



MINUTES

HUNTERDON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Meeting Room
71 Main Street, Building 1, Second Floor
Flemington, New Jersey 08822

August 6, 2024

I. **5:00 p.m. CONVENE:**

II. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

1. Resolution entering into executive session.

Motion: By: Susan Soloway **Seconded:** John Lanza

Yes: Jeff Kuhl, Susan Soloway, John Lanza, Zachary Rich

No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:** Shaun Van Doren

III. **5:30 p.m. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

IV. **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

V. **REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNSEL ON EXECUTIVE SESSION**

VI. **COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

Commissioner Rich shared several updates from the Cultural and Heritage Commission. The Hunterdon County 300th Committee, in partnership with Hunterdon County Cultural and Heritage Commission, and Hunterdon County Historical Society, are offering a new series of six lectures about the famous Lindberg kidnapping and trial. All lectures will take place at the Hunterdon Historic Courthouse located on Main Street, in Flemington. Reservations are required for some of the lectures and all events are free to attend. Commissioner Rich added, the Cultural and Heritage Commission will also be featuring artwork on display at the Historic Courthouse that was submitted as part of the annual Senior Art Exhibit at the Hunterdon County Senior Center. As liaison to Hunterdon County Polytech, Commissioner Rich shared that Teresa Diaz, instructor of Polytech's Commercial Arts & Advertising Design and 3D Computer Animation programs, recently earned an invitation to participate in Full Sail University's Hall of Fame week. Ms. Diaz was named Extraordinary Educator by Full Sail in the 2022-2023 school year.

Commissioner Lanza shared the Hunterdon County Technical Rescue Task Force will be hosting a multi-agency drill at Round Valley Reservoir. The scenario involves a severe weather event with strong winds which will lead to capsized vessels with individuals in the water and trees down on subjects in the campsites. The drill will also test conveying caller location from dispatch to on-scene personnel, along with testing local agencies' ability to use the SARTOPO search and rescue mapping technology to manage searches. Commissioner Lanza added, work is progressing well on the 9-1-1 Dispatch Center renovation. The nearly \$1 million project includes new state-of-the-art consoles for our county dispatchers, fresh paint and carpeting, and an overall expansion of workstations from 11 to 15. Commissioner Lanza shared information regarding Tropical Storm Debby and information from Hunterdon County OEM office.

As co-liaison for veterans' issues, Deputy Director Soloway recently announced that she will be leading an effort to build support for SCR-81 and ACR-58, that would place a question on the New Jersey ballot to increase the Veterans' property tax deduction from its current \$250 to \$2500, to be phased in over four years. On tonight's agenda, under the County Administrator, there is a resolution to express the full support of the Hunterdon County Commissioner Board for this legislation which will be communicated to our leaders in Trenton, our municipalities, and residents. The veterans' property tax deduction has not been increased in over twenty years, while property taxes continue to skyrocket. Deputy Director Soloway is hopeful the Legislature will move forward. Additionally, as co-liaison to the Department of Economic Development and Tourism, she highlighted a unique and fun-filled family event that the County will be hosting on Saturday, August 17th. *The Battle of I-95 Fan Fest*, the ultimate showdown between Eagles and Giants fans, will run from 5:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. along Stangl Road in Flemington.

Director Kuhl shared information regarding an article *Want to live a long, healthy life? NJ Enclave may hold anti-aging secret*. The article highlighted Hunterdon County's ranking as the fourth-best community in the nation for health outcomes. Hunterdon County also ranked as the number one County in New Jersey for life expectancy, with an average of 82.9 years. As noted in the article, Director Kuhl believes this achievement is in large measure due to the Board's ongoing commitment to maintaining open space and farmland, providing exceptional recreational opportunities, supporting our local farmers, and helping to create new markets for them, access to healthcare, and excellent public schools. Director Kuhl shared an update from the Project BEST free vision screening event held last month. A total of 31 patients attended, 8 patients were referred to specialists and 4 patients were identified as having cataracts for which they were unaware. Beyond providing access to vision screenings, our public health nurses also offered free blood pressure, iron, and lipid screenings to interested attendees. Director Kuhl thanked the Health Department staff, Medical Reserve Corps, Hunterdon Medical Center, and the numerous physicians who voluntarily give their time and specialized training to help expand access to care to those in need.

