



## Board of County Commissioners

### MEETING MINUTES

6:00 PM - October 4, 2023

Salem County Historic 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** – Commissioner Director Laury led everyone in 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 Laury	X	
Deputy Director Ostrum	X	
Commissioner Ramsay	X	
Commissioner Taylor	X	
Commissioner Timmerman	X	

#### QUORUM 5-0

#### MINUTES

Dispense with the reading of the minutes of the September 20, 2023 Regular Meeting. Minutes are to be received, approved, and recorded in the Minute Book.

Commissioner	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Ramsay		X	X			
Commissioner Taylor			X			
Commissioner Timmerman			X			
Deputy Director Ostrum	X		X			
Director Laury			X			

#### HAND VOTE 5-0

#### SPECIAL RECOGNITION:

Special recognition was given the Salem County 4H Horse Team for their outstanding performance throughout the year. The teams were coached by Cheryl Johnson and Linda Duke. Members of the team were present and Deputy Director Ostrum presented them with certificates to honor their placements.

STATE 4-H HORSE BOWL COMPETITION - FEBRUARY 25, 2023

The Jr. Team: Carleigh Haney, Jaycee Redrow, Samantha Christian  
4th High Team in Horse Bowl

The Sr. Team: Megan Brooks, Lucy Michels, Madilyn Dolbow, Charlee Redrow  
4th High Team in Horse Bowl

STATE HORSE JUDGING & HIPPOLOGY CONTEST APRIL 1-2, 2023

The Jr. Team: Carleigh Haney, Jaycee Redrow, Samantha Christian  
3rd High Team Overall in Hippology,  
1st High Team Overall in Horse Judging

The Sr. Team: Megan Brooks, Lucy Michels, Madilyn Dolbow, Charlee Redrow  
1st High Team Overall in Hippology  
1st High Team Overall in Horse Judging

STATE 4-H HORSE SHOW - AUGUST 25-27, 2023

**GRAND CHAMPION – WESTERN TEAM**

Team Members: Charlee Redrow, Lucy Michels, Samantha Christian, Jaycee Redrow,  
Teagan Donelow, Hailey Haines, Madilyn Dolbow, AnnaMary Straub, Madison Griscom

**RESERVE CHAMPION – ENGLISH TEAM**

Team Members: Charlee Redrow, Lucy Michels, Samantha Christian, Jaycee Redrow,  
Madilyn Dolbow, AnnaMary Straub, Samantha Mattia, Maggie Gattuso, Madison Griscom,  
Carleigh Haney

**RESERVE CHAMPION – GAMES TEAM**

Team Members: Madison Griscom, Ailynn Beecher, Hailey Haines, AnnaMary Straub,  
Samantha Mattia

**GRAND CHAMPION – VERY SMALL EQUINE TEAM**

Team Members: Abigail Christy, Hailey Haines, Madison Griscom, AnnaMary Straub

**SPECIAL RECOGNITION:**

Lucy Michels qualified to represent New Jersey at the National 4-H Horse Round-Up.

Director Laury also gave special recognition to Patty Bomba for being awarded the Chamber of Commerce 2023 Distinguished Citizen of the Year Award.

**WAIVER OF THE RULES** - none

**PUBLIC HEARINGS & ADOPTIONS** - none

**CORRESPONDENCE** - none

**PAYMENT OF BILLS AND CLAIMS**

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

**HAND VOTE 5-0**

**TREASURER'S REPORT - none**

**RESOLUTIONS**

**ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:**

**A1** Resolution Appointing a Health Officer for the County of Salem (Rebecca Sleeter)

**A2** Placeholder Resolution Appointing a Member to the Salem County Economic Development Advisory Committee (Ken Robell)

**A3** Resolution Appointing Members to the Salem Community College Board of Trustees (John Ashcraft, Scott Kramme, Jason Supernavage)

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

**HAND VOTE 5-0**

**AGRICULTURAL / PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:**

**B1** Resolution Authorizing the Proposed Acquisition of a Development Easement on Kevin and Jessica Bishop Farm, Block 50, Lot 1.02, Upper Pittsgrove Township

