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MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

FORMAL MEETING OF MARCH 28, 2019

MINUTES

Chair Cimino called the Formal Meeting to order at 6:10 PM on March 28, 2019, in Room 211 of the Joyce L. McDade Administration Building, 640 South Broad Street, Trenton, New Jersey.

The following members of the Board answered the Roll Call of the Clerk to the Board:

Present- Freeholders Cannon, Colavita, Frisby, Koontz, Melker, Walter and Cimino

The Clerk to the Board read the Invocation.

Chair Cimino led the Pledge of Allegiance and Salute to the Flag.

The Clerk to Board announced that in accordance with the provisions for the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law, Notice of this Formal Meeting has been mailed to The Trentonian, The Trenton Times, The Princeton Packet newspaper as well as having been posted in the County Administration Building and Courthouse at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting.

Chair Cimino welcomed members of the public to comment on any item listed on the Agenda. At this time, Chair Cimino opened the public hearing on the Resolution regarding the Mercer County Board of Chosen Freeholders approving the prequalification regulations for the Henry Phillips Barn at Howell Living History Farm.

(See Schedule "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof)

Chair Cimino called for a motion to close the public hearing.

Freeholder Colavita moved, **“To Close the Public Hearing”**, seconded by Freeholder Cannon.

VOTE ON MOTION

Ayes-7. Nays-0. Abstain-0. Absent-0

Ayes- Freeholder Cannon, Colavita, Frisby, Koontz, Melker, Walter and Cimino

COMMUNICATIONS:

A communication was received from County Executive Brian Hughes dated March 11, 2019, RE: Appointments requiring Freeholder Advise and Consent.

A communication was received from Salem County, Clerk of the Board Office, dated March 11, 2019, RE: Resolution authorizing the New Jersey Association of Counties to file a complaint with the New Jersey Council on Local Mandates that P.L. 2018, Chapter 72 constitutes an unfunded State mandate in violation of Article III, Section III, paragraph 5 of the New Jersey Constitution.

A communication was received from Hunterdon County, Delaware Township Office of Township Committee, dated February 25, 2019, RE: Continued unaddressed issues by Penn East Pipeline Company, LLC

A communication was received from Andrew Mair, County Administrator, County of Mercer, dated March 26, 2019, RE: Questions regarding Professional Service Agreement with Cherry Weber and Associates from Freeholder Meeting of February 26, 2019.

A communication was received from Andrew A. Mair, County Administrator, dated March 26, 2019, RE: Questions regarding Jingoli Real Estate, LLC and Municipal Assistance Project Agreement from Chair Cimino

RESOLUTIONS:

The Clerk to the Board called for a Motion to Table the following proposed Resolution:

Freeholder Cannon moved, seconded by Freeholder Colavita, that:

RESCIND RESOLUTION NO. 98-467, ADOPTED DECEMBER 10, 1998 CANCELLING A PROPOSED TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF REAL PROPERTY AN AUTHORIZING THE RETURN OF A DEPOSIT RECEIVED FROM JINGOLI REAL ESTATE LLC., (\$43,750.00), TOGETHER WITH ANY ACCRUED INTEREST PROPERTY: BLOCK 372, LOT 1, EWING TOWNSHIP
BE TABLED

Andrew Mair, County Administrator, asked that the Resolution be pulled until further information was received.

VOTE ON MOTION TO TABLE

Ayes-7. Nays-0. Abstain-0. Absent-0

Ayes- Freeholder Cannon, Colavita, Frisby, Koontz, Melker, Walter and Cimino

The Clerk to the Board called for a Motion to Vote in Block on the Resolution listed on the Agenda.

Freeholder Cannon moved, seconded by Freeholder Melker, that:

RESOLUTIONS NO. 1 THROUGH 13 AND 15 THROUGH 25 ON THE AGENDA "**BE VOTED IN BLOCK**"

VOTE ON MOTION

Ayes-7. Nays-0. Abstain-0. Absent-0

Ayes- Freeholder Cannon, Colavita, Frisby, Koontz, Melker, Walter and Cimino

Freeholder Cannon offered the following Resolutions, seconded by Freeholder Koontz:

