057.04.

24. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-5/2024), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Parks) and Seacoast Construction, for the Cooper River Skateboard Park Project, in the amount of \$913,410.00. Funding contingent upon passage of the Bond Substitution.

25. Resolution authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Parks) and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, for environmental remediation of property located at 1091 N. 8th Street, in the City of Camden.

26. Resolution ratifying the submission of a Grant Application, by the County of Camden (Department of Parks) to the National Fish and Wildlife Founding for the Restoring and Reclaiming the Delaware Estuary's Urban Shoreline Grant, in the amount of \$1,461,100.00.

27. Resolution acknowledging name change of Camden County Energy Recovery Associates, L.P. to Reworld Sustainable Solutions, LLC.

28. Resolution approving personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Commissioner Nash.

29. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the National Opioid Abatement Trust II, in the amount of \$747,479.16.

30. Resolution authorizing an assignment (Competitive Contracting Request for Proposals #21-49), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Senior and Disabled Services) and Auletto Caterers to Sapphire Grand Deptford, Inc., for the provision of nutrition program services.

31. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (#HCESC VEH-22-11), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health and Human Services) and H.A. DeHart & Son, Inc., for the purchase of a 24 Passenger Bus, under the Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission, #34HUNCCP, in the amount of \$143,515.26 - CAF#9900242654.

32. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract #T-2276), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health and Human Services) and FFF

Enterprises, for the purchase of Influenza Vaccine for the 2024-2025 Camden County Seasonal Flu Immunization Program, in the amount of \$82,460.65 - CAF#9900242786.

33. Resolution authorizing Hold Harmless Agreements, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Health and Human Services) and various entities for use of facilities by the Camden County Department of Health and Human Services for the County's 2024-2025 Immunization Program.

34. Resolution authorizing the submission of a Grant Application, by the County of Camden (Department of Health and Human Services) to the New Jersey Department of Human Services, for the 2025 Comprehensive Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Treatment Grant, in the amount of \$1,600,996.00.

35. Resolution authorizing the submission of a Grant Application by the County of Camden (Department of Health and Human Services) to the New Jersey Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services, for the County Innovation Grant, in the amount of \$380,078.00.

36. Resolution approving personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Commissioner Betteridge.

37. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the FY 2023 State Body Armor Replacement Fund Grant, in the amount of \$19,184.53.

38. Resolution authorizing a substitution of funds in the amount of \$717,799.00 to provide financing for CCTV upgrades at the Camden County Correctional Facility.

39. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget from Colonial Pipeline Company in the amount of \$1,500.00.

40. Resolution authorizing the use of Competitive Contracting Request for Proposals, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1 et seq., for planning, consulting and related services relative to a re-entry and rehabilitation facility for the Camden County Department of Corrections.

41. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid #22-24), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Corrections) and SHI International Corp., for Jail Management Computer Network License, OMS Software Maintenance and Tech Support, under the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance System ID #CK04, in the amount of \$83,966.31 -CAF#9900242820.

42. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract 19-TELE-01510), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Corrections) and Dell Marketing, LP, for renewal of software licensing, in the amount of \$207,462.96 - CAF#9900242910.

43. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract 19-TELE-00656), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Corrections) and Dell Marketing, LP, for the purchase of 47 computers and monitors, in the amount of \$68,822.10 - CAF#9900242793.

44. Resolution ratifying the submission of a Grant Application, by the County of Camden (Department of Corrections) to the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, for the FY24 Body Worn Camera Grant.

45. Resolution authorizing the submission of a Grant Application, by the County of Camden (Department of Corrections) to the Department of Justice, for the Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant and Substance Use Site-Based Program Grant, in the amount of \$1,600,000.00.

46. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract #A-83916/T-0109), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Safety) and Intrado Life & Safety Solutions, for purchase of radio communication equipment, accessories and one-year maintenance contract for the Viper 911 telephone system, in the amount of \$649,354.00 - CAF# 9900242879, along with a maintenance and recurring services contract for a total amount of \$792,865.96. Funding contingent upon passage of the 2025 through 2028 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

47. Resolution authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Public Safety) and the Voorhees Fire Department, relative to the transfer of a Hazardous Materials Response Vehicle.

