CITY OF SALEM MINUTES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 2, 2015

A regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Salem was called to order by Council President Karen Roots. The meeting took place in the Old County Courthouse located at Broadway and Market Street at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present: Council President Karen Roots, Councilpersons, Ruth Carter, Earl Gage, Vaughn Groce, Sherman Hampton, Charles Hassler, Horace Johnson and James Waddington. Council President announced that a quorum was present. Also in attendance were Mayor Charles Washington, Jr., Solicitor David Puma, CFO David Crescenzi, and City Clerk Kathleen L. Keen.

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 1ST, 2015 SETTING FOR THE TIME, DATE AND PLACE OF ALL THE REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALEM.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS

It was moved by Councilman Hassler to approve the bill list, Councilwoman Carter seconded. Motion carried 7-0, with Councilman Waddington Abstaining.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Councilman Hassler, seconded by Councilman Groce to adopt the minutes of the January 12, 2015 Regular Council and Closed Session Meeting. Motion carried 8-0.

COMMUNICATIONS/APPLICATIONS/REPORTS

Councilman Hassler motioned to approve an Entertainment License Application for Meals on Wheels of Salem County Fundraising Benefit at the JB Campbell Center on March 26 from 5-9pm. Councilman Johnson seconded. Motion carried 8-0.

Councilman Hassler motioned to approve a 50/50 Raffle Application for Meals on Wheels of Salem County on March 26. Councilman Johnson seconded. Motion carried 8-0.

Councilman Hassler motioned to approve a Catering Permit for the Italian Kitchen to cater the Meals on Wheels Fundraiser on March 26. Councilman Johnson seconded. Motion carried 8-0.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING:

ORDINANCE 1502

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING RENEWED CONSENT AND PERMISSION TO SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY TO USE THE PUBLIC STREETS TO FURNISH GAS FOR LIGHT, HEAT AND POWER IN THE CITY OF SALEM

WHEREAS, South Jersey Gas Company, a corporation of the State of New Jersey, provides natural gas service to the City of Salem pursuant to the municipal consent first granted to South Jersey Gas Company in that certain Ordinance passed on September 26, 1955; and

WHEREAS, South Jersey Gas Company now seeks, pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 48:3-15, the consent of the City of Salem to renew Section A243-1 of Ordinance A243 applicable to the use of the streets in the City of Salem by adopting the following Ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem and State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. That exclusive consent and permission is hereby renewed and granted to South Jersey Gas Company to lay and construct its pipes and mains and related appurtenances and facilities within the streets, alleys, squares and public places within the City of Salem in the manner prescribed by N.J.S.A. 48:9-21, and subject to reasonable regulations imposed by ordinance or resolution with respect to the opening of streets and public places, subject to approval of such consent and permission by the Board of Public Utilities.

Section 2. This consent is granted for the entire geographical area of the City of Salem and extend to the boundaries of the City of Salem and shall remain in effect for a period of fifty (50) years from the date of final adoption of this Ordinance.

Section 3. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held by any Court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon posting, publication, final passage in the manner prescribed by law, and acceptance by South Jersey Gas Company.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage			X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton			X			
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson		X	X			
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE 1501
ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS
AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2015
(N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

- **WHEREAS,** the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 1.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,
- **WHEREAS,** N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,
- **WHEREAS**, the Council of the City of Salem in the County of Salem finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2015 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,
- **WHEREAS,** the Council hereby determines that a 2% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$120,047.10 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,
- **WHEREAS,** the Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated, as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.
- **NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Council of the City of Salem, in the County of Salem, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2015 budget year, the final appropriations of the City of Salem shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5 %, amounting to \$210,082.43 and that the CY 2015 municipal budget for the City of Salem be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,
- **BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,
- **BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,
- **BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

This ordinance shall take effect after publication after final adoption, as provided by law.