VII. PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITION

1. Honoring Tom Leone upon his retirement from the Hunterdon County Department of

Public Works.

Director Kuhl stated he had the privilege of presenting this proclamation to Tom Leone last week. Throughout his 37 years of service to Hunterdon County and its residents, Mr. Leone has received many letters of thanks and appreciation from residents and community members. He will be missed by everyone who has had the good fortune of working with him throughout his career.

Motion: By: John Lanza **Seconded:** Susan Soloway

Yes: Jeff Kuhl, Susan Soloway, John Lanza, Zachary Rich

No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:** Shaun Van Doren

2. Hunterdon County Vocational School District Scholarship Award Presentation.

Director Kuhl invited Dr. Todd Bonsall to the podium to introduce the 2024 NJAC Foundation Scholarship Awardee. Dr. Bonsall introduced Mr. Jeffery Glennon and presented him with the scholarship award.

VIII. **PUBLIC COMMENT, Limited to 2 minutes per person.**

(Comments exceeding 2 minutes will be entertained later in the agenda)

Director Kuhl acknowledged an email was received from Ms. Barbara Sachau and advised it will be addressed by County staff this week. A copy of her email is attached at the end of the minutes.

IX. **HUNTERDON COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION UPDATE, Dan Bush**

1. Approving Requisition #R24-5269, with Ben Schaffer Recreation Inc., for the installation of a fitness pavilion at Deer Path Park, in an amount not to exceed \$143,206.65.

Parks & Recreation Director, Dan Bush, updated the Board on the Deer Path Park Fitness Pavilion. The total cost of the project is \$143,206.64. The county received a DCA NJ Department of Community Affairs / Local Recreation Improvement Grant Award in the amount of \$68,000. The contractor for the fitness pavilion is Ben Schaffer Recreation. Director, Dan Bush shared details of what the proposed fitness zone will include.

Deputy Director Soloway asked if the Fitness Pavilion is only for adults or if it is for all ages. Director Bush clarified the fitness pavilion is for all ages, individuals under the age of 14 require adult supervision, and the pavilion is ADA accessible.

Commissioner Rich shared how happy he is to see the Board continue to build upon last year's success at Deer Path Park. The new fitness pavilion builds upon last year's installation of the new all-inclusive playground at Deer Path Park and numerous other upgrades. Commissioner Rich is proud of these accomplishments.

Motion: By: Zachary Rich **Seconded:** John Lanza

Yes: Jeff Kuhl, Susan Soloway, John Lanza, Zachary Rich

No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:** Shaun Van Doren

X. **GRANTS, Michael Franchini, Deputy CFO**

1. Authorizing the Director or Deputy Director of the Board of County Commissioners to sign and accept a Stop Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) grant subaward

number VAWA-40-23, for the Hunterdon County Victim Witness Assistance Victim Services Project, with the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Administration, Office of the Attorney General, in the amount of \$14,755.00, for the period of July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025, for the Office of the Hunterdon County Prosecutor.

Motion: By: Susan Soloway **Seconded:** Zachary Rich

Yes: Jeff Kuhl, Susan Soloway, John Lanza, Zachary Rich

No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:** Shaun Van Doren

2. Authorizing the Director or Deputy Director to sign and accept, on behalf of the County, the Child Advocacy Development Grants – Treatment Services, Program, Technology and Capital Improvement Grant Program, for the period of July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025, in the amount of \$34,081.00 (State funds).