- NO. 2019-167 RESOLUTION APPROPRIATION RESERVE TRANSFER
PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A:40A-59
- NO. 2019-168 MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
APPROVES THE PREQUALIFICATION REGULATIONS FOR
HENRY PHILLIPS BARN AT HOWELL LIVING HISTORY
FARM
- NO. 2019-169 MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
AUTHORIZES AND DIRECTS THAT AN OPEN SPACE
TAX OF \$0.025 PER \$100.00 OF EQUALIZED ASSESSED
VALUE BE LEVIED IN THE COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2019 TO
BE DEPOSITED IN AN OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION
TRUST FUND
- NO. 2019-170 COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND THE MERCER COUNTY BOARD
OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS APPROVE C & S COMPANIES,
DY CONSULTANTS AND URBAN ENGINEERS, INC., AS
QUALIFIED CONSULTANTS TO PROVIDE
ARCHITECTURAL, ENGINEERING AND RELATED
SERVICES FOR THE TRENTON-MERCER AIRPORT.
PERIOD: FIVE [5 YEARS] MAY 6, 2019 THROUGH MAY 5,
2024
- NO. 2019-171 COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD
AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
AGREEMENT [AWARDED THROUGH A NON-FAIR AND
OPEN PROCESS] WITH VOLAIRE AVIATION, INC., TO
PROVIDE AIRLINE AND AIRPORT MARKETING
CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE TRENTON-MERCER
AIRPORT. PERIOD: APRIL 1, 2019 THROUGH MARCH 31,
2020. AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED: \$60,000.000.

NO. 2019-172 COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT (AWARDED THROUGH A NON-FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS) WITH TRIMBOLI & PRUNSIKOWSKI, LLC., FOR PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES REGARDING LABOR ISSUES AT THE OFFICE OF THE MERCER COUNTY SHERIFF. AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED: \$100,000.00 PERIOD: APRIL 1, 2018 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2019

NO. 2019-173 COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT (AWARDED THROUGH A NON-FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS) WITH SAPHIRE + ALBARRAN, ARCHITECTURE LLC., TO PROVIDE ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR ANTICIPATED CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS. AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED: \$85,000.00 PERIOD: MARCH 29, 2019 THROUGH MARCH 28, 2020

NO. 2019-174 COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019 ANNUAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM FOR COUNTY AID TO VARIOUS BRIDGES IN MERCER COUNTY. TOTAL AMOUNT: \$5,479.327.00

NO. 2019-175 COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A MUNICIPAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF MERCER AND LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP FOR ASSISTANCE IN THE ACQUISITION OF SHEFT ASSOCIATES PROPERTY, KNOWN AS BLOCK 2101, P/O LOT 39 IN LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP, NEW JERSEY. COUNTY COST NOT TO EXCEED: \$1,470,100.00

- NO. 2019-176 AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 2015-255, ADOPTED APRIL 21, 2015 AND AUTHORIZE THE MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS TO APPROVE THE INCLUSION OF BRIDGE NO. 330.1 AND BRIDGE NO. 331.1, WITHIN THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FISCAL YEAR 2015 ANNUAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM FOR COUNTY AID FOR VARIOUS BRIDGES IN MERCER COUNTY AMOUNT REMAINS: \$2,808,700.00 (AMENDMENT NO. 1)
- NO. 2019-177 ACCEPTANCE OF ROADWAY EASEMENT FOR 1561 HAMILTON AVENUE TO THE COUNTY OF MERCER FOR THE PURPOSE OF ROAD WIDENING, BLOCK 2025, LOT 1, COUNTY ROUTE 606 HAMILTON AVENUE, HAMILTON TOWNSHIP, MERCER COUNTY; COUNTY FUNDS: \$1.00
- NO. 2019-178 ACCEPTANCE OF ROADWAY EASEMENT FROM HIGHGLEN CLOVER SQUARE, LLC., TO THE COUNTY OF MERCER FOR THE PURPOSE OF ROAD WIDENING, HAMILTON TOWNSHIP, MERCER COUNTY; COUNTY FUNDS: \$1.00
- NO. 2019-179 ACCEPTANCE OF DEED OF DEDICATION FROM HIGHGLEN CLOVER SQUARE, LLC, TO THE COUNTY OF MERCER , FOR THE PURPOSE OF ROAD WIDENING, HAMILTON TOWNSHIP, MERCER COUNTY FUNDS: \$1.00
- NO. 2019-180 COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A PROPRIETARY HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT AGREEMENT WITH COUNTY BUSINESS SYSTEMS, INC., FOR THE PROBATE SYSTEM AT THE OFFICE OF THE MERCER COUNTY SURROGATE . PERIOD: JANUARY 1, 2019 TO DECEMBER 31, 2020. TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED: \$20,320.00

