



Board of Chosen Freeholders

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

November 6, 2019

630 PM

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

- I. **Call to Order:** Deputy Director Scott Griscom called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.
- II. **Invocation:** Pastor Sheila Palmer from First Presbyterian Church in Salem offered the invocation.
- III. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Joseph Hannagan, Director of Veterans Affairs, introduced Wayne Seher and Dan Reilly from the Traveling Wall Committee to lead the pledge.
- IV. **Statement Regarding Open Public Meetings Act:** – Clerk of the Board, Stacy Pennington, read the notice.

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 Elmer Times Co.; and
- 2. By posting notice on the bulletin board in the Salem County Courthouse and the Fifth Street Office 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.

V. Attendance Roll Call

Freeholder	Present	Absent
Director Benjamin Laury		X
Deputy Director Scott Griscom	X	
Freeholder Charles Hassler	X	
Freeholder Gordon Ostrum, Jr.	X	
Freeholder Lee Ware	X	

Quorum was present – Voice roll call

VI. Minutes:

Dispense with the reading of the minutes of the October 17, 2019 Regular Meeting. Minutes are to be received, approved, and recorded in the Minute Book.

Freeholder	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Freeholder Ostrum	X		X			
Freeholder Hassler			X			
Freeholder Ware		X	X			
Deputy Director Griscom			X			
Director Laury						X

Hand Vote: 4-0

VII. Special Recognition: None**VIII. Presentation:** Vietnam Vets Traveling Wall Committee Members Daniel Reilly and Wayne Seher present a \$2000.00 check to the Salem County Veterans Trust.

Freeholder Hassler thanked them for the phenomenal Traveling Wall event. He noted that it was such a positive experience for all.

Deputy Freeholder Griscom said that he saw the Wall in Washington, DC two years ago and was so impressed with the event here. He also thanked the committee for bringing this to Salem County.

IX. Waiver of the Rules: None**X. Public Hearings & Adoptions: None****XI. Correspondence:****A. General:**

1. West Windsor Township Resolution Regarding Mass Shootings in the United States
2. Letter from Borough of Woodstown asking for consideration of prohibiting truck traffic on Bailey Street during the Rout #40 construction detour.

B. Committee/ Commission Minutes and Reports:

1. SCIA Regular Meeting Minutes

Freeholder	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Freeholder Ostrum	X		X			
Freeholder Hassler			X			
Freeholder Ware		X	X			
Deputy Director Griscom			X			
Director Laury						X

Hand Vote: 4-0

XII. Payment of Bills and Claims

Freeholder	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Freeholder Ostrum	X		X			
Freeholder Hassler			X			
Freeholder Ware		X	X			
Deputy Director Griscom			X			
Director Laury						X

Hand Vote: 4-0

XIII. Treasurer's Report: None**XIV. Resolutions:**

A. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE: - Laury, Griscom

A1 Resolution Authorizing the Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Salem to Enter into a Shared Services Agreement for Qualified Purchasing Agent Services with Pennsville Sewerage Authority

A2 Resolution Authorizing Purchases from State Contract Vendors

A3 Resolution Declaring an Emergency to Permit Imminent Acquisition of Goods and/or Services to Make Repairs to Tide Gates at Fenwick Creek

A4 Resolution for Check Cancellation

A5 Resolution Requesting Transfer of Funds

A6 Resolution Establishing a Fair and Open Process for the Awarding of Professional Services Contracts for County of Salem

A7 Resolution Awarding a Contract for an Energy Services Company to Provide for the Development and Implementation of an Energy Savings Plan Through an Energy Savings Improvement Plan

A8 Resolution for the Appointment of Members to the Salem Community College Board of Trustees

A9 Resolution Amending Resolution 2019-108 Amending a Contract for Labor Counsel for the County of Salem

Freeholder	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Freeholder Ostrum	X		X			
Freeholder Hassler			X			
Freeholder Ware		X	X			
Deputy Director Griscom			X			
Director Laury						X

Hand Vote: 4-0

B. AGRICULTURAL/ TOURISM COMMITTEE – Ware, Griscom – None**C. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/ PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – Hassler, Ostrum**

C1 Resolution Authorizing a Renewal Contract for Furnishing and Delivering Rock Salt for the County of Salem and the Members of the Salem County Cooperative Pricing System Identifier Number 75-SCCP

C2 Resolution Authorizing the Filing of an Application for State Aid to Counties Under the New Jersey Department of Transportation Local Bridge Future Needs Program for Fiscal Year 2020

C3 Resolution Authorizing the Filing of an Application for State Aid to Counties Under the New Jersey Department of Transportation Local Freight Impact Fund Program for Fiscal Year 2020

C4 Resolution Approving the Execution of Change Order #1 2016 County Aid Road Program for the County of Salem

C5 Resolution Approving the Execution of Change Order #2-Final Revised 2019 Oil and Stone Program for the County of Salem

C6 Resolution Accepting Grant Funding for the Engineer's Office from the New Jersey Department of Transportation for Fiscal Year 2019 Hook Road, County Road #551, Phase 2 - Design Transportation Trust Fund - Funds Exchange Program

Freeholder	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Freeholder Ostrum		X	X			
Freeholder Hassler	X		X			
Freeholder Ware			X			
Deputy Director Griscom			X			
Director Laury						X

