



## Board of County Commissioners

### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

June 2, 2021 6:00 PM

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

- **CALL TO ORDER:** Commissioner Director Laury called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
- **INVOCATION:** CFO Kelly Hannigan offered the Invocation.
- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
- **STATEMENT REGARDING OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT:** Read by Stacy L. Pennington, Clerk of the Board

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

By forwarding notice to the South Jersey Times and Elmer Times Co.; and

By posting notice on the bulletin board in the Salem County Courthouse and the Fifth Street Office Complex; and

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:**

Commissioner	Present	Absent
Director Benjamin Laury	X	
Deputy Director Scott Griscom	X	
Commissioner Ed Ramsay	X	
Commissioner Gordon Ostrum	X	
Commissioner Lee Ware	X	

A quorum was present.

- **MINUTES:**

Dispense with the reading of the minutes of the May 19, 2021 Regular Meeting. Minutes are to be received, approved, and recorded in the Minute Book.

Commissioner	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Ostrum			X			
Commissioner Ramsay			X			
Commissioner Ware		X	X			
Deputy Director Griscom	X		X			
Director Laury			X			

Hand vote – passed 5-0

- **SPECIAL RECOGNITION:** Nicholas DeDomenico, a resident of Salem County, has been appointed to the United States Airforce Academy

Director Laury presented Mr. DeDomenico with a Citation congratulating him on his appointment to the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, CO. All the Commissioners joined in the presentation and commending him.

- **PRESENTATION:** None
- **WAIVER OF THE RULES:** None
- **CORRESPONDENCE** – General and Committee/ Commission Minutes and Reports:
  - Township of Alloway Resolution Requesting Salem County Board of Commissioners, Board of Elections and Sheriff’s Office Undertake a Study and Enter into a Discussion with Salem County Municipal Clerks to Determine a Safer and Less Burdensome Election Night Procedure
  - County of Burlington Resolution Supporting New Jersey’s Green Amendment
  - County of Warren Resolution Opposing NJ State Assembly and Senate Forest Management Bills
  - County of Warren Resolution Authorizing NJAC to File a Complaint with the NJ Council on Local Mandates that PL 2021, Chapter 40 Constitutes an Unfunded State Mandate
  - Letter from the State of NJ Agriculture Development Committee FY 22 Planning Incentive Grants
  - Lett from Atlantic City Electric for an Increase in Rates and Charges, Filing and Public Hearing
  - Salem County Improvement Authority Meeting Minutes
  - Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes for April 14, 2021

Commissioner	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Ostrum			X			
Commissioner Ramsay			X			
Commissioner Ware		X	X			
Deputy Director Griscom	X		X			
Director Laury			X			

Hand vote – passed 5-0

- **PAYMENT OF BILLS AND CLAIMS:**

Commissioner	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Ostrum			X			
Commissioner Ramsay			X			
Commissioner Ware		X	X			
Deputy Director Griscom	X		X			
Director Laury			X			

Hand vote – passed 5-0

- **TREASURERS REPORT:** None

### **2021 CAP BANK**

CY 2021 Resolution to Exceed the County Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a CAP Bank (NJSA 40A:4-45.14)

1. Motion to Introduce the Resolution
2. Roll Call Vote

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

Roll Call vote – passed 5-0

CY 2021 Resolution Authorizing County Entity to Exceed the County Entity Budget Request CAP (P.L. 2015, 249)

1. Motion to Introduce the Resolution
2. Roll Call Vote

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

Roll Call vote – passed 5-0

- **RESOLUTIONS:**

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE: - Laury, Griscom

A1 Resolution to Appoint Members to the Board of Education of Special Services School District and the Vocational School District of the County of Salem (Patty Bomba and Julie Smith)

A2 Resolution Authorizing Change Order #2 to the Contract for the Purchase of Election Materials for the County of Salem

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"

A4 Resolution to Amend Resolution 2019-025 for an Engineers Contract

Director Laury thanked Patty Bomba for again agreeing to be appointed to the Special Services School District Board of Education.

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

Hand vote – passed 5-0

AGRICULTURAL / TOURISM COMMITTEE – Ware, Griscom

B1 Authorizing the Proposed Acquisition of a Development Easement on Wright Farm Upper Pittsgrove Township

B2 Authorizing the Proposed Acquisition of a Development Easement on Mihalecz Farm Pittsgrove Township

B3 Authorizing the Proposed Acquisition of a Development Easement on Rieck Farm Pittsgrove Township

B4 Authorizing the Proposed Acquisition of a Development Easement on Spokony Farm, Pittsgrove Township (typo was on draft agenda)

Commissioner Ostrum noted that the preserved farms are 17+ acres each. Some are adjacent to already preserved properties. Kudos to Upper Pittsgrove for having so much land permanently preserved.