- NO. 2019-181 COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED A SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT AGREEMENT WITH TRITECH SOFTWARE SYSTEMS FOR SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT TO THE COUNTY OF MERCER. AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED: \$96,301.39 PERIOD: JANUARY 1, 2019 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2019
- NO. 2019-182 COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF MERCER AND PICTOMETRY INTERNATIONAL CORP., FOR A 2019 AERIAL IMAGE LIBRARY AND RENEWAL LICENSE FOR USE BY MERCER COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPALITY. TOTAL COST: \$112,565.56 (2018 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT FUNDS)
- NO. 2019-183 COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT FOR THE "MERCER AT PLAY 2" PROGRAM WITH THE CITY OF TRENTON FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS THE REHABILITATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. PARK, MONSIGNOR LIPINSKI PARK, BREUNIG AVENUE PARK AND WEST WARD RECREATION CENTER. COST NOT TO EXCEED: \$500,000.00
- NO. 2019-184 COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CLERK TO THE BOARD ARE HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENTS WITH MERCER COUNTY MUNICIPALITIES TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) DISPATCH. PERIOD: JANUARY 1, 2019 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2019
- NO. 2019-185 AWARD OF BID RECEIVED FEBRUARY 12, 2019 TO COUNTY BUSINESS SYSTEMS, LLC FOR POLL BOOK PRODUCTION AND PROGRAMMING FOR THE MERCER COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF ELECTIONS TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED: \$61,128.00 (\$53,628.00- POLL BOOK PRODUCTION; \$7,500.00- PROGRAMMING) PERIOD: APRIL 10, 2019 TO APRIL 9, 2021 WITH AN OPTION TO EXTEND FOR ONE (1) YEAR

- NO. 2019-186 MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
RECOGNIZES MARCH AS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH
IN MERCER COUNTY
- NO. 2019-187 APPOINTMENT OF TERRY WEST TO SERVE AS A MEMBER
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR MERCER CEMETERY
- NO. 2019-188 REAPPOINTMENT TO THE MERCER COUNTY
AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD
- NO. 2019-189 REAPPOINTMENT TO THE MERCER COUNTY OPEN SPACE
PRESERVATION BOARD
- NO. 2019-190 AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 2017-437, ADOPTED SEPTEMBER
28, 2017 AND AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE
AND CLERK TO THE BOARD TO EXECUTE AN
AMENDMENT [AMENDMENT NO. 1] TO THE
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH CHERRY
WEBER AND ASSOCIATES [HEREIN REFERRED TO AS VAN
CLEEF ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, LLC] FOR THE
COUNTY ROUTE 533 TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYSTEM AND
IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT IN THE TOWNSHIPS OF
HAMILTON, LAWRENCE AND WEST WINDSOR [NJDOT JOB
NO. 65006401]. AMEND RESOLUTION TO REFLECT THE
VENDOR NAME CHANGE, EXTEND THE PERIOD UNTIL
THE COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT, AND TO INCREASE
THE CONTRACT AMOUNT BY \$31,725.25 [+12%]
RESULTING IN A REVISED TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT
NOT TO EXCEED: \$304,943.01.

VOTE ON MOTION

Ayes-7. Nays-0. Abstain-0. Absent-0

Ayes- Freeholder Cannon, Colavita, Frisby, Koontz, Melker, Walter and Cimino

NEW BUSINESS:

Freeholder Walter voiced her frustration that Mercer County was not included in the statewide kick-off for Census 2020. She was concerned that Trenton was overlooked during the planning stages for the kick-off.

PUBLIC SECTION:

At this time, Chair Cimino invited the members of the public to comment on any item listed on the agenda.

Anne Marie Nolan, a resident of Hamilton, NJ and Educational Therapeutic Associate at the Mercer County Special Services School District spoke about the lack of stability at the administrator level at the Mercer County Special Service School District. She indicated that administrators are not connected with employees.

Freeholder Walter stated that the Mercer County Special Service School Board remained in negotiation, however currently in fact finding.