**B2** Resolution Authorizing the Proposed Acquisition of a Development Easement on Sharon Caroccio Farm, Block 2701, Lot 143, Pittsgrove Township

**B3** Resolution Supporting and Approving an Application to and Acceptance of the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Multi-Jurisdictional Gang, Gun, and Narcotics Task Force Grant Program for the Prosecutor's Office (Subaward Number: JAG 1-17TF-22)

**B4** Resolution Accepting and Executing the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Multi-Jurisdictional Gang, Gun, and Narcotics Task Force Grant Program for the Prosecutor's office [JAG 1-17TF-21]

**B5** Resolution Authorizing a Shared Services Agreement Between the County of Cumberland and the County of Salem for SART (Sexual Assault Response Team)

**B6** Resolution Authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding Between Salem County Sheriff's Office/Office of Emergency Management and Cooper University Health Care Section of Military, Diplomatic, and Field Surgical Affairs (MILDAF)

**B7** Resolution Accepting and Executing Department of Corrections (NJDOC) Grants-in-Aid Funding for the FY2024 County Reentry Coordinators (CRC) Program

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

**HAND VOTE 5-0**

**IT / PLANNING / TOURISM COMMITTEE - none**

**HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES/ EDUCATION COMMITTEE:**

**D1** Resolution Authorizing the Grant Application for the 2024 Comprehensive Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Services Contract

**D2** Resolution Authorizing the Grant Application for the 2023-2024 County Innovation Grant

Commissioner	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Ramsay			X			
Commissioner Taylor			X			
Commissioner Timmerman	X		X			
Deputy Director Ostrum		X	X			
Director Laury			X			

**HAND VOTE 5-0**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/ PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

**E1** Resolution Accepting and Executing a Grant from the New Jersey Department of Transportation for New Bridge Road Bridge, County Bridge #1701-399 Over Alloways Creek, On New Bridge Road, County Road #623 Concept Development in Lower Alloways Creek Township for the County of Salem Project No. LTPF-2003 - New Bridge Road Bridge - Concept DEV-00194

**E2** Resolution Prohibiting Normal Traffic South Railroad Avenue, County Road #602 in Oldmans Township, Salem County for the Their Annual Pedricktown Day Celebration

**E3** Resolution Authorizing the Filing of an Application for State Aid to Counties Under the New Jersey Department of Transportation Rail Freight Assistance Program for Fiscal Year 2024

**E4** Resolution Issuing Change Order Number 18 to the Contract for the Courthouse Addition and Alterations to the Existing Courthouse and Administration Buildings

**E5** Resolution Accepting Funding for the New Jersey Department of Health Tick Surveillance Program

Commissioner Ramsay commented that it is great to see work move forward in regard to Resolution E1.

Commissioner	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Ramsay	X		X			
Commissioner Taylor		X	X			
Commissioner Timmerman			X			
Deputy Director Ostrum			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 – **Opioid Settlement Agreement Grant**

**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 – **23-23 TICK Surveillance Program**

**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 – **FY21 Multi Juris Narc Task (JAG 1-17TF-21)**

**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 – **FY24 NJ County Reentry Coordinators Program (CRC)**

**F5** 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 – **FY23 Local Transportation Project Fund – New Bridge Rd.**

Commissioner	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Ramsay		X	X			
Commissioner Taylor			X			
Commissioner Timmerman			X			
Deputy Director Ostrum	X		X			
Director Laury			X			

**HAND VOTE 5-0**

**COMMISSIONER OLD BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Ramsay complimented the hiring committee for bringing on the new road supervisor. There is high hope for him and he is doing a great job so far.

