



Board of Chosen Freeholders

SPECIAL MEETING MEETING

May 22, 2018

1:00 PM

Salem County Olde Courthouse, 104 Market Street, Salem, New Jersey, 08079

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM by Director Melissa DeCastro

Invocation

Freeholder Hassler provided the invocation

Pledge of Allegiance: Joseph Hannagan, Director of Veterans

Statement Regarding Open Public Meetings Act

Deputy Clerk of the Board, Stacy Pennington, read the following statement

Adequate notice pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act has been given of this meeting:

1. By forwarding notice to the South Jersey Times; and
2. By posting notice on the bulletin board in the Salem County Courthouse, Fifth Street Complex; and
3. By filing notice in the Offices of the Salem County Clerk and the Clerk of the Board all having been done at least 48 hours in advance.

Attendance Roll Call

| Freeholder | Present | Absent |
|---------------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Freeholder Lee Ware | X | |
| Deputy Director Charles Hassler | X | |
| Freeholder Benjamin Laury | X | |
| Freeholder Scott Griscom | X | |
| Director Melissa DeCastro | X | |

Quorum was established with all five Freeholders present

2018 CAP BANK

A1 CY 2018 Resolution Authorizing County Entity to Exceed the County Entity Budget Request Cap (P.L. 2015, 249)

Deputy Director Hassler motioned to adopt this resolution, second Freeholder Ware.

| Freeholder | Mtn | 2nd | Aye | Nye | Abstain | Absent |
|---------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| Freeholder Lee Ware | | X | X | | | |
| Deputy Director Charles Hassler | X | | X | | | |
| Freeholder Benjamin Laury | | | X | | | |
| Freeholder Scott Griscom | | | X | | | |
| Director Melissa DeCastro | | | X | | | |

Passed by roll call vote

Freeholder Laury commented that this resolution is allowing constitutional officers to exceed the 2% CAP, which is taking money away from the rest of the budget. He asked for an explanation. Auditor Henry Ludwigsen explained that the State of NJ passed a law regarding constitutional officers' budgets and what is permitted inside and outside of the CAP. There are calculations to determine amounts, but the state hasn't perfected them to date.

2018 Budget

A2 INTRODUCTION OF THE 2018 SALEM COUNTY BUDGET

Deputy Director Hassler motioned to adopt this resolution, second Freeholder Ware.

| Freeholder | Mtn | 2nd | Aye | Nye | Abstain | Absent |
|---------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| Freeholder Lee Ware | | X | X | | | |
| Deputy Director Charles Hassler | X | | X | | | |
| Freeholder Benjamin Laury | | | X | | | |
| Freeholder Scott Griscom | | | X | | | |
| Director Melissa DeCastro | | | X | | | |

Passed by roll call vote, hearing will take place at the June 20th meeting

Freeholder Laury - I am voting to pass the introduction of the budget, but as I've pointed out in the past, Scott and I haven't been consulted or included in budget talks. In previous years, all freeholders were included.

Director DeCastro stated that she had never been invited to any budget meetings in 2017. She added that any Freeholder is welcome to reach out to our CFO and Treasurer with their input.

Resolutions

A. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE – DeCastro, Hassler

Freeholder Laury requested that resolutions A4 and A5 be tabled so all the Freeholders could review them since he was not provided the documents prior to the meeting. A brief discussion followed and it was agreed. Freeholder Laury made a motion to table the two resolutions, second Deputy Director Charlie Hassler.

| Freeholder | Mtn | 2nd | Aye | Nye | Abstain | Absent |
|---------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| Freeholder Lee Ware | | | X | | | |
| Deputy Director Charles Hassler | | X | X | | | |
| Freeholder Benjamin Laury | X | | X | | | |
| Freeholder Scott Griscom | | | X | | | |
| Director Melissa DeCastro | | | X | | | |

Motion passed by roll call vote

A3 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of the Governing Body Certification of Compliance with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission’s Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964

| Freeholder | Mtn | 2nd | Aye | Nye | Abstain | Absent |
|---------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| Freeholder Lee Ware | | X | X | | | |
| Deputy Director Charles Hassler | X | | X | | | |
| Freeholder Benjamin Laury | | | X | | | |
| Freeholder Scott Griscom | | | X | | | |
| Director Melissa DeCastro | | | X | | | |

Motion passed by roll call vote

TABLED A4 Resolution Accepting a Memorandum of Agreement and Authorizing a Successor Collective Bargaining Agreement between the County of Salem and Salem County Prosecutor Detectives and Investigators’ Association, FOP Lodge No. 6

TABLED A5 Resolution Accepting a Memorandum of Agreement and Authorizing a Successor Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the County of Salem and Salem County Prosecutor Superior Officers’ Association, FOP Lodge No. 6

Public Comment

Linda DuBois of Upper Pittsgrove asked for clarification on whether or not the budget was being introduced or adopted. The board clarified that the vote was to approve the introduced budget and the hearing for adoption would take place on June 20th.

Joanne Nacucchio of Quinton had question on the CAP and needed clarification.

Auditor Henry Ludwigsen explained that there were three different CAPS – 1977 Appropriations CAP, 2010 CAP and the Constitutional CAP that was just enacted in the last two years. There are specific calculations required and the most restrictive is then the one that we are bound to follow.

Joanne Nacucchio asked if that means the budget will go up.

Auditor Henry Ludwigsen stated that the will not cause the budget to increase, just a shifting of funds within the budget.

Joanne Nacucchio asked when the budget will be available online to compare to the previous budgets.

Deputy Clerk Stacy Pennington responded that the budget will be online by the end of the business day.

Adjournment

Director DeCastro asked for a motion to adjourn. Deputy Director Hassler motioned to adjourn, second Freeholder Ware. Passed by voice vote of ayes. Meeting adjourned at 1:20PM

Respectfully submitted
 Stacy L. Pennington
 Deputy Clerk of the Board