

**CITY OF SALEM  
MINUTES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL MEETING  
OF DECEMBER 5, 2016**

A meeting of the Common Council of the City of Salem was called to order President Karen Roots. The meeting took place at the 1 New Market Street at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present: Councilpersons, Ruthann Carter, Earl Gage, Vaughn Groce, Charlie Hassler, Horace Johnson, Sharon Kellum, and Lydia Thompson. Also in attendance were Mayor Charles Washington, Solicitor David Puma, CFO David Crescenzi, and City Clerk Tierra M. Jennings.

**INVOCATION** DEACONESS SALLY MAURER

**STATEMENT OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

NOTICE OF THE REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALEM, AS REQUIRED BY N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 ET SEQ., THE "OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT", HAS BEEN PROVIDED BY THE PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENT OF A SCHEDULE ADOPTED BY RESOLUTION ON JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2016 SETTING FORTH THE TIME, DATE AND PLACE OF ALL THE REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALEM.

**COMMUNICATION/APPLICATION/REPORTS**

- **CITY OF SALEM POLICE DEPARTMENT SEREGANT PROMOTIONS**  
Mayor Charles Washington, Jr accepted the oath of office of three patrolman officers who were promoted to the position of "Sergeant". They were all honored along with their families who were in attendance.
  
- **GLOBAL INSTITUTE FOR STRATEGIC INVESTMENT SUMMARY**  
Motion made by Councilman Hassler and seconded by Councilman Groce to accept the correspondence in relation to the Global Institute for Strategic Investment (GISI) summary. All in favor. Motion carried 8-0

**INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**CITY OF SALEM  
RESOLUTION 2016-158**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING PROPOSAL FROM SICKELS AND ASSOCIATES TO ASSIST THE SALEM CITY WATER DEPARTMENT WITH THE SELECTION OF POTENTIAL PARCELS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEWLY PROPOSED POTABLE WATER WELL NO. 9**

**WHEREAS**, after engaging in the Fair and Open Process, on or about January 1, 2016 the City of Salem entered into an agreement with Sickels and Associates for “professional services” as defined in the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1. et. seq.)

**WHEREAS**, the City has applied for funding from both the USDA Emergency Community Water Well Assistance Grant (“ECWAG”) program and NJDCA Small Cities Public Facilities Program to address the construction of Well No. 9

**WHEREAS**, Sickels and Associates has agreed to assist the Salem City Water Department with the selection of potential parcels for the construction of the newly proposed potable water well No. 9

**WHEREAS**, Sickels and Associates has prepared said proposal (which includes Terms & Conditions w/ Annual Fee Schedule) for the various engineering services that are anticipated to be required to assist the City of Salem with identifying suitable properties for construction of Well No. 9; and assumes that said authorization will be issued with sixty (60) days from the date of the proposal

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem, and State of New Jersey hereby authorize Sickel and Associates to proceed with the proposal to assist the Salem City Water Department with the selection of potential parcels for the construction of the newly proposed water well No.9; and the appropriate City Officials are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to: execute the proposal, and/or such other documents as may be approved by the City Solicitor to properly document the same; and take such any and all other such actions as are necessary to proceed with the project.

Motion made by Councilman Hassler and seconded by Councilman Groce to adopt Resolution 2016-158. All in favor. Motion carries 8-0.

**CITY OF SALEM  
RESOLUTION 2016-159**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RECYCLING TONNAGE  
GRANT APPLICATION**

**WHEREAS**, the mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act, P.L. 1987, c. 02, has established a recycling fund from which a tonnage grant may be made to municipalities in order to encourage local source separation and recycling programs; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the intent and the spirit of the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act to use the tonnage grants to develop new municipal recycling programs and to continue and to expand existing programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection has promulgated recycling regulations to implement the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the recycling regulations impose on municipalities certain requirements as a condition for applying for tonnage grants, including but not limited to, making and keeping accurate, verifiable records of materials collected and claimed by the municipality; and

