

**SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS  
APRIL 1, 2015 MEETING MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by Director Acton: Joe Hannagan, Veterans Supervisor led the assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance, and then led by 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 Laury, Freeholders Cross, Ware, Painter, Timberman, Vanderslice and Director Acton.

Motion was made by Deputy Director Laury to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the March 18, 2015 Regular and Workshop Meetings. Minutes be received, approved and recorded in the Minute Book. As there was no further discussion, the motion was seconded by Freeholder Cross and carried by hand vote of 7/0.

**WAIVER OF THE RULES**

Motion was made by Deputy Director Laury to approve the waiver of the rules and add the No. 4 Resolution to the Agenda. The motion was seconded by Freeholder Ware. Motion carried a hand vote of 7/0.

**SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS**

Recognizing Salem County Transportation Week  
Recognizing Alcohol Awareness Month  
Citations of Honorary Freeholders

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**GENERAL**

Motion was made by Deputy Director Laury 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.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS & CLAIMS**

Motion was made by Deputy Director Laury 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 and carried by a hand vote of 7/0.

**ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE – Acton, Vanderslice, Cross**

R. 2015-170

ADMINISTRATIVE

Resolution Awarding A Contract For A Temporary Physican At The Salem County Correctional Facility (Dr. John Amrien - \$75,000.06)

R. 2015-171

ADMINISTRATIVE

Resolution Authorizing Revisions To The Purchasing Policy Manual

R. 2015-172

ADMINISTRATIVE

Resolution Awarding A Contract For The Operation And Management Of Information Technology For The County Of Salem (Unlimited Office Solutions LLC dba Green Technology Services, - \$498,888.72)

R. 2015-173

ADMINISTRATIVE

Resolution Requesting Extension Of Time For The 2015 Budget (Waiver Required)

Freeholder Vanderslice moved for the adoption of these (4) four resolutions with Freeholder Cross seconding his motion.

Freeholder Painter stated he was abstaining from Resolution Resolution Awarding A Contract For The Operation And Management Of Information Technology For The County Of Salem (Unlimited Office Solutions LLC dba Green Technology Services, - \$498,888.72)

Freeholder Timberman asked why the contract increased so much from last year

CFO Katie Coleman stated that when Green Technologies was first contracted with the County, the original figures of equipment that the County was inaccurate. After audits of the systems were done, it was shown that there are significantly more systems than were accounted for previously. Green Technologies is also in the process of an upgrade which has been time consuming, and hopefully after the upgrade is completed, the price can be negotiated down.

As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a hand vote of 7/0 on resolutions 2015-170, 2015-171, 2015-173, and 6/0/1 with Freeholder Painter abstaining on Resolution 2015-172.

**EDUCATION/EMPLOYMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE – Painter, Vanderslice, Timberman**

**HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE – Vanderslice, Timberman, Acton**

R. 2015-174

**HEALTH & HUMAN**

Resolution Acknowledging The Standardized Board Resolution Form From The New Jersey Department Of Human Services

Freeholder Painter moved for the adoption of this (1) one 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.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE – Timberman, Painter, Laury**

R. 2015-175

**COMMUNITY SERVICES**

Resolution Of The Board Of Chosen Freeholders Supporting And Approving A Salem County Board Of Election Grant Application For Funding Available Under Section 261 Of The Federal “Help America Vote Act of 2002” (HAVA) For The Purpose Of Ensuring Equipment To Improve Accessibility (\$4950.00)

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

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – Cross, Laury, Ware**

R. 2015-176

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

Resolution Of The Board Of Chosen Freeholders Accepting Grant Funding For The Prosecutor’s Office From The New Jersey Division Of Criminal Justice State Office Of Victim-Witness Advocacy (\$27,889.00)

R. 2015-177

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

Resolution Of The Board Of Chosen Freeholders Accepting Grant Funding For The Prosecutor’s Office From The New Jersey Department Of Law And Public Safety, Division Of Criminal Justice (\$10,655.00)

R. 2015-178

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

Resolution Accepting Federal Fiscal Year 2014 Subgrant Award From New Jersey Department Of Law And Public Safety Division Of State Police Office Of Emergency Management For Emergency Management Performance Grant No. FY14-EMPG-EMAA-1700 In The Amount of \$65,000

Freeholder Cross moved for the adoption of these (3) three resolutions, with Deputy Director 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. 2015-179

**TRANSPORTATION, AGRICULTURE & CULTURAL**

Resolution Awarding A Contract For The Replacement Of UG Bridge No.: 23.39 Over Oldmans Creek In Pilesgrove Township For The County Of Salem Marad FY 2011 Tiger Grant #DTMA1G12004 (South State, Inc. - \$3,000,173.50)

R. 2015-180

**TRANSPORTATION, AGRICULTURE & CULTURAL**

Authorizing he Proposed Acquisition Of A Development Easement On Eckert Farm Elsinboro Township

R. 2015-181

**TRANSPORTATION, AGRICULTURE & CULTURAL**

Authorizing he Proposed Acquisition Of A Development Easement On Eckert Farm Quinton Township

Freeholder Ware moved for the adoption of these (3) three resolutions, with Freeholder Vanderslice seconding his motion.

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

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – Laury, Ware, Acton**

R. 2015-182

**PUBLIC WORKS**

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

R. 2015-183

**PUBLIC WORKS**

Resolution Authorizing The Filing Of An Application And Execution Of An Agreement For The State Aid To Counties Under The New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund For The Fiscal Year 2015

R. 2015-184

**PUBLIC WORKS**

Resolution Authorizing Interlocal Agreement(s) To Provide Funding To Offset Local Costs For The Preparation Of Individual Plan Chapters For The Salem County Wastewater Management Plan (WMP)

Deputy Director Laury moved for the adoption of these (3) three resolutions, with Freeholder Ware seconding his motion. As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolution carried a hand vote of 7/0.