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

Hand vote – passed 5-0

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/ PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – Ramsay, Ostrum – None

HEALTH/ HUMAN SERVICES/ EDUCATION COMMITTEE – Ostrum, Ware - None

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – Griscom, Ostrum

E1 Resolution of the Salem County Board of County Commissioners Supporting an Application to the New Jersey State Police Emergency Management Agency Assistance ("EMAA") Performance Grant Program No. FH21-EMPG-EMAA-1700

E2 Resolution by the Salem County Board of County Commissioners Support the Application for RERP 966 Funds for Fiscal Year 2021 From the NJ Dept of Law and Public Safety for the County of Salem

- E3 Resolution by the Salem County Board of County Commissioners Accepting RERP 966 Funds for Fiscal Year 2021 from the NJ Department of Law and Public Safety for the County of Salem
- E4 Resolution of the Salem County Board of County Commissioners Authorizing a Grant Application Submission to the State of New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety for the Prosecutor's Office for SFY2021 Governor Phil Murphy Budget – Operation Helping Hand (OHH) Subaward Reimbursement Grant Funding [DL&PS SFY21-OHH]
- E5 Resolution of the Salem County Board of County Commissioners Accepting Victims of Crime Act Grant Funding for the Prosecutor's Office from the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Grant Program [Grant No. V-59-19]
- E6 Resolution of the Salem County Board of County Commissioners Approving Submission of a Grant Application by the Prosecutor's Office for State of New Jersey Grant Programs Administered by the Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Administration Pursuant to the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) [VAWA-47-20]
- E7 Resolution Amending Resolution 2019-458 Accepting Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Grant Funding from the Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services
- E8 Resolution Authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding Between the Salem County Inter-Agency Council of Human Services and the County of Salem with Regard to the Salem County Youth Service Commission and Juvenile Justice Commission Guidelines.

Commissioner	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Ostrum		X	X			
Commissioner Ramsay			X			
Commissioner Ware			X			
Deputy Director Griscom	X		X			
Director Laury			X			

Hand vote – passed 5-0

## **2021 BUDGET**

Resolution to Have the 2021 Budget Read by Title

Commissioner	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Ostrum			X			
Commissioner Ramsay		X	X			
Commissioner Ware	X		X			
Deputy Director Griscom			X			
Director Laury			X			

Roll Call Vote – passed 5-0

## **INTRODUCTION OF THE 2021 SALEM COUNTY BUDGET**

1. Motion for the introduction on the first reading
2. Roll Call Vote

3. Public Hearing (and adoption) scheduled for June 23, 2021 at 4pm

Commissioner	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Ostrum	X		X			
Commissioner Ramsay			X			
Commissioner Ware			X			
Deputy Director Griscom		X	X			
Director Laury			X			

Roll Call Vote – passed 5-0

- **COMMISSIONER OLD BUSINESS:** None
- **COMMISSIONER NEW BUSINESS:** None
- **COMMISSIONER PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Commissioner Ostrum noted the many activities now planned for the County, including Cowtown on Saturday nights, Best of Salem County picnic, Habitat for Humanity yard sale, Music Around the County events; Cong. Van Drew's zoom update and Salem City shredding event.

Director Laury noted that Pennsville has again planned their Music in the Park series of outdoor concerts for the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of every month.

- **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.

Patty Bomba, Carneys Point, NJ

Ms. Bomba thanked the Board for reappointing her to the Special Services School Board. She also noted:

- Special Services graduation will be in the Votech Gym on 6/8/21 at 6:00 pm.
- Votech Graduation will be on 6/16 at 6:00 pm.
- Regional Day Campus Field Day (Daretown School) will be on 6/4 at 10:00 am
- The ARC walked has been moved to September. More info to come.
- Senior Awards night will be on 6/9/21.

*Director Laury thanked her for the comments.*

Joe Quather, Alloway, NJ

Mr. Quather was following up on three letters he has sent regarding a drainage easement on his property. He is dismayed that there has been no answer. He would like a solution to this as it is a bad mosquito breeding issue.

*Administrator Jeff Ridgway said that Mosquito Control was out to clean out the area. He will again look into the issue.*

Brittany Laury Orzechowski

Ms. Orzechowski also congratulated Nick DeDomenico and thanked him for his service.

- EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION**

F1 Authorizing Executive Session County of Salem – *Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and the Attorney-Client Privilege and Matters Relating to the Employment Relationship*

Commissioner		Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Ostrum		X		X			
Commissioner Ramsay				X			
Commissioner Ware				X			
Deputy Director Griscom			X	X			
Director Laury				X			

Hand vote – passed 5-0

End Executive Closed Session

Commissioner		Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Ostrum				X			
Commissioner Ramsay				X			
Commissioner Ware		X		X			
Deputy Director Griscom			X	X			
Director Laury				X			

Hand vote – passed 5-0

- ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting was adjourned at 4:58 pm

Commissioner	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Ostrum	X		X			
Commissioner Ramsay		X	X			
Commissioner Ware			X			
Deputy Director Griscom			X			
Director Laury			X			

Hand vote – passed 5-0

Next Meeting Date

June 23, 2021

Regular Meeting 4:00 PM Meeting

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