

MINUTES of a meeting of the **SOMERSET COUNTY PARK COMMISSION** held Wednesday, December 29, 2010 at 7:00 AM at the Somerset County Park Commission Headquarters, 355 Milltown Road, Bridgewater, NJ.

"In accordance with Public Law Chapter 231, the open public meeting notice requirements have been satisfied whereby the starting time and place of this meeting have been filed with a county newspaper and the County Clerk and posted in a public information area in this office."

President Fuerst called the meeting to order.

PRESENT

Paul Consiglio
William Crosby
Steven Fuerst
John Gillen
Walter Hansen
Joanne Jaeger
Christopher Paladino
Dot Paluck

ABSENT

Gary Walsh
Patrick Scaglione, Freeholder Liaison

Other staff members present were:

Joanne Steinruck, Executive Assistant
Stuart Lederman, Counsel
Dan Livak, Deputy Dir. Business Admin.
Matt Loper, County Engineer

Marge Margentino, Manager Stable
Bob Ransone, Director, Golf Management
Donna Van Deursen, Manager HR

Also in attendance: Brian Newman

OPEN MEETING FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

No comment from the public.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

President Fuerst called for the approval of the minutes of the last regular meeting held December 9, 2010. **MOVED BY:** Commissioner Crosby; seconded by: Commissioner Jaeger. **YEAS:** Commissioners Consiglio, Crosby, Gillen, Hansen, Jaeger, Paluck, Paladino, and President Fuerst. **NAYES:** None. **ABSTAIN:** None. **ABSENT:** Commissioner Walsh.

Resolution R09-124 – Year-End Transfer of Appropriations

Resolution authorizing transfer of 2010 appropriations. The year the Park Commission is ending the year with a surplus of \$1,361,573.55. **MOVED BY:** Commissioner Consiglio; seconded by Commissioner Crosby. **YEAS:** Commissioners Consiglio, Crosby, Gillen, Hansen, Jaeger, Paluck, Paladino, and President Fuerst. **NAYES:** None. **ABSTAIN:** None. **ABSENT:** Commissioner Walsh.

Resolution R09-125 – Cancellation of Appropriations

Resolution authorizing cancellation of the unexpended balances of 2010 appropriations. MOVED BY: Commissioner Consiglio; seconded by Commissioner Crosby. YEAS: Commissioners Consiglio, Crosby, Gillen, Hansen, Jaeger, Paluck, Paladino, and President Fuerst. NAYES: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Commissioner Walsh.

Resolution R09-126 – Payment of Claims

Resolution authorizing payment of bills for \$605,120.14 comprising of check numbers 187937-187950, 187282-187319, 187885-187933, and 188306-188368. MOVED BY: Commissioner Jaeger; seconded by Commissioner Crosby. YEAS: Commissioners Consiglio, Crosby, Gillen, Hansen, Jaeger, Paluck, Paladino, and President Fuerst. NAYES: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Commissioner Walsh.

At this point of the meeting President Fuerst asked Counsel Lederman and Commissioner Consiglio to leave the room.

Resolution R10-127 – Award of Contract to Riker Danzig Scherer Hyland & Perretti LLP and DiFrancesco, Bateman, Coley, Yospin, Kunzman, Davis, and Lehrer PC

Resolution awards a contract for general counsel to Riker Danzig Scherer Hyland & Perretti, LLP. MOVED BY: President Fuerst; seconded by Commissioner Jaeger. YEAS: Commissioners Crosby, Gillen, Hansen, Jaeger, Paluck, Paladino, and President Fuerst. NAYES: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Commissioners Consiglio and Walsh.

Resolution also awarded a contract for labor counsel to DiFrancesco, Bateman, Coley, Yospin, Kunzman, Davis, and Lehrer, PC. MOVED BY: Commissioner Hansen; seconded by Commissioner Jaeger. YEAS: Commissioners Crosby, Gillen, Hansen, Jaeger, Paluck, Paladino, and President Fuerst. NAYES: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Commissioners Consiglio and Walsh.

Counsel Lederman and Commissioner Consiglio re-entered the room.

Resolution R10-128 – Award of Contract to Dr. James Smith, Jr. Dentist; Running “S” Veterinary Services; and Professional Farrier Services

Resolution awards the first year of a three-year competitive contract for veterinarian, farrier, and equine dentist services. MOVED BY: Commissioner Jaeger; seconded by Commissioner Hansen. MOVED BY: President Fuerst; seconded by Commissioner Jaeger. YEAS: Commissioners Consiglio, Crosby, Gillen, Hansen, Jaeger, Paluck, Paladino, and President Fuerst. NAYES: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Commissioner Walsh.

NEW BUSINESS

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

President Fuerst appointed Commissioners Consiglio and Paluck to the Nominating Committee.

Counsel Lederman reported that he will be reviewing the By-Laws regarding the request to create a consent agenda. President Fuerst also commented that he would like to review the Code of Conflict, Ethics, and Automobile policies and compare them to the County's policies.

Steven will also be revising the Standing Committee Chairs.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 a.m. was made by Commissioner Crosby; seconded by Commissioner Consiglio. YEAS: Commissioners Consiglio, Crosby, Gillen, Hansen, Jaeger, Paluck, Paladino, and President Fuerst. NAYES: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Commissioner Walsh.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Livak
Deputy Director Business Administration

Joanne Steinruck
Executive Assistant