

**PASSAIC COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING HELD ON**

**May 27, 2025**

A regular meeting of the Passaic County Board of County Commissioners was held on this day at 401 Grand Street, Paterson NJ 07505 at 5:36 PM.

Louis E. Imhof, III, Clerk of the Board, read the announcement on the Open Public Meeting Law.

**Roll Call:**

1. Bartlett
2. Cruz
3. DeVore
4. Duffy-joined telephonically at 7:03pm.
5. James-absent
6. Deputy Director Lazzara
7. Director Lepore

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Invocation:** Rev. Father J. Patrick Ryan, D. Min

Moment of silence to remember all the men and women who have died while serving in the United States Armed Forces.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motion made by County Commissioner De Vore, seconded by County Commissioner Bartlett that the minutes for May 13, 2025, be approved which the motion was carried on a roll call of five (5) votes in the affirmative with County Commissioner Duffy and County Commissioner James being absent.

**Proclamation:**

Motion made by County Commissioner Bartlett, seconded by County Commissioner Cruz, for approval of proclamation which motion was carried on a roll call of six (5) votes in the affirmative with County Commissioner Duffy and County Commissioner James being absent.

**Administrator's Report:**

1. The Passaic County Board of County Commissioners wishes to honor and recognize Dr. Minerva Guttman as we celebrate Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Heritage Month.
2. Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Heritage Month Celebration honoring Dr. Minerva Guttman, Tahirul Islam, Golam R. Chowdhury, and Mukesh Pandya who was unable to attend and will be honored at the next board meeting on June 17, 2025.
3. A Public Hearing to solicit comments from the public on the intention of the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Passaic to sell an approximately 1,050 square foot former right-of-way located adjacent to 269 Lackawanna Avenue and 287 Lackawanna Avenue in the Borough of Woodland Park (near Block 507 Lot 22). The purpose of the hearing is to conduct a private sale pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13.3 to the Borough of Woodland Park, pursuant to the terms and conditions as set forth in the N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13, et seq.

and Resolution No. R-25-162 approved by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Passaic.

No one came before the board.

4. Presentation on 2025 Open Space Trust Fund Grant Program Recommendations. Open Space Acquisition, Park Development, and Historic Preservation Applications.

Motion made by County Commissioner Bartlett, seconded by County Commissioner Cruz to suspend the regular order of business, which motion was carried on a roll call of five (5) votes in the affirmative with County Commissioner Duffy and County Commissioner James being absent.

#### **Bond Ordinance 2025-04**

At this time (7:03pm) County Commissioner Duffy joins the meeting via phone.

Motion made by County Commissioner Bartlett, seconded by County Commissioner Cruz to open the public hearing on Bond Ordinance 2025-04, which motion was carried on a roll call of six (6) votes in the affirmative with County Commissioner James being absent.

At this time no one appeared before the Board on Bond Ordinance 2025- 04.

Motion made by County Commissioner Cruz, seconded by County Commissioner Lazzara to close the public hearing on Bond Ordinance 2025- 04, which motion was carried on a roll call of six (6) votes in the affirmative with County Commissioner James being absent.

Motion made by County Commissioner Bartlett, seconded by County Commissioner Lazzara to adopt Bond Ordinance 2025-04, which motion was carried on a roll call of five (5) votes in the affirmative with County Commissioner De Vore abstaining and County Commissioner James being absent.

Motion made by County Commissioner Cruz, seconded by County Commissioner De Vore to resume the regular order of business, which motion was carried on a roll call of six (6) votes in the affirmative with County Commissioner James being absent.

At this time Director Lepore asked if there was any County Commissioner Reports.

1. County Commissioner Director Pasquale “Pat” Lepore
2. County Commissioner Deputy Cassandra “Sandi” Lazzara
3. County Commissioner John W. Bartlett
4. County Commissioner Orlando Cruz
5. County Commissioner Rodney A. DeVore
6. County Commissioner Terry Duffy
7. County Commissioner Bruce James- absent

**COMMUNICATION: None**

#### **ORAL PORTION:**

Lazzara: Motion to open the public portion.  
Cruz: Second.