Motion: By: John Lanza **Seconded:** Zachary Rich

Yes: Jeff Kuhl, Susan Soloway, John Lanza, Zachary Rich

No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:** Shaun Van Doren

3. Requesting the insertion of an item of revenue and the like sum as an appropriation, in the 2024 County Budget, for 2024 Early Voting Grant in the amount of \$350,000.
4. Requesting the insertion of an item of revenue and the like sum as an appropriation, in the 2024 County Budget, for 2025 Right to Know Grant in the amount of \$9,618.00.
5. Requesting the insertion of an item of revenue and the like sum as an appropriation, in the 2024 County Budget, for 2025 OFRT Grant in the amount of \$75,000.
6. Requesting the insertion of an item of revenue and the like sum as an appropriation, in the 2024 County Budget, for the Sustaining Local Public Health Infrastructure Grant in the amount of \$168,049.00.
7. Requesting the insertion of an item of revenue and the like sum as an appropriation, in the 2024 County Budget, for the 2024 Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) Grant in the amount of \$24,290.00.
8. Requesting the insertion of an item of revenue and the like sum as an appropriation, in the 2024 County Budget, for the 2024 Veterans Transportation Grant Contract Modification in the amount of \$1,702.50.
9. Requesting the insertion of an item of revenue and the like sum as an appropriation, in the 2024 County Budget, for the 2023-2024 Universal Service Fund Grant in the amount of \$949.00.
10. Requesting the insertion of an item of revenue and the like sum as an appropriation, in the 2024 County Budget, for the 2023-2024 LIHEAP Grant in the amount of \$1,424.00.

11. Requesting the insertion of an item of revenue and the like sum as an appropriation, in the 2024 County Budget, for the 2024 County Health Infrastructure Program Grant Amendment in the amount of \$294,663.00.
12. Requesting the insertion of an item of revenue and the like sum as an appropriation, in the 2024 County Budget, for the HAVA ADA Compliance Election Security Grant in the amount of \$6,582.67.

Motion: To approve Grant Resolutions #3 -12

By: John Lanza **Seconded:** Susan Soloway

Yes: Jeff Kuhl, Susan Soloway, John Lanza, Zachary Rich

No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:** Shaun Van Doren

XI. **FINANCE, Andrew Bernath, CFO**

1. Authorizing acceptance of the 2023 County Audit.
Director Kuhl thanked Hunterdon County CFO, Andrew Bernath and congratulated him, the Finance Department team, and County leadership for continuing to ensure that Hunterdon County has strong fiscal controls and oversight. He thanked Commissioner Lanza and Commissioner Van Doren for their work on the budget committee. Careful control over where the taxpayers' dollars are spent, is a vital component of the strategy that has helped the Board reduce the County tax rate to the 2015 level, and continue to have no county debt since 2014.

Commissioner Lanza stated to have an independent auditor make a determination of a clean audit one-time is usually a cause for celebration. To have those findings made for nine consecutive years is simply beyond excellent. Reducing the county tax rate to the 2015 level - no county debt since 2014 – these things don't happen by chance. They are a result of hard work, implementing best practices, and putting the right team in place. Commissioner Lanza congratulated Mr. Bernath, the entire Finance Department and County leadership, as well as Commissioner Van Doren.

Motion: **By:** John Lanza **Seconded:** Zachary Rich

Yes: Jeff Kuhl, Susan Soloway, John Lanza, Zachary Rich

No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:** Shaun Van Doren

XII. **PLANNING & LAND USE**

1. Authorizing an amendment to Resolution #2023-579, dated July 5, 2023 for the application of a grant to the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority in the amount of \$200,000 for the purpose of a Bicycle Plan.
Motion: **By:** Susan Soloway **Seconded:** Zachary Rich
Yes: Jeff Kuhl, Susan Soloway, John Lanza, Zachary Rich
No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:** Shaun Van Doren
2. Authorizing the Hunterdon County Division of Planning Services to accept a North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA) Subregional Studies Program

(SSP) grant for the period July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2026, in the amount of \$200,000.00 for a Hunterdon County Bicycle Plan.