Freeholder Laury made a motion to ratify all actions taken at the meeting by the honorary Freeholders and to approve of the formalities that were dispensed for convenience purposes with Freeholder Timberman seconding his motion. As there was no discussion, motion carried by a hand vote 7/0.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Michelle from MAPSA, Pennsville– made comments pertaining to the Alcohol Awareness Month and how spreading awareness and getting the word out is very important.

Deputy Director Laury asked if all the parents can stay after the meeting for a few minutes to have some photos taken with the Honorary Students.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Freeholder Painter stated that May 20th is the Salem Community College’s graduation at 6:30pm. Also the Vo-tech has applied for and received approval for a waiver on the QSAC Quality Single Accountability Continuum, which is a self assessment of their performance and were recognized as being a high performing district. The Vocational School is also in the process of going paperless and are looking into sending culinary students to the Freeholders Association Workshop in Atlantic City. On April 25th the “Meet you at the Hop” will be taking place at the Salem Community College.

Director Acton stated that tomorrow the Vo-tech will be hosting a graduation of the CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) program and there will be approximately 30 students. This is another area of volunteerism that we the County cannot afford to pay. Its during times like the hurricanes that volunteers came in to help us with the Shelter, and also in various ways such as the flu-clinic. We thank everyone for their participation in such programs.

Deputy Director Laury stated that the next Freeholder Meeting will be taking place at Oldmans Township on Freed Road in Pedricktown, April 15.

Freeholder Cross thanked Director Acton for her comment. We are so thankful for what our Cert volunteers bring to the table. There are so many responsibilities when emergencies occur and they step in willingly and we are very appreciative of that.

**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.

Gilbert Fuentes – Alloway, Stated that his road Alloway-Freisburg and his yard never seem to drain properly. When it rains his yard and the road are constantly flooded and its very hazardous when it floods.

Deputy Director Laury – Asked for his street address and will be addressing the situation to see what can be done down the road about it.

Colleen Fulmer, Woodstown – Had several questions for the Freeholders regarding the involvement of them with the Vo-Tech expansion and how this is ultimately going to hurt ascending elementary school districts.

Beth Alfere, Penns Grove – wanted to thank the Freeholders for hosting the 8<sup>th</sup> grade students, it's an honor for them and everyone is so proud of them, and it is a wonderful way the students can see the processes of how government works.

Warren Weiting, Alloway – thanked the Sheriff Officers for enforcing speed limits on various roads. It makes them safer for everyone, even the ones who are breaking the law.

Jack Swain, Mannington – made comments in regards to Colleen Fulmer comment about the Vocational School, and publicly invited the principals of all the school districts to go over the Vocational School's budget by line item.

Dave Moffet, Pilesgrove – made comments to both Colleen Fulmer and Jack Swain regarding the tuition increase and how it is reasonably low compared to other County's.

Lori Davenport – Women Services – made comments on budget issues regarding the Women Service's and also that April is also Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Director Acton thanked Glen Donelson for organizing the Freeholder Honorary Night for the 16<sup>th</sup> year in a row and that is truly seems to always be successful and enlightening.

Director Acton also thanked Quinton's committee people Joe Hannagan and Marjorie Sperry for attending, and Councilman Cordy Taylor from Oldmans.

Director Acton thanked everyone for their comments and announced the next meeting will be held on April 15, 2015, at 7:30 PM at Oldmans Township Municipal Building located at 40 Freed Road, Pedricktown, NJ 08067. Workshop meeting will begin at 6:15 PM.

Freeholder Vanderslice made a motion to adjourn seconded by Freeholder Timberman and carried by hand vote 7/0 at 8:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kevin Crouch, Clerk of the Board

Good evening, my name is Colleen Fulmer, (state address), and I have several questions that I'd like to ask of the Freeholders this evening:

- How much of the Vo-Tech expansion is being paid for by the state and how much by the Freeholders?
- When did the vote take place by the Freeholders to allow the Vo-Tech expansion?
- How has the County Freeholder contribution to the Vo-Tech changed over the past 5 years? Has the funding remained flat or has there been an increase in funding? What percentage increase in funding has occurred, if any?
- Do the Freeholders realize that the Vo-Tech is attempting to increase tuition to the local LEAs by \$1000 per student, which is representative of \$36,000 to the Alloway Township school budget, which represents 50.1% of our allowable \$71,910 budget increase for 2015-16? In fact, from 2012-13 to 2015-16, Alloway will have increased tuition payment to the Vo-Tech from \$20,000 to \$82,500, a staggering 312.5% increase!
- Why has the Vo-Tech's budget been allowed to increase from \$7,181,593 in 2012-13 to \$8,699,920 for 2014-15, a 21.1% increase, as shown on their website, when the other school districts in Salem County are capped at 2%?
- All of these questions lead me to being here this evening. As vice-president of the Board of Education in Alloway Township, I am concerned that
  - The rate of increase in tuition (50% increase from 2012-13 to 2013-14 and then again another potential 67% increase from 2014-15 to 2015-16) is staggering and crippling to local LEAs, especially smaller districts such as Alloway.
  - Is it the Freeholders' desire to put the small K-8 districts out of service by allowing the Vo-Tech to increase their tuition at these rates in the hopes of accomplishing consolidation of these districts?

The answers to these questions may be forwarded to me at [fulmer188@comcast.net](mailto:fulmer188@comcast.net) and to our Business administrator, Rebecca Joyce, at [JoyceR@alloway.k12.nj.us](mailto:JoyceR@alloway.k12.nj.us), as well as to our Board of Education president, Mike Dennison, at [msdennison@hotmail.com](mailto:msdennison@hotmail.com)