48. Resolution authorizing the approval and signature of an Application for Local Workforce Development Certification 2024 - 2026 and Confirmation of Interest in Maintaining Status.

49. Resolution approving personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Commissioner Young.

50. Resolution authorizing a Bond Substitution in the amount of \$15,000,000.00 to provide funding for Camden County Supportive Housing Facility.

51. Resolution amending an Agreement authorized by Resolution No. 84, adopted October 20, 2022, authorizing an award of the Camden County Public Health Emergency Regional Command Center Grant to Cooper University Hospital.

**ABSTAIN: MELINDA KANE
VIRGINIA BETTERIDGE
LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR.**

52. Resolution amending Resolution No. 67, adopted March 21, 2024, establishing program and funding categories relating to Camden County allocation of American Rescue Plan Funds.

53. Resolution authorizing the appointment of a Member to the Camden County Technical Schools Board of Education.

54. Resolution rejecting Bid A-31/2024, Floating Golf Balls for the Camden County Golf Academy, as bids received were non-compliant with the specifications and substantially exceeded the budget for this purpose.

55. Resolution approving personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Commissioner Deputy Director McDonnell.

56. Resolution inserting Chapter 159 Funds into the Budget for the SFY 24 Arrive Together Grant Program, in the amount of \$150,000.00.

57. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract 20-FLEET-01189), by and between the County of Camden (Office of the Prosecutor) and Chas. S. Winner, Inc., d/b/a Winner Ford, for the purchase of five (5) 2025 Ford Utility Interceptors, in the amount of \$216,366.00. Funding contingent upon availability of funds from the Camden County Prosecutor's Office Law Enforcement Trust Account.

58. Resolution ratifying the submission of a Grant Application, by the County of Camden (Office of the Prosecutor) to the Bureau of Justice Assistance, for the FY 2024 Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant, in the amount of \$27,280.00.

59. Resolution amending Resolution No. 68, adopted May 16, 2024, ratifying the submission of a Grant Application, by the County of Camden (Office of the Prosecutor) to the State of New Jersey, Office of the Attorney General, Department of Law and Public Safety, for the FFY23 STOP Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Grant, to increase the match amount.

60. Resolution amending Camden County Policy and Procedures No. 24 - Management Personnel Time Policy.

61. Resolution authorizing the appointment and reappointment of Members to the Camden County Homelessness Trust Fund Advisory Board.

62. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Office of the County Clerk) and ColorSource, Inc., for election ballot printing services, in the amount of \$650,000.00. Funding available in the amount of \$295,000.00 - CAF#9900242918. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2025 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

63. Resolution ratifying a Shared Services Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Office of the County Clerk) and the County of Monmouth, relative to the use of a Document Summary Management System, in the amount of \$30,500.00 annually. Funding available in the amount of \$30,500.00 - CAF#9900240745. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2025 through 2033 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

64. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (Bid A-28/2022 - 2 Year Option), by and between the County of Camden (Office of the County Clerk) and County Business Systems, Inc., for Proprietary Bid for Software Maintenance, Support, and Enhancements for the Land Recording System for the County Clerk's Office, in the amount of \$187,868.00. Funding available in the amount of \$39,139.17 - CAF#9900242921. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2025 and 2026 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

65. Resolution ratifying an award of Contract (State Contract 21-TELE-01506/AR3227), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Information Technology) and Core BTS, Inc., for network security hardware upgrades, in the amount of \$116,693.29 - P.O. 234393.

66. Resolution ratifying an award of Contract (State Contract #20-TELE-01510/T1321), by and between the County of Camden (Office of Archives and Records Management) and Dell Marketing, L.P., for Annual Maintenance and Support for the Camden County Records Information Management (RIM) System, in the amount of \$48,300.00 - CAF#9900242502.

67. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to Competitive Contracting Request For Proposals #21-34 (1st One Year Option), by and between the County of Camden (Office of Community Development) and Volunteers of America, Delaware Valley, for the Operation of a Temporary Homeless Shelter at the Regan Building, Lakeland Complex, Blackwood, in the amount of \$2,485,711.00. Funding contingent upon passage of the American Recovery Plan Allocation Resolution.

68. Resolution authorizing inclusion of a Project Labor Agreement in the Camden County Supportive Housing Project, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:38-1, et seq.

ABSTAIN: JONATHAN YOUNG, SR.

69. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to Competitive Contracting Request for Proposals #24-24, by and between the County of Camden (Office of County Counsel) and Steven W. Bartelt, MAI, for Real Estate Appraisal Services, on an as-needed basis.

70. Resolution authorizing Agreements, pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Proposals, by and between the County of Camden (Office of County Counsel) and various law firms for the provision of Special, Conflicts and Labor Counsel Services.

71. Resolution amending a Shared Services Agreement (5-year option to renew), by and between the County of Camden and the Camden County Improvement Authority relative to reimbursements for certain programs and professional services.

72. Resolution authorizing a Settlement Agreement and Release, by and between the County of Camden (Office of the Sheriff) and PBA Local 277.

73. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract, pursuant to Bid A-25/2024, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Police Services) and Nielson Ford of Morristown, Inc., for lease of police vehicles, in the amount of \$1,901,397.60. Funding available in the amount of \$400,000.00 - CAF#9900243036. Balance of funding contingent upon passage of the 2025 through 2029 Temporary and/or Permanent Budgets.

74. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract #T-3083), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Police Services) and Idemia Identity & Security USA LLC, for purchase of two (2) Live Scan Fingerprinting Systems, printers and cameras, in the amount of \$48,202.00 - CAF#9900242684.

75. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract #17-FLEET-00772), by and between the County of Camden (Office of Police Services) and MES Lawmen Supply Company, for the purchase of ballistic shields and wireless lights, in the amount of \$106,392.24. Funding available through the Municipal Forfeiture Fund.

76. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract #A-81629), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Police Services) and Knoll, Inc., for the purchase and installation of office furniture, in the amount of \$44,894.10 - CAF#9900242819.

77. Resolution authorizing an award of Contract (State Contract #A-81631), by and between the County of Camden (Department of Police Services) and Metalworks, Inc, d/b/a Great Openings, for the provision of lockers and supplies for satellite office, in the amount of \$78,310.40 - CAF#9900242893.

78. Resolution approving personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Commissioner Director Cappelli.

RESOLUTION 79

The Director called for a motion on Resolution No. 79 acknowledging personnel actions requested by or on behalf of Constitutional or Statutory Row Offices.

Director Cappelli opened the meeting to any member of the public who wished to address the Board of Commissioner.

Dr. Sarah Joslin, 1234 Forge Road, Cherry Hill. Dr. Joslin said I am here today to speak on the issue of fair and accessible housing. This is a social determinant of health and I see that there is a discussion on-going about preparing for supportive housing for low-income people in this area. I remind the Commissioners of the importance of providing sufficient, fair and accessible housing. This is an on-going issue not only within our county but within the United States. With the recent Supreme Court ruling I am hoping that we are making adequate preparations for housing for those in need as we have severe heat warnings in the summer and of course as we approach the winter we will have severe cold days. Our goal should be to ensure that we are providing the housing that is needed for residents in our county that are below the poverty thresholds. As the Commissioners are aware we are short the number of housing units that are needed in our county and there are also on-going investigations in lieu of large corporations setting standards and rents that are based on algorithms. These are issues of concern as we look at the matter of fair and accessible housing for Camden County residents. I look to the Commissioners in the planning area and in the resource areas to work to resolve this matter. Thank you.

Director Cappelli said thank you Dr. Joslin. We agree with you, and this is something we deal with every day in county government and through our Camden County Improvement Authority. As you probably know, each municipality in Camden County has adopted a Fair Share Housing Plan which is being implemented in each municipality as we speak. We in the County have an office both within the County and the Camden County Improvement Authority to deal with low-income housing. We are actively working with municipalities to partner in any way that we can to (1) develop new affordable housing; and (2) renovate affordable housing in need of renovations. We are with you, and I thank you for your comments.