Ordinance 1501:

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage			X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton			X			
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson		X	X			
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

Introduced: January 12, 2015 Published: January 20, 2015 Public Hearing: February 2, 2015 Final Adoption: February 2, 2015 Final Publication: February 7, 2015

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION:

RESOLUTION 2015-53 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SIGNING OF A SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL AGREEMENT WITH THE SALEM COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY SOLID WASTE DIVISION

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Salem, in the County of Salem, and State of New Jersey that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to sign the Agreement between the City of Salem and Salem County Improvement Authority with its principal place of business located at 52 McKillip Road, Alloway, New Jersey 08001 for disposal of solid waste for a period of one (1) year terminating on December 31, 2015, according to the attached fee schedule.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage			X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton			X			
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson		X	X			
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

RESOLUTION 2015-54 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SIGNING OF AN AGREEMENT FOR REPAIRS TO THE SALEM CITY MUNICIPAL ANNEX BUILDING

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Salem, in the County of Salem, New Jersey that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to sign an Agreement between the City of Salem and Sickler Construction, LLC 6 Cool Run Road Bridgeton, to provide all labor, material, and equipment for the installation of a Therma Tru insulated steel door at the City Municipal Annex Building at a cost not to exceed \$850.00

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage			X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton			X			
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson		X	X			
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

RESOLUTION 2015-55

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE FISCAL GRANT CYCLE JULY 2014-JUNE 2016

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

WHEREAS, The Common Council of the City of Salem, in the County of Salem, and State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Salem further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Salem has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Salem;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem, and State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Common Council of the City of Salem does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the City of Salem Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2015-2016 in the amount of:

DEDR	\$ 8,336.00	
Cash Match	\$ 2,084.00	
In-Kind	\$ 6.252.00	

2. The Common Council of the City of Salem acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage			X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton			X			
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson		X	X			
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

RESOLUTION 2015-56 A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE WALNUT-OLIVE NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PLAN PREPARED BY QUINN EVANS ARCHITECTS

WHEREAS, at the October 6, 2014 meeting of the Common Council, Mr. Carl Elefante of Quinn Evans Architects presented City Council his background findings and determinations regarding the Walnut-Olive Neighborhood Revitalization Plan for the city; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Salem approves of the Revitalization Plan as it coincides with the overall strategic vision of the city and;

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Salem wishes to refer the Walnut-Olive Neighborhood Revitalization Plan to the City Planning Board for future inclusion in the updating of the City Master Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem, and State of New Jersey hereby approves of the Walnut-Olive Neighborhood Revitalization Plan and hereby authorizes the City Clerk to forward aforementioned plan to the City Planning Board.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage			X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton			X			
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson		X	X			
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

RESOLUTION 2015-57 A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE RE-ADVERTISEMENT OF CONSTRUCTION BIDS FOR THE DOWNTOWN BEAUTIFICATION PHASE 2 PROJECT

WHEREAS, on September 15, 2014, the Federal Highway Administration authorized funding in the amount of \$436,306.00 to the City of Salem for the Downtown Beautification Phase 2 Project and;

WHEREAS, as per the NJDOT Procedures for Federal Aid Projects, the City of Salem is required to advertise for Construction Bids of said project within 60 days of the dated authorization letter and;

WHEREAS, the City of Salem advertised for Construction Bids and held a Bid opening on November 18, 2014; consequently all bids exceeded the available funds for said project, and;

WHEREAS, after numerous discussions with Fralinger Engineering, the NJDOT, and Remington & Vernick Engineers, the City believed the best course of action would be to reject all bids and rebid said project;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Salem, with the intent of awarding the construction contract within 120 days of NJDOT's letter of authorization, re-advertised for Construction Bids on November 29, December 6, and December 13 of 2014; with the Bid opening occurring on December 23, 2014.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem and State of New Jersey, wishes to hereby ratify the re-advertisement for Construction Bids for the Downtown Beautification Phase 2 Project.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage			X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton			X			
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson		X	X			
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

RESOLUTION 2015-58 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO THE POLLUTION CONTROL FINANCING AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Salem by recommendation of the City Public Works Superintendents and the City Engineer has determined there is a need for tree removal/clearing of the First Oak and Second Oak Storm Water Management Ditch System; and

WHEREAS, the First Oak and Second Oak ditches are part of a storm water management system that channels surface water from Salem City, Elsinboro Township, Quinton Township and Lower Alloways Creek Township to the Town Bank Pump Station which mechanically pumps that water into the Salem River; and

WHEREAS, the Town Bank Pump Station, having been commissioned for service since 1968 is well beyond its useful life, and unable to perform adequately in the event of severe storm conditions, thus jeopardizing the safety of life, property, and critical infrastructure in our county seat and surrounding areas, including thousands of acres of farmland in the surrounding townships, therefore it is imperative it be replaced; and