Motion: By: Susan Soloway **Seconded:** Zachary Rich

Yes: Jeff Kuhl, Susan Soloway, John Lanza, Zachary Rich

No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:** Shaun Van Doren

3. Authorizing the Hunterdon County Division of Planning Services to accept a North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA) Subregional Transportation Planning (STP) grant for the period July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025, in the amount of \$103,762.50.

Motion: By: Susan Soloway **Seconded:** Zachary Rich

Yes: Jeff Kuhl, Susan Soloway, John Lanza, Zachary Rich

No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:** Shaun Van Doren

4. Authorizing the County Administrator, or the Deputy County Administrator, to accept the award letter for \$230,269.00 in additional funds, through the Highlands Council for completion of the Musconetcong Watershed Management Plan.

Motion: By: John Lanza **Seconded:** Zachary Rich

Yes: Jeff Kuhl, Susan Soloway, John Lanza, Zachary Rich

No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:** Shaun Van Doren

XIII. **PURCHASING, Ray Rule, QPA**

1. Approving a services agreement for County Quotation 0032-2024, with Alfred's Auction Service LLC, for Auctioneer Services in an amount not to exceed 9.5% commission with a minimum of \$8,500.00.

Motion: By: Susan Soloway **Seconded:** John Lanza

Yes: Jeff Kuhl, Susan Soloway, John Lanza, Zachary Rich

No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:** Shaun Van Doren

2. Approving contract amendment #2, with V-COMM LLC, for Professional Engineering and Design Services for a New Communications Tower on the Jugtown Preserve Property in the Township of Bethlehem in an amount not to exceed \$35,010.00.

Motion: By: Zachary Rich **Seconded:** John Lanza

Yes: Jeff Kuhl, Susan Soloway, John Lanza, Zachary Rich

No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:** Shaun Van Doren

3. Approving a contract award for County RFP 0054-2023, with Pennoni Associates Inc., for professional engineering services for the NJDEP Permit Applications for Three (3) County Bridges, in an amount not to exceed \$144,100.00.

Motion: By: Susan Soloway **Seconded:** John Lanza

Yes: Jeff Kuhl, Susan Soloway, John Lanza, Zachary Rich

No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:** Shaun Van Doren

4. Approving requisition #R24-4625, with GPC Inc. for painting and repairing the Schick Barn, in an amount not to exceed \$47,229.05.

5. Approving Requisition #R24-4603, with Eplus Technology Inc. for network assessment, in an amount not to exceed \$56,500.00.
6. Approving Requisition #R24-4820, with PMC Associates, for the radio base station equipment upgrade for the Ambulance-5 Channel in an amount not to exceed \$143,639.20.
7. Approving Requisition #R24-5262, with Weatherproof Technologies Inc., for the Senior Center roof replacement in an amount not to exceed \$437,260.86.
8. Approving requisition #R24-5373, with McGrath Municipal Equipment LLC, for the purchase of an asphalt hot patcher dump trailer, in an amount not to exceed \$60,016.00.
9. Approving Requisition #R24-5389, with PMC Associates, for base station radios for the Bethlehem tower in an amount not to exceed \$108,876.80.
10. Approving Requisition #R24-5439, with Gentilini Chevrolet LLC, for a cargo van in an amount not to exceed \$49,281.59.
11. Approving Requisition #R24-5442, with Gentilini Chevrolet LLC, for a cargo van in an amount not to exceed \$49,281.59.
12. Approving Requisition #R24-5443, with Pitney Bowes Inc., for a postage machine and accounting software in an amount not to exceed \$54,204.52.
13. Approving Requisition #R24-5391, with Electronic Service Solutions, for the microwave link radios and DC battery plant for the Bethlehem tower in an amount not to exceed \$176,481.86.
14. Approving requisition #R24-5457, with McCloskey Mechanical Contractors Inc., for the Echo Hill Lodge HVAC system replacement in an amount not to exceed \$53,377.00.
15. Approving requisition #R24-5645, with Paramus Ford Inc., for the purchase of a super crew cab pickup truck, in an amount not to exceed \$59,540.30.

