



**Board of Chosen Freeholders**

**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

June 3, 2020

4:00 PM

110 Fifth Street, Salem, New Jersey

**Call to Order:** Director Laury called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

**Invocation:** Freeholder Hassler gave the Invocation.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Director Laury asked everyone to join in saying the Pledge.

**Statement Regarding Open Public Meetings Act:** Read by COB, Stacy Pennington

**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 and the County website, all having been done at least 48 hours in advance.

**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 (via phone)	

A quorum was present.

Also, Salem County Auditor, Henry Ludwigsen of Bowman and Co. was present via telephone, as the 2020 Budget was introduced at this meeting.

**Minutes:**

Dispense with the reading of the minutes of the May 20, 2020 Regular Meeting. Minutes are to be received, approved, and recorded in the Minute Book.

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

Roll call vote: passed 5-0

**Special Recognition: None****Presentation: None****Waiver of the Rules**

B1 Resolution Supporting South Jersey Bayshore Coalition's Submission for Designation of the Bayshore Heritage Byway as an All-American Road

<b>Freeholder</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>Second</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Freeholder Ostrum	X		X			
Freeholder Hassler		X	X			
Freeholder Ware			X			
Deputy Director Griscom			X			
Director Laury			X			

Roll call vote: passed 5-0

**Public Hearings & Adoptions:****Adoption of Ordinance 2020-002**

Bond Ordinance Providing for Improvements to the Courthouse and the Administration Building and the Construction of an Adjoining Addition thereto, by and in the County of Salem, State of New Jersey; Appropriating \$40,000,000 Therefor and Authorizing \$38,095,000 bonds or Notes of the County to Finance Part of the Costs Thereof

**Motion to Open the Public Hearing**

<b>Freeholder</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>Second</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Freeholder Ostrum	X		X			
Freeholder Hassler		X	X			
Freeholder Ware			X			
Deputy Director Griscom			X			
Director Laury			X			

Roll call vote: passed 5-0

**Motion to Close the Public Hearing**

<b>Freeholder</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>Second</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Freeholder Ostrum			X			
Freeholder Hassler	X		X			
Freeholder Ware			X			
Deputy Director Griscom		X				
Director Laury			X			

Roll call vote: passed 5-0

**Motion to Adopt Ordinance 2020-002**

<b>Freeholder</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>Second</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Freeholder Ostrum			X			
Freeholder Hassler	X		X			
Freeholder Ware			X			
Deputy Director Griscom		X	X			
Director Laury			X			

Roll call vote: passed 5-0

## **2020 CAP BANK**

- A1 Calendar Year 2020 Resolution to Exceed the County Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a CAP Bank (NJSA 40A:4-45.14)

Motion to Introduce the Resolution

<b>Freeholder</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>Second</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Freeholder Ostrum		X	X			
Freeholder Hassler			X			
Freeholder Ware			X			
Deputy Director Griscom	X		X			
Director Laury			X			

Roll call vote: passed 5-0

- A2 Calendar Year 2020 Resolution Authorizing County Entity to Exceed the County Entity Budget Request CAP (P.L. 2015, 249)

Motion to Introduce the Resolution

<b>Freeholder</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>Second</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Freeholder Ostrum	X		X			
Freeholder Hassler			X			
Freeholder Ware			X			
Deputy Director Griscom		X	X			
Director Laury			X			

Roll call vote: passed 5-0

### **Correspondence:**

#### **General:**

1. Letter from Freeholder Gerry Little, Ocean County, Supporting the Salem County Board of Chosen Freeholders in the right to approve a resolution reopening Salem County
2. Letter from Jim Grant regarding economic crisis during COVID 19
3. Resolution from County of Sussex supporting COVID 19 home testing

#### **Committee/ Commission Minutes and Reports:**

1. SCIA Minutes

<b>Freeholder</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>Second</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Freeholder Ostrum			X			
Freeholder Hassler		X	X			
Freeholder Ware						
Deputy Director Griscom	X		X			

Director Laury			X			
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Roll call vote: passed 5-0

**Payment of Bills and Claims:**

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

Roll call vote: passed 5-0

**Resolutions:**

**A. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE: - Laury, Griscom**

A3 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of the Governing Body Certification of Compliance with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

A4 Resolution to Appoint Members to the Board of Education of Special Services School District and the Vocational School District of the County of Salem County

A5 Resolution Approving an Agreement with the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation Permitting the Installation of a Generator Adapted Controller Cabinet at the Light on Route 49 and CR 673 (Hook Road)