Freeholder Colavita asked does the board have to agree to fact finding.

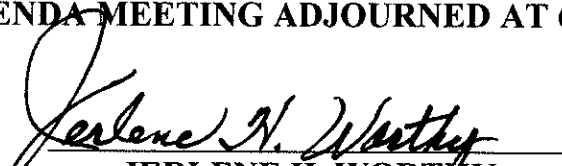
Freeholder Walter responded no.

Freeholder Frisby thanked the group of teachers for their hard work and dedication with special needs students.

Freeholder Colavita commended teachers on their patience and dedication for working with special needs students.

Karen Berk, a resident of Yardley, PA invited the Freeholder Board to visit the school to observe how the staff engages with students.

AGENDA MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:40 PM



JERLENE H. WORTHY
CLERK TO THE BOARD

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MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

McDade Administration Building
640 South Broad Street, Room 211
Trenton, NJ 08650

Thursday, March 28, 2019
6:10 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING IN RE: The Adoption of
Prequalification Regulations for Prospective
Bidders for Historic Preservation Work at the
Henry Phillips Barn as Part of the Howell Living
History Farm.

FREEHOLDERS PRESENT:

- JOHN A. CIMINO, CHAIR
- ANDREW R. KOONTZ, VICE CHAIR
- NINA D. MELKER
- PASQUALE COLAVITA, JR.
- LUCYLLE R.S. WALTER
- ANN M. CANNON
- SAMUEL T. FRISBY

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9 LILLIAN L. NAZZARO, DEPUTY COUNTY COUNSEL,

10 640 South Broad Street

11 Trenton, NJ 08650

12 For the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

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15 PRESENT:

16 ANDREW A. MAIR, County Administrator

17 JERLENE H. WORTHY, Board Clerk

18 EBONY WITHERSPOON, County Administrative Clerk

19 HERMAN SNYDER, Project Manager, Living History

20 Farm

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Re: Henry Phillips Barn

1 CHAIR CIMINO: I would like to call
2 the Mercer County Board of Chosen Freeholders
3 formal meeting of March 28, 2019, to order,
4 please.

5 Madam Clerk, roll call.

6 MS. WORTHY: Freeholder Cannon.

7 FREEHOLDER CANNON: Present.

8 MS. WORTHY: Freeholder Colavita.

9 FREEHOLDER COLAVITA: Here.

10 MS. WORTHY: Freeholder Frisby.

11 FREEHOLDER FRISBY: Yes, ma'am.

12 MS. WORTHY: Freeholder Koontz.

13 VICE CHAIR KOONTZ: Here.

14 MS. WORTHY: Freeholder Melker.

15 FREEHOLDER MELKER: Here

16 MS. WORTHY: Freeholder Walter.

17 FREEHOLDER WALTER: Here.

18 MS. WORTHY: Freeholder Cimino.

19 CHAIR CIMINO: Here.

20 Please stand for the invocation.

21 (Invocation recited by Ms. Worthy.)

22 CHAIR CIMINO: Flag salute.

23 (Flag salute recited by the

24 assemblage.)

25 CHAIR CIMINO: Sunshine Law, Madam

Re: Henry Phillips Barn

1 Clerk.

2 MS. WORTHY: In accordance with the
3 provision of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings
4 Act, notice of this formal meeting has been mailed
5 to the Trenton Times, the Trentonian, and the
6 Princeton Packet newspapers, as well as has been
7 posted in both the County Administration Building
8 and the courthouse at least 48 hours in advance of
9 this meeting.

10 CHAIR CIMINO: Thank you.

11 This evening we do have a public
12 hearing for the prequalification regulations for
13 Henry Phillips Barn at Howell Living History
14 Farm.

15 I will turn it over to our deputy
16 administrator, Mr. Watson. Welcome. Good to see
17 you again, sir.

18 MR. A. T. WATSON: Good evening,
19 everyone.

20 THE REPORTER: May I have your full
21 name, sir?

22 MR. A. T. WATSON: Sure.
23 Aaron T. Watson.

24 THE REPORTER: And your title, sir?

25 MR. A. T. WATSON: I'm deputy

Aaron T. Watson

1 administrator of Mercer County.