Motion: To approve Purchasing Resolutions #4 - 15

By: Zachary Rich **Seconded:** John Lanza

Yes: Jeff Kuhl, Susan Soloway, John Lanza, Zachary Rich

No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:** Shaun Van Doren

XIV. **COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, Brad Myhre**

1. Awarding an Economic Development Grant Program Award to the Borough of Milford for a LINK bus to run a continuous loop to move people to and from the event in a safe and efficient matter for the MILFORD ALIVE! Event on Saturday, September 21, 2024, from 12:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., in an amount not to exceed \$900.00.
Motion: By: Susan Soloway **Seconded:** Zachary Rich
Yes: Jeff Kuhl, Susan Soloway, John Lanza, Zachary Rich
No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:** Shaun Van Doren

2. Expressing the Support of the Hunterdon County Board of County Commissioners for SCR-81/ACR-58 aimed at increasing the New Jersey Veterans Property Tax Deduction to \$2,500.
Motion: By: Susan Soloway **Seconded:** John Lanza
Yes: Jeff Kuhl, Susan Soloway, John Lanza, Zachary Rich
No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:** Shaun Van Doren

3. Authorizing a Contract with Michael Baker International for NJTPA Grant Work for Bridge N1.
Motion: By: Zachary Rich **Seconded:** Susan Soloway
Yes: Jeff Kuhl, Susan Soloway, John Lanza, Zachary Rich
No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:** Shaun Van Doren

XV. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion: By: Susan Soloway **Seconded:** John Lanza
Yes: Jeff Kuhl, Susan Soloway, John Lanza, Zachary Rich
No: None **Abstain:** None **Absent:** Shaun Van Doren

1. Approving the Claims Register dated August 06, 2024.

2. Approving the executive session and regular meeting minutes from July 02, 2024.

3. Approving the hire and regular appointment of Bonnie Burris as a Public Safety Telecommunicator Trainee in the Hunterdon County Department of Public Safety, Division of Communications contingent upon the successful outcome of post offer evaluations. (Filling a vacancy)

4. Approving the hire and regular appointment of Christopher Escalera as a Public Safety Telecommunicator Trainee in the Hunterdon County Department of Public Safety, Division of Communications contingent upon the successful outcome of post offer evaluations. (Filling a vacancy)

5. Approving the hire and unclassified appointment of Kristina Knickerbocker as a Confidential Assistant in the Hunterdon County Department of Human Services, Division of Human Services, contingent upon the successful outcome of a post offer medical evaluation. (Filling a vacancy)

6. Approving the hire and provisional appointment of Marc Lombardo as a Mechanic in the Hunterdon County Department of Administrative Services, Vehicle Services Division, contingent upon the successful outcome of post offer medical evaluation. (Filling a vacancy)
7. Acknowledging the action of Hunterdon County Sheriff Frederick Brown to hire and temporarily appoint Andrew P. Hart to the title Special Law Enforcement Officer III, in the Hunterdon County Office of the Sheriff contingent upon the successful outcome of post offer medical evaluations.
8. Acknowledging the action of Hunterdon County Sheriff Frederick Brown to hire and temporarily appoint Glenn R. Tettemer to the title Special Law Enforcement Officer III, in the Hunterdon County Office of the Sheriff contingent upon the successful outcome of post offer medical evaluations.
9. Acknowledging the action of Hunterdon County Sheriff Frederick Brown to hire and temporarily appoint Timothy J. Nemeth to the title Special Law Enforcement Officer III, in the Hunterdon County Office of the Sheriff contingent upon the successful outcome of post offer medical evaluations.
10. Approving the hire and provisional appointment of Cameron Kaplan as a Laborer in the Hunterdon County Department of Public Works, Bridge Division, contingent upon the successful outcome of post offer medical evaluation. (Filling a vacancy)
11. Approving the hire and provisional appointment of Jigishaben Patel as a Human Services Aide in the Hunterdon County Department of Human Services, Division of Social Services, contingent upon the successful outcome of a post offer medical evaluation. (Filling a vacancy)
12. Approving the hire and provisional appointment of Kariston Rainer as a Keyboarding Clerk 1 in the Hunterdon County Department of Human Services, Division of Social Services, contingent upon the successful outcome of a post offer medical evaluation. (Filling a vacancy)
13. Authorizing an amendment to Resolution 2024-553, the provisional promotion of Jennifer Fillebrown to the title of Senior Account Clerk in the Department of Administrative Services, Vehicle Services Division.
14. Approving the provisional promotion of Paige Wernoch to the title Senior Buyer in the Hunterdon County Department of Administrative Services, Division of Purchasing.
15. Approving the promotion and provisional appointment of Alex T. Samilow as a Supervising Public Safety Telecommunicator in the Hunterdon County Department of Public Safety, Communications Division. (Filling a vacancy)

