

**SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
February 6, 2013 MEETING MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by Director Acton:

Freeholder Vanderslice offered the prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Director Acton stated that adequate notice pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act has been given of this meeting.

On Roll Call, the following Freeholders were present: Deputy Director Cross, Freeholders Laury, Vanderslice, Bobbitt, Timberman, Ware, and Director Acton.

Motion was made by Deputy Director Cross to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the January 16, 2013 Workshop and Regular meetings. Minutes to be received, approved and recorded in the Minute Book, seconded by Freeholder Cross, and carried 7/0.

PUBLIC HEARING/ADOPTION ORDINANCE 2013-001

Ordinance 2013-001

Bond Ordinance to Amend the Description Set Forth in Section 7.A. of Bond Ordinance Number 2011-004 to add various improvements to roads, bridges, Railroads and other public property damaged by Super storm Sandy and any future storm requiring such capital expenditures

Motion to Open the Public Hearing was made by Freeholder Laury, second by Freeholder Vanderslice, roll call vote noted passage 7/0. Hearing no members of the public coming forward;

Motion to Close the Public Hearing was made by Freeholder Laury, second by Freeholder Vanderslice, roll call vote carried 7/0.

Motion to Adopt Ordinance 2013-001 on second reading was made by Freeholder Laury, second by Freeholder Vanderslice, hearing no discussion roll call vote carried 7/0.

Clerk Gage reported the adoption on second reading of Ordinance 2013-001 by a roll call vote of 7/0; it will now be duly advertised in the newspaper for the prescribed period of time.

CORRESPONDENCE
GENERAL

New Jersey American Water, Frank Simpson., Certified copy of letter to All Municipal Clerks, Clerks of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, County Executive Officers, County Administrators and sale for resale customers regarding Petition to change the levels of its purchased Wastewater Sewerage Treatment Adjustment Clause

TRIAD-FY2011 Small Cities Public Facilities Quarterly Report (2011-0378)

Loren Thomas, Superintendant of the SCSSSD, resignation letter

County of Morris, resolution supporting Senate Bills A-3495/S-2420 that would mandate the use of emergency generators by certain critical businesses/facilities and provide a tax incentive to alleviate the cost of the same, but suggests that consideration or benefit be extended to non-profit organizations in said legislation to assist them in acquisition of generator.

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION MINUTES

Salem County Office of Emergency Management-Minutes of the Staff Meeting/HMAC for January 9, 2013

Revolving Loan Fund Board Meeting Minutes January 31, 2013

Motion was made by Deputy Director Cross to accept and file the correspondence, and the committee and commission reports and that they be made a part of the Minutes. The motion was seconded by Freeholder Laury. Motion was carried 7/0.

PAYMENT OF BILLS & CLAIMS

Motion was made by Deputy Director Cross that all Bills and Claims, when properly signed and audited, be paid and charged to their respective accounts with contingencies that an equal amount be deducted from the tract payment that is on there for the landfill fees for the disposal of some of the railroad issues.

The motion was seconded by Freeholder Laury. The motion was carried 7/0.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE – Acton, Vanderslice, Ware

R. 2013 – 89

ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION FOR THE RENEWAL OF A COUNTY COOPERATIVE CONTRACT PURCHASING SYSTEM WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

R. 2013 – 90

ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION DISCHARGING A MORTGAGE HELD BY THE COUNTY OF SALEM WITH ANNA MORRIS

R. 2013 – 91

ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION DISCHARGING A MORTGAGE HELD BY THE COUNTY OF SALEM WITH BERTHA SHOCKLEY

R. 2013 – 92

ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION DISCHARGING A MORTGAGE HELD BY THE COUNTY OF SALEM WITH GEORGIANNI LYON

R. 2013 – 93

ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION DISCHARGING A MORTGAGE HELD BY THE COUNTY OF SALEM WITH ROBERT SLIPPEY

R. 2013 – 94

ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION DISCHARGING A MORTGAGE HELD BY THE COUNTY OF SALEM WITH WILLIAM PALMER

R. 2013 – 95

ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION DISCHARGING A MORTGAGE HELD BY THE COUNTY OF SALEM WITH
LARAYSHA WOODS

R. 2013 – 96
ADMINISTRATIVE
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE COMMISSION ON WOMEN

R. 2013 – 97
ADMINISTRATIVE
RESOLUTION JOINING THE OFFICE AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COUNTY SOLICITOR
AND THE COUNTY ADJUSTER FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM

