SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
JULY 18, 2012

The meeting was opened by Director Acton at 4:00 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Director Acton read the Open Public Meeting Act.

Freeholders Present: Dept. Director Laury, Cross, Vanderslice, Bobbitt, Timberman, Ware, Director Acton.

Presentations:

Erison Rodriguez made a presentation on Pro Act, a nationwide prescription Drug discount card program. Mr. Rodriguez explained the salient points that this is a free program to the County of Salem, it is free to all participants, and it is available to anyone residing within the County that is otherwise not insured. He further explained that most drugs can be purchased using this card and will net a savings on average of 50% of the retail cost. There were various discussion points from Freeholders that included from Mr. Cross the companies area of profitability, which the answer was they take a small percentage from each sale. He was also asked the use of the card with existing insurance. Mr. Rodriguez explained that it could not be used to offset a co-pay, or deductible. The Freeholders expressed interest in following through with the program for County residents.

New Jersey Division of Aging made a presentation on Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC). Nancy Day and Nancy Field spoke about the State certification program for Office on Aging, and elderly assistance. They have visited all 21 Counties and explained the program and answered questions. Salem County now holds the designation. She congratulated the County and thanked in particular Sherri Hinchman whom has worked very hard to attain this honor.

At 4:30 PM Deputy Director Laury moved that the Freeholders go into executive session to discuss contract negotiations with the City of Salem, this was seconded by Freeholder Cross, and motion carried 7/0.
The meeting was called to order by Director Acton at 4:35 PM.

The stated purpose of the meeting is to discuss contract negotiations with the City of Salem for police dispatching services.

Freeholders Present: Dept. Director Laury, Cross, Vanderslice, Bobbitt, Timberman, Ware, Director Acton. Solicitor Ross Levitsky, CFO Wright, Administrator Ford, Clerk Gage.

Freeholder Cross briefed the Freeholders and brought them up to date on the negotiations between the City of Salem and the County for police dispatching services. The current contract expired on December 31, 2011. The City was paying the County $130,000 at that time. By completing a cost analysis and determining a fee based on the cost per call multiplied by the number of calls the County offered to renew the contract for $178,000 per year. Salem City balked at that increase and has reached out to other jurisdictions to handle their dispatch services. One of these entities has proposed that they can handle the calls for $90,000 to $110,000 dollars.

Freeholder Cross along with Jeff Pompper met with City officials and he agreed to bring back the following proposal to the County for consideration:

- 2 year contract, expiration December 31, 2013
- 2012 cost $130,000
- 2013 cost $132,600 (2% increase)

The Freeholders gave Freeholder Cross and the Administrator the authority to have a contract drawn up for a future vote with the Freeholder Board.

Deputy Director Laury made a motion to come out of Executive session, second by Freeholder Cross, motion carried at 4:55 PM.

Deputy Director Laury made a motion to adjourn the workshop meeting, second by Freeholder Cross, carried 7/0 at 4:56 PM.

Respectively submitted,

Earl R. Gage
Clerk of the Board