

**SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
NOVEMBER 2, 2016 MEETING MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by Director Acton:

Harry Hill, US Air Force –1961-1965 lead the assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the prayer led by Freeholder Vanderslice.

Director Acton stated that adequate notice pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act has been given of this meeting.

On Roll Call, the following Freeholders were present: Deputy Director Cross, DeCastro, Laury, Painter, Vanderslice, Ware and Director Acton.

Motion was made by Deputy Director Cross to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the October 19, 2016 Workshop and Regular Meeting. Minutes be received, approved and recorded in the Minute Book. there was no discussion, the motion was seconded by Freeholder Ware and carried by hand vote of 7/0.

WAIVER OF THE RULES

Motion was made by Freeholder Ware to waive the rules of the board for the 1 forgoing resolution and add it to tonight's agenda. The motion was seconded by Freeholder Painter. Motion carried a hand vote of 7/0.

CORRESPONDENCE

GENERAL

Motion was made by Deputy Director Cross to accept and file the correspondence reports and that they be made a part of the Minutes. The motion was seconded by Freeholder Painter. Motion carried a hand vote of 7/0.

Director Acton stated that Maxtrix Reality is also looking to add additional site at Gateway Business Park and will be going to the Oldmans Planning Board soon.

PAYMENTS OF BILLS AND CLAIMS

Motion was made by Deputy Director Cross that all Bills and Claims, when properly signed and audited be paid and charged to their respective accounts. The motion was seconded by Freeholder Vanderslice and carried by a hand vote of 6/0/1. Freeholder Painter abstained.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE – Acton, Cross, Painter

R. 2016-361

ADMINISTRATIVE

Resolution Renewing A Contract For Leasing Salem County Farm Land (Iron Hill Farm - \$6,496.00)

R. 2016-362

ADMINISTRATIVE

Resolution Requesting Change In Title, Text Or Amount Of Appropriations Pursuant To N.J.S.A. 40A:4-85

R. 2016-363

ADMINISTRATIVE

Resolution Of The County Of Salem, State Of New Jersey, Authorizing The Execution Of The Memorandum Of Agreement Between The County Of Salem, Salem County Sheriff, The Salem County Corrections Officers' Association, and The K-9 Unit Officers

R. 2016-364

ADMINISTRATIVE

Resolution Amending Resolution 2016-2 Resolution For Compliance With The Open Public Meetings Act Law For The County Of Salem

Freeholder Painter moved for the adoption of these four (4) resolutions with Freeholder Laury seconding his motion. As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolution carried a hand vote of 7/0.

EDUCATION/EMPLOYMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE – Painter, DeCastro, Acton

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE – Vanderslice, Painter, Laury

R. 2016-365

HEALTH/HUMAN SERVICES

Resolution Authorizing An Agreement Between New Jersey Transit And The Salem County Board Of Chosen Freeholders For Award Of A Vehicle Under Section 5310 Program

Freeholder Painter moved for the adoption of the one (1) resolution with Freeholder DeCastro seconding his motion. As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolution carried a hand vote of 7/0.

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE – DeCastro, Vanderslice, Ware

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – Cross, Laury, Vanderslice

R. 2016-366

PUBLIC SAFETY

A Resolution Urging The Governor And The New Jersey State Legislature To Dedicate Funding Mechanisms For Counties To Offset The Costs Associated With Implementing Bail Reform

Deputy Director Cross moved for the adoption of this one (1) resolution with Freeholder Painter seconding his motion. As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolution carried a hand vote of 7/0.

TRANSPORTATION, AGRICULTURE & CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE – Ware, DeCastro, Cross,

R. 2016-367

TRANSPORTATION, AGRICULTURE & CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Resolution Authorizing The Proposed Acquisition Of A Development Easement On Moffett Farm In Pilesgrove And Upper Pittsgrove Townships

R. 2016-368

TRANSPORTATION, AGRICULTURE & CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Resolution Approving Change Order No. 2 For The Replacement Of UG Bridge No. 23.39 Over Oldmans Creek In Pilesgrove Township, Salem County Contract #15-1354

Freeholder Ware moved for the adoption of the two (2) resolutions with Freeholder DeCastro seconding his motion. As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolution carried a hand vote of 7/0.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – Laury, Ware, Acton

R. 2016-369

PUBLIC WORKS

Resolution Of Support Creation Of Path Along Penns – Grove Auburn Road, County Road #641 In Carneys Point Township, Salem County

R. 2016-370

PUBLIC WORKS

Resolution Restricting Parking Along A Certain Section Of Pennsville-Auburn Road, County Road #551 In The Township Of Carneys Point, County Of Salem

R. 2016-371

PUBLIC WORKS

Resolution Renewing A Contract For Providing Supplementary Snow And Ice Removal Services For The County Of Salem

R. 2016-372

PUBLIC WORKS

Resolution Renewing A Contract For Supplying And Delivering Traffic Paint For The County Of Salem And The Members Of The Salem County Cooperative Pricing System Identifier Number 75-SCCP

R. 2016-373

PUBLIC WORKS

Resolution To Approve Application For Motorist Solicitation Pursuant To Resolution No. 98-115 (Parvin State Park Appreciation Committee, Inc.)

