

OCEAN COUNTY BOARD OF SOCIAL SERVICES
OPEN PUBLIC AGENDA
SPECIAL MEETING

APRIL 14, 2026

OCEAN COUNTY RESOURCE CENTER
1005 HOOPER AVENUE
TOMS RIVER, N.J. 08753-0547
2:15 PM – 3rd FLOOR, CONFERENCE ROOM 319

- I. Call to Order/Flag Salute – (Chairperson)
- II. Open Public Meetings Act – (Chairperson)
- III. Roll Call – (Chairperson)
- IV. Consent Agenda

A. MOTIONS

All matters listed below are considered routine and shall be enacted by one motion. Should any member of the Board or the Public seek separate discussion of any item, that item shall be removed and discussed separately.

B. RESOLUTIONS

Authorization requested for Director and/or Chairperson or Vice Chairperson to enter into contract with following entities/vendors. Contracts, where applicable, are subject to cancellation on 30 days notice and are also subject to availability/appropriation annually of adequate funds to meet Board's obligations. Request also to open a bank account when necessary, accept funds, deposit funds into a bank account, when appropriate, disburse funds, and list for Board ratification

1.) Resolution Repealing the Residency Requirement for Agency Employees

- a.) This Resolution will repeal Resolution 98-7-20, Resolution 81-7-8 (adopted at the 07/21/81 Board), 2023-10-26(R), and 2026-01-63(R), insofar as they mandate residency within the County of Ocean for hiring and continued employment.
- b.) Officers charged with making employment recommendations or decisions shall not consider residency as a complete bar to employment.
- c.) Officers charged with making employment recommendations or decisions may consider the practicality of a client's residence in context to the Agency's campus, or as a tiebreaker amongst comparable candidates.
- d.) Current employees shall no longer be required to reside within Ocean County to continue employment with the Agency.

Note: Request to release this Resolution prior to formal adoption

2.) Authorization to Dispose of Quotes & Enter into Contract for Retention of Special Investigatory Counsel Recommendation (via memo): Dasti & Staiger – (Memo provided at Special Board Meeting)

Date: 04/15/26 through 12/31/26 or until the exhaustion of \$7,500.00 limit, whichever is sooner
Cost: \$175/ hour; not to exceed \$7,500.00

Purpose: To provide specialized investigatory legal services into Social Work units.

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C. CORRESPONDENCE TO BOARD – B.K. Wilkie, Esq.

D. PERSONNEL MATTERS – B.K. Wilkie, Esq.

1.) Social Worker Updates

- a.) General
- b.) Interviews on April 15, 2026
- c.) Pendency of Investigation

END OF CONSENT AGENDA – MOTION / ROLL CALL

V. Comments from the Board

VI. Comments from the Public - Public comments are permitted at this time and limited to five (5) minutes per speaker.

VII. Resolution to Hold Executive Session – Special Meeting

VII. Adjournment