R. 2013 – 98
ADMINISTRATIVE
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A MEMO OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF
SALEM AND THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

R. 2013 – 99
ADMINISTRATIVE
RESOLUTION REJECTING PROPOSALS FOR SUPPLYING AND DELIVERING OFFICE
SUPPLIES FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM AND THE SALEM COUNTY COOPERATIVE
CONTRACT PURCHASING SYSTEM IDENTIFIER #75SCCPS

R. 2013 – 100
ADMINISTRATIVE
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASES FROM STATE CONTRACT VENDORS

R. 2013 – 101
ADMINISTRATIVE
FINANCE RESOLUTION REQUESTING TRANSFER OF FUNDS(\$41,000)

R. 2013 – 102
ADMINISTRATIVE
EMERGENCY TEMPORARY RESOLUTION PRIOR TO ADOPTION OF BUDGET COUNTY OF
SALEM

R. 2013 – 103
ADMINISTRATIVE
RESOLUTION APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR THE COUNTY OF
SALEM (PROTOCOL TECHNOLOGY GROUP-\$26,000)

R. 2013 – 104
ADMINISTRATIVE
RESOLUTION AWARDING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION
OF WEBSITE MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM(DHS MARKETING
SOLUTIONS AND ZUES CREATIVE-\$8,640)

R. 2013 – 105
ADMINISTRATIVE
RESOLUTION TO RESCIND RESOLUTION 2013-44 APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE
SALEM COUNTY VETERANS CEMETERY ADVISORY BOARD

R. 2013 – 106
ADMINISTRATIVE
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE SALEM COUNTY VETERANS ADVISORY
COMMITTEE

Freeholder Vanderslice moved for the adoption of these eighteen resolutions, with Deputy Director Cross seconding his motion.

Freeholder Bobbitt requested that R2013-097 be set aside for single vote.

As there was no further discussion, the motion for adoption of resolutions R2013-089 through R2013-096, and 2013-098 through 2013-106 carried by a vote of 7/0, resolution R2013-097 by a vote of 4/3, Freeholders Ware, Timberman and Bobbitt in dissent.

HEALTH COMMITTEE-Bobbitt, Cross, Acton

R. 2013-107

HEALTH

RESOLUTION TO REVISE THE SCHEDULE OF ENVIRONMENTAL FEES TO BE CHARGED BY THE SALEM COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Freeholder Bobbitt moved for the adoption of this resolution, with Deputy Director Cross seconding his motion.

As there was no further discussion, this Resolution carried by a vote of 7/0.

SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE – Timberman, Bobbitt, Laury

R. 2013 – 108

SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 2012-481 ADOPTING THE 2013 UPDATE OF THE 2009-2013 SALEM COUNTY MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE PLAN (\$127,764)

R. 2013 – 109

SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A PROPOSAL TO NEW JERSEY TRANSIT FOR NEW FREEDOM (5317) PROGRAM FOR FFY 2010 & 2011

R. 2013 –110

SOCIAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN PUERTO RICAN ACTION COMMITTEE OF SALEM COUNTY PENNS GROVE, AND THE SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS FOR PROVISION OF OUTREACH SERVICES TO SALEM COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS

Freeholder Timberman moved for the adoption of this resolution, with Freeholder Laury seconding her motion.

As there was no further discussion, the motion for adoption of these three Resolutions' was carried by a vote of 7/0.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – Cross, Vanderslice, Timberman

R. 2013-111

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS SUPPORTING THE PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE APPLICATION FOR THE EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, MEGAN'S LAW AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE NEW JERSEY DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY

R. 2013-112

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATION WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY GRANT PROGRAMS ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, STATE OFFICE OF VICTIM-WITNESS ADVOCACY(\$110,363)

R. 2013-113

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION AWARDDING AN EXTRAORDINARY UNSPECIFIABLE SERVICE CONTRACT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE SALEM COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE(DONALD R. AYARS-\$27,500)

R. 2013-114

PUBLIC SAFETY

COMMITTEERESOLUTION AWARDDING AN EXTRAORDINARY UNSPECIFIABLE SERVICE CONTRACT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE SALEM COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE(DONALD R. DOBSON-\$31,300)