Hand Vote: 4-0

D. HEALTH/ HUMAN SERVICES/ EDUCATION COMMITTEE – Ostrum, Ware – None

E. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – Griscom, Ostrum

E1 Resolution Accepting and Executing CY 2020 JDAI Grant Funding for the Salem County Youth Services Commission from the New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission - Award #JDAI-20-IF-1

E2 Resolution Authorizing Submission of a Grant Application to the State of New Jersey Office of the Attorney General (“OAG”) and the Office of the New Jersey Coordinator for Addiction Responses and Enforcement Strategies (“NJ CARES”) for Funding Under the FFY 2019 Overdose Data to Action – Operation Helping Hand Grant Program [Subaward No. FYOHH-13-2019]

E3 Resolution Authorizing the Submission of a Grant Application to the State of New Jersey Office of the Insurance Fraud Prosecutor for the Prosecutor’s Office Insurance Fraud Reimbursement Program for the County of Salem

Freeholder	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Freeholder Ostrum	X		X			
Freeholder Hassler			X			
Freeholder Ware		X	X			
Deputy Director Griscom			X			
Director Laury						X

Hand Vote: 4-0

F. CHAPTER 159 TO INSERT REVENUE IN THE BUDGET:

F1 – Resolution Providing for the Insertion of Any Special Item of Revenue in the Budget Pursuant to NJSA 40A:4-87 Chapter 159, P.L. 1948 – Hook Road, CR#551, Phase 2-Design Funds Exchange Agreement NO. 19-DT-BLA- FEP-438

Freeholder	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Freeholder Ostrum	X		X			
Freeholder Hassler			X			
Freeholder Ware		X	X			
Deputy Director Griscom			X			
Director Laury						X

Hand Vote: 4-0

XV. Freeholder Old Business: None

XVI. Freeholder New Business: None

XVII. Freeholder Public Announcements:

Freeholder Hassler gave his congratulations to all the winners in this year's election, especially Deputy Director Scott Griscom and Freeholder Lee Ware, and the incoming County Clerk, former Freeholder Dale Cross.

Freeholder Ware congratulated Deputy Freeholder Griscom on his re-election. He also noted that campaigns were well run and now is the time to move forward.

Freeholder Hassler also noted the following upcoming events:

2020 Women of Achievement Award Nomination form is available on the county website

11/7 Thursday 3pm – 100 Year Celebration of Salem Hospital (takes place in Hospital Lobby)

11/7 Thursday 6pm – Salem County Veterans Medal Ceremony (SCC)

11/9 Saturday 7pm -The Mark of Zorro silent movie with renowned organist Wayne Zimmerman at Alloway Baptist Church

11/15 Friday – First Responders will be honored at a dinner. Thanks to Pat Federowic who raised over \$11,000.00 for the event

11/16 Saturday 9am to noon – Salem County Historic Preservation Volunteer Work Day (see The County website for more information)

11/17 SCC Glass Center hands-on workshop open house, call SCC for more information

11/20 Wednesday 7:30pm Cornelia Hancock Civil War Nurse lecture at Friends Village

XVIII. Public Comment (Agenda items or other County Business)

Anyone wishing to speak please speak clearly and state your name and address for the record. Each speaker will have **FOUR 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.

Ms. Annie Godbolt, Hires Avenue, Salem: She asked the Freeholders to please help get a supermarket in Salem City. It is 8 miles in any direction to find a grocery store and many people do not have cars. The bus is not reliable. She is very upset that children are eating dollar store canned food.

Freeholder Griscom said the Freeholder Board agrees with her. He noted that there have been many meetings with Salem Mayor Washington. There were talks with potential buyers that fell through. There are banking and building issues. The city and the Freeholders are still working on this issue.

Freeholder Hassler also noted that the Freeholder Board agrees with these sentiments and thanked her for coming out tonight.

Freeholder Ostrum echoed Freeholders Hassler and Griscom comments. He said the Board is acutely aware of the situation and is working very hard to solve the problem in Salem City and also in Penns Grove.

Kathleen Cruz "the Clown of Salem": She asked the Freeholders to find a method to reach the people who are not on Facebook or any social media. She feels information is not getting to everyone.

Patty Bomba, Carneys Point: Ms. Bomba congratulated Freeholders Griscom and Ware on the election. She appreciated Freeholder Griscom's comments at Meet The Candidates night. Ms. Bomba also wondered if the county could offer bus service to grocery stores in other cities until a store locates here again.

Freeholder Ostrum also mentioned that some of the grocery stores offer delivery. He thanked Ms. Bomba for her suggestion.

Pastor Sheila Palmer asked if anyone thought of a co-op grocery store. She said they take up to 2 years to get started and the people in the community would have to help. Freeholder Ostrum mentioned a co-op in Woodstown that unfortunately closed.

Cynthia Pritchett: Ms. Pritchett voiced her frustration at the length of time it is taking to attract a new store to Salem City.

Freeholder Hassler noted that the County would support whatever Salem City can find. He also mentioned that the store never asked for help before they closed.

XIX. Executive Closed Session: None

XX. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 pm.

Freeholder	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Freeholder Ostrum		X	X			
Freeholder Hassler	X		X			
Freeholder Ware			X			
Deputy Director Griscom			X			
Director Laury						X

Next Meeting Date

November 20, 2019

Regular Meeting 6:30 PM Meeting

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