SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
SEPTEMBER 17, 2014 MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Director Acton: Ed Kubis, of Pennsville USMC 1967-69, led the assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance, and then led by prayer offered by Freeholder Vanderslice.

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 September 3, 2014 Workshop and Regular meetings. Minutes be received, approved and recorded in the Minute Book. As there was no discussion, the motion was seconded by Freeholder Laury and carried by hand vote of 7/0.

WAIVER OF THE RULES
Motion was made by Freeholder Laury that the Rules of the Board be temporarily waived for resolution number 6 on tonight’s agenda. Deputy Director Cross seconded the motion, which carried a hand vote of 7/0.

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS
Recognizing Emma Zimmerman, Elizabeth Myers, and Harry Salmon as winners of the Salem County Photo Contest

Recognizing Suzanne and Michael Cooke 10th Anniversary of Port Royal Antiques

Recognizing Eric Pankok and Jeff Weeks 10th Anniversary of Printers of Salem County

Proclamation Designating September As National Preparedness Month In Salem County

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

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION MINUTES
Public Works Committee Meeting – September 2, 2014
Pollution Control Financing Authority – September 2, 2014

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

TREASURER'S REPORT
Motion was made by Deputy Director Cross to accept and file the Treasurer’s Report. The motion was seconded by Freeholder Laury and carried by a hand vote of 7/0.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE – Acton, Vanderslice, Cross
R. 2014-387
Finance Resolution Cancellation Of Check ($1,904.26 to Comcast Cable)

R. 2014-388
ADMINISTRATIVE
Finance Resolution Cancellation Of Check ($1,200.00 to Gold Type Business Machines)

R. 2014-389
ADMINISTRATIVE
Resolution Accepting Cultural & Heritage Commission Grant Dollars From The New Jersey State Council On The Arts And The New Jersey History Commission (LAP Grant - $46,843.00)
Freeholder Vanderslice moved for the adoption of these (6) six resolutions, with Deputy Director Cross seconding his motion.

Freeholder Bobbitt stated that on Resolution #6, Resolution Opposing The Proposed WQMP, that this is a pretty big deal, and to add it onto the Agenda at the last minute, I would have to look over the Amendments instead of going by someone’s word that we should be doing it. I think we should spend a little more time looking over this.

County Counsel Michael Mulligan stated that Oldmans Township is not in favor of the proposed revision. There were certain environmentalist groups who challenged portion of the water quality management plan and requested that the state do a revision. This would seriously restrict future commercial development in the gateway park. Oldsmans Township passed a resolution opposing the proposed revision and this is a similar resolution telling the NJ DEP that the County also opposes the resolution.

Director Acton stated that committeeman Cordy Taylor of Oldmans is sitting in the audience and asked if he had anything he would like to say.

Cordy Taylor thanked the County government and township government for working together, with hopefully protecting some of the commercial areas. Appreciate the support.

Freeholder Bobbitt said Thank-you.

Deputy Director Dale Cross stated that there is more information on this resolution in the last Freeholder Packet.

As there was no further discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a hand vote of 7/0.

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE – Bobbitt, Vanderslice, Acton

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE – Vanderslice, Timberman, Bobbitt

R. 2014-393
HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
Resolution Authorizing The Agreement With The Governor’s Council On Alcoholism And Drug Abuse For The Municipal Alliance To Prevent Alcoholism And Drug Abuse For July 1, 2014 To June 30, 2015

R. 2014-394
HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
Resolution Authorizing An Agreement Between New Jersey Transit And The Salem County Board of Chosen Freeholders For The Funding Of 5311 Rural/Non-Urbanized Transportation

R. 2014-395
HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
Resolution Authorizing An Agreement Between NJ Transit And Salem County Board Of Chosen Freeholders For 5317, New Freedom Grant Applications

R. 2014-396
HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
Resolution Executing and Accepting a Grant from the NJ Department of Health and Senior Services for the Special Child Health Services/Case Management Unit
Freeholder Vanderslice moved for the adoption of these (4) four resolutions, with Freeholder Timberman seconding his motion.