**COMMISSIONER NEW BUSINESS** - none

**COMMISSIONER PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Commissioner Ramsay listed the following events happening around the county this month:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
Fri, Sat, Sun October 6,7,8	<b>South Jersey Pumpkin Show</b> Salem County Fairgrounds
Saturday October 7	9:00 am – 11:00 am <b>Pet Pantry – Free dog food and supplies – dogs only (no cat food/supplies)</b> - Washington Fire House – Salem, NJ
Saturday October 7	<b>Elmer Harvest Day Festival 2023</b> with Car Show, 5K Race, and Mayor’s Mile Walk
Saturday, October 7	Time: 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm <b>Annual Crab Fest!</b> \$50 – all you can eat! Penns Grove VFW #8840
Sunday, October 8	11:00 am <b>Kevin Hardin Bridge Dedication</b> - Hawks Bridge – Carneys Point
Wednesday October 11	11:00 am – 3:00 pm <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Disability Awareness &amp; Caregiver Resource Fall Festival</b> – FREE - Salem County Fairgrounds
Thursday October 12	8:00 am – 9:30 am <b>Chamber of Commerce – Coffee &amp; Connections Networking</b> Franklin Bank, Pennsville - Please RSVP
October 13 – 14 October 20 – 21 October 27 – 28	8:00 – 10:00 pm <b>Rocky Horror Picture Show</b> Blue Moon Theater - Woodstown
Friday October 13	7:30 pm <b>Kricket Comedy show</b> - Salem Oak Vineyards
Friday October 13	6:15 pm <b>Fall Bingo – All cash prizes, basket raffles, 50/50</b> (Benefits Project Graduation) - Woodstown Middle School – Multi Purpose Room
Saturday, October 14	2:30 pm, 3:30 pm, 4:30, and 5:30 pm seatings <b>Annual Oyster Dinner</b> - \$35 per person, reservations only, no walk-ups Elmer Grange
Saturday, October 14	9:00 am – 4:00 pm <b>Pedricktown Day</b> - Food, crafts, games - Downtown Pedricktown
Saturday, October 14	9:00 am – 1:00 pm <b>Locals on the Lake</b> - Farmers Market – vendors needed Memorial Lake in Woodstown
October 13 - October 14	Five sessions each night: 7:00pm, 7:30pm, 8:00pm, 8:30pm & 9:00pm <b>Candlelight tours of the Hancock House</b> Hancocks Bridge, NJ
Thursday October 19	6:00 pm – 9:00 pm <b>Salem County Women’s Services – Annual Fundraiser Dinner</b> \$60 per person Maria’s by DiPaolo’s, Penns Grove

**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 – provided a listing of additional upcoming events around the county:

- 10/07/23 – Penns Grove vendor/crafter pop-up event
- 10/08/23 – Brenda’s Pace Makers – 9am Heart Walk
- 10/12/23 – Daryl’s Wheels fundraiser – The Engine House – tickets can be purchased online
- 10/11/23 – Dog Costume Contest
- 11/02/23 – Veterans Service Medal Ceremony
- 11/11/23 – Stand Up for Salem 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration
- 11/07/23 – VFW Winter Raffle & Spaghetti dinner
- 11/25/23 – Pennsville vendor/crafter pop-up event
- 12/03/23 – St. Gabriel the Archangel church mega raffle - \$50 per ticket

Ms. Bomba also mentioned that she visited Miranda McCeig, the Elmer Times reported that was in a car accident last month and she is happy to report that Miranda is doing better but still has a long road ahead of her. Patty also asked is there was anything that can be done to make the intersection where Miranda’s accident happened any safer. Commissioner Ramsay commented that a resolution from the municipality where the intersection resides must be passed and then sent to the county for a traffic study to be done.

Ms. Bomba asked also if it could be revisited to changing the times of the Commissioners meetings to 4pm for all meetings throughout the year.

**NEXT MEETING DATE will be October 18, 2023 at 6:00pm in the Historic Courthouse.**

**EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION** began at 6:28 pm.

**G1 Resolution Authorizing Executive Session County of Salem**

Commissioner	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Ramsay			X			
Commissioner Taylor		X	X			
Commissioner Timmerman			X			
Deputy Director Ostrum	X		X			
Director Laury			X			

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Ramsay		X	X			
Commissioner Taylor	X		X			
Commissioner Timmerman			X			
Deputy Director Ostrum			X			
Director Laury			X			

The meeting ended at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy L. Pennington  
Clerk of the Board