The meeting was called to order by Director Vanderslice:

Director Vanderslice led the assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the prayer led by Wayne Wagner.

Director Vanderslice 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: Cross, DeCastro, Laury, Painter, Ware and Director Vanderslice

Motion was made by Deputy Director Laury to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the December 30, 2016 Closeout Meeting and January 4, 2017 Reorganization Meeting. Minutes be received, approved and recorded in the Minute Book. There was no discussion, the motion was seconded by Freeholder Cross and carried by hand vote of 6/0.

WAIVER OF THE RULES

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 6/0.

PAYMENTS OF BILLS AND 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 Cross and carried by a hand vote of 5/0/1. Freeholder Painter abstained.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE – Vanderslice, Cross, Painter

R. 2017-53
Administrative
Resolution For The Appointment Of Members To The Salem County Veteran Advisory Board

R. 2017-54
Administrative
Resolution Amending R. 2017-1 For The Adoption Of The Rules To Govern The Salem County Board Of Chosen Freeholders For The Year 2017
Freeholder Cross moved for the adoption of these three (3) resolutions with Freeholder Ware seconding his motion.

County Counsel Michael Mulligan stated that a separate resolution needed to be done to appoint Mr. Scott Griscom to the Freeholder Board.

Director Vanderslice stated the resolution that shows Mr. Scott Griscom fulfills the unexpired term is located in the body of Resolution 2017-54 and read it aloud.

County Counsel Michael Mulligan stated it was incorrect and that a separate motion needed to be made and voted on to appoint Mr. Scott Griscom to the Freeholder Board.

Deputy Director Laury moved for the adoption of a resolution to appoint Mr. Scott Griscom to the Freeholder Board with Freeholder Cross seconding his motion. As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolution carried a hand vote of 6/0.

As there was no further discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing three resolutions carried a hand vote of 6/0.

OATH OF OFFICE – Mr. Sheriff Charles Miller administered the oath of office to Mr. R. Scott Griscom who was nominated by the Republican County Committee and verified by County Clerk Gilda Gill to fill the vacant seat on the Freeholder Board.

Mr. R. Scott Griscom took his seat amongst the rest of the Freeholders.

EDUCATION/EMPLOYMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE – Painter, DeCastro, Griscom

EDUCATION/EMPLOYMENT

Resolution Appointing Members To The Salem County Board Of Social Services

EDUCATION/EMPLOYMENT

Resolution Appointing Freeholder Member To Various Committees and Commissions

EDUCATION/EMPLOYMENT

Resolution Amending Resolution 2017-37 For The Appointment Of Members To The Cumberland/ Salem/ Cape May Workforce Development Board

EDUCATION/EMPLOYMENT
Resolution For The Approval Of The South Jersey Workforce Collaborative Regional Plan And The Cumberland / Salem / Cape May Local Area Plan

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

Freeholder Painter made a motion to amend resolution 2017-56 to not add the 3rd Freeholder (Scott Griscom) but leave on appointing Linwood Donelson with Deputy Director Laury seconding the motion.

Deputy Director Laury stated this is because the law states that only 2 Freeholder alternates are needed, not 3. As there was no further discussion, the motion for amending the foregoing resolution carried a hand vote of 7/0.

Deputy Director Laury made a motion to approve the amendment to resolution 2017-56 with Freeholder Cross seconding the motion. As there was no further discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolution carried a hand vote of 7/0.

