



Board of County Commissioners

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

December 7, 2022 4:00 PM

Pittsgrove Municipal Building, Pittsgrove, New Jersey

CALL TO ORDER – Commissioner Director Laury called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

INVOCATION – CFO Kelly Hannigan offered an Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Director Laury invited everyone to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

STATEMENT REGARDING OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT – The statement was read by Clerk of the Board, Stacy 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	
Commissioner Scott Griscom	X	
Commissioner Ed Ramsay	X	
Deputy Director Gordon Ostrum	X	
Commissioner Lee Ware		X

A quorum was present.

MINUTES

Dispense with the reading of the minutes of the November 16, 2022 Regular Meeting. Minutes are to be received, approved, and recorded in the Minute Book.

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

Hand vote passed 4-0.

PUBLIC HEARINGS & ADOPTIONS

Commissioner Director Laury explained that the two ordinances below are necessary to upgrade the 911 dispatch radio system. The system currently in place is very outdated and calls are often interrupted. He noted it is past time to make this upgrade.

3rd District Assemblywoman, Beth Sawyer, was in attendance and Director Laury invited her to speak. Assy. Sawyer noted she is in contact with the Governor's office to urge funding support for this project. She is also working on federal support and is hoping for a good outcome.

Director Laury thanked Assy.Sawyer for her support and comments tonight.

Introduction of Ordinance 2022-005

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF SALEM, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE ENTERING INTO, EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A LEASE AND AGREEMENT WITH THE SALEM COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF COUNTY GUARANTEED LEASE REVENUE BONDS (COUNTY RADIO SYSTEM UPGRADE PROJECT), SERIES 2023, OF THE SALEM COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY AND AUTHORIZING A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON ON DECEMBER 21, 2022, AND AUTHORIZING PUBLICATION THEREOF

1. Motion and Second for Introduction of Ordinance 2022-005
2. Roll Call
3. Public Hearing (and adoption) scheduled December 21, 2022

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

Roll Call vote passed 4-0.

Director Laury announced that the Public Hearing and Adoption for Ordinance 2022-005 will take place on December 21, 2022 at 6:00 pm at the Olde Courthouse, 104 Market Street, Salem, NJ.

Introduction of Ordinance 2022-006

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE GUARANTY BY THE COUNTY OF SALEM, STATE OF NEW JERSEY OF COUNTY GUARANTEED LEASE REVENUE BONDS (COUNTY RADIO SYSTEM UPGRADE PROJECT), SERIES 2023, OF THE SALEM COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$17,000,000 IN BONDS, CONSENTING TO THE UNDERTAKING AND FINANCING OF SUCH COUNTY RADIO SYSTEM UPGRADE PROJECT BY THE AUTHORITY AND AUTHORIZING A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON ON DECEMBER 21, 2022 AND AUTHORIZING PUBLICATION THEREOF

4. Motion and Second for Introduction of Ordinance 2022-006
5. Roll Call
6. Public Hearing (and adoption) scheduled December 21, 2022

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

Roll Call vote passed 4-0.

Director Laury announced that the Public Hearing and Adoption for Ordinance 2022-006 will take place on December 21, 2022 at 6:00 pm at the Olde Courthouse, 104 Market Street, Salem, NJ.

Deputy Director Ostrum expanded on Assy. Sawyer's and Director Laury's comments. He noted OEM employees in attendance tonight and thanked them for working with administration to get this upgrade in place. He noted the importance of getting this done. He said, "Kudos to all involved."

CORRESPONDENCE – General and Committee/ Commission Minutes and Reports

1. Thank you note for the Pennsville Public Library Board of Trustees
2. County of Ocean Resolution opposing Governor Murphy's decision not to limit the increase of Employee healthcare contributions for County and Municipal workers.
3. Atlantic County Resolution demanding the State of NJ fix the severely flawed Public Employee State Health Benefits System
4. Mosquito Control 2023 Annual Plans and Estimates Report

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

Hand vote passed 4-0.

PAYMENT OF BILLS AND CLAIMS

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

Hand vote passed 4-0.

RESOLUTIONS**ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE: - Laury, Ostrum**

- A1 Resolution Acknowledging the HIPPA Business Associate Agreement between Save On SP, LLC and the County of Salem
- A2 Resolution Renewing Contract for Providing Snow and Ice Removal Services for the County of Salem
- A3 Resolution Authorizing Purchases from State Contract Vendors
- A4 Resolution Awarding a Contract for Furnishing, Installing, Supplying and Servicing Vending Machines for the County of Salem
- A5 Resolution Awarding a Non-Fair and Open Contract to Prepare a Comprehensive Cost Allocation Program and Other Related Services to Pino Consulting Group, Inc.
- A6 Resolution to Apply for New Jersey CDBG-CV-1 and CV-3 Grant
- A7 Resolution to Apply for New Jersey CDBG-CV-2 Grant
- A8 Resolution Requesting Transfer of Funds
- A9 Resolution Authorizing a Joinder Agreement to the Master Program Agreement Between Express Scripts, Inc., Save On SP, LLC, and the County of Salem

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

Hand vote passed 4-0.