R. 2013-115

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

1. RESOLUTION AWARDDING AN EXTRAORDINARY UNSPECIFIABLE SERVICE CONTRACT FOR MEGAN'S LAW COORDINATOR/POLYGRAPHER AND ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE SALEM COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE(STEPHEN LITTLE-\$31,300)

R. 2013-116

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

2. RESOLUTION AWARDDING AN EXTRAORDINARY UNSPECIFIABLE SERVICE CONTRACT FOR WARRANT PROCESSING SERVICES FOR THE SALEM COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE(ROBERT FISHER-\$26,700)

R. 2013-117

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

3. RESOLUTION AWARDDING AN EXTRAORDINARY UNSPECIFIABLE SERVICE CONTRACT FOR WARRANT PROCESSING AND ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE SALEM COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE(DALE CARLSON-\$31,300)

R. 2013-118

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

4. RESOLUTION AWARDDING AN EXTRAORDINARY UNSPECIFIABLE SERVICE CONTRACT FOR WARRANT PROCESSING SERVICES FOR THE SALEM COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE(GLENDON W. BELL-\$31,300)

Freeholder Laury moved for the adoption of these eight resolutions, with Freeholder Vanderslice seconding his motion. As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolution carried by a vote of 7/0.

Deputy Director Cross abstained from voting on Resolution #2013-115

TRANSPORTATION, TOURISM, & AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE – Ware, Timberman, Laury

R. 2013 – 119

RESOLUTION AWARDDING A SOLE SOURCE LIMITED CONTRACT FOR THE SALEM COUNTY TRANSIT COMMUNITY BUS SERVICE FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM(NORTH AMERICAN BUS INDUSTRIES-\$60,000)

R. 2013 – 120

TRANSPORTATION, TOURISM & AGRICULTURE

5. RESOLUTION AWARDING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT(HARRIS SURVEYING-\$13,500)

Freeholder Ware moved for the adoption of these two resolutions, with Freeholder Timberman seconding his motion. As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried by a vote of 7/0.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – Laury, Ware, Cross

R. 2013 – 121

PUBLIC WORKS

- RESOLUTION TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR MOTORIST SOLICITATION PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION NO. 98-115

R. 2013 – 122

PUBLIC WORKS

6. RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT “B” FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES TECHNICAL SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM(ALAIMO GROUP-\$12,000)

R. 2013 – 123

PUBLIC WORKS

7. RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT “C” FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES TECHNICAL SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM(ALAIMO GROUP-\$14,000)

Freeholder Laury moved for the adoption of these 3 resolutions, with Freeholder Ware seconding his motion. As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried by a vote of 7/0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Freeholder Bobbitt touched on the subject of allowing the public 5 minutes as opposed to 2 minutes to speak. Director Acton said that would be discussed in next Admin meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Anyone wishing to speak please speak state your name and address for the record.

Please speak for just two minutes and please do not use any of our County employee names.

Patricia Bomba, Carneys Point

You may remember the comments made at the Oct 17th meeting, where I questioned the proposed space for the Disability Services office. I was attempting to remind this board of certain requirements for accessibility.

A few weeks later I was approached by a county employee who happened to be at that same meeting, who accused me of sounding like I was being fed information and also advised me to do my homework before speaking here.

Those who know me also know I don't need to be coached!

Imagine my surprise when I heard that the new home for Disability Services was the 2nd floor of the "white" building, next door! My initial response was "Seriously"? "Let's put the disabled on the 2nd floor of a building with an UNRELIABLE elevator." I soon learned they had been moved downstairs and were scheduled to be moved again today. This doesn't sound like efficient, competent business management

On Jan 22nd I went to the office to deliver some paper work and decided this was an opportunity to do my homework! I don't think anyone ever bothered to check out the proposed Disability Office space, prior to the move, because this is what I found:

- 1) No Disability Signage
- 2) Directors office was inaccessible
- 3) 2 restrooms were located, but each had "Employees Only" signs on them.
- 4) Neither restroom has sufficient turn around room for a wheelchair.
- 5) Only one restroom has a grab bar
- 6) The larger restroom had a shelving unit in it & appears that it is used for storage
- 7) The Automatic Door Opener at the handicapped entrance to the building was out of order
- 8) The button was missing from the Call Buzzer casing

At the time I visited, the temperature was 17°. Please tell me how a disabled client would gain access to this building, the building that supposedly houses Salem County Disability Services! This inconvenience has become a health and safety issue, not to mention, a complete embarrassment. You should be very ashamed!