WHEREAS, the County of Salem through its mosquito control functions will dredge the ditch system to help improve public safety, and allow the ditch system to retain more water before it dead ends at the Town Bank Pump Station, however numerous amounts of large trees and debris must be removed to help the system remain functional until proper funding can be employed to completely remove the danger;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute all documents needed to apply to the Pollution Control Financing Authority for a grant in the amount of \$100,000 for tree removal and clearing other waste material from the drainage ditches along Grieves Parkway to prepare the ditches for dredging by the Salem County Mosquito Commission.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage			X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton			X			
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson		X	X			
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

RESOLUTION 2015-59 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF CERTAIN GENERAL CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS

WHEREAS, certain General Capital and Utility Capital Improvement appropriation balances remain dedicated to projects now completed; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to formally cancel said balances so that the unexpended balances may be returned to each respective Capital Improvement Fund or credited to Surplus, and unused debt authorizations may be canceled;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the council of the City of Salem that the following unexpended and dedicated balances of General Capital and Utility Capital Appropriations be canceled:

General Capital		
Ord. No.	Project Description	Amount
05-08	Reconstruction of the Finlaw building	105,000.00
<u>Utility Capital</u>		
Ord. No.	Project Description	Amount
02-10 & 04-23	Various Water and Sewer Capital Improvements	962.00
02-12	Various Water and Sewer Capital Improvements	2,202.80
02-18	Improvements to Carpenter Street	92,236.41
02-31	Various Water and Sewer Capital Improvements	70,089.49
03-18 & 04-06	Repairs and Improvements to Town Bank	2,669.55
04-20	Various Water and Sewer Capital Improvements	402.04
07-20	Various Capital Improvements	231.70
09-15	Improvement of the Water Supply & Distribution	4,600,000.00
11-83	Eng. Omni Leachate	188.83
11-169	Eng. Omni SIU permit	2,500.30

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage			X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton			X			
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson		X	X			
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

RESOLUTION 2015-60

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SIGNING AN AGREEMENT FOR REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION ACTIVITIES OF AN UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK LOCATED AT LIBERTY FIRE COMPANY

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Salem, in the County of Salem, New Jersey that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to sign an Agreement between the City of Salem and CALMAR Associates LLC., of 1415 13th Avenue, Dorothy, New Jersey 08317 for Remedial Investigation Activities at Liberty Fire House a cost not to exceed \$5,425.00; as a result of the removal of one (1) UST-500 gallon underground storage tank in September of 2014.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage			X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton			X			
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson		X	X			
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

RESOLUTION 2015-61

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SIGNING AN AGREEMENT FOR REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION ACTIVITIES OF AN UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK LOCATED AT WASHINGTON FIRE COMPANY

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Salem, in the County of Salem, New Jersey that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to sign an Agreement between the City of Salem and CALMAR Associates LLC., of 1415 13th Avenue, Dorothy, New Jersey 08317 for Remedial Investigation Activities at Washington Fire House a cost not to exceed \$5,425.00; as a result of the removal of one (1) UST-1,750 gallon underground storage tank in September of 2014.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage			X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton			X			
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson		X	X			
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

RESOLUTION 2015-62 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE HIRING OF SUBSTITUTE SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS

WHEREAS, as per N.J.S.A. 40A:9-154.1 the Mayor of the Governing Body may appoint school crossing guards for terms not exceeding one year subsequently to the Chief of Police ascertaining the eligibility of the applicants and reporting such findings to the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has determined there is a need to hire three (3) substitute school crossing guards for the police department, on an as needed - on call basis thus causing no increase in expenditures for the police department; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has determined the individuals below to be eligible to fill the substitute positions for the remainder of the 2015 year:

Callie Morrow QuanDaya Carr Melvin Sorrell

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 above three (3) individuals are hereby appointed as Substitute School Crossing Guards on an as needed – on call basis.

Resolution 2015-62

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage			X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton			X			
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson		X	X			
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration: President Roots reported the Administration Committee yearly schedule of meetings has been set and disbursed to all council members. The next meeting is scheduled for February 23, 5:30 at #1 New Market Street.

Public Safety: Councilman Gage reported the Public Safety committee would be having two (2) meetings this month; a follow-up to the last meeting, and a second meeting to discuss the county EMS. The follow-up meeting is scheduled for February 23, 6:30 at #1 New Market Street.

Public Works: Councilman Groce noted the Ground Water Allocation rights need to be reapplied for. He then spoke of an issue with the Elkinton Mill Pond Dam and the need to pursue grants from USDA for repairs. Lastly he spoke of snow removal for the Finlaw Building, and the City being responsible for any debt incurred; thus the City Street Department would now be responsible for the snow removal. Public Works meetings will be every other Friday morning.

