

**SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
MARCH 5, 2008 MEETING MINUTES**

At 7:30 PM, Director Ware opened the meeting. Robin Weinstein led with a prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Director Ware stated that adequate notice pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act had been given of this meeting and read the Open Public Meeting Act Statement.

On roll call, the following Freeholders were present: Freeholders Lindenmuth, Timberman, Bobbitt, Acton, Sullivan, Hogan and Director Ware.

Motion was made by Deputy Director Lindenmuth to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the February 6, 2008 meeting and that the Minutes be received, approved and recorded in the Minute book. Freeholder Timberman seconded his motion. The motion carried by a hand vote of 7/0.

PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE CORNERSTONE WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER

The foregoing Proclamation was read by Deputy Clerk of the Board Weinstein and presented by Freeholder Hogan. The recipient then spoke briefly about their services.

CORRESPONDENCE

GENERAL

Stephen M. Sweeney, Senate Majority Leader; John J. Burzichelli, Deputy Speaker; and Douglas H. Fisher, Deputy Majority Whip, New Jersey Senate and General Assembly – notice that Salem County has been awarded a Small Cities Block Grant in the amount of \$150,000 through the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs

Wolfgang Skacel, CHMM, Assistant Commissioner, Department of Environmental Protection – letter of advisement of the intention to award the Salem County Health Department a grant in the amount of \$191,021 to support delegated environmental health activities

Honorable Bob Franks, President, HealthCare Institute of New Jersey – copy of the 2007-2009 capital construction forecast summary

Hunterdon County – two resolutions:

- resolution supporting Cape May County with regard to a Bigley action currently in litigation
- resolution urging New Jersey Transit Corporation to complete the West Trenton Environmental Assessment Report and expedite plans to reactivate rail passenger service on the West Trenton Line

Monmouth County – two resolutions:

- resolution requesting the Congress and the President of the United States to reverse the decision to close the United States Army installation at Fort Monmouth and supporting requests for an investigation by the U.S. Attorney General
- resolution opposing Governor Jon S. Corzine's proposal of an asset monetization plan and proposed massive toll hikes

Morris County – resolution urging a halt to the implementation of the Airspace Redesign and addressing the concerns of the residents of Morris County and adjoining counties on this subject before proceeding with any plans to reroute air flights over northern New Jersey

John D. Jordan, Esq. – copies of two resolutions requesting certain issues to be addressed on certain County Roads in Carney’s Point Township

Allen Williams – letter of resignation as a member of the Open Space Advisory Committee effective immediately

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

For the Month of December

Shelter of Hope

For the Month of January

Shelter of Home

For the Month of February

Adjuster

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION MINUTES

Agriculture Development Board January 23rd Minutes

Alcohol and Drug Abuse Advisory Committee Minutes of the February 14th Minutes

Mental Health Board February 19th Minutes

Office on Aging Advisory Council November 20, 2007 Minutes

Office on Aging Transportation Advisory Council March 17th Agenda

Open Space Advisory Committee January 23rd Minutes

Motion was made by Deputy Director Lindenmuth to accept and file the correspondence, departmental reports, and the committee and commission reports and be made a part of the Minutes. The motion was seconded by Freeholder Timberman. The motion was carried by a hand vote of 7/0.

Motion was made by Deputy Director Lindenmuth that all Bills and Claims, when properly signed and audited, be paid and charged to their respective accounts. The motion was seconded by Freeholders Timberman. The motion was carried by a hand vote of 7/0.

Director Ware stated that if no Freeholder objected, the resolutions would be read in bulk.

R. 2008-160
ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION OF THE
BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS OF THE COUNTY OF SALEM, NEW JERSEY,
AUTHORIZING AND CONSENTING TO THE ISSUANCE OF
(I) GOVERNMENTAL LOAN REVENUE (COUNTY COLLEGE PROJECT) SERIES 2008A AND
(II) COUNTY GUARANTEED LEASE REVENUE BONDS
(COUNTY GLASS BLOWING PROJECT) SERIES 2008B, BY THE
SALEM COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE FINANCING FOR
PROJECTS TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE
SALEM COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND THE SALEM COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY

R. 2008-161
ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION OPPOSING GOVERNOR JON CORZINE'S PROPOSAL TO
ELIMINATE THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

R. 2008-162
ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS
FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM
(Conxx)

Deputy Director Lindenmuth moved for adoption of these three resolutions, with Freeholder Timberman seconding his motion. At this point in the meeting, Deputy Director Lindenmuth asked that the resolution pertaining to Governor Corzine's proposal to eliminate the Department of Agriculture be read in full, to which Deputy Clerk of the Board Weinstein did. Director Ware commented that as a farmer, this was very disturbing and sending a bad message. Deputy Director Lindenmuth sympathized with the States budget difficulties however doing away with the Dept. of Ag. sends the wrong message to the residents of the Garden State. As there was no further discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a hand vote of 7/0.