AGRICULTURAL / TOURISM COMMITTEE – Ware, Griscom - None**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/ PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – Ramsay, Griscom**

- C1 Resolution Requesting an Additional Extension of Time for the New Jersey Department of Transportation Fiscal Year 2020 County Aid Improvement Program
- C2 Resolution Requesting a Time Extension for State Aid to Counties Under the New Jersey Department of Transportation Local Freight Impact Fund Program for Fiscal Year 2020
- C3 Resolution Requesting an Agreement Date Extension New Jersey Department of Transportation Fiscal Year 2018 Mill and Overlay Program Federal Aid Agreement No. 19-DT-BLA-804 NJDOT Job #7110320
- C4 Resolution Requesting an Agreement Date Extension New Jersey Department of Transportation Fiscal Year 2017 Mill and Overlay Program Federal Aid Agreement No. 18-DT-BLA-784 NJDOT Job #7105306

C5 Resolution Granting Approval to Submit a Grant Application with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for LA-2023 County Aid Salem County Main Project 17

C6 Resolution Granting Approval to Submit a Grant Application with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for LA-2023 Local Bridge Fund Salem County Main Project 17

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

Hand vote passed 4-0.

HEALTH/ HUMAN SERVICES/ EDUCATION COMMITTEE – Ostrum, Ware

D1 Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health & Addiction Services for the 2022-2023 Innovation Grant

D2 Resolution Awarding a Contract for Facilitating Events, Activities and Trips for the Clients of the Salem County Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services Under the County Innovation Program

D3 Resolution of Intent to Apply for Funding for the Enhancing Local Public Health Infrastructure Partner Organization Grant

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

Hand vote passed 4-0.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – Griscom, Ostrum

E1 Resolution Authorizing a Grant Submission to the State of New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Operation Helping Hand, the Attorney General and the Office of the New Jersey Coordinator for Additional Responses and Enforcement Strategies ("NJ CARES"), for Funding Under the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2022 Overdose Date to Action - Operation Helping Hand Grant Program, Subaward #FFYOHH-17-2022

E2 Resolution Accepting Federal Fiscal Year 2022 Subgrant Award from New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety Division of State Police Office of Emergency

Management for Emergency Management Performance Grant No. FY22-EMPG-EMAA-1700 CDFA#:97.042 in the Amount of \$55,000.

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

Hand vote passed 4-0.

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 – FY22 EMAA

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 – 2022 Operation Helping Hand (SFYOH-17-2022)

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 – NJDEA New Jersey Wind Port Grant

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

Hand vote passed 4-0.

COMMISSIONER OLD BUSINESS – None

COMMISSIONER NEW BUSINESS – None

COMMISSIONER PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Ramsay noted some upcoming events:

- 12/10 Breakfast with Santa – Pennsville Middle School
- 12/10 Free Christmas Dinner – St. Ambrose Lutheran Church, Pennsville
- 12/10 Army/Navy Game Watch Party – Penns Grove VFW
- 12/10 Deaf Night Out – Hands Up Silent Theatre – Elmer
- 12/10 Christmas Jubilee Musical Celebration – Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Salem
- 12/11 Breakfast at Penns Grove VFW
- 12/11 Kids Christmas Party at Penns Grove VFW
- 12/11 Salem Oak Singers 2022 Holiday Concert – Davidow Hall at SCC
- 12/11 SCC Glass Education Center - Workshop, Open House, Sales
- 12/11 10th Annual Tuba Christmas – Woodstown Presbyterian Church

Deputy Director Ostrum noted that COVID cases are rising. The Salem County Health Dept. has a vaccine clinic every Tuesday in December at the 5th Street Office Complex.

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

Ms. Bomba announced a few upcoming events:

- Challenger League sub sale - \$9 – Italian Kitchen
- Lighthouse Church – Christmas Story – 12/20 – 6:30 pm

Ms. Bomba also announced that Resources for Independent Living (RIL) has purchased the old Sunbeam Newspaper building in Salem City for program expansion. She noted that The Arc and RIL programs are the best around.

Assemblywoman Beth Sawyer

Assy. Sawyer announced the opening of a new office at 700 2nd Street, Swedesboro. Ribbon Cutting is 12/8/22 at 5:30 pm.

NEXT MEETING DATE: December 21, 2022 - 6:00 pm - Olde Courthouse in Salem City.

EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION: 4:30 pm

G1 Resolution Authorizing Executive Session County of Salem – Matters Pertaining to Litigation, Negotiations, and the Attorney-Client Privilege.

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

Hand vote passed 4-0.

Motion to End Executive Session

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

Hand vote passed 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm.

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

Hand vote passed 4-0.