



Board of County Commissioners

Resolution No. 2021 – 111

Administrative Committee

RESOLUTION AWARDING A LEASE FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF THE SALEM COUNTY RAILROAD

WHEREAS, the Salem County Purchasing Agent as authorized Contracting Agent for the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Salem requested, received, and opened sealed proposals on February 24, 2021 at 11:00 A.M. prevailing time for Proposals to Enter into a Lease for the Maintenance and Operation of the Salem County Railroad; the receipt of which proposals were duly advertised in accordance with the law and in such case made and provided; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J. S. A 40A:1-4.1b (3) the County of Salem may use competitive contracting in lieu of public bidding for procurement of operation, maintenance, or administration of County Assets; and

WHEREAS, all proposal results and recommendations for contract award are on file in the Office of the Purchasing Agent, 110 Fifth Street, Suite 400, Salem, New Jersey, as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the County of Salem compiled a six member proposal evaluation team that has unanimously determined that SMS Lines, substantially met the necessary qualifications for the fulfillment of this contract and most successfully meets the stated criteria and therefor achieving the highest ranking and has further provided the documentation necessary to successfully fulfill the requirements of the County of Salem, with said documents becoming part of the contract; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Salem as follows:

1. The Board of County Commissioners of the County of Salem hereby awards a Lease for the Maintenance and Operation of the Salem County Railroad, subject to the review of the County Solicitor, to SMS Lines of Bridgeport, NJ with revenue as outlined in the said vendors proposal.
2. This ten (10) year agreement shall commence on April 1, 2021 and terminate on March 31, 2031 with one ten-year renewal option available with mutual consent of both parties and which shall be completed in full accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract.

3. The Director and the Clerk of the Board shall be authorized to execute said lease upon compliance by the firm with all requirements and specifications.



 BENJAMIN H. LAURY, Director of the
 Board of County Commissioners

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true resolution adopted by the Salem County Board of County Commissioners on February 17, 2021.



 STACY L. PENNINGTON
 Clerk of the Board

RECORD OF VOTE

COMMISSIONER	RESOLUTION MOVED	RESOLUTION SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
G. Ostrum, Jr.			✓			
E. Ramsay			✓			
L. Ware		✓	✓			
R.S. Griscom	✓		✓			
B. Laury			✓			

✓ Indicates Vote

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