



Board of County Commissioners

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

August 18, 2021, 4:00 PM

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

- **CALL TO ORDER:** Director Ben Laury called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.
- **INVOCATION:** The Invocation was offered by CCFO, Kelly Hannigan.
- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** All present joined in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.
- **STATEMENT REGARDING OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT:** Read by Clerk of the Board, Stacy L. Pennington.
 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 July 21, 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 5-0

- **WAIVER OF THE RULES:**

- A1 Resolution of the County of Salem, State of New Jersey, Authorizing a \$852,967 Emergency Temporary Appropriation Pursuant to NJSA 40A:4-48 to Fund Acquisition of Various Equipment and Improvements for Early Voting (Below 3%)
- A11 Amendment to Resolution 2021-004 to Amend Job Classification Titles and Salary Ranges
- D2 Resolution Accepting and Executing the Local Core Capacity for Public Health Emergency Preparedness LINCS Grant Program
- F2 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 – Local Core Bioterrorism Prep

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 5-0

- **INTRODUCTION**

Ordinance No. 2021-01

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS EQUIPMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FOR EARLY VOTING, BY AND IN THE COUNTY OF SALEM, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING \$852,967 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING \$812,349 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE COUNTY TO FINANCE PART OF THE COSTS THEREOF

1. Motion and Second for Introduction of Ordinance 2021-01
2. Roll Call
3. Public Hearing (and adoption) scheduled for September 15, 2021 at 4:00 pm.

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 5-0

- **CORRESPONDENCE** – General and Committee/ Commission Minutes and Reports:

- Letter from the Pennsville Solicitor regarding the Miles Creek sluice gate.
- Letter from SJI Utilities regarding a petition to revise the basic gas supply service charge and incentive program charge
- Resolutions from Warren County Opposing Senate S-3870 and Assembly A-5785 Unilaterally Permits Employees of a Prosecutors' Office to Receive Enhanced Retirement Benefits and Senate S-3810 and Assembly A-578621 Entitled Responsible Collective Negotiations Act
- Resolution from Morris County opposing attempts to purge public calendars of traditionally celebrated holidays
- SCIA Minutes from the July 23, 2021 Special Meeting

- o Letter from the NJ DOT awarding Salem County FY 2022 funding for the County Aid Program

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 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 5-0

- **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

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 5-0

- **RESOLUTIONS:**

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE: - Laury, Griscom

- A1 Resolution of the County of Salem, State of New Jersey, Authorizing a \$852,967 Emergency Temporary Appropriation Pursuant to NJSA 40A:4-48 to Fund Acquisition of Various Equipment and Improvements for Early Voting (Below 3%)
- A2 Resolution Accepting a Memorandum of Agreement Between the County of Salem and Salem County Prosecutor Detectives and Investigators' Association, FOP Lodge No. 6
- A3 Resolution Authorizing a Shared Services Agreement Between the County of Salem and the Cumberland County Improvement Authority for Capital Project Management - Salem County DOH Vaccination and Testing Building at Ware Building, 52 Cheney Road

- A4 Resolution Awarding a 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
- A5 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Memorandum of Agreement with Mid-Atlantic States Career and Education Center for the Mutual Termination of Two (2) Contracts for the Provision of Certain Transportation Services Effective September 1, 2021 (Curb to Curb Program and Non-Emergent Medical Shuttle Program)
- A6 Resolution Terminating Two (2) Sub-Lease Agreements Between the County of Salem and Mid-Atlantic States Career and Education Center Effective September 1, 2021.
- A7 Resolution Awarding an Emergency Contract to BR Williams to Provide Healthcare Shuttles Designed to Provide Medical Transportation to Delaware, Dialysis, Camden and Philadelphia Appointments Effective September 1, 2021 (Non-Emergent Medical Shuttle).
- A8 Resolution Awarding a Contract to BR Williams to Provide Transportation to Salem County Senior Residents 60 Years of Age and Older and Limited Disabled Residents and General Population in a Designated Rural Area Provided by the Salem County Office on Aging and Disabilities Effective September 1, 2021 (Curb to Curb Program)
- A9 Resolution Authorizing Two (2) Vehicle Sub-Lease Agreements Between the County of Salem and BR Williams Effective September 1, 2021.
- A10 Resolution Accepting RFQ's for Commissioning Services and Construction & Subsurface Testing and Special Inspection Services
- A11 Amendment to Resolution 2021-004 to Amend Job Classification Titles and Salary Ranges
- A12 Resolution Authorizing Letters of Agreement with Mid-Atlantic States Career and Education Center and Elmer Grange for Early Voting Centers
- A13 Resolution Authorizing Change Order #1 to Contract for Procuring Voting Machines and Support Services for the County of Salem
- A14 Resolution Awarding a Contract for Procuring Electronic Poll Books and Support Services for the County of Salem

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 5-0

AGRICULTURAL / TOURISM COMMITTEE – Ware, Griscom

- B1 Resolution Authorizing the Proposed Acquisition of a Development Easement on Crisanti Farm Pittsgrove Township

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 5-0

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/ PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – Ramsay, Ostrum

