



Board of County Commissioners

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

August 7, 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 July 17, 2024 Meeting. Minutes are to be received, approved, and recorded in the Minute Book.

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 passed 4-0.

Waiver of the Rules-**H9 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**

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 passed 4-0.

Correspondence – General and Committee/ Commission Minutes and Reports:

1. Letter from American Water regarding Lead & Copper Sampling Program
2. Letter from Gail Riblett Eden regarding complaint of intersection of Glassboro Road and NJ Route 77
3. New Jersey Transit Federal Fiscal Year 2024 Request for Federal Financial Assistance
4. Resolution from the Township of Greenwich, Warren County Urging State Leaders to Pass Legislation that will Authorize Counties, Municipalities, School Districts and all Local Governments to Electronically Publish Legal Notices in a Newspaper's Website or Digital Publication
5. South Jersey Economic Development District FY2022 & FY2023 Audit Report

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 passed 4-0.

Deputy Director Ostrum commented regarding the Correspondence received from our constituent (Gail Riblett Eden) regarding the intersection of Glassboro Road and NJ Route 77. This intersection has been an ongoing issue and has been passed on to the State Legislators to address as this is a State Road.

Payment of Bills and Claims

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 passed 4-0.

Treasurer's Report

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 passed 4-0.

RESOLUTIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

A1 Resolution to Appoint a Member to the Cumberland/Salem/Cape May Workforce Development Board – Cary Italiano

A2 Resolution to Appoint a Member of The Salem County Economic Development Advisory Council – Julie B. Johnson

A3 Resolution Authorizing a Memorandum of Agreement Between the County of Salem, the Salem County Sheriff and the Salem County Sheriff's Superior Officers Association FOP Lodge 6

A4 Resolution Authorizing Salem County to Enter Into A Cooperative Pricing System With Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System #2-SOCCP

A5 Resolution Authorizing a Renewed Maintenance Service Agreement Between County Business Systems, Inc., and the Salem County Surrogate

A6 Resolution Appointing a Temporary Per Diem Qualified Purchasing Agent for the County of Salem – Jeff Ridgway, Jr.

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 4-0.

Director Laury commented regarding Resolution A6, the hiring of Jeff Ridgeway Jr., he's excited to bring on Jeff Ridgeway Jr. as a Purchasing Agent. He believes that Jeff's experience and qualifications will make a positive impact to the operations conducted at Salem County.

AGRICULTURAL / PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

B1 Resolution Accepting Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Grant Funding from The New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services

B2 Resolution to Support The Application for RERP 966 Funds for Fiscal Year 2025 from The NJ Department of Law and Public Safety for The County of Salem

B3 Resolution Accepting RERP 966 Funds for Fiscal Year 2025 from The NJ Department of Law and Public Safety for The County of Salem

B4 Resolution Supporting The Salem County Agriculture Development Board's Policy Regarding The Review of Site-Specific Agriculture Management Practice Determination Applications

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 4-0.

Deputy Director Ostrum commented regarding Resolution B1, wanted to address that the state is currently behind in the verbiage. The current approved term is Medication for Opioid Use Disorder. He hopes the state updates the verbiage to reflect the national term.

TOURISM / CULTURAL & HERITAGE / EDUCATION COMMITTEE

C1 Resolution Accepting The 2025 County History Partnership Program Grant and The 2025 Local Arts Program 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 4-0.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

E1 Resolution of Intent to Apply for Funding for The 2024-2025 County Environmental Health Act (CEHA) Grant

E2 Resolution Accepting and Executing The Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) Grant

E3 Resolution Accepting and Executing The 2024-2025 Special Child Health Services Case Management Grant

E4 Resolution Accepting and Executing The 2024-2025 Childhood Lead Exposure Prevention (CLEP) Project Grant

E5 Resolution Authorizing an Agreement Between Healthcare Commons Inc., and Salem County Office on Aging and Disabilities to Facilitate Referral Services

E6 Resolution Authorizing an Application to NJ Transit Corporation for The 2025 Rural 5311/Non-Urbanized Transportation Grant

E7 Resolution Authorizing The Filing of an Application to New Jersey Transit Corporation on behalf of Salem County Office on Aging and Disabilities for a Grant Under The Senior Citizen and Disabled Resident Transportation Assistance Act (SCDRTAP) Grant 2025

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 4-0.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

F1 Resolution Renewing a Contract for The Removal of Beam Guide Rail and Installation of Beam Guide Rail at Various Locations Throughout The County of Salem

