

**Workshop Meeting of the Salem County Board of Chosen Freeholders  
January 18, 2012**

The workshop meeting of the Board was called to order by Director Acton at 5:30 PM.

The meeting began with the Salute to the Flag followed by roll call with the following Freeholders Present Acton, Laury, Cross, Vanderslice, Ware, Bobbitt, and Timberman.

Director Acton read the Open Public Meetings Act statement that the meeting has been properly advertized.

Peg Marshall, Director of Meals on Wheels made a presentation outlining her agencies desire to rent office space from the County of Salem. Ms. Marshall stated that they are looking for approximately 1300 square feet and are willing to pay. She further stated that the agency is paying approximately \$1800 per month in their current location but with reduced funding challenges they are looking to lower their overhead.

Debbie Behnke and Sherry Hinchman presented the budget outline for the Social Services Department. They went through the various programs that they run including Transportation, the Office of Disability Services, Mental Health, Drug and Alcohol Prevention, Youth Service Commission, Continuum of Care, and others. Their total budget request excluding salaries and wages is \$267,576 for 2012 but that amount will generate \$1,587,473 in grant funding.

Sheriff Chuck Miller went into greater detail concerning his budget that he formally presented at the Jan. 7 budget meeting. He discussed funding, staffing levels, the costs of medical treatments, command structure at the Correctional Facility and other topics. The Sheriff stressed that his budget did not have wants, but it had needs. He also addressed the idea by Freeholder Vanderslice of charging municipalities and school districts for the inmate work program that is under his command. He calculated that using last year as an example he would have been able to have charged approximately \$46,000 for the service.

The meeting recessed at 6:45 pm.

Respectively submitted,

Earl R. Gage  
Clerk of the Board