Seeing no other members of the public wishing to comment, Director Cappelli asked for a motion to close the public hearing. Deputy Director McDonnell made a motion with a second by Commissioner Nash and all Commissioners voted aye.

The Director opened the floor to the members of the Board of Commissioners for their comments.

Commissioner Nash said John, thank you for coming to our meeting today. I wanted to update the Commissioners and the public on the Parks Alive 2025 Plan. It is in full swing, and I want to give credit to members of the Parks Department, Scott, Ashley, Anthony, Maureen and others who are working so hard to renovate and revitalize all 22 parks systems in Camden County. They have done an outstanding job. You saw on this Agenda the Skateboard Park at Cooper River Park will be under construction soon. There are two new playgrounds at Newton Lake. Cooper River Park is going to have a new state-of-the-art playground and new softball

fields. Johnson Park in Camden is being remediated. Under construction is Jake's Place at New Brooklyn Park in Winslow Township to be dedicated to Mayor Barry Wright, which was always his dream. We are actively working with several members of the public in the water community to build a water trail and to offer water amenities using our lakes, kayak launches and trails. That is an exciting project. The Link Trail, which is a 32-mile trail which stretches from the Ben Franklin Bridge to the southern part of Winslow is being engineered and we have made great headway with Conrail to gain access to part of the trails. All of this is going extremely well. I do want to thank Lisa for her administrative support because she is amazing and organizes all these meetings. I recently was at Saddle Hill which is in Cherry Hill at the corner of Evesham Road and Springdale Road. IT reminded me that Camden County saved that property from development. What has always been a horse farm had fallen in disrepair over the years since it had been preserved by the County, the State and the Township but now they have built a spectacular winery. It is very popular They had added horses and alpacas and all kinds of animals, and it is truly the aesthetic amenity that it was for Cherry Hill, Voorhees and Camden County. The parks look great. To the operations people in the Parks Department and to members of Special Events, thank you. There was a Dave Matthews tribute band at the Dell last week that was better than Dave Matthews. As you know, Director, I am a Swifty and tonight is a tribute band to Taylor Swift and there are going to be thousands of people there. I am hosting a group of 18 Girl Scouts from Cherry Hill who are super excited about it.

Director Capelli said thank you Commissioner for your leadership with the parks. It is truly amazing how much we have invested in and improved our parks over the last couple of years. The Parks Alive 2025 Plan is phenomenal.

Commissioner Young said, Commissioner Nash I must commend you as well. There are a lot of great things that we do in this county but the one thing I know people talk about on a regular basis is the quality of life here in Camden County. That has a lot to do with our great parks system and our events. Commissioner Young said there are a lot of good things going on at our Sustainability Campus. Since we built our multi-purpose building, we have been trying to figure out how to highlight our local fruits and vegetables and flowers. On Thursdays, from now until the end of the summer, from 3:00 to 8:00 PM we have a Farmer's Market being operated out of the Sustainability Building.

Commissioner Young said the Certified Gardeners in partnership with the Office of Environmental Affairs will be launching an educational series on Backyard Composting in September at various locations in Cherry Hill and Gloucester Township. More details can be found on the County website. It is monarch butterfly season and on Tuesday, August 27th we will have a monarch butterfly release. Last year's release was a huge success with a very big turnout. They are native to New Jersey and very important to our pollinators. We will be releasing the monarchs and giving away milkweed plants to residents to attract the monarchs in their own backyards. Finally, I would like to get a shout out to our Office of Emergency Management. They are at all our big events and serve as our eyes in the sky with the support of the Police Department and the Prosecutor's Office.

