

**SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
SEPTEMBER 3, 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, Hogan and Director Ware. Freeholder Sullivan was absent due to illness.

Motion was made by Deputy Director Lindenmuth to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the August 20, 2008 meeting and that the Minutes are to be received, approved and recorded in the Minute book. Freeholder Timberman seconded his motion. The motion carried by a hand vote of 6/0.

Motion was made by Deputy Director Lindenmuth that the Rules of the Board be temporarily waived for resolution number 18 on tonight's agenda. Freeholder Timberman seconded his motion, which carried a hand vote of 6/0.

Doris Moore was recognized by Director Ware and first thanked the Board for opening with a prayer before she presented petitions regarding the large utility poles in Upper Pittsgrove Township that Atlantic Electric is erecting. She further commented on the continuing fight with Atlantic City Electric Company to stop the placement of utility poles.

Herb Roeschke and Blanch Hogate of the Department of Health & Social Services were present and gave an update of the Departments of the Office on Aging, Health and Mental Health. Freeholders Lindenmuth, Hogan and Ware thanked them for their efforts.

CORRESPONDENCE

GENERAL

Joseph F. Janocha, PE, Regulatory Affairs Manager, PHI Rates and Technical Services, Atlantic City Electric – Notice of Filing and Public Hearings related to the proposed changes in the Universal Service Fund and Lifeline components of the electric Societal Benefits Charges

Patricia Parking McNamara, Executive Secretary, Local Finance Board, Department of Community Affairs – resolutions concerning Installment Purchase Agreements and the IPA Program

David Chanda, Director, Division of Fish & Wildlife, Department of Environmental Protection – letter concerning wildlife rehabilitators

Daniel J. Bitonti, Esq., Cozen O'Connor – Notice of Filing proposing to increase existing rate levels

Kris Killuri, Commissioner, Department of Transportation – notice that Salem County will received a New Jersey Department of Transportation County Aid allotment in the amount of \$1,823,000

Bernard Navatto, Jr., Chairman, Somerset County Planning Board – letter in support of the planning and implementation strategies that increase the supply of affordable housing within Somerset County

Cape May County – 2 resolutions:

- resolution supporting Assembly Bill No. 2654 authorizing a special Gold Star license plate
- resolution opposing changes in the cost-sharing arrangement between the State of New Jersey and counties for the maintenance of patients in State psychiatric facilities

Hunterdon County – resolution opposing charge to rural municipalities for costs of NJ State Police

Sussex County – resolution opposing changes in the cost-sharing arrangement between the State of NJ and counties for the maintenance of county patients in State psychiatric facilities

Warren County – resolution opposing changes in the cost-sharing arrangement between the State of New Jersey and counties for the maintenance of patients in State psychiatric facilities

Carney's Point Township – resolution agreeing to participate in Salem County's Shared Service Feasibility Study to study Animal Control at no direct cost to the Township of Carney's Point

Lower Alloways Creek Township – resolution supporting a partnership with the Salem County Freeholder Board in their effort to reconstruct County Bridge No. 1399 known locally as "New Bridge"

Upper Pittsgrove Township – resolution encouraging Atlantic City electric Company to relocate transmission lines underground along State Highway 77

Borough of Woodstown – resolution authorizing Woodstown participation in the Salem County Shared Services Feasibility Study for animal control

Robin B. Weinstein, Deputy County Administrator – copy of the draft revised and comprehensive travel policy for the County of Salem

Election Board – letter regarding the scheduled Mannington facility move

Planning Board – resolution adopting the County of Salem Farmland Preservation Plan Update

Julie Action, Freeholder – letter to Freeholder Hogan regarding her concern and disappointment in the lack of response concerning her request of the Nursing Home reports

Barbara L. Uhland, Retired County Tax Administrator – letter concerning some Salem County Emergency Services 9-1-1 issues

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

For the Month of June

Emergency Services

For the Month of August

Adjuster

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION MINUTES

Alcohol and Drug Abuse Advisory Committee August 14th Minutes and September 11th Agenda

Leased Apartments Program June 5th Minutes

Public Services Committee August Update- Freeholder Acton

Commission on Woman June 17th 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 6/0.

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 Freeholder Timberman. The motion was carried by a hand vote of 6/0.

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

R. 2008-412
ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION OF THE
BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS OF THE COUNTY OF SALEM, NEW JERSEY,
AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF UP TO \$6,000,000,
AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT, OF ITS SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 2008;
MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH
AND AUTHORIZING SUCH FURTHER ACTIONS RELATED THERETO

R. 2008-413
ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A TRAVEL POLICY FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM
AND FOR BOARDS AND AUTHORITIES APPOINTED BY THE
SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

R. 2008-414
ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION CHANGING CUSTODIAN OF FUNDS OF ESTABLISHED PETTY CASH FUNDS

R. 2008-415
ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC SALE OF SURPLUS VEHICLES
AND VARIOUS OTHER EQUIPMENT DEEMED NOT NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE
BY THE COUNTY OF SALEM AND FOR SURPLUS VEHICLES AND OTHER EQUIPMENT
DEEMED NOT NEEDED BY THE GOVERNING BODIES OF THE
PARTICIPATING MEMBERS OF THE
SALEM COUNTY COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM NUMBER 75-SCCPS

Freeholder Bobbitt moved for adoption of these four resolutions, with Freeholder Timberman seconding his motion. On discussion, Freeholder Acton asked why we were adopting a Travel Policy. Freeholders Lindenmuth, Bobbitt, Hogan and Director Ware commented that we are only the second County in the State to adopt such a policy and it is for transparency in government that we do so. Further changes will be made to the employee travel policy in the future. As there was no further discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a hand vote of 6/0.