R. 2016-374

PUBLIC WORKS

Resolution To Approve Application For Motorist Solicitation Pursuant To Resolution No. 98-115 (Penns Grove High School Project Graduation)

R. 2016-375

PUBLIC WORKS

Resolution Approving The Execution Of Change Order #4 Resurfacing And Safety Improvements Commissioner's Pike, County Road #581, Phase 3 For The County Of Salem Federal Project #STP-0147(110), NJDOT #7101309

R. 2016-376

PUBLIC WORKS

Resolution Renewing A Contract For Furnishing And Delivering Road Sand And Concrete For The County Of Salem And The Members Of The Salem County Cooperative Pricing System Identifier Number 75-SCCP (Corbett Aggregate Companies - \$29,700.00)

R. 2016-377

PUBLIC WORKS

Resolution Appointing Members To The Salem County Planning Board (John Sloat) Waiver Required

Freeholder Laury moved for the adoption of these nine (9) resolutions with Freeholder Ware seconding his motion.

Freeholder Painter abstained from Resolution 2016 – 371.

As there was no further discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions, exception of R. 2016-371 6/0/1, carried a hand vote of 7/0.

Deputy Director Cross made a motion to ratify all action taken by the Honorary Freeholders with Freeholder Vanderslice seconding his motion. As there was no discussion, motion carried by a hand vote 7/0.

OLD BUSINESS

Director Acton stated that County Counsel Michael Mulligan sent out letters to all the Mayors informing them of their obligation to remit 5% of PILOT agreement receipts and requesting an inventory of all such agreements and thanked him for his efforts.

NEW BUSINESS

Deputy Director Cross read the Proclamation for Veterans Lane Road:

THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS of the COUNTY OF SALEM, this Second Day of November, 2016, hereby PROCLAIMS that:

We appear here to name Veteran's Lane, the service roadway at the Veteran's Cemetery of the County of Salem, in order to honor our departed brethren who lay here in this special place. May we recall and in this proclamation repeat the profound words of U.S. President Ronald Reagan in his D-Day Speech in Normandy, France in 1984:

“... I look at you and I think of the words of Stephen Spender's poem. You [were] men who in your ``lives fought for life . . . and left the vivid air signed with your honor.” ***** One's country is worth dying for, and democracy is worth dying for, because it is the most deeply honorable form of government ever devised by man. All of you loved liberty. All of you were willing to fight tyranny, and you knew the people of your countries were behind you.” *****“Strengthened by their courage, heartened by their valor, and borne by their memory, let us continue to stand for the ideals for which they lived and died.”

HENCEFORTH, now and forever, the service roadway at the Veteran's Cemetery of County of Salem shall named "Veteran's Lane."

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Director Acton stated that the Veterans Medal Ceremony will take place tomorrow at Salem Community College beginning at 7:00pm.

Director Acton also stated that the remaining Freeholder Workshop meetings will now begin at 5:30pm for budget discussion purposes.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Anyone wishing to speak please speak clearly and state your name and address for the record.

When addressing questions concerning personnel issues with the County of Salem no names will be used at any time.

Richard Langley, Pennsville – Questioned the K9 Compensation and when this will be able to take effect. Also asked if these officers' will receive separate checks or if it will be rolled into one check.

Stacy Pennington, Director of Operations asked Mr. Langley to please give her a call tomorrow so she can be accurate with the information to give him since she does not have it off the top of her head. The checks are always taxed and on W2's.

Mr. Langley also questioned if there was any update from NJAC.

Deputy Director Cross stated none that he is aware of but there will be a conference call tomorrow with NJAC, Freeholder DeCastro and Director Acton.

Mr. Langley finally questioned if the board has that federal inmates may not renew their contract and asked if the board has contacted neighboring counties. Gloucester County and Burlington County both failed their inspection and cannot house inmates for profit.

Deputy Director Cross stated that he has not heard directly, and Freeholder Vanderslice stated he knows just by what was assumed in a newspaper article.

Deputy Director Cross mentioned that a resolution was passed on tonight's agenda R. 2016-366 - Urging The Governor And The New Jersey State Legislature To Dedicate Funding Mechanisms For Counties To Offset The Costs Associated With Implementing Bail Reform

Patty Bomba, Carneys Point – Thanked all the honorary freeholders for being a part of tonight's meeting. Mrs. Bomba also questioned fares for transportation for medical issues. Freeholder Vanderslice stated that it should not be happening and will look into the issue. Mrs. Bomba questioned the Office on Aging budget, that it is close to \$600,000.00, what exactly is funded through the state or grant programs, and transportation for election.

CFO Katie Coleman stated The Office on Aging senior transportation fares are anticipated as revenue in the County budget to offset the costs of the program. While a significant portion of the program is funded through grants, the County does incur costs in maintaining the program. The fares are deposited to the general County fund.

Mrs. Coleman also stated bus drivers for this program are employees of the municipalities. The County funds the municipalities through pass through of a portion of the grant funds, but payment and management of the drivers are the responsibility of the municipalities. Therefore, the County does not incur any additional costs for operating on election day.

Warren Weiting, Alloway – Stated that the questions stated on the sample ballots are unclear and asked if there is really going to be a savings to the County when the County will most likely have to hire more staff to help with Freeholder administration. He also asked how Freeholders would be determined if the board goes down to 5.

County Counsel Michael Mulligan stated that all the Freeholders will be essentially up for election next year, and the top 5 candidates will choose "straws" after the election to determine term years.

Freeholder Director Acton thanked everyone for their comments and announced the next meeting will be held on November 16, 2016, at 7:00 PM at the Olde Courthouse located at 104 Market Street. Salem, New Jersey, with a 5:30pm Workshop Meeting prior.

Freeholder Vanderslice made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Freeholder Painter. The adjournment carried by hand vote of 7/0 at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Curtis Harker, Clerk of the Board