2 THE REPORTER: Thank you.

3 MR. A. T. WATSON: Good evening,
4 everyone.

5 So, in the interest of time for the
6 freeholders, because I know you've got a lot on
7 your agenda, and currently I'm a little bit under
8 the weather here and I'll spare a long
9 introduction.

10 I think we all know why we're here.
11 But just to give you a brief intro, we're here for
12 the purpose a historic home. It's a late
13 twentieth century home that's built in the
14 Pleasant Valley Historic District on the property
15 of Howell Living History Farm, something that I
16 think we all agree is a jewel to Mercer County.

17 We are endeavoring to make some
18 renovations to the western section of the Phillips
19 Barn. We'll complete the overall restoration of
20 this barn complex. The siding and the roofing
21 will be stripped off, the timber frame will be
22 disassembled, repaired and re-erected. There will
23 be a public barn raising event held. New painted
24 siding, doors and roofing installed on the western
25 section. The interior will also have new wood

1 flooring.

2 Now, someone who can speak to this
3 far more eloquently than I is our consultant Chris
4 Pickell.

5 Just to give you a little background
6 on Chris. Chris is working on several projects in
7 Mercer County, most mainly the Fish Barn that's
8 currently housed at the Living History Farm, as
9 well as the Equestrian Center, and the red barn
10 that's out at Mercer Meadows.

11 For the purposes of the hearing, also
12 with me today, from the Mercer County Park
13 Commission, is the assistant executive director,
14 Joseph Pizza, P-i-z-z-a; the second person is Pete
15 Watson, Pete is our director of Howell Living
16 History Farm; and the third gentleman is Herman
17 Snyder, S-n-y-d-e-r, and Herman is the project
18 manager on the job.

19 So, with your permission, I'd like to
20 bring up Mr. Pickell.

21 CHAIR CIMINO: Absolutely. Thank you
22 so much.

23 MR. A. T. WATSON: You're welcome.

24 CHAIR CIMINO: Welcome.

25 MR. PICKELL: Thank you.

Christopher Pickell

1 THE REPORTER: Sir, please state your
2 name and spell your last name.

3 MR. PICKELL: Christopher Pickell,
4 P-i-c-k-e-l-l. My firm is Pickell Architecture,
5 in Flemington.

6 I've worked with the Living History
7 Farm for a long time now and have done a series of
8 renovations on their main barn next to the
9 farmhouse.

10 We've moved horses into one of the
11 wings of the barn, and we've rehabbed the main
12 section of the barn, and straightened the cupola.
13 This is probably over the last 10 years or so.

14 The last remaining piece to restoring
15 that barn is through the western section. The
16 timber frame there is actually one of the oldest
17 ones on the property. We've added on to the main
18 barn. The timbers there we believe are from the
19 late eighteenth century, 1780, or somewhere around
20 there.

21 The material is white oak cut
22 locally. We don't know when the barn was
23 originally erected, but at some point it was moved
24 and joined to the main barn there, which is from
25 the early nineteenth century.

1 So, it's very specialized work. In
2 order to repair and restore this, we need to
3 essentially take off the roof and take off the
4 siding, disassemble the timber frame by taking the
5 pegs out and lowering it down to the ground and
6 making repairs, replacing some of the missing
7 pieces, and then reassembling and re-erecting
8 that.

9 And we'd like to, as we did with the
10 Charles Fish Barn, we'd like to have a public barn
11 raising, so when these timbers get swung back up
12 into the air, it's very scary, it's very
13 dangerous, and it's very exciting. But we did it
14 successfully for the Visitor Center Barn, and we'd
15 like to do that again for this barn.

16 So, this work is very, very
17 specialized, there's not many people in the state
18 who can do it, so we need to have a
19 prequalification statement.

20 I don't know if you want me to go
21 through what that specifically is, because it's a
22 12-page document, but essentially we're asking for
23 people to demonstrate that they've worked on
24 historic projects that's been supervised by a
25 panoply of people that work for the state

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1 preservation office and that they can demonstrate
2 that they've worked on timber frames in the past.

3 And normally we ask for experience on
4 three similar projects, but in this case we're
5 just asking for two, because specialized work just
6 doesn't get done that often, but we need people
7 who are qualified to do the work.