Commissioner Kane said I would like to introduce two strange people who are sitting here today, my brothers, Michael and Ed Hopkins. It has been 15 years since the three of us have been together for a good occasion. I would also like to follow up with what Jon said about Jeff and the parks and the quality of life the parks and the programs we provide and offer to residents. Last week I had the pleasure of attending the Opera in the Park and while the crowd may not have been as big as what we will see tonight for Taylor Swift, there were many people there who were extremely appreciative of having the opportunity to be exposed to opera. Families that were walking through the park as they do every night stopped to listen to the music. It was just a beautiful evening. For all the concerts, operas, entertainment, the classes we offer and all the hard work that goes into planning these events and programs, it is very much appreciated by many of us. Thank you to everyone involved. Finally, in this season of heat, I would like to thank Mike Billingham, the Director of Buildings and Operations, for making sure all our buildings are cool and comfortable.

Commissioner Dyer said I would like to acknowledge a few individuals. The first is Mr. Arnold Byrd. Mr. Byrd retired from OEO after 56 years. He has lived in Camden all his life and was the founder of the Centerville Senators. If you went to Camden High, you played youth football for Centerville. If you went to Woodrow Wilson, you played for Cramer Hill or Roosevelt. He founded the Senators in 1969. They had a retirement party for him and a lot of old legends showed up. It was a great event. We also recently provided a Proclamation for the Delta Sigma Theta organization who celebrated their 55th South Jersey Chapter. It was a great event. These ladies do a lot in the community. We also had our 6th Annual Haasan Reddick Football Camp on Saturday. We average almost 400 kids every year for this event. The event is growing and growing and I think we need to start having organizations set up tables to give out information because the parents come out as well. This would be a great opportunity to provide services. Melinda Kane showed off her arm and she looked like Johnny Unitas. It was a great day!

Last but not least, yesterday we attended the East Camden History Mural Unveiling at the Bush Refrigeration Building on Admiral Wilson Boulevard. The mural is a collage of historical figures, organizations and locations that are meaningful to the East Camden neighborhood and aims to amplify the rich history of the community. This mural celebrates the greatness that has come out of this community, and the talent and beauty it exudes. The mural design was created by local Camden artists Breiner Garcia, Priscilla Rios and Don T. Williams, who are also members of the We Live Here Artists Collective, as part of the initiative to replace the graffiti and vandalism covering the wall of the Bush Refrigeration building.

Commissioner Betteridge said I would like to highlight some of the projects the Department of Health and Human Services has been working on, in particular the vaccination program to make sure all the children in Camden County are vaccinated before they go into school. On our website you can find a list of the vaccination sites throughout Camden County. By the end of August we will be opening the Camden City Public Health Clinic at Wiggins. More information to follow as the date nears. On June 17th at Rutgers-Camden we held a Child

and Maternal Health Conference and I am happy to report that it was successful and as a result of the conversations and participants that attended I have been invited to Cooper University Health Care to participate in the graduation of doulas. At the conference it was noted that doulas are needed to help moms with the maternity process. We are actively in the community working with the South Jersey Doula Association and this will be the first group graduating. The flu vaccine sites will be forthcoming, and you can find more information on our website.

The Camden County Board of Social Services has been working diligently with all the federal changes that have happened since we are in the post-COVID era. The team has done an outstanding job to make sure all the residents in Camden County are receiving their benefits.

Commissioner Deputy Director McDonnell said John Donnadio, thank you for coming. Thank you to all our employees for all the great work they do every day for our residents.

Commissioner Director Cappelli said I want to give a quick shout out to the Camden County Addiction Awareness Task Force led by Dominic Vesper. As of June 30th, there were 70 fewer overdose deaths compared to this time last year. For the first time, we are seeing a significant drop and it is that Task Force that has delivered to us ideas and thoughts on how to deal with this horrible epidemic out there with opioids and fentanyl and I think we are finally starting to see the results of our investment over the years. Hopefully those numbers continue to get better. We still have a long way to go and there is more to come but I wanted to thank the Task Force for all their great work. I would also like to thank all the employees of Camden County for the great work they do day in and day out on behalf of our residents.

The Director asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Young made a motion with a second by Commissioner Nash and all Commissioners voted aye. The meeting was adjourned at 12:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Clerk of the Board