16. Approving the action to hereby grant Rachael E. Odell a regular appointment as a full time Librarian 2 as of August 6, 2024, in the Hunterdon County Library Department.
17. Approving the action to hereby grant Maureen L. Ferretti a regular appointment as a full time Librarian 2 as of August 6, 2024, in the Hunterdon County Library.
18. Approving the action to hereby grant Alyssa DeLuca a regular appointment as a full-time Social Worker as of January 18, 2024, in the Hunterdon County Department of Human Services, Division of Senior Disabilities and Veterans Services.
19. Approving the action to hereby grant Christopher R. Runge a regular appointment as a full time Road Repairer 1 as of August 6, 2024, in the Department of Public Works, Roads Division.
20. Approving the action to hereby grant Michael P. Biel a regular appointment as a full time Road Repairer 3 as of August 6, 2024, in the Hunterdon County Department of Public Works, Roads Division.
21. Approving the action to hereby grant Kyle Young a regular appointment as a full-time Senior Bridge Construction Worker as of August 6, 2024, in the Hunterdon County Department of Public Works, Roads Division.
22. Authorizing Brad Myhre, County Administrator to sign an Employment Agreement with Colin Bailey.
23. Approving the provisional promotion of Toby Spranger to the title Bridge Repairer in the Hunterdon County Department of Public Works, Bridge Division. This promotion is provided per the CWA Local 1036, Rank and File collective bargaining agreement.
24. Approving the provisional promotion of Shelby Pena to the title Road Repairer 1 in the Hunterdon County Department of Public Works, Roads Division. This promotion is provided per the CWA Local 1036, Rank and File collective bargaining agreement.
25. Approving the longevity payments for Scott Carver covered under the CWA Local 1036 Rank and File contract, effective January 01, 2023.
26. Acknowledging the action of Hunterdon County Clerk Mary Melfi to approve a salary adjustment for William J. Kwietniak, Seasonal Intern, in the Hunterdon County Clerk's Office.
27. Acknowledging the action of County Clerk, Mary Melfi and approves the salary adjustment for Lara L. Charkoudian, Seasonal Intern, in the Hunterdon County Clerk's Office.

