



Board of County Commissioners

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

November 15, 2023 6:00 PM

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 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 was Present

MINUTES

Dispense with the reading of the minutes of the November 1, 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

INTRODUCTION – Jake Buganski, Tourism: Spoke about himself and his work history. The County Commissioners thanked Jake for coming on board with the county and are looking forward to working with him in the future.

CORRESPONDENCE – General and Committee/ Commission Minutes and Reports

1. Pittsgrove Township Resolution Supporting and Requesting Stop Intersections at Intersections of Various County Roads Located Within the Township of Pittsgrove
2. Letter from Atlantic City Electric regarding a Notice of Filing and Public Hearings for various programs
3. Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes September 13, 2023
4. NJ Transit Public Hearing Notice

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

PAYMENT OF BILLS AND CLAIMS

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

TREASURER’S REPORT

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

RESOLUTIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

A1 Resolution Rejecting Proposals for Providing Residential Youth Services for the County of Salem

A2 Resolution Authorizing Change Order #1 to the Contract for Supplying and Delivering Uniforms for the County of Salem

A3 Resolution Awarding a Renewal Contract for Supplying and Delivering Uniforms for the County of Salem

A4 Awarding Contracts for Providing Supplemental Snow and Ice Removal Services for the County of Salem

A5 Resolution Awarding a Contract for Supplying, Collecting and Disposing of Rubbish and Solid Waste and Recycled Materials for the County of Salem and Various Salem County Agencies

A6 Resolution Authorizing Contracts with Great American Gas and Electric and UGI Energy Services for Natural Gas Supply Services and Delivery for the County of Salem

A7 Resolution Authorizing the Sale of a Vehicle to the City of Vineland

A8 Resolution Requesting Transfer Funds

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

AGRICULTURAL / PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

B1 Resolution Approving a Memorandum of Understanding Between the Salem County Prosecutor's Office and the Salem County Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Mental Health and Addiction for Grant Funding Awarded from the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety Operation Helping Hand (OHH) Reimbursement Grants

B2 Resolution Accepting and Executing a Grant from the New Jersey Department of Children and Families for the Child Advocacy Center MDT Grant for the Salem County Prosecutor's Office

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

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES/ EDUCATION COMMITTEE

D1 Resolution Accepting and Executing the New Jersey Department of Human Services Division of Aging Services 2024 Area Plan Grant

D2 Resolution Approving a Memorandum of Understanding Between Salem County Office on Aging & Disabilities and Saint John's Pentecostal Outreach Church-Food Distribution Center for Pantry Stretcher Program Services

D3 Resolution Approving a Memorandum of Understanding Between Salem County Office on Aging & Disabilities and the Meals on Wheels of Salem County

D4 Resolution Awarding a Renewal Contract to Meals on Wheels of Salem County Providing State Weekend Home Delivered Meals to the Disabled and/or Elderly Residents of Salem County Under the Older Americans Act-Area Plan Grant

D5 Resolution Awarding a Renewal Contract for Bayada Home Health Care to Provide Certified Home Health Aide-SASS Services to Salem County Senior Residents 60 Years of Age or Older and Limited Disabled Residents Under the Older Americans Act-Area Plan Grant

D6 Resolution Awarding a Renewal Contract for Bayada Home Health Care to Provide Certified Home Health Aide-Title IIIB Services to Salem County Senior Residents 60 Years of Age or Older and Limited Disabled Residents Under the Older Americans Act-Area Plan Grant

D7 Resolution Awarding a Renewal Contract for Bayada Home Health Care to Provide Certified Home Health Aide-Title IIIE Services to Salem County Senior Residents 60 Years of Age or Older and Limited Disabled Residents Under the Older Americans Act-Area Plan Grant

D8 Resolution Awarding a Renewal Contract for South Jersey Legal Services, Inc. to Provide Legal Services/Legal Presentations to Salem County Senior Residents 60 Years of Age or Older and Limited Disabled Residents Under the Older Americans Act-Area Plan Grant

D9 Resolution Awarding a Renewal Contract to Puerto Rican Action Committee of Southern NJ to Provide Residential Maintenance to the Disabled and/or Elderly Residents of Salem County Under the Older Americans Act-Area Plan Grant

D10 Resolution Awarding a Renewal Contract to Mid-Atlantic States Career and Education Center to Provide Congregate Nutrition C1 to the Disabled and/or Elderly Residents of Salem County Under the Older Americans Act-Area Plan Grant

D11 Resolution Awarding a Renewal Contract to Puerto Rican Action Committee of Southern NJ to Provide Assisted Transportation to the Disabled and/or Elderly Residents of Salem County Under the Older Americans Act-Area Plan Grant

D12 Resolution to Accept the Updated Bylaws for Salem County Office on Aging and Disabilities Transportation Advisory Committee for SCOOT Transportation

D13 Resolution Awarding a Renewal Contract to Meals on Wheels of Salem County Providing Home Delivered Nutrition-SASS to the Disabled and/or Elderly Residents of Salem County Under the Older Americans Act-Area Plan Grant

D14 Resolution Awarding a Renewal Contract to Meals On Wheels of Salem County Providing Home Delivered Nutrition - State Home Delivered Meals to the Disabled and/or Elderly Residents of Salem County Under the Older Americans Act - Area Plan Grant

D15 Resolution Awarding a Renewal Contract to Meals On Wheels of Salem County Providing Home Delivered Nutrition Title III C-2 to the Disabled and /or Elderly Residents of Salem County Under the Older Americans Act - Area Plan Grant

D16 Resolution Approving a Memorandum of Understanding Between Salem County Office on Aging & Disabilities and Mid-Atlantic States Career and Education Center for Pantry Stretcher Program Services

D17 Resolution of Intent to Apply for Funding for the 2023-2024 County Environmental Health Act (CEHA) Grant

D18 Resolution of Intent to Apply for and Accept a Stipend from New Jersey Association of County and City Health Officials for Project Firstline Train the Trainer Course and Counting Trainings

D19 Resolution Accepting and Executing a Grant for the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act Disaster Response Crisis Counseling County Grant 2023-2024

D20 Resolution Approving a Proposal Submission to Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse for the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services Block 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			

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County Commissioner Ramsay stated he would like to compliment the Department of Health on all the grants.

