

**SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
MARCH 5, 2014 MEETING MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by Director Acton: Stewart Cross, U.S. Navy 1950-1954, served in the Korean War led the assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a prayer offered 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, Freeholders Laury, Vanderslice, Ware, Bobbitt, Timberman and Acton.

Motion was made by Deputy Director Cross to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the February 19, 2014 Workshop and Regular meeting. Minutes be received, approved and recorded in the Minute Book, seconded by Freeholder Laury, and carried 7/0.

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

Proclamation Designating March 2014 as Women's History Month was presented to Joan Cole by Freeholder Timberman.

ADMINISTRATIVE

R. 2014-140

ADMINISTRATIVE

CALENDAR YEAR 2014 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE COUNTY BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

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

INTRODUCTION OF THE 2014 SALEM COUNTY BUDGET

Freeholder Laury moved to introduce the budget, with Freeholder Vanderslice seconding his motion. As there was no discussion, the motion for introduction of the budget carried by a roll call vote: Deputy Director Cross-for, Freeholder Laury-for, Freeholder Vanderslice-for, Director Freeholder-for, Freeholder Bobbitt-for, Freeholder Timberman-for, Freeholder Acton-for and. Public Hearing and Adoption is scheduled for Wednesday, April 2, 2014.

CORRESPONDENCE

GENERAL

Steve Carnahan, Salem Center for Farm Profitability, invitation to meet with principal Corporate Executive leadership of Fornazor International, Inc. on March 10th 10:00 am and Ted Thuli of Darlington Dairy Supply Company on March 12th

Deborah Turner-Fox, QPA, RPPO, Salem County Improvement Authority, February 24, 2014 meeting minutes for review

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

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION MINUTES

PAYMENT OF BILLS & 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 7/0.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE – Acton, Vanderslice, Cross

R. 2014-142

ADMINISTRATIVE

FINANCE RESOLUTION CANCELLATION OF CHECKS

R. 2014-143

ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION RENEWING A CONTRACT FOR SUPPLYING & DELIVERING O.E.M. TONER CARTRIDGES FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM AND COOPERATIVE MEMBERS OF PURCHASING SYSTEM IDENTIFIER NUMBER #75SCCPS (W.B. MASON COMPANY)

R. 2014-144

ADMINISTRATIVE

FINANCE RESOLUTION CANCELLATION OF CHECK

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

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE – Vanderslice, Timberman, Bobbitt

R. 2014-145

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR AND CLERK OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM TO SIGN AND APPROVE THE COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ACT 2014 CALENDAR YEAR ELECTIVE GRANT APPLICATION

R. 2014-146

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

RESOLUTION EXECUTING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT FROM THE SALEM DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, NEW JERSEY COUNCIL OF PHYSICAL FITNESS AND SPORTS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE HEALTHY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT 2013 GRANT

Freeholder Vanderslice moved for the 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.

SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE – Timberman, Bobbitt, Laury

R. 2014-147

SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT FOR PROVIDING FEMALE GENDER SPECIFIC SERVICES TO AT-RISK JUVENILES NOT INVOLVED WITH THE FAMILY COURT SYSTEM FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM (\$7,000-SODAT OF NEW JERSEY)

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

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – Cross, Laury, Ware

R. 2014-148

PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION AWARDED CONTRACT FOR SUPPLYING AND DELIVERING ONE (1) 2013-2014 FORD F-350 CREW CAB XL 4WD TRUCK WITH AN OPTIONAL PLOW (OR EQUIVALENT) FOR THE SALEM COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY (\$38,656 – LILLISTON FORD, INC.)

R. 2014-149

PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT FOR ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE SALEM COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY (\$23,000 – VITETTA ARCHITECTS & ENGINEERS, LLC)

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

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

R. 2014-150

TRANSPORTATION, AGRICULTURE & CULTURAL AFFAIRS

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON DUNHAM FARM, MANNINGTON TOWNSHIP

R. 2014-151
TRANSPORTATION, AGRICULTURE & CULTURAL AFFAIRS
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON GRECO FARM, PITTSBORO, UPPER PITTSBORO TOWNSHIPS AND BOROUGH OF ELMER

R. 2014-152
TRANSPORTATION, AGRICULTURE & CULTURAL AFFAIRS
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON MAHONEY FARM, MANNINGTON TOWNSHIP

R. 2014-153
TRANSPORTATION, AGRICULTURE & CULTURAL AFFAIRS
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON MOORE FARM, MANNINGTON TOWNSHIP

R. 2014-154
TRANSPORTATION, AGRICULTURE & CULTURAL AFFAIRS
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON PRESTIGE WORLD WIDE INVESTMENTS, LLC FARM, ALLOWAY TOWNSHIP

R. 2014-155
TRANSPORTATION, AGRICULTURE & CULTURAL AFFAIRS
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF EXISTING AGREEMENT BETWEEN NEW JERSEY TRANSIT AND THE SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS TO PROVIDE FIXED ROUTE MASS HUMAN TRANSPORTATION

Freeholder Ware moved for the adoption of the six resolutions, with Deputy Director Cross seconding his motion.

Freeholder Vanderslice asked who Prestige World Wide Investments, LLC Farm was. CFO Coleman stated it's her brother's farm.

