

**SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
OCTOBER 1, 2008 MEETING MINUTES**

At 7:29 PM, Director Ware opened the meeting. Robin Weinstein led with a prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Director Ware stated that adequate notice pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act had been given of this meeting and read the Open Public Meeting Act Statement.

On roll call, the following Freeholders were present: Freeholders Lindenmuth, Timberman, Bobbitt, Acton, Hogan and Director Ware. Freeholder Sullivan was absent due to illness.

Motion was made by Deputy Director Lindenmuth to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the September 17, 2008 meeting and that the Minutes are to be received, approved and recorded in the Minute book. Freeholder Timberman seconded his motion. The motion carried by a hand vote of 6/0.

Motion was made by Deputy Director Lindenmuth that the Rules of the Board be temporarily waived for resolution number 14 on tonight's agenda. Freeholder Timberman seconded his motion, which carried a hand vote of 6/0.

Deputy Clerk of the Board, Robin Weinstein, introduced Dr. James Turk and Irene Wanner. Dr. Turk then gave a brief summation of the arts and humanities events that are planned for the month of October.

**PROCLAMATION
COMMUNITY PLANNING MONTH**

**PROCLAMATION
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH**

PROCLAMATION – ARTS & HUMANITIES MONTH

Clerk of the Board Gage read the forgoing Proclamations

**PROCLAMATION
SALEM COUNTY'S BULLYING PREVENTION AWARENESS WEEK**

The foregoing Proclamation was read by Clerk of the Board Gage and presented to Miss Salem County by Freeholder Director Ware.

DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Pat Spring, from Emergency Services, was recognized and gave a brief overview of events and programs at Emergency Services. Deputy Director Lindenmuth stated what an excellent job was being done and since Pat Spring has come aboard, numerous things have been updated. Freeholder Bobbitt thanked Pat and his department as well as Deputy Director Lindenmuth. He added that the Emergency

Services Department has worked well with the Road Department in emergencies. Director Ware stated that we need to be ready for any emergency.

PUBLIC HEARING

R. 2008-442

Planning & Transportation

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR GREEN ACRES PLANNING INCENTIVE LAND ACQUISITION GRANT

Deputy Director Lindenmuth moved to open the Public Hearing, with Freeholder Timberman seconding his motion. On roll call, the motion to open the Public Hearing carried by a voice vote of 6/0. During the open session of the Public Hearing, Planning Director, Lou Joyce discussed the Open Space Plan and this application to Green Acres for County participation. Freeholder Timberman discussed the merits of the program. Janet Eisenhower and Bill Stom Jr. also advocated the application and stressed the need if our Open Space program is to go forward.

As there were no further comments, Deputy Director Lindenmuth moved to close the Public Hearing, with Freeholder Timberman seconding his motion. On roll call, the motion to close the Public Hearing carried a voice vote of 6/0. Motion was then made by Deputy Director Lindenmuth to adopt Resolution No. 2008-442, with Freeholder Timberman seconding his motion. On discussion, Freeholder Acton inquired if there were any financial help in meeting the required match. Ms. Eisenhower suggested that many conservationist groups would willingly participate once a parcel was under review.

As there were no further questions, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolution carried a hand vote of 6/0.

CORRESPONDENCE

GENERAL

Joseph F. Janocha, PE, Regulatory Affairs Manager, PHI Rates and Technical Services, Atlantic City Electric – copy of a Notice of Filing and Public Hearings related to proposed changes in the Basic Generation Service charge

Richard L. Cañas, Director, Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness – notice that Salem County has been awarded \$459,095 of State Homeland Security Program funds from the FFY08 Homeland Security Grant Program

Jeanette Page-Hawkins, Director, Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development – copy of a letter to Kathleen Lockbaum, Director, Salem County Board of Social Services requesting their assistance in assuring compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act within the Salem County CWA

Raymond Bolden, Jr., DSW, Executive Director, Inter-Agency Council – copy of the proposal in response to the third year of the Safe Haven Infant Protection Law on behalf of the County of Salem

David J. Socolow, Commissioner, Department of Labor and Workforce Development – two pieces of correspondence:

- copy of the Notice of Obligation which provides the Workforce Development Area with an allocation of funds for the Workforce Development Partnership Program
- copy of the Notice of Obligation which revises State Fiscal Year 2008 funding authority to the Workforce Development Area for the Workforce Learning Link Program

Myra V. Terrell, State SCSEP Coordinator, Department of Labor and Workforce Development – notice that Governor Jon S. Corzine has signed a Proclamation proclaiming September 21-27, 2008 as “Employ Older Workers Week” in New Jersey

Stephen M. Sweeney, Senate Majority Leader, Third Legislative District, New Jersey Senate – letter requesting that the Salem County Board of Chosen Freeholders recognize March 2009 as “Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month”

John Sullivan, Senior Right of Way Negotiator, Department of Transportation, Right of Way, Property & Relocation – notice that the Relocation & Property Management Unit of the New Jersey Department of Transportation has authorized a parcel of land in Carney’s Point to be sold as excess surplus property