Freeholder Bobbitt questioned #8, Resolution Authorizing An Agreement Between New Jersey Transit And The Salem County Board of Chosen Freeholders For The Funding Of 5311 Rural/Non-Urbanized Transportation, and asked what it means. Does the County send buses to Pittsgrove and outlining areas? What does this mean exactly?

Freeholder Timberman responded to Freeholder Bobbitt’s question by stating that this resolution is just renewing a grant that the County has been receiving for years. The County vans travel to the rural areas of Salem County such as the eastern side. It’s nothing new.

Freeholder Bobbitt stated thank-you

As there was no further discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a hand vote of 7/0.

**SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE** – Timberman, Bobbitt, Laury

R. 2014-397
SOCIAL SERVICES
Resolution Adopting The Youth Services Commission Plan 2015-2017 And Grant Application And Authorization Request For Proposals For Juvenile Justice Services

Freeholder Timberman moved for the adoption of this (1) one resolution, with Freeholder Bobbitt seconding her motion.

Freeholder Timberman announced that Dr. Bolden was in the audience and asked if he would like to saying anything on this proposed resolution.

Dr. Bolden stated that he would like to introduce Karen Prigger who put the resolution and document together.

Director Acton thanked Karen for her due-diligence and all the hard work she put into this large document with the help of Mr. Harker’s assistance. This is what it is all about, partnership and being able to work together.

Karen Prigger stated that is has been a learning experience with all the data and research that was done. This was started a little late but will be brought to Trenton tomorrow morning after the resolution is passed, and it will be right on time.

As there was no further discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolution carried a hand vote of 7/0.

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE** – Cross, Laury, Ware

R. 2014-398
PUBLIC SAFETY
Resolution Of The Board Of Chosen Freeholders Accepting Grant Funding for The Prosecutor’s Office From The New Jersey Division Of Criminal Justice State Office Of Victim-Witness Advocacy

Deputy Director Cross moved for the adoption of this (1) one resolution, with Freeholder Laury seconding his motion.

As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolution carried a hand vote of 7/0.

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE** – Laury, Ware, Acton

R. 2014-399
PUBLIC WORKS
Resolution Prohibition Normal Traffic Centerton Road, County Road #553 In Pittsgrove Township, Salem County (Schalick High Homecoming Parade)

R. 2014-400
PUBLIC WORKS
Resolution Prohibiting Normal Traffic, Board Street, County Road #662 In The Borough Of Elmer, Salem County (Annual Harvest Day)

R. 2014-401
PUBLIC WORKS
Resolution Approving The Execution Of Change Order #1-Final (Year Two) The Removal Of Beam Guide Rail And Installation Of Beam Guide Rail At Various Locations Throughout The County Of Salem

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

NEW BUSINESS

Director Acton announced that the Freeholders host a workshop meeting at 6:15 on the second floor of the Olde Courthouse and go over their different committees and departments if anyone is ever interested.

Freeholder Timberman stated that many emails recently about different systems such as Edmunds, email, network that have been going down a lot more than normal. Why is this happening with the bigger system change in IT?

Katie Coleman stated that the Edmunds going down is nothing new, it happens periodically and has been ever since she started. The other issues that are going on is due to upgrades and changes being made the systems snowball, but are usually right back up.

Freeholder Timberman asked is there is anything that can be done so this does not occur, it affects everyone.

Katie Coleman stated that over the next 6 months until the entire system and County is upgraded that we will be seeing a lot of this occur. I.T. is trying to minimize the occurrence as much as possible, but once the upgrade is completed, there should be no issues including Edmunds ever going down.

Freeholder Vanderslice stated that when his bank went through upgrades, systems would go down as well until the process was complete.

Director Acton stated even when she upgrades her phone it ripples until it is complete.

