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BRENDAN W. GILL
NJAC President
Essex County Freeholder

JOHN G. DONNADIO
Executive Director

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

January 25, 2019

Senate Chambers of the State House
Trenton, New Jersey 08608

The meeting was called to order at 11:08 a.m. by 2018 NJAC President and Hunterdon County Clerk Mary H. Melfi. The children of Essex County Freeholder President Gill then led the flag salute followed by a moment of silence for Ocean County Freeholder John Bartlett and Essex County Freeholder Lebbby C. Jones. Father Amilcar Benny Prado, Pastor of the St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish in Montclair provided the invocation. NJAC Executive Director John G. Donnadio called roll and a quorum was present.

1. MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Brendan W. Gill, *Essex County Freeholder President*
E. Marie Hayes, *Cape May County Freeholder*
John Cimino, *Mercer County Freeholder*
Teri O'Connor, *Monmouth County Administrator*
Mary H. Melfi, *Hunterdon County Clerk*
Frank Formica, *Atlantic County Freeholder*
Mary Amoroso, *Bergen County Freeholder*
Eve Cullinan, *Burlington County Administrator*
William Moen, Jr., *Camden County Freeholder*
Joseph Derella, *Cumberland County Freeholder Director*
Frank DiMarco, *Gloucester County Freeholder*
Jerry Walker, *Hudson County Freeholder*
Shaun Van Doren, *Hunterdon County Freeholder*
Ronald Rios, *Middlesex County Freeholder Director*
Anthony DeNova, *Passaic County Administrator*
Charles Hassler, *Salem County Freeholder Director*
Herbert Yardley, *Sussex County Freeholder*
Angela Garretson, *Union County Freeholder Vice Chairwoman*
Richard D. Gardner, *Warren County Freeholder*
Diane Gerosky, *Mercer County Surrogate*
John Armeno, *Executive Director for the Sheriff's Association of New Jersey*
George Strachan, *Executive Director for Gloucester County Improvement Authority*
Joe Hannon, Esq., *Member of Genova Burns LLC and NJAC Labor Relations Counsel*
Paul Anzano, Esq., *Partner of Pringle Quinn Anzano and NJAC General Counsel*
John G. Donnadio, *NJAC Executive Director*
Allen Weston, *NJAC Legislative Director*
Loren Wizman, *NJAC Director of Business Development*
Kimberly Nolan, *NJAC Office Manager*
Chantale Wizman, *NJAC Office Automation Clerk (Temp)*

2. ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Honorable Phil Murphy, *Governor for the State of New Jersey*
Honorable Tammy Murphy, *First Lady for the State of New Jersey*
Honorable Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr., *Essex County Executive*
Jonathan Young, *Camden County Freeholder*
Susan Shin Angulo, *Camden County Freeholder*
Jeannette Alvarez, *Confidential Aide to Camden County Freeholder Moen*
Imani Fussel, *Confidential Aide to Camden County Freeholder Young*
Jeffrey Pierson, *Cape May County Freeholder*
Ken Mecouch, *Cumberland County Administrator*
Wayne Richardson, *Essex County Freeholder Vice President*
Rufus Johnson, *Essex County Freeholder*
Leonard Luciano, *Essex County Freeholder*
Robert Mercado, *Essex County Freeholder*
Carlos Pomeroy, *Essex County Freeholder*
Deborah Davis-Ford, *Essex County Clerk of the Freeholder Board*
Deb Marvel, *Essex County Deputy Clerk of the Freeholder Board*
Kathy Brown, *Essex County Chief of Administrative Service to the Freeholder Board*
Kyalo Mulumba, *Public Information Officer to the Freeholder Board*
Karen Golding, *Confidential Aide to Essex County Freeholder President Gill*
Abe Antun, *Hudson County Administrator*
Susan Soloway, *Hunterdon County Freeholder*
Ann Cannon, *Mercer County Freeholder*
Christopher Marion, *Monmouth County Deputy Administrator*
Geoffrey Perselay, *Monmouth County Deputy Administrator*
Greg Poff, *Sussex County Administrator*

3. BOARD MEETING

- A. Executive Director Donnadio recognized special guests, former NJAC President's in attendance, and outgoing county officials. Executive Director Donnadio then provided an overview of 2018; and, thanked President Melfi for her leadership, dedication, and commitment to NJAC.
- B. President Melfi administered the oath of office to NJAC's Board of Directors and then the following Executive Officers: NJAC 1st Vice President and Cape May County Freeholder Marie Hayes, NJAC 2nd Vice President and Mercer County Chair John Cimino, and NJAC Secretary/Treasurer and Monmouth County Administrator Teri O'Connor.
- C. Executive Director Donnadio introduced Governor Phil Murphy, who administered the oath of office to NJAC's 2019 President and Essex County Freeholder President Brendan Gill. The family Mr. Gill joined him on stage during the swearing-in. President Gill recognized several special guests and thanked his family, friends, and colleagues for their support. He further discussed NJAC's goals to promote the regionalization of services, reducing the costs associated with operating county court facilities, and promoting economic development.

4. OFFICIAL REPORTS

- A. NJAC President Gill reviewed the following routine business items and resolutions, which were passed as general consent matters on a Warren/Passaic county vote while Monmouth County abstained:
- NJAC Notes to File dated December 14, 2018
 - NJAC Financials dated December 31, 2018
 - NJAC 2019 Board of Directors' Meeting Schedule
 - NJAC 2019 Annual County Dues
 - NJAC 2019 Annual Budget
 - NJAC General Counsel as Pringle, Quinn, & Anzano
 - NJAC Labor Relations Counsel as Genova Burns
 - NJAC Accountant/Auditor as Suplee, Clooney, Co.
- B. NJAC President Gill requested Executive Director Donnadio to conduct the drawing for this year's County Vocational Technical School Cook-Off Challenge scheduled to take place during the Association's annual celebration of county government from May 8th through May 10th at Caesar's in Atlantic City. Essex County as home of the 2019 President; Monmouth County as the 2018 People's Choice Champion; and, Bergen, Cumberland, Hudson, Mercer, Morris, Passaic, and Union counties as counties that did not participate in competition in 2018 received automatic bids. NJ Council of County Vocational-Technical Schools Executive Director Judy Savage helped with the drawing, which had Ocean and Sussex counties joining this year's event.
- C. Former NJAC President and Essex County Executive Joseph DiVincenzo congratulated President Gill; and, thanked him for his consistent leadership and dedication to county government.

5. ADJOURNMENT

President Gill invited guests for lunch provided by Cugino's Italian Market, and dessert and musical entertainment provided by the Essex County Vocational Technical School District at the Historic Masonic Temple. The board adjourned on a Gloucester/Cumberland County motion at 11:56 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Donnadio". The signature is written in dark ink on a white background.

John G. Donnadio, Esq.
NJAC Executive Director