F2 Resolution Issuing Change Order Number 32 to The Contract for Courthouse Addition and Alterations to The Existing Courthouse and Administration Buildings

F3 Resolution Issuing Change Order Number 33 to The Contract for Courthouse Addition and Alterations to The Existing Courthouse and Administration Buildings

F4 Resolution Approving Change Order No.4 to Professional Engineering Services Agreement for Evaluation and Design of Camp Karney Dam, NJDEP #30-8 in Pilesgrove Township The County of Salem

F5 Resolution Approving The Execution of Change Order #1 Emergency Road and Embankment Repairs Hood Road, County Road #551 at Beaver Creek Pump Station in Pennsville Township for The County of Salem

F6 Resolution Approving The Execution of Change Order #2 Hot Mix Asphalt and Concrete Testing and Inspection Services for The County of Salem

F7 Resolution Authorizing The Advertising Request for Proposal on a Capital Improvement Project That Includes Underground Storage Tank Remediation Services and Engineering Site Design Services for a New Fuel Station and Associated Structures at The Salem County Road and Bridge Garage Facility

F8 Resolution Approving the Execution of Change Order #5-Final FY2017 Mill and Overlay Resurfacing Program New Bridge Road, County Road #623 in Lower Alloways Creek Township and Watsons Mill Road, County Road #672 in Alloway Township for the County Salem NJDOT Job No. 7101315

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 4-0.

CHAPTER 159 TO INSERT REVENUE IN THE BUDGET

H1 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 - **FY25 Overdoes Fatality Review Team Grant**

H2 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 – **FY25 PASP Grant**

H3 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 – **FY25 Right To Know Grant**

H4 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 – **Sustaining Local Public Health Infrastructure Grant**

H5 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 - **24 Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Grant**

H6 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 - **FY25 RERP Grant**

H7 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 - **2024 Medical Reserve Corps Grant**

H8 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 - **2024-2025 Childhood Lead Exposure Prevention (CLEP) Grant**

H9 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**

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 4-0.

Director Laury questioned CFO, Kelly Hannigan to provide the Total Amount for Resolution H9, "Opioid Settlement Agreement?"

CFO Kelly Hannigan responded, the Total Amount is about \$1.2 million.

Commissioner Old Business – None

Commissioner New Business – Director Laury announced the recent hiring of Sean Sepsey as the Salem County Economic Development Director. Mr. Laury further mentioned that the Economic Development position is funded for up to 2 years via a State Grant. Mr. Sepsey seems to be fitting in well and already making progress within his position. Mr. Laury Welcomed Sean to Salem County.

Commissioner Public Announcements:

Deputy Director Ostrum noted some upcoming events in the county:

Every Monday	2:00 pm – 3:00 pm Free Senior Chair Yoga Location: Elmer Grange, 535 Daretown Rd, Elmer
Every Tuesday, Aug 6 th thru Oct 1 st	5:30 pm Street Rollers Cruise Night Location: Wood Lanes, 1173 Rt. 40, Pilesgrove
Every Wednesday	6:00 pm – 9:00 pm Live Music Wednesdays Location: Running Dear Golf Club and Seven Tap-Tavern, 1111 Parvin Mill Road, Pittsgrove Township
Every Wednesday	4:00 pm – 7:00 pm Huddle Up – Dance Bullies at the Woodstown Pub! Free Line Dancing Lessons with Laura Location: Woodstown Pub, 16 East Ave., Woodstown
Various dates thru summer	9:00 am – 12:00 pm Farm Camp 2024 – Activities, Crafts and Snacks Included Children Ages 5 – 12 - \$175 per Week Location: Coombs Barnyard – 376 Daretown Bridgeton Rd, Elmer Camp Registration: https://coombsbarnyard.regfox.com/farmcamp
Aug. 7 th thru Sept. 4 th (every Wednesday)	6:00 pm – 8:00 pm Mannington Basketball Youth Open Gym Nights Students Entering Grades 4-8 \$5 per session – Cash or Venmo (@manningtonwarriors) Location: Salem County Vo-Tech School Gym, Pilesgrove
Mon. thru Fri. Aug. 5 th – Aug. 23 rd	8:30 am – 1:30 pm Appel Farm Arts Camp - Summer Arts Day Camp Program is free for kids in Salem City. Revive SJ will provide transportation to and from the Salem Municipal Building each day. Transportation will leave at 8am and return at 2pm. If you have any question, please email: jcumings@ranchhope.org Location: Appel Farm, 457 Shirley Road, Elmer
August 5 th thru 9 th	Salem County Fair – Stop by and visit the Salem Count Dept of Veterans Affairs booth
Wednesday, August 7	6:00 pm – 8:00 pm Summer Concert Series – Whiskey Sunset Location: Riverview Beach Park, Pennsville