A6 Resolution Amending Resolution 2020-142 the Donation of a Vehicle to Elsinboro Township

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

Roll call vote: passed 5-0

**B. AGRICULTURAL/ TOURISM COMMITTEE – Ware, Griscom**

B1 Resolution Supporting South Jersey Bayshore Coalition’s Submission for Designation of the Bayshore Heritage Byway as an All-American Road

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

Roll call vote: passed 5-0

**C. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/ PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – Hassler, Ostrum**

C1 Resolution Approving the Execution of Change Order #2 FY 2017 Mill and Overlay Resurfacing Program New Bridge Road, County Road #62 in Lower Alloways Creek Township and Watsons Mill Road, County Road #672 in Alloway Township for the County of Salem NJDOT Job No. 7101315

C2 Resolution Prohibiting Normal Traffic, south Main Street, County Road #672 In the Borough of Woodstown, Salem County For Their Annual Fall Festival

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			

Roll call vote: passed 5-0

**D. HEALTH / HUMAN SERVICES / EDUCATION COMMITTEE – Ostrum, Ware**

D1 Resolution Awarding Contracts for Providing Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services-Rebid for the Salem County Alcohol and Drug Services Office

D2 Resolution Approving Change Order #2 for MidAtlantic States Career & Education Center

D3 Resolution Approving Change Order #1 for Meals On Wheels of Salem County

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			

Roll call vote: passed 5-0

**E. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – Griscom, Ostrum**

E1 Resolution of the Board of Chosen Freeholders Supporting an Application to the New Jersey State Police Emergency Management Agency Assistance (“EMAA”) Performance Grant Program No. FY20-EMPG-EMAA-1700

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

Director Laury			X			
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Roll call vote: passed 5-0

**2020 BUDGET**

A7 Resolution to Have the 2020 Budget Read by Title

**INTRODUCTION OF THE 2020 SALEM COUNTY BUDGET**

Motion for the introduction of the first reading

<b>Freeholder</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>Second</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Freeholder Ostrum	X		X			
Freeholder Hassler			X			
Freeholder Ware			X			
Deputy Director Griscom		X	X			
Director Laury			X			

Roll call vote: passed 5-0

A Public Hearing (and adoption) is scheduled for June 24, 2020 at 4:00 pm.

**Freeholder Old Business:** None

**Freeholder New Business:** None

**Freeholder Public Announcements:**

Director Laury thanked Kelly Hannigan and the rest of the Administrative staff for their work on the Budget. There will be an increase of only \$.01.

**Public Comment (Agenda items or other County Business)**

*Please type your questions/comments on the County Facebook Page during the meeting. Only those questions that are posted during the live meeting will be answered. Thank you.*

Patty Bomba, Carneys Point

1. She is concerned that patio dining is shut down when the boardwalks are open with throngs of people. What is the reason outdoor dining is shut down? Obviously social distancing is not happening on the boardwalk, so we should be able to have outdoor dining also.

*Director Laury noted that restaurants will be allowed to start serving on June 15, 2020. Hair / Nail salons can open on June 22, 2020.*

2. We're allowing peaceful protests in multiple towns in the county. I have no problem with peaceful protests. But how are we allowing that when graduations, etc. are not permitted. For the protests, though they have police permission, how will they enforce social distancing guidelines?

*Director Laury and Freeholder Hassler noted that graduations can be held after July 6, 2020. They don't know why this date was chosen by the state. Local protest marches will be handled by the municipalities.*

3. Will the public be able to attend the 6/24 meeting in person?

*No. We will be live streaming that meeting.*

Phone call received before the meeting with question re: protest marches planned throughout the county - Can we use cars or other barriers on the sidewalks to protect our businesses just in case the protest march becomes destructive?

*Director Laury noted that would be handled by each municipality.*

Tom Laperriere, People are concerned that we are able to support a protest in Pennsville on Friday despite Covid concerns, yet restrictions stay in place for those just wanting to get back to work or life in general. Was that the Governor's decision or made locally?

*Director Laury noted the governor made this decision.*

**Executive Closed Session (if needed)**

G1 Resolution Authorizing Executive Session County of Salem

1. Matters Relating to Collective Bargaining Agreements
2. Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and the Attorney-Client Privilege

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			

Roll call vote: passed 5-0

**Adjournment**

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			

Roll call vote: passed 5-0

Meeting was adjourned at 4:40 pm.

**Next Meeting Date**

June 24, 2020  
 Regular Meeting 4:00 PM Meeting  
 We will be live streaming this meeting.