

**CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CAUCUS MEETING
OCTOBER 15, 2024
6th FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
520 MARKET STREET, CAMDEN, NJ 08102**

Commissioner 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, VIRGINIA BETTERIDGE, JONATHAN YOUNG, SR., EDWARD McDONNELL, LOUIS CAPPELLI, JR.

Commissioner Director Cappelli said good afternoon. This meeting has been properly advertised in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. The Commissioner Director asked everyone to stand for a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Commissioner Director said at Thursday's meeting we will have Public Hearings on the following two Resolutions regarding Bond financing:

Introduction of Resolution #1

Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Camden, New Jersey providing the County's consent to (i) (a) 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, and (b) the refunding of certain prior County Guaranteed Loan Revenue Bonds of the Camden County Improvement Authority issued to finance the acquisition, construction, renovation or installation of certain capital projects of the County; (ii) the issuance by the Authority of a series of its tax-exempt "County Guaranteed Loan Revenue Bonds (County Capital Program), Series A of 2024" and a series of its tax-exempt "County Guaranteed Loan Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series B of 2024" for the purposes of (a) financing the County project authorized hereby and (b) refunding certain prior County Guaranteed Loan Revenue Bonds of the Authority issued to finance the acquisition, construction, renovation or installation of certain capital projects of the County; (iii) the loan agreement by and between the County and the Authority in connection with the financing and refinancing authorized hereby; and (iv) certain other matters related thereto and pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:37A-56.

Introduction of Resolution No. 2

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 A of 2024” and “County Guaranteed Loan Revenue Bonds Refunding Bonds, Series B of 2024” to be issued by the Camden County Improvement Authority for the purposes of (a) financing the acquisition and installation of certain capital equipment and the construction of certain capital infrastructure improvements in, by and for the County and (b) refunding all or a portion of the callable maturities of the Authority’s outstanding County Guaranteed Loan Revenue Bonds (County Capital Program), Series 2014 and the Authority’s outstanding County Guaranteed Loan Revenue Bonds (County Capital Program), Series 2015.

The Commissioner Director then 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 12 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 13 through 17 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 Nash

Commissioner Nash read Resolutions 18 through 28 into the record and they were approved to be placed on the agenda for adoption.

With respect to Resolution No. 25 authorizing a Temporary Construction Easement and Indemnification Agreement, by and between the County of Camden (Department of Parks) and Speedway, LLC, for the purpose of designing and construction of Segment 1A of the Link Trail, Commissioner Nash thanked County Counsel for their persistence in getting this done.

Commissioner Nash commented that Resolution No. 27 authorizing an enabling Resolution amending the Green Acres Project Agreement to increase funding for the Camden

County Open Space Plan in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 essentially preserves the grant for future projects.

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

Commissioner Betteridge read Resolutions 29 through 32 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 33 through 39 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

Commissioner Deputy Director McDonnell read Resolutions 40 through 44 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

Commissioner Director Cappelli read Resolutions 45 through 60 into the record and they were approved to be placed on the agenda for adoption.

The Director noted that regarding Resolution No. 50, 51, 52 and 53, some of the projects that we thought were being funded did not qualify under federal regulations, so the funds are being rescinded for those particular projects and reapplied to projects that do meet the qualifications for federal programs.

The Commissioner 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, Commissioner Director Cappelli asked for a motion to close the public portion. Commissioner Deputy Director McDonnell made a motion with a second by Commissioner Nash. All Commissioners present voted aye.

CLOSED SESSION RESOLUTION

Commissioner Director Cappelli 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
3. 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 a final determination.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Commissioner Director Cappelli 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 Betteridge at 12:26 p.m.

The Commissioners returned from closed session with a motion made by Commissioner Betteridge and a second by Commissioner Dyer at 12:35 p.m.

There being no further discussion, the Commissioner Director asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Young made a motion to adjourn with a second by Commissioner Betteridge at 12:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karyn Gilmore
Clerk of the Board