

Minutes
Somerset County Improvement Authority
20 Grove Street, Somerville, NJ 08876
Engineering Conference Room, 3rd Floor
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February 1, 2022, 2:00PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Open Public Meetings Act Statement: (In accordance with Public Law Chapter 231, the open public meeting notice requirements have been satisfied whereby the starting time and place of this meeting have been duly advertised with the official Improvement Authority newspaper and the County Clerk and previously posted in a public information area for this office.)

In advance of the meeting, public comments may be submitted to Yvonne Childress via email (childress@co.somerset.nj.us) and in written letter format by Monday, February 1, 2022.

Roll Call

In attendance were: Chairman Shain, Secretary Loper, and Commissioner Kitchen. Also in attendance were: County Commissioner Marano, County Administrator Colleen Mahr, Sophia Chadda, Counsel Kevin Kinsella, Nick Trasente, Yvonne Childress, Melissa Kosensky, Hector Burgos, and Bonnie Lacamera.

Approval of Minutes of the Meeting of January 11, 2022

Commissioner Kitchen made a motion to approve the January 11, 2022 minutes and Chairman Shain seconded.

Report of Officers

Moved to the end of the meeting

Report of County Administrator

None

Public

None

New Business

SCIA22-957 RESOLUTION APPOINTING SOPHIA CHADDA AS A
COMMISSIONER OF THE SOMERSET COUNTY IMPROVEMENT
AUTHORITY

Chairman Shain made a motion to approve this resolution, which was seconded by Commissioner Kitchen. Roll call was taken and all present members approved. The oath of office was then administered to Commissioner Chadda.

SCIA21-958 RESOLUTION ELECTING CHAIRPERSON FOR 2022

Commissioner Kitchen made a motion to nominate Chairman Shain, which was seconded by Commissioner Loper. Roll call was taken and all present members approved.

SCIA21-959 RESOLUTION ELECTING VICE CHAIRPERSON FOR 2022

Chairman Shain made a motion to nominate Commissioner Chadda, which was seconded by Commissioner Kitchen. Roll call was taken and all present members approved.

SCIA21-960 RESOLUTION ELECTING SECRETARY FOR 2022

Commissioner Kitchen made a motion to nominate Commissioner Loper, which was seconded by Chairman Shain. Roll call was taken and all present members approved.

County Counsel Joe DeMarco joined the meeting.

SCIA21-961 RESOLUTION ASSIGNING BANK DEPOSITORIES AND
SIGNATORY FOR THE SOMERSET COUNTY IMPROVEMENT
AUTHORITY

Commissioner Kitchen made a motion to approve this resolution, which was seconded by Chairman Shain. Roll call was taken and all present members approved.

SCIA21-962 RESOLUTION ADOPTING STANDARD PROCEDURES AND
REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS MADE DURING A
REMOTE PUBLIC MEETING AS WELL AS FOR PUBLIC
COMMENTS SUBMITTED IN WRITING AHEAD OF A REMOTE
PUBLIC MEETING

Commissioner Kitchen made a motion to approve this resolution, which was seconded by Chairman Shain. Roll call was taken and all present members approved.

SCIA21-963 THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL BOND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$4,000,000 COUNTY GUARANTEED LEASE REVENUE BONDS (BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD PROJECT) OF THE SOMERSET COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY AND DETERMINING VARIOUS OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

Commissioner Kitchen made a motion to approve this resolution, which was seconded by Chairman Shain. Roll call was taken and all present members approved.

SCIA21-964 RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR THE HANDLE WITH CARE PROJECT

Commissioner Kitchen made a motion to approve this resolution, which was seconded by Chairman Shain. Roll call was taken and all present members approved.

SCIA21-965 RESOLUTION AWARDED TO SHI FOR HD BROADCAST EQUIPMENT FOR THE MONTGOMERY PROJECT

Commissioner Kitchen made a motion to approve this resolution, which was seconded by Chairman Shain. Roll call was taken and all present members approved.

SCIA21-966 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE CONTRACT TO PEARLMAN & MIRANDA FOR THE RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECT

Commissioner Kitchen made a motion to approve this resolution, which was seconded by Chairman Shain. Roll call was taken and all present members approved.

SCIA21-967 SOMERSET COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO FRENCH & PARELLO ASSOCIATES, PA IN RELATION TO THE HANDLE WITH CARE EXPRESS SITE PROJECT MIDDLESEX & BOUND BROOK BOROUGHES

Commissioner Kitchen made a motion to approve this resolution, which was seconded by Chairman Shain. Roll call was taken and all present members approved.

SCIA21-968 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR BOND COUNSEL SERVICES – GIBBONS, PC

Commissioner Kitchen made a motion to approve this resolution, which was seconded by Chairman Shain. Roll call was taken and all present members approved.

SCIA21-969 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR BOND COUNSEL SERVICES – GLUCK WALRATH, LLP

Chairman Shain made a motion to approve this resolution, which was seconded by Commissioner Kitchen. Roll call was taken and all present members approved.

SCIA21-970 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR UNDERWRITING SERVICES – NW FINANCIAL GROUP

Commissioner Kitchen made a motion to approve this resolution, which was seconded by Chairman Shain. Roll call was taken and all present members approved.

SCIA21-971 SOMERSET COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY:
AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF RADIO COMMUNICATIONS & ACCESSORIES FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MONTGOMERY UTILIZING STATE CONTRACT #83909

Commissioner Kitchen made a motion to approve this resolution, which was seconded by Chairman Shain. Roll call was taken and all present members approved.

Report of Officers

- Handle with Care Site
 - Commissioner Loper reported that the IA is proceeding with negotiation between Middlesex Borough and Bound Brook on the Handle with Care historic project and that the IA is going to finance the project.
- Belle Mead North
 - County Counsel Joe DeMarco gave an update on the solar array extension agreement. The agreement will potentially be extended. Before action is taken, a resolution will come before the IA Board.
- County Administrator Mahr welcomed Vice Chairperson Chadda to the Improvement Authority
- Vo-Tech Grant
 - Nick Trasente reported that the Vo-Tech received a state grant that requires a 25% match. The Vo-Tech will bond for the match through the IA. In conjunction with that, Nick suggested we reach out to the municipalities to possibly pool a bond. A motion was made by Chairman Shain to move forward with the pooled financing, which was seconded by Commissioner Kitchen. Roll call was taken and all present members approved.

Chairman Shain made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Kitchen seconded.

I, Matthew Loper, Secretary of the Somerset County Improvement Authority, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a minutes by said Somerset County Improvement Authority at its meeting of February 1, 2022.

Matthew Loper, Secretary