8 So, any questions?

9 CHAIR CIMINO: Freeholders, any
10 questions? Anyone?

11 FREEHOLDER COLAVITA: I do.

12 CHAIR CIMINO: Freeholder Colavita.

13 FREEHOLDER COLAVITA: Are there any
14 like bugs in the wood or termites?

15 MR. PICKELL: That's an excellent
16 question.

17 No, we haven't observed any. And
18 normally when we do this, we don't actually
19 fumigate. Sometimes if you're selling someone's
20 house, it could be closed. We actually do
21 something to kill the insects.

22 In this case, it's been standing
23 there for a hundred years, and we don't see
24 evidence of termite damage. We're redoing the
25 foundation, so we should actually minimize the

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1 ability of insects to get up in the bottom of the
2 timbers.

3 So, that's a very good question. But
4 no, we're not chemically treating the timbers.

5 CHAIR CIMINO: Freeholder Frisby.

6 FREEHOLDER FRISBY: You did the work
7 on the Equestrian Center?

8 MR. PICKELL: Yes.

9 FREEHOLDER FRISBY: Great work. I
10 was in there recently.

11 MR. PICKELL: It was transformational
12 work.

13 FREEHOLDER FRISBY: That was
14 phenomenal work. Thank you.

15 CHAIR CIMINO: Freeholder Koontz.

16 VICE CHAIR KOONTZ: I guess I have
17 just two questions.

18 Programmatically, how is the barn
19 intended to fit in?

20 Can you just give me a general idea
21 of how large--maybe you can answer, how large of a
22 project is this in terms of square footage?

23 MR. PICKELL: The barn is about 24
24 feet by 24 feet. So that's less than 600 square
25 feet. It's pretty small. There's a small

Peter Watson

1 addition here and there. It's probably about 600
2 square feet. It's not a large project. It's a
3 specialized project. The cost isn't great.

4 Pete Watson will talk to the
5 program. But it's a part of everything they're
6 doing at the barn.

7 CHAIR CIMINO: Welcome.

8 MR. P. WATSON: Good evening. Thanks
9 for the opportunity to talk about our barn.

10 As Mr. Pickell was saying--

11 THE REPORTER: You're Peter Watson?

12 MR. P. WATSON: My name is Peter
13 Watson, Howell Living History Farm, Mercer County
14 Park Commission.

15 The barn is going to be used
16 primarily for education. This section is the
17 oldest section. However, it was added in the
18 1930s, when the then owner needed to expand the
19 barn in order to run his dairy operation.

20 So, when this gift was given to
21 Mercer County, it included several phases of
22 construction that went over nearly two centuries.
23 And this is the oldest structure. However, it was
24 the most recently added.

25 But because it doesn't function as

Peter Watson

1 the area where we keep the horses or the
2 threshing, it's the education section. So that
3 becomes an area where school children on a daily
4 basis are grinding corn, threshing wheat, learning
5 about how crops are processed for animal feed,
6 fiber for textiles, and how some of this is used
7 as food.

8 And so it's a critical part of the
9 mission of the farm. And I think that program
10 theme carries into the actual construction, or
11 reconstruction of the barn, because, as some of
12 you may recall, when we did the Charles Fish Barn,
13 we had all of the pegs made by local school
14 children.

15 So, you know, these are examples of
16 what our school children will be making. And when
17 you disassemble an old barn, you have to drive the
18 old pegs out because they're frozen in there. You
19 can't salvage them, or you rarely do.

20 So what will happen is they'll go out
21 in the woods with us, we'll use a two-person saw
22 to cut down a white oak tree, they'll help us
23 bring it back to the barn using horses or oxen,
24 animals, and they'll then use a froe and a mallet
25 to make what are called blanks, and that's a

Peter Watson

1 square or rectangular piece, which they then use a
2 drawknife to shape into a peg. When they're done,
3 they sign their name on it, and we burn that
4 over.

5 Then, as each of the barn frames or
6 bents are laying on the ground before they're
7 raised, they have to be assembled, the beams, the
8 girds, the columns, and as the mortis and tenon
9 joints are put back together, they're predrilled
10 so that they can receive the pegs.

11 So, each child comes up, puts their
12 peg in, drives it in, and we record the location
13 afterwards. Inside that barn there will be a
14 series of bronze plaques which show the location
15 of each peg and the school children who made it.
16 So that becomes part of the process.

17 And that was always the vision that
18 all of you and the Mercer County Park Commission
19 had. It was not just to present the farm as a
20 finished piece, but to actually involve the
21 public, particularly school children, in the
22 process.