R. 2008-163
FINANCE

RESOLUTION APPROVING SIGNATORIES FOR REQUIRED BANK ACCOUNT
(Nursing Home)

R. 2008-164
FINANCE

RESOLUTION APPROVING SIGNATORIES FOR REQUIRED BANK ACCOUNT
(Nursing Home)

R. 2008-165
FINANCE

FINANCE RESOLUTION CANCELLATION OF CHECKS
(Nursing Home)

R. 2008-166
FINANCE

FINANCE RESOLUTION REQUESTING TRANSFER OF FUNDS

R. 2008-167
FINANCE

RESOLUTION FOR LATE INTRODUCTION OF THE COUNTY BUDGET

R. 2008-168
FINANCE

EMERGENCY TEMPORARY RESOLUTION PRIOR TO ADOPTION OF BUDGET

R. 2008-169
FINANCE

RESOLUTION CORRECTING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY RESOLUTION #2008-147

R. 2008-170
FINANCE

FINANCE RESOLUTION CANCELLATION OF CHECK

Freeholder Sullivan moved for adoption of these eight resolutions, with Freeholder Hogan seconding his motion. As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a hand vote of 7/0.

R. 2008-171

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ALLIANCE TO PREVENT ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE FOR THE YEAR 2008

\$13,634.98 – Carney's Point/Penns Grove Municipal Alliance

\$9,681 – Pennsville Municipal Alliance

\$6,420.08 – Pittsgrove Municipal Alliance

\$4,144.89 – Quinton Municipal Alliance

R. 2008-172

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE
2008 SALEM COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE PLAN

R. 2008-173

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS AND B.R. WILLIAMS, INC., LOWER ALLOWAY CREEK TOWNSHIP, AND PITTS GROVE TOWNSHIP FOR THE FEDERAL 2008 ANNUAL CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES FOR THE SECTION 5310 VEHICLES

R. 2008-174

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS AND CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES OF SALEM COUNTY FOR THE PROVISION OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES UNDER THE SENIOR CITIZEN AND DISABLED RESIDENT TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE ACT

R. 2008-175

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION REJECTING ALL SUBMITTED BIDS FOR SUPPLYING AND DELIVERING VARIOUS FOOD ITEMS TO THE SALEM COUNTY NURSING HOME

Freeholder Hogan moved for adoption of these five resolutions, with Freeholder Timberman seconding his motion. As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a hand vote of 7/0.

R. 2008-176

PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT FOR AN EMERGENCY DESIGNATED SCREENING SERVICE FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM (Healthcare Commons, Inc.)

R. 2008-177

PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF ADDITIONAL DEPUTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATORS FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM (Lawrence Fisher – 1st Alternate; Scott Haines – 2nd Alternate; Jeff Pomper – 3rd Alternate)

Deputy Director Lindenmuth moved for adoption of these two resolutions, with Freeholder Bobbitt seconding his motion. As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a hand vote of 7/0.

R. 2008-178

PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION

RESOLUTION APPOINTING A DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION
FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM
(James Scull, Jr.)

Freeholder Timberman moved for adoption of this resolution, with Deputy Director Lindenmuth seconding his motion. As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a hand vote of 7/0.

R. 2008-179

PUBLIC WORKS

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR
MOTORIST SOLICITATION PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION NO. 98-115
(Carney's Point Fire Department)

R. 2008-180

PUBLIC WORKS

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR
MOTORIST SOLICITATION PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION NO. 98-115
(Pittsgrove Midget Football)

Freeholder Bobbitt moved for adoption of these two resolutions, with Freeholder Sullivan seconding his motion. As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a hand vote of 7/0.

Under New Business, Freeholder Timberman stated that she had just returned from the NACo conference. She commented that the County was right on track with the 10 year Homeless Plan recently adopted, and we need to follow through on the Energy Committee.

Under the public portion of the meeting Director Ware first called upon Brian Blair of Energy Freedom Pioneers. He gave an overview of the work being done at the DOD in Pedricktown. Director Ware responded thanking him for his comments, and the importance of a clean energy source.

Jim Turk, the new Cultural & Heritage Commission Director, was recognized next and gave a brief background of himself and stated future goals for the Cultural & Heritage Commission.

Linda Metzger of Robins Nest stated that she is the new Liaison and gave a brief overview of the program. Freeholder Hogan thanked her for her comments.

Jim Yanus of Alloway Township stated he appreciated the quick response from the clerk's office to his questions.

Bud Harris of Carney's Point Township commented that the group that he represents has been waiting three months for the Freeholders to set up a meeting with the mayors of the river towns and to date has seen nothing happen. He stated that he was recently in Washington and most of the legislators weren't working very hard either. He urged the Freeholders to stop doing nothing and to

unify this County to stop the State in its attempts to take it over. Freeholder Timberman responded by saying that many folks both in the County and in Washington are working very hard.

R. 2008-181
ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC
FROM A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
OF THE COUNTY OF SALEM

Deputy Director Lindenmuth moved for adoption of this resolution, with Freeholder Timberman seconding his motion. As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolution carried a hand vote of 7/0.

The Freeholders went into closed session at 8:10 PM. Freeholder Sullivan moved to come out of closed session, with Deputy Director Lindenmuth seconding his motion. The Freeholders came out of closed session at 8:30 PM. The Freeholders unanimously adjourned the meeting at 8:31 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Earl R. Gage
Clerk of the Board