Deputy Director Ostrum stated he found it sad there were only three views on Facebook because the resolutions that Stacy Pennington read were very important regarding the funding of Social Services for our Salem County residents. The resolutions are all fully reviewed, and the Health Department did a great job.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/ PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

E1 Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners Accepting and Executing a Grant from the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Fiscal Year 2022 County Aid Improvement Program

E2 Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners Accepting and Executing a Grant from the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Fiscal Year 2023 County Aid Improvement Program

E3 Resolution Approving the Execution of Change Order #1 Resurfacing and Safety Improvements South Greenwich Street/Telegraph Road, County Road #540, Phase 1 For the County of Salem Federal Project No. STBGP-15K-0540(304) NJDOT Job No. 7101317

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 - **Bipartisan Safer Communities Act 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 -2023 Child Advocacy Development Grant****

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 -2022 County Aid 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 -2023 County Aid Program****

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:

County Commissioner Ramsay stated that there were two items that he wanted to speak about.:

- First, a couple weeks ago the Road Department was not going to get 12 ½ miles of paving done this year due to supply chain issues. The gravel/stone supply chain issues have been resolved and the paving can be done before the end of the year.
- Second, Acton Station Road project had received a \$2,000,000.00 (Two Million Dollars and Zero Cents) grant to resurface, unfortunately there is not enough base to pave the road so the road will need to be reconstructed which will far exceed the \$2,000,000.00.

COMMISSIONER NEW BUSINESS:

Director Laury congratulated County Commissioner Ed Ramsay on his Electoral win.

COMMISSIONER PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Deputy Director Ostrum noted these upcoming events:

Thursday, November 16	1:00 pm Holiday Helper Raffle – Raffle Benefits Penns Grove Rotary To Order Tickets call: 856-769-2997 (\$5 each or 5 tickets for \$20) Talk of the Towne Diner – Carneys Point
Thursday, November 16	6:00 pm – 8:30 pm Beers & Brushes Night – Family Friendly Pottery Painting Info & Registration: www.TheLittleLambNJ.com Farmers & Bankers – 8 N. Main Street, Woodstown

Friday, November 17	11:00 am – 2:00 pm Healthy Scoot Adventures – Historic Smithville Village - \$6 Fare Registration Required For More Information Call: (856)339-8622 616 E Moss Mill Rd, Smithville
Friday, November 17	6:00 pm – 9:00 pm Fire Pit Fridays - \$10 (Includes a Bundle of Firewood) https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=812392994227241&set=a.481760350623842 Salem Oak Vineyards – 60 N Railroad Ave, Pedricktown
Friday, November 17	6:30 pm Comedy Open Mic Night – Adults Only Questions: Email liamzstark@gmail.com The Blue Moon Theatre – 13 West Ave, Woodstown
Saturday, November 18	8:00 am – 2:00 pm St. George’s Church Christmas Craft Bazaar St. George’s Church – 305 N. Broadway, Pennsville
Saturday, November 18	9:00 am – 12:00 pm Salem County Improvement Authority – Document Shredding Event 286 Welchville Road, Alloway
Saturday, November 18	9:30 am Fort Mott 5k & Walk – Family and Dog Friendly Proceeds Benefit Fort Mott Park Association https://runsignup.com/Race/NJ/Pennsville/FortMott5kWalk Fort Mott Park 454 Fort Mott Road, Pennsville

Deputy Director Ostrum stated on Friday November 17, 2023, Woodstown High School football team will be playing in the South Jersey Group Two Semi-Finals.

Director Laury stated that on Friday November 17,2023, Salem County Sports Hall of Fame at 6:30 pm.

Director Laury also complimented Sharon Stoffels on doing a great job with the Events Listing that keeps the residents of Salem County informed.

Director Ramsay stated for the people that say there is nothing to do in Salem County the Event List states otherwise and he is proud of Sharon Stoffels for keeping everyone informed.

Deputy Director Ostrum stated the Woodstown Central Railroad runs excursions every Saturday and Sunday with the inclusion of some Fridays and if the public is interested in going there are very few reservations left. The Christmas train has times available but again there a very few reservation time slots. They are also running a Brew-to-Brew train. They are breaking ground on another brewery which will be located next to Cowtown Cowboy Outfitters.

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.

NEXT MEETING DATE December 6, 2023 at 6:00pm Historic Courthouse Salem City

EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION (if needed)

G1 Resolution Authorizing Executive Session County of Salem, Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations, and the Attorney Client Privilege

Time: 6:20 pm

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			

Hand Vote 5-0

ADJOURNMENT

Time: 6:32 PM

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

Hand Vote 5-0

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Pennington

Clerk of the Board