Dante Rieti, Cumberland/Salem Workforce Investment Board – notice that the Notice of Obligation presents Salem County’s allocation of Workforce Development Partnership funds for Program Year 2008-09

Monmouth County – resolution opposing changes in the cost-sharing arrangement between the State of New Jersey and counties for the maintenance of patients in State psychiatric facilities

Somerset County – resolution opposing mental health program changes in cost share between the State and Counties and urging Governor Corzine and the State Legislature to restore funding for psychiatric hospital expenses

City of Salem – resolution authorizing participation in Salem County’s Shared Service Feasibility Study

Theodore Wilkinson, P.E., Senior Project Manager, Federici & Akin, P.A., Consulting Engineers – status report of the mitigation procedures taking place at the East Lake Road Muddy Run site in Woodstown

Debra S. Behnke, Director, Salem County Office for the Disabled – copy of a letter to Mr. Hurlburt regarding the situation at Ann’s Abbey

Blanch Hogate, Director, Salem County Department of Health – copy of the Environmental Fee Schedule

Herbert W. Roeschke, Public Health Coordinator, Salem County Department of Health – notice of the Early Intervention Grant award

Edyth Montgomery – letter of resignation as a member of the Library Commission

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Nursing Home Financial Reports for June, July and August

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION MINUTES

Public Services Committee August Update

Library Commission June 16th Minutes

Transportation Advisory Council for Casino Revenues September 29th Agenda

Motion was made by Deputy Director Lindenmuth to accept and file the correspondence, departmental reports, and the committee and commission reports and be made a part of the Minutes. The motion was seconded by Freeholder Timberman. The motion was carried by a hand vote of 6/0.

Motion was made by Deputy Director Lindenmuth that all Bills and Claims, when properly signed and audited, be paid and charged to their respective accounts. The motion was seconded by Freeholder Timberman. The motion was carried by a hand vote of 6/0.

Director Ware stated that if no Freeholder objected, the resolutions would be read in bulk.

R. 2008-443
ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE THREE FORTS FERRY

R. 2008-444
ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION APPOINTING AN AUCTIONEER TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC SALE FOR THE
SALEM COUNTY COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM NUMBER 75-SCCPS
(D. Austin Smith)

R. 2008-445
ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF ANY SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE
IN THE BUDGET PURSUANT TO R.S. 40A:4-87, CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948
(\$14,940 – New Jersey Historical Commission)

R. 2008-446
ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE
IN THE BUDGET PURSUANT TO R.S. 40A:4-87, CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948
(\$8,273 – Workforce Development Partnership Program Funds)

R. 2008-447
ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING AND OFFERING THANKS TO THE
BOARDS OF EDUCATION OF THE SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE
SALEM COUNTY VO-TECH SCHOOL AND THE SHARED SERVICES TASK FORCE
URGING THE BOARDS OF EDUCATION OF THE SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DISTRICT
AND THE SALEM COUNTY VO-TECH SCHOOL
TO CONTINUE TO EXPLORE SHARING A SUPERINTENDENT

R. 2008-448
ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF CHANGING THE NAME OF THE
"OFFICE FOR THE DISABLED" TO THE "OFFICE OF DISABILITY SERVICES"

R. 2008-449
ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE
PERSONAL ASSISTANCE SERVICE PROGRAM (PASP)

R. 2008-450
ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION OPPOSING SENATE BILL #1608

R. 2008-451
ADMINISTRATIVE

RESOLUTION AWARING A CONTRACT FOR PROVIDING A PROBATE SYSTEM
FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM SURROGATE
(\$137,725 – County Business Systems, Inc.)

R. 2008-452
ADMINISTRATIVE
RESOLUTION APPROVING SIGNATORIES FOR REQUIRED BANK ACCOUNTS

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R. 2008-455
ADMINISTRATIVE
RESOLUTION CHANGING CUSTODIAN OF FUNDS OF ESTABLISHED PETTY CASH FUNDS

Deputy Director Lindenmuth moved for adoption of these fourteen resolutions, with Freeholder Timberman seconding his motion. On discussion, Freeholder Hogan stated that he was happy to see R.2008-450 pass. He went on to say that the Senate Bill would permit beer and wine to be sold in such places as Wal-Mart and grocery stores. He felt that there are enough establishments that sell alcohol and it would be too accessible for the younger generation to obtain. As there was no further discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a hand vote of 6/0.

R. 2008-456
PUBLIC SERVICES
RESOLUTION FOR THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE
SALEM COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
(Dolly Adams and Carrie Ruffin)

Freeholder Acton moved for adoption of this resolution, with Freeholder Bobbitt seconding her motion. As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolution carried a hand vote of 6/0.

