

**CITY OF SALEM  
MINUTES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
OF NOVEMBER 8, 2017**

A meeting of the Common Council of the City of Salem was called to order by President Karen Roots. The meeting took place at the 17 New Market Street at 5:00 p.m. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present: Councilpersons Ruth Carter, Earl Gage, Vaughn Groce, Charles Hassler, and Lydia Thompson. Also in attendance were Mayor Charles Washington, Andrea Rhea, City Solicitor, City Administrator Jennifer Blumenthal, CFO David Crescenzi, and City Clerk Tierra M. Jennings. Councilman Horace Johnson and Councilwoman Sharon Kellum were absent.

**INVOCATION** COUNCILMAN VAUGHN GROCE

**STATEMENT OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

THE MINUTES SHALL REFLECT THAT ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALEM WAS PROVIDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT BY: (i) POSTING A NOTICE OF THIS MEETING ON THE BULLETIN BOARD RESERVED FOR SUCH ANNOUNCEMENTS AT THE SALEM MUNICIPAL BUILDING ANNEX: (ii) MAILING NOTICE OF THE MEETING TO SOUTH JERSEY TIMES AND ELMER TIMES ON OR ABOUT OCTOBER 26, 2017 AND (iii) FILING A COPY OF THE NOTICE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

**COMMUNICATION/APPLICATION/REPORTS**

*ENTERTAINMENT APPLICATION*

SALEM AREA MINISTERIUM TO HOST AN OUTDOOR THANKSGIVING SERVICE IN MLK PARK ON NOVEMBER 19, 2017 FROM 2:00PM-5:00PM

Motion made by Councilman Hassler and seconded by Councilman Gage to approve Salem Ministerium Thanksgiving Service. All in favor. Motion carries.

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING/FINAL PASSAGE**

**1622** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALEM AMENDING SECTION 2 OF CHAPTER 43 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF SALEM FIXING THE TITLES, SALARIES AND COMPENSATION RANGES OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF SALEM

**Public Hearing: November 8, 2017**

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage		X	X			
V. Groce			X			

C. Hassler	X		X			X
H. Johnson						X
S. Kellum						
L. Thompson			X			
K. Roots			X			

Motion made by Councilman Hassler and seconded by Councilman Gage to close public hearing. Roll Call. Motion carried 6-0

**Adoption: November 8, 2017**

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage		X	X			
V. Groce			X			
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson						X
S. Kellum						X
L. Thompson			X			
K. Roots			X			

Motion made by Councilman Hassler and seconded by Councilman Gage to adopt Ordinance 1622 as read. Roll Call. Motion carried 6-0

**1623 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALEM AMENDING SECTION 4 OF CHAPTER 210 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF SALEM ESTABLISHING MAXIMUM TOWING CHARGES IN THE REMOVAL OF MOTOR VEHICLES**

**Public Hearing: November 8, 2017**

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage		X	X			
V. Groce			X			
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson						X
S. Kellum						X
L. Thompson			X			
K. Roots			X			

Motion made by Councilman Hassler and seconded by Councilman Gage to close public hearing. Roll Call. Motion carried 6-0

**Adoption: November 8, 2017**

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage		X	X			

V. Groce			X			
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson						X
S. Kellum						X
L. Thompson			X			
K. Roots			X			

Motion made by Councilman Hassler and seconded by Councilman Gage to adopt Ordinance 1623 as read. Roll Call. Motion carried 6-0

**INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**CITY OF SALEM  
RESOLUTION 2017-134**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TREASURER TO MAKE TRANSFERS  
OF 2017 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS**

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED**, by the Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem, State of New Jersey that the City Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to make the attached transfers of budget appropriations in the 2017 Municipal Budget.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage		X	X			
V. Groce			X			
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson						X
S. Kellum						X
L. Thompson			X			
K. Roots			X			

Motion made by Councilman and seconded by Councilman to adopt Resolution 2017-134. Roll Call. Motion carried 6-0

**OLD BUSINESS**

Councilman Groce asked for a proposal from WRM for the management of the Water/Sewer Department

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Council President Roots discussed the Fair and Open process for Professional Services. Public Notice will be sent and Request for Proposals drafted.
- Council President congratulated Charles Hassler on becoming Freeholder.

**PUBLIC PORTION**

No one spoke in Public Portion

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business before Council, Councilman Hassler motioned to adjourn the meeting, Councilman Gage seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The council meeting ended at 5:30pm.

**Respectfully Submitted:**

Approved: Nov. 20, 2017

  
City Clerk