Community Service: President Roots spoke of the City contract with the JB Campbell Center for the Youth Basketball Program and Senior Aerobics Classes. She noted the donation letters for the pool would be mailed this week, and the committee would be meeting with a worker from the Wave Pool in LAC on Thursday of this week to discuss the city pool.

Human Services: Councilman Hassler reported on the Free Rabies Clinic that was held on January 17th. There were 68 dogs and 19 cats inoculated; while 25 licenses were issued, he noted the next step would be the dog census. Councilman Hassler also noted Business Licenses, Vendor/Solicitor Licenses, and Entertainment License would be looked into next.

City Property/Capital: Councilwoman Carter stated the committee met on January 27 and discussed the roof replacement at 17 New Market Street.

Redevelopment: Councilman Waddington reported the last meeting was cancelled due to the weather. The next meeting will be held on February 9 at 5:15pm at the Main Street offices.

Neighborhood Initiatives: Councilman Johnson said the next meeting will be this Thursday at 5:15.

MAYORAL COMMENTS:

Mayor Washington spoke of the upcoming budget workshops and the departments being looked at individually. He stated he would hope everyone is on board with getting the budget done.

PUBLIC PORTION:

<u>Rodney Miller of West Broadway</u> questioned council on resolution 2015-56 with regard to the Quinn Evans plan. He stated he was at the council meeting when the plan was presented; he then made reference to the 74 vacant properties and asked "what is the game plan?" Councilman Groce responded the first step was to adopt the plan; Councilman Waddington noted they will be re-applying for NRTC funding again this year, and need to find corporations to help support the NRTC application.

<u>A gentleman addressed council</u> saying he and his wife were returning home one day as someone was coming out of their front door. He stated the police responded quickly and professionally apprehending the suspect; though he was not happy with the suspect only being charged with trespassing through the court system.

<u>Rodney Miller of West Broadway</u> spoke of trash and feral cats in his neighborhood. Mayor Washington advised him to contact Carol in the Housing Department and the County Health department also.

With no further requests for public comment, Councilman Hassler made a motion to close the Public Portion of the meeting. Councilman Groce seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Councilman Hassler motioned to convene into Executive Session, Councilwoman Carter seconded the motion and all were in favor. The regular portion of the meeting ended at 7:45pm.

RESOLUTION 2015-63 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CLOSED SESSION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALEM

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b permits a public body to go into a closed session during a public meeting to discuss certain matters;

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is necessary to go into a closed session to discuss certain matters relating to the items as permitted by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b

NOW, THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Salem that the Council will go into closed session to discuss the following, in accordance with the aforesaid provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, after which it will reconvene in the public:

a. CONTRACTS

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the minutes of the closed session will be made available to the public when the need for privacy no longer exists.

Resolution 2015-63

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage			X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton			X			
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson		X	X			
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

With a Motion by Councilman Hassler, seconded by Councilman Groce, and all in favor, Council came out of Closed Session at 8:15. The following business took place:

RESOLUTION 2015-64 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE 2015 RECREATION CONTRACT WITH THE JOHN B. CAMPBELL CENTER

WHEREAS, the John B. Campbell Center located in Salem, New Jersey is owned and operated by a non-profit corporation dedicated to family and fitness services for residents of Salem City; and

WHEREAS, the City has, in past years participated in agreements with the Campbell Center in order to provide recreation and family services to residents of Salem City in a manner which results in a savings of taxpayer funds; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Campbell Center wish to perpetuate the arrangement for 2015 and have reached an agreement with respect thereto; and

WHEREAS, the City has agreed to provide a total of \$10,000.00 in funding to the Center for the year 2015 thus allocating a total of \$9,125 for the Youth Basketball Program and the remaining balance of \$875 to the Senior Aerobics Classes contingent upon the passing of the 2015 City of Salem Budget.

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 appropriate City Officials are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute the Agreement with the Campbell Center pursuant to which various services will be provided to City residents by the Center.

Resolution 2015-64

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage			X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton			X			
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson		X	X			
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

With no further business before Council, Councilman Hassler made a motion to adjourn the meeting Councilman Groce seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The council meeting ended at 8:30pm

Respectfully submitted:

Approved: March 2, 2015	Kathleen L. Keen
	Kathleen L. Keen, RMC City Clerk