Wednesday, August 7	5:00 pm – 8:00 pm Free Health Festival Food Trucks, IPAD Raffle, Giveaways, Vaccinations, Face Painting, Health Screenings and more! Location: 22 New Market Street, Salem
Fri. & Sat. August 9 th & 10 th	7:00 pm Oakwood Summer Theatre presents – Charlie and The Chocolate Factory the musical Tickets \$15 Each Location: Salem Community College, Davidow Hall, Carney’s Point
Saturday, August 10	11:00 am – 1:00 pm Scenic Rambler – Woodstown Central Railroad Coach Class: \$35 for Adults, \$25 for Children, and \$3 for Toddlers Location: 650 Alloway-Woodstown Road, Woodstown
Tuesday, August 13	7:30 pm Cowtown Rodeo – Biggest Bull Ride East of the Mississippi!!! Flyer Attached Location: Cowtown Rodeo, 780 Rt 40, Woodstown

Director Laury further commented regarding the National Night Out that took place in various locations around the county. Carneys Point and Lower Alloways Creek had an amazing turnout during their National Night Out. He felt that this was a great opportunity for the children to interact and learn from our local police officers. Pennsville cancelled their National Night Out altogether but Salem City Postponed their National Night Out for the following Tuesday @ 6pm.

Deputy Director Ostrum commented regarding the Extreme Bull Riding competition that will be taking place on Monday and Tuesday Night at the Woodstown Rodeo. Further mentioned that the Saturday night Bull Riding event will also be honoring the Top 15 overall competitors.

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.

Anthony Delia (376 Alloway Aldine Road, Alloway) commented pertaining to a guiderail that was installed recently in front of his residence. Mr. Delia provided a packet to the commissioners which contained studies, surveys, data and email communications that were conducted regarding the replaced guiderail. After having the road repaved back in June of 2024, the existing guiderail was removed and replaced. The new guiderail was extended about 39 feet which now blocks one of the entrances to our property and obstructs the view from oncoming traffic. The guiderail itself does meet the NJDOT standards however he doesn't believe it was designed according to the studies performed. Further mentioned that no notifications were received from Salem County regarding the modification/extension of the current guiderail. He requested for the Salem County Road Dept. along with the Alaimo Group Engineering Consultants to re-examine the studies conducted to shorten the replaced guiderail and/or move the guiderail to allow access to his property. He hopes to have the matter rectified by October 2024 as this time is when they deliver firewood to the front of the property. If this isn't a possibility, he would like to receive

a copy of the re-calculations performed by the Alaimo Group Engineering Consultant. Further mentioned that the studies conducted seem to have been over exaggerated to an extent by the Salem County Engineer. If the studies conducted by the Salem County Engineer weren't as exaggerated the guiderail would've been about 50ft less in length. Further complained that his calls weren't being returned by Jeff Ridgway nor the Salem County Engineer's Office department head, Jon Sever.

Commissioner Laury commented – I understand your frustration however I believe this is an issue that should be addressed with Commissioner Ed Ramsay as he is the current liaison for the Roads Dept. Now if he doesn't respond, then that is where I will step in to handle the issue.

Mr. Anthony Delia further commented – I would just like the studies to be revisited as the numbers were drastically exaggerated by the Salem County Engineer and not the NJDOT. I don't want to escalate this issue any further, but I would like the issue to be addressed. The replaced guiderail doesn't fully block the east side entrance to the property however the extended guiderail now has makes it almost impossible to pull in large trucks/trailers. Thanked the Commissioners for listening.

Commissioner Laury commented – I thank you for coming today and making us aware of this issue.

Commissioner Laury commented – I would like to recognize Pat Bomba, our Carneys Point Committeeman, for his ongoing dedication to Salem County and thank you for being present Today.

Next Meeting Date- Next Meeting Date September 4, 2024, 4:00PM

Executive Closed Session – N/A

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

Executive Closed Session Ended – N/A

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

Adjournment – There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:30 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 approved 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy L. Pennington
Clerk of the Board