R. 2008-457
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES
RESOLUTION URGING LEGISLATORS TO ADOPT KEG REGISTRATION LEGISLATION
AND SPECIFICALLY ASSEMBLY BILL A-781

R. 2008-458
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACTS FOR
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
MEDICAL DIRECTOR SERVICES
PUBLIC HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE AND PREPAREDNESS GRANT
(\$9,600 – Fiore Copare, MD)

R. 2008-459
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT TO RECEIVE
PROFESSIONAL HEALTH AND RELATED SERVICES TO THE COUNTY OF SALEM
AND TO APPOINT A SENIOR REGISTERED ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST
FOR PUBLIC HEALTH ACTIVITIES
(\$45,000 – Board of Health of Cumberland County)

R. 2008-460
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES
RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE
IN THE BUDGET PURSUANT TO R.S. 40A:4-87, CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948
(\$6,300 – Cancer Education and Early Detection)

R. 2008-461
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES
RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE
IN THE BUDGET PURSUANT TO R.S. 40A:4-87, CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948
(\$70,800 – Early Intervention Program)

Freeholder Hogan moved for adoption of these five resolutions, with Freeholder Timberman seconding his motion. As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a hand vote of 6/0.

R. 2008-462
PUBLIC SAFETY
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS SUPPORTING AN APPLICATION
TO THE NEW JERSEY DIVISION OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY FOR A
SAFE ROADWAYS PROJECT GRANT FOR THE PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE

Deputy Director Lindenmuth moved for adoption of this resolution, with Freeholder Bobbitt seconding his motion. As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolution carried a hand vote of 6/0.

R. 2008-463
PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT FOR
SUBREGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

Freeholder Timberman moved for adoption of this resolution, with Deputy Director Lindenmuth seconding her motion. As there was no discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a hand vote of 6/0.

R. 2008-464
PUBLIC WORKS
RESOLUTION CONCURRING WITH AN ORDINANCE ADOPTED BY
LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK TOWNSHIP PROHIBITING THE USE OF
ENGINE BRAKE RETARDER SYSTEMS
ON ALL COUNTY ROADS WITHIN LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK TOWNSHIP

R. 2008-465
PUBLIC SAFETY
RESOLUTION PROHIBITING NORMAL TRAFFIC
SOUTH RAILROAD AVENUE, COUNTY ROAD #602
IN OLDMANS TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF SALEM

R. 2008-466
PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR THE
2008 ROAD STRIPING PROGRAM FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM

R. 2008-467
PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #2 FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF
CANTON DRAIN BRIDGE, COUNTY BRIDGE #1701364 FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM

R. 2008-468
PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION AWARDED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANT
FOR VARIOUS PROJECTS FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM
(\$30,000 – Adams, Rehmann & Heggan Associates, Inc.)

R. 2008-469
PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT
2008 COUNTY AID RESURFACING & SAFETY PROGRAM FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM
(\$3,423,104.56 – South State, Inc.)

R. 2008-470
PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR THE
2008 OIL AND STONE PROGRAM FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM

Freeholder Bobbitt moved for adoption of these seven resolutions, with Deputy Director Lindenmuth seconding his motion. On discussion, Freeholder Acton asked if a list of projects for this committee could be obtained to better understand the scope of the work that is planned. As there was no further discussion, the motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a hand vote of 6/0.

Under unfinished business, Freeholder Acton questioned the status of the Nursing Home reports, or more accurately the lack of same. Freeholder Hogan readily agreed that he has also been frustrated with the lack of reports. John Roselleia, director of the nursing home, spoke about the very busy three months that he has had at the home. With the transition for the merge and other projects he has not been able to get the reports done. Freeholder Acton went on to comment that he could have at least called her back. Director Ware told him that when a Freeholder makes a request he expects it to be completed in five days.

Under new business, Freeholder Hogan commented on the Dying to Donate program and the dates for the Flu Clinic. Freeholder Lindenmuth commented on the prior success of the Flu clinic especially the drive thru. Freeholder Timberman commented on the additional vaccines required by children this year. Freeholder Timberman also commented on the excellent care that Freeholder Sullivan has been receiving at the Nursing Home, Freeholder Bobbitt also commented on the Home stating that the personnel were doing the best that they can. Freeholder Acton suggested that the Board consider using the first Freeholder meeting of the month as a informational meeting much like Cumberland County does. Director Ware stated that he would have Administrator Gage and Solicitor Voyles look into this.

Under the public portion of the meeting, Jennifer Coombs from the group Stop the Poles spoke about their upcoming meeting with the BPU in Newark. She requested that some representation from

the Freeholder Board be in attendance. She also addressed the tax implications in the Township with the poles on their property. Rich Melchert, Lester Rourke, and Tom Gant spoke about the lines and the fact that they can hold a light bulb under the lines and it will light up. Emerson Easley spoke about the 319 Grant program. Sue Smith also spoke in opposition to the poles.

Motion to adjourn was made by Deputy Director Lindenmuth, which was seconded by Freeholder Timberman. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:47 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Earl R. Gage
Clerk of the Board