- C1 Resolution Awarding a Contract for the Replacement of Jesse Bridge, County Bridge #1701-274 Gershal Avenue, Local Road Over Muddy Run and Deep Pen Park Riparian Mitigation, Block 1101, Lot 21 in Pittsgrove Township for the County of Salem
- C2 Resolution Awarding a Professional Services Contract for the FY 2020 Design - Preparation of Field Survey and Base Mapping for South Greenwich Street/Telegraph Road, County Road #540, Phase 1 Resurfacing Project for the County of Salem Federal Project #STBGP-0540(300), NJDOT Job #7101316
- C3 Resolution Authorizing the Filing of a Second Amendment to the Application for State Aid to Counties Under the New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund for Fiscal Year 2018 County Aid Improvement Program
- C4 Resolution Authorizing the Filing of a Second Amendment to the Application for State Aid to Counties Under the New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund for Fiscal Year 2019 County Aid Improvement Program
- C5 Resolution Authorizing the Filing of a Second Amendment to the Application for State Aid to Counties Under the New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund for Fiscal Year 2020 County Aid Improvement Program
- C6 Resolution Authorizing the Filing of an Amendment to the Application for State Aid to Counties Under the New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund for Fiscal Year 2021 County Aid Improvement Program
- C7 Resolution Accepting and Executing a Grant from the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Fiscal Year 2021 County aid Improvement Program

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 5-0

HEALTH/ HUMAN SERVICES/ EDUCATION COMMITTEE – Ostrum, Ware

- D1 Resolution Authorizing Contracts for the Grant Administration of the Alliance to Prevent Alcoholism and Drug Abuse for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022

D2 Resolution Accepting and Executing the Local Core Capacity for Public Health Emergency Preparedness LINCS Grant Program

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

Hand vote 5-0

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – Griscom, Ostrum

- E1 Resolution Authorizing the Donation of a Vehicle to the Salem County Vocational Technical School District
- E2 Resolution Accepting the Donation of a Vehicle from the Township of Oldmans to the Salem County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services / Fire Academy (Nunc Pro Tunc)
- E3 Resolution Supporting and Approving a Body Armor Replacement Program Grant Application for the Sheriff's Office from the New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice (Sheriff's Office)
- E4 Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners Supporting and Approving an Application for Body Armor Replacement Program Grant Funding from the New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice for the Prosecutor's Office
- E5 Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners Accepting Funding for the Prosecutor's Office from the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety Stop Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Grant Program [Grant No. VAWA-47-20]
- E6 Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners Accepting Medication Assisted Treatment Grant (MAT) Funding from the Department of Human Services Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services
- E7 Resolution Acknowledging the Standard Language Resolution Form from the New Jersey Department of Human Services for the Medicated Assisted Treatment Grant (MAT)
- E8 Resolution Acknowledging the Business Associate Agreement Form from the New Hersey Department of Human Services for the Medicated Assisted Treatment Grant (MAT)
- E9 Resolution to Enter Into a Memorandum of Understanding Regarding the Medical Assisted Treatment Grant (MAT)

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 5-0

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- 21 Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)
- F2 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 – Local Core Bioterrorism Prep (LINCS)
- F3 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 – 2021 County Aid Improvement Program
- F4 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 – VAWA Grant Program

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 5-0

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

Commissioner Ostrum discussed COVID issues:

- The CDC has endorsed conditional booster doses of the vaccine. Salem County Health Department Director, June Seiber, is prepared to work with the state on this.
- Regarding getting a COVID and flu shot at the same time: As the COVID vaccine requires a post-shot waiting period of 15 minutes and the regular flu shot does not, this presents scheduling challenges for the department.

Commissioner Ostrum also noted the upcoming 20th Anniversary of the 9/11 Attacks. The OEM is planning something for Remembrance Park, and Cowtown is planning a tribute time before the show on that day.

Director Laury noted a \$9 million grant has been awarded to upgrade the Salem Port bulkhead. Construction to start in 2 years. He also noted a \$4.8 million award for road construction and bridges.

Director Laury also noted:

- Red Cross Blood Drives throughout the county.
- Movie Night at MLK Park in Salem City.
- The return of the Tomato Festival in Salem City.
- Fort Mott Car Show.
- Free concerts in MLK Park in Salem City.
- The Salem County Senior Art Show is virtual this year. He said we have lots of talent in the county, and all should go online to view the entries.

- The Delaware Valley Bluegrass Festival over Labor Day Weekend.
- A Pig Roast at the Pennsville VFW.
- **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 – via email.

Ms. Bomba has tickets for an Porkette Dinner on 8/27/21 sponsored by The Lutheran Church of St. Ambrose (Pennsville) and Thrivent Financial. Takeout only for \$10 each. This will benefit Habitat for Humanity.

Nelson Carney, Woodstown

Mr. Carney, a county employee and also President of Salem County NaACP, asked for an update on approving Juneteenth as a paid holiday for county employees. Deputy Director Griscom said this is still being negotiated as this would cost the county an addition \$200,000. Mr. Carney does not believe employees should have to ‘trade’ a day off to receive the Juneteenth holiday. He noted Salem County is noted for being a racist county. He also noted Gloucester County is providing an extra Administrative Day.

Jim Rowe, Mannington

Mr. Rowe feels the County should provide the Juneteenth holiday to employees. He noted the holiday has been a long time coming.

Jim Grant, Elsinboro

Mr. Grant would like the County to consider using dredge spoils from the Wind Port project for dike repair issues, etc in Elsinboro. He noted that water is encroaching the county now and how vulnerable the area is to water damage.

Kelly Johnston, Carneys Point

Ms. Johnston thanked Commissioner Ramsay for helping with the meeting regarding Courses Landing Road issues. She said the road is still dangerous and asked about signage.

Commissioner Ramsay noted signs have been obtained and the county is working with Carneys Point to get the signs posted appropriately. When asked about enforcement, he noted he will bring this to the next Planning Board meeting.

- **EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION – 4:40 pm**

G1 Resolution Authorizing Executive Session County of Salem – 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 5-0

End Closed Session – 5:24 pm

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			

Hand vote 5-0

Return to regular meeting – 5:24 pm

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

Hand vote 5-0

- ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 5:25 pm.

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

Hand vote 5-0

Next Meeting Date

September 15, 2021

Regular Meeting 4:00 PM Meeting

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