28. Approving the salary adjustment for Jake A. Martorano, Mechanic, in the Hunterdon County Department of Administrative Services, Vehicle Services Division.
29. Acknowledging the action of Appointing Authority Brad Myhre to transfer Nancy Hanna, Senior Account Clerk, to the Division of Planning Services and GIS. (Filling a vacancy)
30. Acknowledging the action of Appointing Authority Brad Myhre to transfer Victor Perez to the title Human Services Aide in the Division of Social Services. (Filling a vacancy)
31. Approving the transfer and salary adjustment for Kevin Burghardt, Division Head, in the Hunterdon County Department of Human Services, Division of Senior, Disabilities, and Veteran's Services and the Division of Social Work Services. (Filling a vacancy)
32. Authorizing the County Purchasing Agent to solicit bids for the following commodity: Maintenance Service and Supplies for Copier Equipment.
33. Authorizing the County Purchasing Agent to solicit bids for the following project: Police Interceptors Utility.
34. Authorizing the County Purchasing Agent to solicit bids for the following project: SWAT Multi-Purpose Vehicle.
35. Authorizing the Qualified County Purchasing Agent to initiate competitive contracting for the Area Agency on Aging Programs, for the Department of Human Services.
36. Authorizing the Hunterdon County Department of Health to accept the Sustaining Local Public Health Infrastructure Grant award in the amount of \$168,049.00, for the period of July 1, 2024, through March 31, 2026, and authorizes the Health Department Director, or her designee, to execute the Letter of Agreement and any other necessary documents.
37. Authorizing the Commissioner Director or Deputy Director, to sign and accept, on behalf of the Health Department, the 2025 Local Public Health Overdose Fatality Review Team (OFRT) grant award #OORP24OFR011 in the amount of \$75,000.00 for the period July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025.
38. Approving an amendment to Resolution #2024-199, to reduce the funding amount for the Hunterdon County Dental Access Program grant from the original request amount of \$30,000.00 to \$25,000.00, and authorizes Shu Chiang, Director of Nursing, to sign the online agreement with the Delta Dental Foundation.
39. Authorizing the Director or Deputy Director of the Board of County Commissioners to

sign on behalf of the County, a Grant Application through the 2025 County Environmental Health Act (CEHA) Grant, with New Jersey State Department of Environmental Protection, Compliance and Enforcement Division, for the amount of \$160,000.00, for the period of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025.

40. Approving the 2024-2025 Controlled Hunting Program as submitted by the Hunterdon County Division of Parks and Recreation.
41. Approving a request from First Energy to supply vegetation management to Clover Hill Park, Block 75, Lot 8.
42. Approving a request from First Energy to supply vegetation management to the following First Energy easements in Hunterdon County Parks: Kiceniuk Road pole # NJ 561-CTH, Route 523 pole # UT2RGD86, River Road pole # NJ173RTH.
43. Authorizing the 4-H and Agricultural Fair Committee and/or their designee to cut and remove vegetation from South County Park as a collaborative effort to help maintain the grounds in 2024.
44. Authorizing the Hunterdon County Parks Division to permit the USDA-APHIS (United States Department of Agriculture/Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service) wildlife services to release raptors from sensitive areas to the following Hunterdon County Parks: Cold Brook Preserve, Hoffman Park, Point Mountain Reservation, Cushetunk Mountain Preserve, Wescott Preserve.
45. Approving a request from the New Jersey Fish and Wildlife (NJFW) to perform a preseason duck banding program in the Assicong Marsh in Hunterdon County Parks.
46. Approving a request from Lebanon Township Volunteer Fire Department to host a coin toss on Saturday, August 31st from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the intersection of County Route 513 and Bunnvale Road in the Township of Lebanon.
47. Approving a request from the Hunterdon County Clean Communities to host their Annual Delaware River Clean Up, on Saturday, September 21, 2024, from 8:00 a.m., to 10:30 a.m., on County Route 627 (River Road) in the Township of Holland.
48. Approving One-Hour Parking spaces on County Route 604 (Rosemont-Ringoes Road), in the Township of Delaware.
49. Approving "Through Street" and "Stop" intersections affecting County Route 641 (West Street and Annandale-High Bridge Road) in the Township of Clinton, County of Hunterdon.