**WHEREAS**, a Resolution authorizing this municipality to apply for the **2016 Recycling Tonnage Grant** will memorialize the commitment of this municipality to recycling and to indicate the assent of the Common Council of the City of Salem to the efforts undertaken by the municipality and the requirements contained in the Recycling Act and recycling regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, such a resolution should designate the individual authorized to ensure the application is properly completed and timely filed.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem and State of New Jersey, that the City of Salem hereby endorses the submission of the recycling tonnage grant application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and designates Frederick Mucci and Thomas Gant to ensure that the application is properly filed; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the monies received from the recycling tonnage grant be deposited in a dedicated recycling trust fund to be used solely for the purposes of recycling.

Motion made by Councilman Hassler and seconded by Councilman Johnson to adopt Resolution 2016-159. All in favor. Motion carries 8-0.

**CITY OF SALEM  
RESOLUTION 2016-160**

**A RESOLUTION FOR MAYOR CHARLES WASHINGTON JR TO PROMOTE THREE  
SERGEANT POSITIONS FOR THE CITY OF SALEM POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor wishes to promote three patrolman officers to the position of Sergeant of the City of Salem Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:61-4(f) the Council has the right of advice and consent with respect to such promotion;

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem and State of New Jersey, hereby consents to the promotions of the three patrolman officers to the position of Sergeant of the City of Salem Police Department with an effective starting date of December 5, 2016.

Motion made by Councilman Hassler and seconded by Councilman Johnson to adopt Resolution 2016-160. All in favor. Motion carries 8-0.

**CITY OF SALEM  
RESOLUTION 2016-161**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SALEM TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS  
FOR CHEMICALS, METERS AND OTHER ITEMS FOR THE YEAR 2017 FOR  
THE WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Salem's Water and Sewer Department has a need for chemicals and meters for their department for the year 2017.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem and State of New Jersey, that the City Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise for bids for a contract for chemicals, meters and other items needed for the Water and Sewer Department and to charge a reasonable fee for the specifications/proposal package which shall not exceed \$50.00.

Motion made by Councilman Hassler and seconded by Councilman Johnson to adopt Resolution 2016-161. All in favor. Motion carried 8-0.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Administration: (Roots, Hassler, Johnson, Carter)**

Next meeting will be held on December 12, 2016

**Public Safety: (Gage, Roots, Hassler, Carter)**

Had a meeting on December 5, 2016. A presentation was done by Fred Ayars, Salem City Fire Chief.

**Public Works: (Groce, Roots, Hassler, Gage)**

Will meet again in late December

**Human Services: (Hassler, Gage, Groce, Thompson)**

Had a meeting with Future Systems in regards to next phase

**Neighborhood Initiatives/ Community Service: (Thompson, Johnson, Roots, Carter)**

Had city-wide Clean Up Day on November 26, 2016. It was a great success. The City will conduct Tire Amnesty Day on December 10, 2016. Bring tires to the Street Department. No rims, please.

**City Property/Capital: (Carter, Hassler, Thompson, Roots)**

Will have next meeting on December 12, 2016

**Redevelopment: (Groce, Johnson, Gage):**

Will meet again in late December

**MAYORAL COMMENTS**

“The City of Salem had our annual Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 3, 2016. It was a very nice parade with a really nice turnout. The same night, we had our Yuletide Tour along with the Christmas Tree Lighting. All were very nice, though I was unable to attend the Christmas Tree Lighting due to work.

“We would also like to congratulate the Salem High School Football Team who did a fantastic job this year. We will be honoring them at our December 19, 2016 Council Meeting. We would also like to congratulate the Salem High School Field Hockey Team.”

**NEW BUSINESS**

Council President Roots and Councilwoman Carter will be attending the Local Government Dinner which is being hosted by Woodstown on December 8, 2016 at 6:00pm.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**PUBLIC PORTION**

**Chery Turner-** Inquired about signage in front of her store. Chief Pelura stated that they are being worked on.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business before Council, Councilman Gage motioned to adjourn the meeting, Councilman Hassler seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The council meeting ended at 7:50pm.