R. 2008-416
PUBLIC SERVICES

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF ANY SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE
IN THE BUDGET PURSUANT TO R.S. 40A:4-87, CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948
(\$39,500.34 – Election Assistance to Individuals with Disabilities)

Freeholder Acton moved for adoption of this resolution, with Freeholder Bobbitt seconding his motion. As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolution carried a hand vote of 6/0.

R. 2008-417
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACTS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
(\$4,839 – FAMCARE, Inc.)

R. 2008-418
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE
ALLIANCE TO PREVENT ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE FOR THE YEAR 2008
(\$3,641.38 – Lower Alloways Creek Township)

R. 2008-419
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES
RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE
IN THE BUDGET PURSUANT TO R.S. 40A:4-87, CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948
(\$110,000 – Cancer Education and Early Detection)

R. 2008-420
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES
RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE
IN THE BUDGET PURSUANT TO R.S. 40A:4-87, CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948
(\$522,000 – Public Health Preparedness & Response for Bioterrorism)

R. 2008-421
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES
RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FOR PROVIDING
DRUG AND ALCOHOL SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM

R. 2008-422
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES
RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 FOR PROVIDING
DRUG AND ALCOHOL SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM

R. 2008-423
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES
RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NO. 3 FOR PROVIDING
DRUG AND ALCOHOL SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM.

Freeholder Bobbitt moved for adoption of these seven resolutions, with Freeholder Timberman seconding his motion. Under discussion Freeholder Acton thanked Maggie Vaughn for responding to her questions concerning the change orders. The motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a hand vote of 6/0.

R. 2008-424
PUBLIC SAFETY
RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION OF FOOD SERVICE
FOR THE SALEM COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM
(\$596,866.25 – Aramark Correctional Services, Inc.)

R. 2008-425
PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATION WITH THE
STATE OF NEW JERSEY GRANT PROGRAMS ADMINISTERED BY THE
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE,
STATE OFFICE OF VICTIM-WITNESS ADVOCACY

R. 2008-426
PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION CREATING THE CHILDREN'S HEALTH & WELFARE ADVISORY COUNCIL
FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM

Deputy Director Lindenmuth moved for adoption of these three resolutions, with Freeholder Bobbitt seconding his motion. On discussion, Deputy Director Lindenmuth commented on the creation of the Children's Health & Welfare Advisory Council stating that it was a promise made at reorganization and we are fulfilling the needs of our children. Freeholder Hogan stated that not one child should be left behind. As there was no further discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a hand vote of 6/0.

R. 2008-427
PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS SUPPORTING AND APPROVING
A GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

R. 2008-428
PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION

RESOLUTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE MEMBER NO. 1 TO THE
SALEM COUNTY PLANNING BOARD
(John Humphreys, II)

Freeholder Timberman moved for adoption of these two resolutions, 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 6/0.

R. 2008-429
PUBLIC WORKS

RESOLUTION REJECTING ALL BIDS SUBMITTED FOR
FURNISHING AND DELIVERING STONE MIX BITUMINOUS PAVING MATERIAL
FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM

R. 2008-430
PUBLIC WORKS

RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #1-FINAL FOR THE
STEEL REHABILITATION OF HANCOCK'S BRIDGE, COUNTY BRIDGE #17-1-300
IN LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK TOWNSHIP FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM

Freeholder Bobbitt moved for adoption of these two resolutions, with Freeholders Timberman and Hogan seconding his motion. As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a hand vote of 6/0.

Under Unfinished Business, Deputy Director Lindenmuth gave an update of the Shared Services Program stating that there would be a joint meeting of the Vo-Tech Board and the Special Services

School District Board on Sept. 16, 2008. Hopefully both Boards will readily agree to allow the County to apply for a feasibility study grant to consider the question of a shared superintendent.

Under the public portion of the meeting, Paul Reed of Carney's Point wanted an explanation of resolution 2008-427- Clerk of the Board Gage explained the new DEP law stating that each County must compile and submit a Countywide 2008 Plan.

Amanda Shimp of Shirley Road questioned on the progress of a meeting with Atlantic City Electric Company. Clerk of the Board Gage responded that as soon as possible.

Evern Ford of Woodstown wanted an explanation of Resolution 2008-413 questioning if the new travel policy applied to the Vo-Tech Board. Director Ware stated that the Vo-Tech Board is an autonomous body and did not have to comply.

Ann Sullivan of Alloway Township wanted a clear understanding of Resolution 2008-419. CFO Bell explained the Chapter 159 process.

Blanch Hogate commended the Board for the creation of the Children's Health & Welfare Advisory Council.

Freeholder Timberman wanted everyone to know about the ceremony to be held on September 11th at the County Fairgrounds remembering 911.

Motion to adjourn was made by Deputy Director Lindenmuth, which was seconded by Freeholder Timberman. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:06 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Earl R. Gage
Clerk of the Board