

NEW JERSEY ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
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Hunterdon County Clerk

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOTES TO FILE

December 18, 2019

Trenton Country Club

West Trenton, New Jersey

NJAC President and Hunterdon County Clerk Mary Melfi called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. Following the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence, NJAC Executive Director John G. Donnadio called roll and noted that a quorum was present.

1. BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mary Melfi, Hunterdon Clerk and NJAC President
Brendan Gill, Essex County Freeholder and NJAC 1st Vice President
Marie Hayes, Cape May County Freeholder and NJAC 2nd Vice President
John Cimino, Mercer County Freeholder and NJAC Secretary/Treasurer
Heather Simmons, Gloucester County Freeholder and NJAC 2nd Vice President
Susan Shin Angulo, Camden County Freeholder
Johnathan Young, Camden County Freeholder
Ross Angilella, Camden County Administrator
Jeffrey Pierson, Cape May County Freeholder Director
Joe Derella, Cumberland County Freeholder
Ken McCouch, Cumberland County Freeholder
Abe Antun, Hudson County Administrator
Kevin Davis, Hunterdon County Administrator
Teri O'Connor, Monmouth County Administrator
Melissa DeCastro, Salem County Freeholder
Carl Lazzaro, Sussex County Freeholder
Gregory Poff, Sussex County Administrator
Richard Gardner, Warren County Freeholder Deputy Director
Edward Smith, Warren County Freeholder Director
Shaun Golden, Monmouth County Sheriff
John Armeno, Executive Director of the NJ Sheriffs' Association

2. STAFF AND PROFESSIONAL MEMBERS PRESENT

John G. Donnadio, NJAC Executive Director
Paul Anzano, Esq., Pringle, Quinn & Anzano, NJAC General Counsel

3. SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT *Presented by Secretary/Treasurer John Cimino*

- A. The Board unanimously approved the meeting minutes for September 14, 2018.
- B. The Board unanimously approved NJAC financials dated October 30, 2018.
- C. The Board unanimously approved NJAC's audit for 2017.
- D. The Board unanimously approved the resolution authorizing annual county dues for 2019.
- E. The Board unanimously approved the resolution authorizing NJAC's proposed budget for 2019.

4. NOMINATION COMMITTEE *Presented by Nomination Committee Chair Heather Simmons*

The Board unanimously approved the resolution nominating NJAC's 2019 of executive officers as follows: Hunterdon County Clerk Mary Melfi as Immediate Past President, Monmouth County Administrator Teri O'Connor as Secretary/Treasurer, Mercer County Freeholder John Cimino as Second-Vice President, Cape May County Freeholder Marie Hayes as First-Vice President, and Essex County Freeholder Brendan Gill as Secretary/Treasurer

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT *Presented by Mary Melfi*

- A. The Board unanimously approved the resolution authorizing NJAC's reorganization meeting as January 25, 2019.
- B. The Board unanimously approved the resolution authorizing the schedule for board of director meetings in 2019.
- C. President Melfi discussed the costs associated with implementing and administering the new Vote-by-Mail law; and, the Board authorized NJAC to file a complaint with NJ Council on Local Mandates as the new law imposes an unfunded mandate on county governments across the State.

6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT *Presented by John Donnadio*

- A. Executive Director Donnadio encouraged members to mark their calendars for the Association's 68th annual celebration of county government scheduled to take place from May 8th through May 10th at Caesars in Atlantic City.
- B. Executive Director Donnadio also discussed the Summit on Active Shooter Preparedness and 911 Systems.

7. STATE HOUSE NEWS *Presented by First Vice President Brendan Gill*

First Vice President Gill highlighted the fact the NJAC will continue to aggressively pursue reinstating the 2% cap on binding interest arbitration awards and funding for 911 system upgrades. NJAC is also taking the initiative on several fronts such as

streamlining the costs associated with the operation and maintenance of the county court facilities, modernizing the bond ordinance notification process for charter counties, funding code blue alert plans, protecting Local Aid allocations under the Transportation Trust Fund, and authorizing counties to share county tax administrators.

8. RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING BOARD MEMBERS

NJAC's Board recognized freeholders Edward Smith, Carl Lazzaro, and Melissa DeCastro for their outstanding service to county government and the Association.

9. President Melfi adjourned the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "P. Pomada". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "P".