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

**HEALTH & Human Services COMMITTEE – Vanderslice, Painter, Griscom**

R. 2017-60
health & human
Resolution Appointing Members To The Pollution Control Financing Authority

R. 2017-61
health & human
Resolution For The Appointment Of Freeholder Member To The Salem County Advisory Council, Office On Aging

R. 2017-62
health & human
Resolution For The Appointment Of Freeholder Member To The Salem County Advisory Council For The Office Of The Disabled

R. 2017-63
health & human
Resolution For The Appointment Of Freeholder Member To The Salem County Mental Health Board

R. 2017-64
health & human
Resolution For The Appointment Of Freeholder Member To The Citizens Local Advisory Committee On Alcoholism & Drug Abuse
R. 2017-65
health & human
Resolution For Termination Of Four Vehicle Leases Between The County Of Salem And New Jersey Transit

Freeholder Painter moved for the adoption of these six (6) resolutions with Freeholder Cross 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

R. 2017-66
COMMUNITY SERVICES
Resolution Appointing Members To The Salem County Advisory Solid Waste Council

R. 2017-67
COMMUNITY SERVICES
Resolution Appointing Members To The Salem County Improvement Authority

Freeholder DeCastro moved for the adoption of these two (2) resolutions with Freeholder Ware 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, Vanderslice

R. 2017-68
PUBLIC SAFETY
Resolution Of The Board Of Chosen Freeholders Executing And Accepting A Grant From The New Jersey Division Of Criminal Justice For The Prosecutors Office

R. 2017-69
PUBLIC SAFETY
Resolution Appointing The Fire Marshal For The County Of Salem

R. 2017-70
PUBLIC SAFETY
Resolution Of The Board Of Chosen Freeholders Executing And Accepting A Multi-Jurisdictional County Gang, Gun And Narcotic Task Force Grant From The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program For The Prosecutor’s Office

Freeholder Cross moved for the adoption of these three (3) 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.

TRANSPORTATION, AGRICULTURE & CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE – Ware, DeCastro, Cross,
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – Laury, Ware, Griscom
R. 2017-71
PUBLIC WORKS
Resolution For The Appointment Of Freeholder Member To The Salem County Construction Board Of Appeals

R. 2017-72
PUBLIC WORKS
Resolution For The Appointment Of Members To The Salem County Planning Board

Deputy Director Laury moved for the adoption of these two (2) 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.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS
Freeholder DeCastro welcomed Freeholder Griscom to the Board and looks forward to the upcoming year.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Freeholder Painter announced that the Cup Of Excellence will be taking place on February 15th at the Vocational Technical School. If you are interested in being a judge please let Freeholder Painter know.

Freeholder Painter also stated that Salem Community College is offering a new Drama and Theatre class taught by Woodstown’s Paul Kranz.

Deputy Director Laury stated that Salem County native B. Harold Smick will be attending his 19th presidential inauguration this week. It is being looked into if this is a World Record.

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.

Patty Bomba, Carneys Point –
- Welcomed Freeholder Griscom to the Freeholder Board.
- She also stated that the 35th Anniversary for Habitat for Humanity will be November 1st at the Sportsman Club.
- Raffle Tickets for Habitat for Humanity are now on sale for a cash prize.
The Vocational Technical School will be honoring Dr. Michael Gorman at their Educational Foundation Leadership Recognition and Scholarship Dinner to be held on February 24, 2017.

Made comments pertaining to the title of the Office of Disabled Advisory Board and noted that it has been changed. Director Vanderslice stated he will look into it.

Director Vanderslice made mention that all Freeholder Meeting documents will be on the website some prior to the meeting and others after the meeting to help show transparency. He hopes to start recording the meetings and putting them on YouTube. There will be a series of meetings between him and the Department Heads and county employees. The first meeting will be January 19th for Department Heads followed by a town hall meeting for employees on January 23rd.

Director Vanderslice also stated that his cell phone number is 856-275-7728. He looks forward to working with the Freeholder Board, employees, and the citizens of Salem County.

Director Vanderslice ended the meeting with a quote from Martin Luther King, Jr. “Returning hate for hate multiplies hate, adding deeper darkness to a night already devoid of stars. Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate, only love can do that.”

Freeholder Director Vanderslice announced the next meeting will be held Wednesday, February 1, 2017, at 4:00 in the Freeholder Meeting Room located on the first floor of the Old Salem Court House, with no Workshop Meeting prior.

Deputy Director Laury made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Freeholder Cross. The adjournment carried by hand vote of 7/0 at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Curtis Harker, Clerk of the Board