50. Authorizing Commissioner Director or Deputy Director to sign the cover sheet for the Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Plan Certification for the replacement of the Church Street Bridge located on County Route 579 in the Borough of Bloomsbury and the Township of Bethlehem in the County of Hunterdon.
51. Approving a request from the National Multiple Sclerosis Society to host a bike run on Saturday, September 21, 2024, on various County roads.
52. Approving a request from the Center for Educational Advancement to use the Step of the Hunterdon County Historic Courthouse on Thursday, November 28, 2024.
53. Authorizing the Director or Deputy Director to sign a Joint Funding Agreement with the U.S. Department of the Interior, U.S. Geological Survey, for the annual maintenance of the New Jersey Science Center Water Resources Investigations, for the period October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025, in the amount of \$1,270.00.
54. Authorizing the Director or Deputy Director of the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Hunterdon to sign the 2024 Intergovernmental Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting through its Department of Environmental Protection (PA DEP), for assistance in Delaware River Black Fly Suppression Activities, for a cost not to exceed \$30,000.00.
55. Authorizing the Director or Deputy Director of the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Hunterdon to sign, on behalf of the County, an Energy Conservation Measures program incentive with Jersey Central Power & Light, for custom/prescriptive lighting (retrofit) for the Hunterdon County Fairgrounds, in the amount of \$14,400.00.
56. Approving the Acquisition of Block 42, Lot 2, Located in the Township of East Amwell, County of Hunterdon.
57. Approving the Acquisition of Block 42, Lot 1, Located in the Township of East Amwell, County of Hunterdon.
58. Authorizing the Director or Deputy Director and the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners to sign a Discharge of Mortgage, with a lien in the amount of \$5,236.50, for the property known as Block 32, Lot 28 in the Township of Readington, Hunterdon County, State of New Jersey.
59. Authorizing the Director or Deputy Director to sign a provider services contract with Prevention Resources, Inc. for the provision of Overdose Fatality Review Team Coordinator services pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in the Department of Human Services 2023 Request for Proposals 0046-2023, for the period of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025. Funding for the term shall be in the amount not-to-exceed \$55,000.00.

60. Authorizing the Director or Deputy Director and Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners to sign, on behalf of the County, an Operating Assistance Agreement, for the period of January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024, Federal funds allocated through FTA Section 5311, in the amount not to exceed \$596,624.00 with New Jersey Transit allocating \$298,312.00 with a County match of \$298,312.00, for operating the Hunterdon County Consolidated Transportation system.
61. Authorizing the Director or Deputy Director to sign and accept, on behalf of the County, a Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) – Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner / Sexual Assault Response Team (SANE/SART) Program grant application, subaward number VS-10-23, with the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Office of the Attorney General, Division of Administration, in the amount of \$95,734, for the period of October 1, 2024, to September 30, 2025, for the Office of the Hunterdon County Prosecutor.
62. Confirming the action of the Commissioner Director to send a letter to members of the 15th, 16th, 23rd Legislative Districts and the Governor's office to express concerns about new storm water mandate costs and seeking delay of their implementation.

XVI. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

No public comment.

XVII. ADDITIONAL COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

No additional Commissioner comments.

XVIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION (Reconvene if necessary)

XIX. ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned at 6:15 p.m. on a motion by Commissioner Lanza, seconded by Deputy Director Soloway, followed by a voice carry.

Attachment – Public Comment
Barbara Sachau, Raritan Township

“re resolution 38 encouraging hunting and murder of wildlife in todays extinction of animals, is wrong and promotes insane people with guns to kill. crooks from bethel pa was a hunter and killer of wildlife and there is a connection to killing animals and people and having no consideration for life. we need to protect wildlife, which is an essential part of the entire ecological process you are proceeding to harm the ecological process imo

the public health county dept should be encouraged to give up on vaccines and require informed consent of all citizens because of the slipshod way that vaccines have been promoted without required placebo tests to show their true healthfulness. the nih, cdc, niaid have been slipshod, lying and propagandizing for personal enrichment. corruption appears paramount in their actions

conferences for employees are pricier and pricier. \$2700 for constitutional officers association of nj at \$2700. is there a report on why this is necessary and what our constitutional officers got from this attendance.”

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