



Board of County Commissioners

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

May 15, 2024 4:00 PM

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

Call to Order – Commissioner Director Laury called the meeting to order at 4:00pm.

Invocation – CFO Kelly Hannigan offered the Invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance – Director Laury invited all to recite the Pledge of Allegiance

Statement Regarding Open Public Meetings Act – The statement was 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 Laury	X	
Deputy Director Ostrum	X	
Commissioner Ramsay	X	
Commissioner Taylor	X	
Commissioner Timmerman	X	

A quorum was present.

Minutes

Dispense with the reading of the minutes of the May 1, 2024 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 passed 5-0.

Special Recognition:

Commissioner Ostrum read a Proclamation to Honor Emergency Medical Services Week May 19th through the 25th. It was noted that the Proclamation will be forwarded to the Emergency Services Department since the receiving party was unable to attend the meeting.

Commissioner Ostrum further added that Cooper Hospital had an impressive training program amongst their emergency services teams that included several different programs such as simulations, cadaver surgery etc.

Commissioner Laury highlighted that Brandon Musnoff from our Mosquito Control Commission discovered the first population of the Gulf Coast Tick in Elsinboro, New Jersey. His research was recently published in the Oxford Academic Journal of Medical Entomology

Commissioner Ramsay read and presented a Proclamation for Lyme Disease and Tick Awareness Month. The Proclamation was presented to Brandon Musnoff.

Commissioner Ramsay further added that about 10 to 15 years ago he had to call the Mosquito Control Commission for an issue that was occurring on their property. He stated that the Mosquito Control Specialist were very good at explaining the entire process. The process itself did take several months, however the entire process was carried through as explained. The issue of Mosquitos and Ticks was eliminated, and he hasn't had any other issues since. Mr. Ramsay further Thanked Brandon for a phenomenal job well done.

Brief discussion took place regarding the many different types of ticks that are present within the area of Salem County and the multiple diseases that can be a threat. Further instruction was provided to the public such as collecting ticks and involving the Mosquito Control Commission for further investigation.

Waiver of the Rules –

A3 Resolution Accepting and Executing Grant Agreement Number TREAS-24-10 From the State of New Jersey, Department of Treasury, 911 Emergency Telecommunications Systems Upgrades 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 passed 5-0.

Public Hearings & Adoptions – Introduction of Ordinance 2024-001

An Ordinance of the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Salem, New Jersey, Appropriating the Sum of \$1,925,000 From the Capital Improvement Fund for the Completion of Various Capital Improvements and the Acquisition of Various Capital Equipment

1. Motion and Second for Introduction of Ordinance 2024-001

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			

2. Public Hearing (and adoption) scheduled June 5, 2024 at 4:00pm

Hand vote passed 5-0.

Correspondence – General and Committee/ Commission Minutes and Reports

1. Letter from the NJ DOT announcing that applications for the FY 2025 State Aid Programs are being accepted until July 1, 2024.
2. Letter from SJ Gas regarding a petition for Approving Triennium 2 Clean Energy Programs
3. Ocean County Resolution supporting H.R. 7084 “You Earned It, You Keep It Act,” amending the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the inclusion in gross income of social security benefits.

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 passed 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 passed 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 passed 5-0.

RESOLUTIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

A1 Resolution Amending Resolution 2024-003 Setting Job Classification Titles and Salary Ranges

A2 Resolution Authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding between the New Jersey Economic Development Authority and the County of Salem

A3 Resolution Accepting and Executing Grant Agreement Number TREAS-24-10 From the State of New Jersey, Department of Treasury, 911 Emergency Telecommunications Systems Upgrades Program

A4 Resolution Authorizing a Non-Fair and Open Contract between Clear Channel Outdoor and the County of Salem for Billboard Advertising

A5 Resolution Authorizing a Memorandum of Agreement Between the County of Salem and the Department of Military and Veteran's Affairs

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 approved 5-0.

Commissioner Laury commented on A3 that the state is planning on assisting with a 2.5-million-dollar grant. These funds are being considered to help with the updating of our current Emergency Management Communication System.

Commissioner Ostrum further emphasized that this was brought forward by our former assemblywoman Sawyer who was successful in securing this grant prior to leaving office. This will greatly help with the burden/need of upgrading our 911 services.