You had scheduled multiple meetings to discuss this very important space issue, and never included the Department Director. That seems senseless, since her valued insight as to accessibility issues and years of disability experience could have spared her staff 3 separate moves, saved many headaches and saved taxpayer dollars. By the way, neither the Disability Director, nor any of her staff told me of these meetings.

In my opinion, the Disabled and Special Needs residents of Salem Co., which number about 20,000, are being treated as 2nd class citizens and the office space for them was an afterthought. Didn't anyone stop to think that maybe the best location would be the 'new' 5th Street complex? It's on one floor and would have to be ADA compliant. One would have to believe you have not done your homework.

Since you and many others are not "getting it", I see the need for sensitivity training, made evident at the most recent meeting of this board.

1st: There was a restricted access to this building.

2nd: A disabled gentleman on a scooter was forced to go behind those chairs to gain access to that ramp. His route was blocked by that camera!

3rd: The same gentleman, with a raised hand, waited to ask a question. You then proceeded with business, adjourning without closing the public comment portion of the meeting.

I'd like to suggest 1 day's business in a wheelchair. I believe Freeholder Timbermen is the only board member with disability experience so let's include the rest of the board and the administrator. I think it would be a very enlightening experiment showing accessibility difficulties.

In this new year my hope would be to see more compassion, transparency, & the due diligence we keep hearing about.

Finally to clear up any notion I am being fed information, all the research has been prepared by me and all of the comments, opinions, perceptions and suggestions are mine.

Director Acton wanted to clear up some misconception; Miss Behnke asked to move to a different location, so I wanted to let you know that. There is a ramp for wheelchair accessibility and our public works director Mr. Ridgway assured me that everything was ADA compliant. I did go in there myself and yes there is a shelf that he said was going to be removed. That was the only obstacle; I will look into the signage on the doors so thank you. Mrs. Bomba asked to respond, Mr. Mulligan stated "there is no right to reply." Director then stated "we did set up meetings with Mrs. Behnke and Mr. Ridgway, so we did have meeting with them.

Ray Light from Carney's Point moved here from Mercer County in 2007, I love the County; think Salem County is a wonderful place. I have found that some of your disability services are amazing; I would hate to see them go by the side and not get their funding. I think that there are issues across the board, throughout various counties and across the state. I would really hate to see our services get hindered, I am not here to beat up on anybody or say what's right or what's wrong. I am here to say these are viable people, viable demographic area that we can see people like myself can work independently, I live on my own, I have a job, US Champion of US wheelchair Ballroom dancing. I got hurt at the age 19, when I broke my back, in an auto accident. We need those network services out there like our disability services to show you how to navigate because it's very hard to navigate. I would like to say thank you for those services, Debbie is a great advocate and all of the staff is amazing, I have learned a lot and I want to thank you. I think there are some areas that could be worked on and I would love to help you do that.

Director Acton "Again, thank you all for coming out on this Wednesday evening."

Deputy Director Cross motioned R2013-124 providing for a meeting Not open to the Public in Accordance with the Provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act. N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 for the purposed of discussing: 1. Contract Negotiations- Southern Railroad Company of New Jersey, and 2. Litigation- Willow Grove Dam, second by Freeholder Laury carried 7/0 at 7:57 PM.

John Ford Evens, a member of the public stood and questioned the Solicitor about the executive session resolution. He wanted to know why it was not noted in the resolution as to when the discussed topics would become public. Mr. Mulligan and Mr. Gage both stated that when the issues are resolved then they are available to the public, Mr. Mulligan further noted that the Rail contract is up in the summer, so that general timeframe, as to the litigation matter that he is unable to predict.

Freeholder Bobbitt stated that he didn't want the public shut out on commenting. Mrs. Bomba touched on a very important topic. Director stated maybe her and I should have a meeting. And Freeholder Timberman as a freeholder liaison.

Deputy Director Cross motioned to come out of executive session at 9:00 PM, second by Freeholder Vanderslice, carried 6/0.

Deputy Director Cross motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Freeholder Laury and carried by a vote 7/0 at 9:12 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Earl R. Gage
Clerk of the Board