ROLL CALL: Bartlett, Yes: Cruz, Yes: DeVore, Yes: Duffy, Yes: James:  
Absent, Lazzara, Yes: Director Lepore, Yes:

At this time Director Lepore asked if anyone would like to be heard before the Board:

No one came before the Board.

Duffy: Motion to close the Public Portion of the Meeting.  
Cruz Second.

ROLL CALL: Bartlett, Yes: Cruz, Yes: DeVore, Yes: Duffy, Yes: James: Absent,  
Lazzara, Yes: Director Lepore, Yes:

**Consent Agenda Resolutions:**

Motion made by County Commissioner Bartlett, seconded by County Commissioner Cruz to add Resolution N-66, which motion was carried on a roll call of six (6) votes in the affirmative with County Commissioner James being absent.

Motion made by County Commissioner Bartlett, seconded by County Commissioner DeVore to adopt Resolution N-1 through N-66, which the motion was carried on a roll call with six (6) votes in the affirmative with County Commissioner James being absent.

**“End of Consent Agenda”**

**Capital Ordinance 2025-05**

Motion made by County Commissioner Duffy, seconded by County Commissioner DeVore to approve on first reading Capital Ordinance 2025-05, which the motion was carried on a roll call with six (6) votes in the affirmative with County Commissioner James being absent,

**Personnel:**

Motion made by County Commissioner Bartlett, second by County Commissioner Cruz, that all Personnel matters be approved that were submitted by the Office of Human Resources. Then the Office of Human Resources shall be directed to notify the County Finance Department and New Jersey Department of Personnel accordingly, which motion was approved, with six (6) votes in the affirmative with County Commissioner James being absent.

**Bills:**

Motion made by County Commissioner Cruz, seconded by County Commissioner Bartlett, that:

Current Fund	4-01	\$138,1911.90
Current Fund	5-01	\$3,573,756.43
HUD Budget Expenditures	5-25	\$9,204.44
	<b>Year Total</b>	<b>\$3,582,960.87</b>
General Capital Fund Budget	C-04	\$540,905.04
State/Federal Grant Fund	G-01	\$545,214.92
Open Space Trust Fund FY2020	O-20	\$200,000.00
Open Space Trust Fund FY2021	O-21	\$40,904.00
Open Space Trust Fund FY2022	O-22	\$299,000.00
Open Space Trust Fund FY2024	O-24	\$100,000.00
Open Space Trust Fund FY2025	O-25	\$1,463.68
	<b>Year Total:</b>	<b>\$641,367.68</b>
Register of Deeds Trust	T-17	\$17,265.00
Professional Liab.	T-19	\$72,007.16
Trust Fund Other	T-20	\$24,541.50

Municipal Forfeiture Funds	T-22	\$18,998.00
Para Transit Trust Fund	T-24	\$1,453.12
	<b>Year Total:</b>	<b><u>\$134,264.78</u></b>

<b>Total of All Funds:</b>	<b><u>\$5,582,905.19</u></b>
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Current Fund	4-01	\$200.00
Current Fund	5-01	\$11,206,684.93
Payroll Agency Deductions	5-05	\$2,485,437.81
HUD Budget Expenditures	5-25	\$24,404.51
State/Federal Grant Fund	G-01	\$191,505.76
Confiscated Trust Fund	T-15	\$17,376.00
Trust Fund Other	T-20	\$5,165.70
	<b>Total All Funds:</b>	<b><u>\$13,930,774.71</u></b>

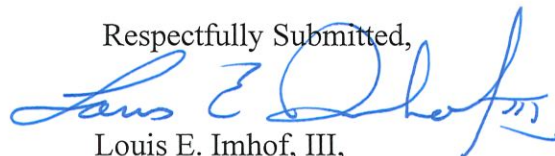
was approved, with six (6) votes in the affirmative with County Commissioner Bartlett and County Commissioner James being absent.

#### **Adjournment**

Motion made by County Commissioner Duffy, seconded by County Commissioner DeVore that the regular meeting be adjourned at 7:11 pm, and the motion was carried on roll call with six (6) votes in the affirmative with County James being absent.

**(The proceedings of this meeting were both audio and video tape recorded)**

Respectfully Submitted,



Louis E. Imhof, III,  
Clerk of the Board

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