AGRICULTURAL / PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

B1 Resolution to Approve a Lease Agreement for the Woodstown National Guard Armory Annex for the County of Salem

B2 Resolution Acknowledging the Standard Language Document from the New Jersey Department of Human Services for the Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Grant

B3 Resolution Acknowledging the business Associate Agreement From the New Jersey Department of Human Services for the Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Grant

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 approved 5-0.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

E1 Resolution to Apply for Funding for the 2024-2025 Right to Know Grant

E2 Resolution Authorizing the Grant Application for the Enhancement of the Salem County Overdose Fatality Review Team Pathway A

E3 Resolution Authorizing the Grant Application for the Enhancement of the Salem County Overdose Fatality Review Team Pathway B

E4 Resolution Adopting the FY 2025 Update of the 2020-2025 Salem County Municipal Alliance Strategic Plan

E5 Resolution Approving Change Order #5 for the Puerto Rican Action Committee of Southern NJ

E6 Resolution Authorizing Execution of Contract with the Department of Veterans' and Military Affairs for the Provision of Transportation Services for Veterans for the Period the Period July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025

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 approved 5-0.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

F1 Resolution Awarding a Professional Services Contract for Traffic Engineering Consultant Services for the County of Salem – Pennoni

F2 Resolution Approving the Execution of Change Order #1 to the 2020 County Aid Road Program for the County of Salem

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 approved 5-0.

Commissioner Old Business – None

Commissioner New Business - None

Commissioner Public Announcements:

Deputy Director Ostrum noted some upcoming events in the county:

Wednesday, May 15	6:00 pm Salem County College Commencement Ceremony Location: SCC, Carney's Point
Tues thru Sun, May 14 th - 19 th	6:30 pm Comedy Open Mic Night – Adults Only Location: The Blue Moon Theatre – 13 West Ave, Woodstown Questions: Email liamzstark@gmail.com
Fri. Sat. & Sun., May 17 th , 18 th & 19 th	World Sporting Clays Championship Location: M&M Hunting and Sporting Clays Info: www.mmhunting.com/may-13-19-2024
Friday, May 17	1:00 pm Woodstown Lacrosse Golf Tournament Foursome \$500 Individual Golfer \$125 Includes (green fees, cart, food, and beverage) Check in begins @ 12:00 pm Location: Centerton Golf Club – 106 Almond Road, Pittsgrove To register contact Dave Foote via email footed1@gmail.com
Saturday, May 18	11:30 am PTO Kid's Bike Parade – Pittsgrove Community Weekend Location: Green Branch Park, Pittsgrove

Saturday, May 18	Pennsville Parade Location: Green Branch Park, Pittsgrove
Saturday, May 18	9:00 am W.G.L.A Chicken BBQ and Basket Raffle Location: Green Branch Park, Olivet
Saturday, May 18	8:00 am – 2:00 pm Spring Yard Sale - Foundation to the Future Exploration Zone Community Center Project Location: Pennsville Middle School Parking Lot, Pennsville Register by emailing: foundationtothefuture@gmail.com or call Kathy Smalley @ (609) 617-5771 for more info
Sat/Mon, May 18 th & 27 th	2024 Salem County Memorial Day Events – Various locations See flyer attached
Sat/Sun, May 18 th - 19 th	Salem County Art Tour (formerly called Arts in Bloom) Visit artists' studios all over Salem County. FREE more info visit www.salemcountyartrtour.com

Commissioner Ramsay commented that he and Commissioner Taylor attended the M&M World Sporting Clays Championship event in Pennsville on Tuesday night. The event had a great turnout with over 2,000 registered participants from all around the world. Commissioner Ramsay further Thanked the Sheriff's Department along with the Tourism Committee on their contributions in organizing this successful event.

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 from Carney's Point mentioned several upcoming local events:

- Art Walk at Community Park on June 1st. Starts at 9am, raffle tickets can be purchased for \$1
- Regional Day School Graduation is taking place on June 6th @ 10am
- Movie Night at Dunn's Park in Carneys Point (Rain Date will be the following day)
- Daretown School Graduation is taking place on June 11th
- Votech Graduation is taking place on June 13th at 6pm
- A Day in the Sun will be held at Salem Community College on June 15th at 9am
- Special Education Week started on Monday May 13th. A proclamation from the governor was read to honor Special Education Week at the School Board Meeting that occurred on Tuesday, May 14th.

Next Meeting Date:

Special Budget Meeting June 5th - 4:00PM at the Salem County Office Complex, 5th Street, Conference Room

Regular Meeting June 12th - 4:00PM Historic Courthouse

Executive Closed Session – 4:33 pm

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

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 approved 5-0.

Executive Closed Session Ended – 4:49 pm

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

Hand vote approved 5-0.

Adjournment – There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm.

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

Hand vote approved 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy L. Pennington
Clerk of the Board