23 CHAIR CIMINO: Thank you, Pete.

24 Any other questions, comments?

25 FREEHOLDER WALTER: Ann and I are

Re: Henry Phillips Barn

1 ready to put on our jeans.

2 FREEHOLDER CANNON: We'll be there.

3 VICE CHAIR KOONTZ: It sounds like a
4 wonderful project.

5 CHAIR CIMINO: Anyone else?

6 (No response.)

7 CHAIR CIMINO: Madam Clerk, do we
8 need to close the public hearing?

9 MS. WORTHY: Yes.

10 CHAIR CIMINO: I'll entertain a
11 motion to close the public hearing.

12 FREEHOLDER COLAVITA: Motion to
13 close.

14 FREEHOLDER CANNON: Second.

15 CHAIR CIMINO: We have a motion by
16 Freeholder Colavita and second by Freeholder
17 Cannon.

18 MS. WORTHY: Freeholder Cannon.

19 FREEHOLDER CANNON: Yes.

20 MS. WORTHY: Freeholder Colavita.

21 FREEHOLDER COLAVITA: Yes.

22 MS. WORTHY: Freeholder Frisby.

23 FREEHOLDER FRISBY: Yes

24 MS. WORTHY: Freeholder Koontz.

25 VICE CHAIR KOONTZ: Yes.

Re: Henry Phillips Barn

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MS. WORTHY: Freeholder Melker.

FREEHOLDER MELKER: Yes.

MS. WORTHY: Freeholder Walter.

FREEHOLDER WALTER: Yes.

MS. WORTHY: Freeholder Cimino.

CHAIR CIMINO: Yes.

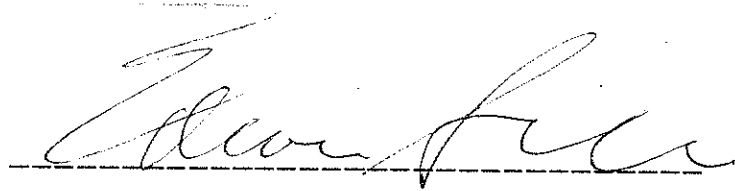
Thank you.

(The hearing concluded at 6:20 p.m.)

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C E R T I F I C A T E

I, EDWIN SILVER (Certificate No. XI00379),
Certified Court Reporter and Notary Public of the
State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the
foregoing to be a true and accurate computer-aided
stenographic transcript taken in the
above-entitled matter at the time and place
hereinbefore set forth.



EDWIN SILVER, CCR

Dated: April 1, 2019

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INFORMAL MEETING OF MARCH 26, 2019

MINUTES

Chair Cimino called the Agenda Meeting to order at 6:05 PM on March 26, 2019 in Room 211 of the Joyce McDade Administration Building, 640 South Broad Street, Trenton, New Jersey.

ROLL CALL:

Present- Freeholders Cannon, Colavita, Frisby, Koontz, Melker, Walter and Cimino

SUNSHINE LAW:

The Clerk to the Board announced that in accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law, notice of this Agenda Meeting had been mailed to The Trenton Times, The Trentonian and The Princeton Packet newspapers as well having been posted in both the County Administration Building and Courthouse at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting.

At this time, Chair Cimino welcomed George Fallat, County Engineer, to discuss the proposed Resolution amending Resolution No. 2017-437, adopted September 28, 2017, and authorizing the County Executive and Clerk to the Board to execute an Amendment (Amendment No. 1) to the Professional Services Agreement with Cherry Weber and Associates[herein referred to as Van Cleef Engineering Associates, LLC] for the County Route 533 traffic signal system and improvements project in the townships of Hamilton, Lawrence and West Windsor {NJDOT Job No. 65006401}. Amend the Resolution to reflect the vendor name change, extend the period until the completion of the project, and to increase the contract amount by \$31,725.25 [+12%] resulting in a revised total contract amount not to exceed: \$304,943.01.

Mr. Fallat responded that Cherry Weber and Associates was awarded a contract to provide construction inspection services for County Route 533 for a traffic signal system and improvement project adopted September 28, 2017. He said services included daily oversight of construction work and preparing the necessary documentation as required by the New Jersey Department of Transportation, who was funding both construction and construction inspection. He added that he received notice to proceed for both construction and construction inspection that was issued on February 20, 2018, with an anticipated completion date of December 17, 2018. He commented that due to weather delays, clarification on required field changes, as well as, delays experienced by the contractor in receiving materials, the overall project completion date was extended to March 2019. He noted that Orchard Holdings is the contractor.