As there was no further discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a hand vote of 7/0.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – Laury, Ware, Acton

R. 2014-156
PUBLIC WORKS
RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF CHANGE ORDER #3 RESURFACING OF ALMOND ROAD, COUNTY ROAD #540, PHASE 2 FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM FEDERAL PROJECT #STP-0143(104), NJDOT #7110310 (\$19,738.50 – ARAWAK PAVING COMPANY, INC.)

R. 2014-157
PUBLIC WORKS
RESOLUTION TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR MOTORIST SOLICITATION PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION NO. 98-115 (PARVIN STATE PARK APPRECIATION COMMITTEE, INC.)

R. 2014-158
PUBLIC WORKS
RESOLUTION TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR MOTORIST SOLICITATION PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION NO. 98-115 (PENNS GROVE ELKS LODGE #1358)

R. 2014-159
PUBLIC WORKS
RESOLUTION TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR MOTORIST SOLICITATION PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION NO. 98-115 (PENNS GROVE ELKS LODGE #1358)

R. 2014-160

PUBLIC WORKS

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RESPECTIVE SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENTS FOR PLANNING SERVICES BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF SALEM AND TOWNSHIPS OF ELSINBORO, OLDMANS AND QUINTON

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

NEW BUSINESS

Deputy Director Cross announced the Tabletop Exercise at OEM on Saturday, March 18th at 9:00 am.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Freeholder Laury announced Arts in Bloom May 17th and 18th at 30 different locations throughout the county. There will be more information on the NJ350 celebration.

Freeholder Timberman announced the Commission on Women's luncheon on March 29th at noon.

Freeholder Laury announced Freeholder Timberman's daughter has the leading role in Woodstown's play titled "Meet Me in St. Louis" on Thursday night and Saturday night.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

Each speaker will have **TWO MINUTES** to speak. The Clerk of the Board (COB) will keep track of the time for each speaker. When addressing questions concerning personnel issues with the County of Salem no names will be used at any time.

Director Acton recognized Council members Charlie Hassler, City of Salem, Fran Grenier, Woodstown Borough Council and Bob Lanard, City of Salem.

Lori Davenport, Director Salem County Women's Service discussed interest in getting financial support from the County.

Director Acton stated the County no longer receives peer grouping money which was once used to support different community nonprofits. Doesn't mean can't support individually through dinners etc. and in-kind services.

Rebecca Silverman, Pennsville worked for One Stop for many years. Told June 30th will be laid off from One Stop and would like to know why. Ms. Silverman questioned why the One Stop was being transferred to the Salem County Board of Social Services and not to the County. She also questioned why the positions would become civil service.

Director Acton explained the Salem Community College no longer wishes to be the fiscal agent for the One Stop and the Board of Social Services stepped up to the plate and said they would take it. The employees can apply for positions at the Board of Social Services but because the Board of Social Services is civil service so would the employee's positions from the One Stop.

Freeholder Bobbitt is not interested in anyone losing their job and appreciates the job they are doing at the One Stop. He questioned who says it has to be civil service and maybe there is something that can be worked out. It doesn't make any sense let you folks go when you have all the experience. We will reach out to Kathy Lockbaum.

Jami Widger, One Stop stated her concern is she is not sure the information the Board is getting is accurate on the WIA side. According to the Workforce Investment Act the Freeholders have control of the grant so can choose to do with it what they want.

Solicitor Mulligan stated if someone becomes an employee of Salem County or the Salem County Board of Social Services they are civil service entities. Once a government entity ops in it stays in the civil service system until the rest of its existence. To work for Salem County or the Salem County Board of Social Services you must be civil service with the exception of certain positions which aren't civil service.

Joan Cole worked for the County for 25 years and one time the One Stop was civil service for about 8 months and was kicked out because were not eligible. JTPA Grant says not eligible for a pension or civil service.

Deputy Director Cross added civil service test is every 2 years and good until July 2015 right now we are in between test.

Joan Cole stated need to tread lightly and save these jobs. To break up the One Stop in Salem County she will call Labor and say there is no One Stop because that's a grant.

Director Acton stated the Department of Labor gave their blessing on this. The WIB Board (Workforce Investment Board) will be voting on it in the next month.

Freeholder Bobbitt stated from what Mr. Mulligan said, even if civil service ready they won't be hired because they already have people on staff.

Freeholder Laury stated there won't be six positions but there will be additional staff.

Tammy Widger, One Stop, asked do you have in writing that it has to be civil service.

Solicitor Mulligan stated if a government agency is going to be the fiscal agent you have to be civil service if it's a civil service government entity.

Tammy Widger stated it is her understanding that Ms. Lockbaum wants no one from the One Stop.

Solicitor Mulligan stated the representation by Ms. Lockbaum at the board meeting was the case worker productivity is much higher presently by the social service case workers as compared to case workers at the One Stop.

Freeholder Ware asked if she told you personally that she wasn't going to hire you.

Tammy Widger responded it's in a text message and suggested someone come in talk to the employees and walk through the building to see what they do compared to social services.

Deputy Director Cross stated we are scrambling to make sure the service is provided. Still have questions to ask and some good questions were raised this evening as part of the conversation. We will have some conversations in the next week or two.

Freeholder Ware suggested taking it back to Admin and revisiting.

Freeholder Bobbitt stated we will do all we can to try to do our due diligence and see if there is something we can do for you. If there is something we can do, we'll do it.

Warren Wieting, Alloway, commented on the one-cent drop in the tax rate.

Director Acton thanked everyone for coming.

Freeholder Laury made a motion to adjourn, second by Freeholder Bobbitt, carried 7/0 at 8:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Crouch
Clerk of the Board