Freeholder Laury attended the Tourism meeting last night and has flyers for the 2014-2015 Music Around the County. The Bay Atlantic Symphony Chamber Ensemble is putting on a concert October 5th, 3pm, at Pennsville High School. This is an NJ350 event. There are a lot of great events coming in around the County. Really excited for all the events that will be taking place next year.

Director Acton stated that at the last Workshop meeting, Scott Donnini from Auburn Winery gave a presentation on the Vintage Atlantic Region Wine Trail, it will be Maryland, Delaware, and New Jersey. A lot of good input and participation from everyone about this tour.

Deputy Director Cross wanted to thank everyone who participated in the 9/11 Ceremony during this absence. Also thank you to Brenda Banks for helping to organize and spearheading this event. Also heard very positive feedback from the 1st Annual Veterans Day Picnic, hopefully this is an event that can be reoccurring. Thank-you to everyone who helped and participated in making these events possible.

Director Acton was to congratulate Freeholder Vanderslice on becoming a Grandfather.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

When addressing questions concerning personnel issues with the County of Salem no names will be used at any time.

Lori Davenport, Women Services – October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month throughout the Nation. October 3, 2014 at the Washington Club is the Annual Women’s Services Fundraiser, RSVP deadline is September 30, 2014. Staci Legatie will be honored at this year’s event. There will be a candlelight vigil held November 5th at 6:15pm at the Old Salem Courthouse.

Director Acton thanked Woodstown Borough Councilman Fran Grenier for attending tonight’s meeting.

Patty Bomba, Carney’s Point – Congratulated Freeholder Vanderslice, also had some announcements: Girls Night Out Part 2 will be held this Friday September 19 at the Riverview Inn at 7pm, will be benefitting Autism. The Meals on Wheels Pumpkin Carve will be held September 27th at the Salem County Fairgrounds, Miles for Miracles, is a walk at Riverview and it benefits Miracle for Mateo, will be held October 4th. Also on that same day, Habitat for Humanity will have their Ramp Build Blitz, which last the entire week. The Habitat for Humanity Home Build is continuing and hopes to have the
Carney’s Point home completed in November. The Habitat for Restore will be collecting gently worn shoes until the end of December, which will be sent overseas. Patty also wanted to thank Lori Davenport for all her hard work and help on the Women Services Dinner and the women you do help.

Director Acton stated that it is very important, and that Salem County has had some recent groundbreakings such as the NFI 5 Below Store for the North East Distribution Center which will employ 175 jobs opening July/August of 2015. Within 2 years, 100 more employees will be needed. Berkowitz expanded their facility at Gateway Business Park, Siegfried in Pennsville expanded their business, Mullica Hill Freezer expanded as well, Daytop in Pittsgrove expanded.

Patrick Bomba, Carneys Point, questioned Correspondence #1, Letter from Shirlee Manahan: Mail Room & Administration, Please be advised, Salem County’s internal mail system may not accept, handle or deliver mailed Vote by Mail ballots.

Freeholder Timberman answered by stating that the intent of the letter is so all the Vote by Mail Ballots go straight to the Clerk’s office and does not get handled by other employees of the County. It cannot be signed off by another department then delivered to the Clerk’s office.

Christine Hoehn, Pennsville, Family Promise has been in operation for 5 years and will be celebrating that at the Taste of South Jersey Event, 15-20 restaurants will be attending, Thanked Ben Laury for getting tickets and gave him a jalapeño. Event will be held on October 13th, Columbus Day. Thanked Freeholder Vanderslice, Pennsville National Bank for being a silver sponsor, and thanked Director Acton for being a vendor.

Director Acton thanked everyone for their comments and announced the next meeting will be held on October 1, 2014 at 7:30 PM at the Olde Salem Courthouse located at 104 Market Street. Salem, New Jersey 08079. Workshop meeting will be held at 6:15pm. Supporting local businesses is important.

Deputy Director Cross made a motion to adjourn seconded by Freeholder Timberman and carried by hand vote 7/0 at 8:23 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Crouch
Clerk of the Board