Freeholder Walter said her understanding was that Cherry Weber had the initial contract to finish by a specific date and once Van Cleef took over the contract an issue had occurred.

Chair Cimino asked if the language was included in the original scope.

Mr. Fallat said the specifications were included in the original scope. He said Orchard Holdings, who is the contractor, placed a bid on the project. The project was expected to end December 17, 2018, however, the project was extended to March due to weather-related issues.

Chair Cimino was concerned that since Orchard Holding contract ended December 17, 2018, the County should go after liquidated damages for not abiding by the agreement. He said he understands Cherry Weber's position, but Orchard Holding should be responsible for the additional cost.

Mr. Fallat explained that he is looking into the issue and that the contract end date was December 17, 2018, however under the State of New Jersey specifications, projects are allowed extensions due to weather, utility conflicts, and several other issues.

Chair Cimino replied that the issue is with the contractor.

Mr. Fallat requested to amend the contract for additional funding for the construction and inspection services because the contract went behind the December 17, 2018.

Freeholder Walter asked which contract needs to be amended.

Mr. Fallat said the contract is for County Route 533 traffic signal system and improvements project in the townships of Hamilton, Lawrence, and West Windsor. He said the agreement is with Van Cleef Engineering Associates in the amount of \$273,217.76, however, with an increased amount of \$31,725.25, the revised total contract amount is \$304,943.01.

Freeholder Koontz interpreted that the County contracted with two contractors, the primary contractor providing the construction work and the inspection contractor handling compliance issues. He said the inspection contractor needs an extension because the duration of the main contract went longer than expected, and now inspection services are required longer. He said the inspection contractors are not responsible for the overage time with the main contractor.

Mr. Fallat agreed with Freeholder Koontz's explanation.

Chair Cimino said he understands the process; however, the County should have liquidated damages on a contract that should end December 17, 2018. He said if the County had liquidated clauses in the contracts, why is the County not going after the contractor who performed the work to regain the \$31,725.25. Now, the County has to expend back to Cherry Weber for their inability to complete the contract by December 17, 2018.

Freeholder Koontz said the County could pursue that option; however, the County would need to extend the contract and seek reimbursement afterward.

Mr. Fallat agreed with Freeholder Koontz, adding that the County would pay for what is used to help close out the project. He explained that \$31,725.75 is the maximum amount that would be fully reimbursed from the State and that Cherry Weber could help the County go after the contractor. He indicated that the project is expected to be finished at the end of March.

Chair Cimino asked would the County potentially entertain liquidated damages on the contractor.

Paul Adezio, County Counsel, recommended moving forward with extending the inspection contract to complete the job. He concurred to go after Cherry Weber to recoup the money.

Freeholder Walter said before funds are released the Board would need an update.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Five (5) Communications were discussed and approved for placement on the Agenda for the Formal Meeting of March 28, 2019.

RESOLUTIONS:

Twenty-five (25) Resolutions were discussed and approved for placement on the Agenda for the Formal Meeting of March 28, 2019.

Chair Cimino referred to the proposed Resolution authorizing to rescind Resolution No. 98-467, adopted December 10, 1998, canceling a proposed transfer of ownership of real property and authorizing the return of a deposit received from Jingoli Real Estate, LLC, \$3,750.00, together with any accrued interest, property Block 372, Lot 1, Ewing Township.

Andrew Mair, County Administrator, responded that the accrued interest dollars and interest are to be determined and that the subject is not addressed in the agreement between Jingoli and the County.

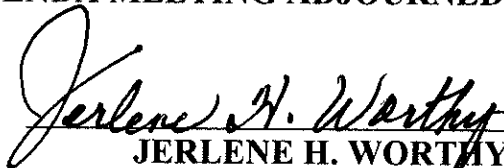
Chair Cimino said he was unsure about adopting a Resolution without significant information.

PUBLIC SECTION:

At this time, Chair Cimino invited the public to comment on any item listed on the agenda.

There were no comments.

AGENDA MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:48 PM



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CLERK TO THE BOARD