

THE MORRIS COUNTY PARK COMMISSION  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2021  
WORKSHOP AGENDA  
TENTATIVE

PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., THE MORRIS COUNTY PARK COMMISSION hereby notifies the public that a Park Commission Workshop will be convened at **9:30 a.m.** prevailing time on Tuesday, January 12, 2021 “**Virtually**” via **WebEx**.

The public is invited to attend this workshop meeting as follows:

**WebEx attendee link:**  
<https://signin.webex.com/join>  
**Phone Number:** 1-408-418-9388  
**Event number/Access Code:** 132 616 6376  
**Meeting password:** MCPC2021

In the event that there are technical difficulties with WebEx and either meeting is not able to be held via WebEx, the meeting will be held via teleconference call, and the public is invited to attend by calling:

Phone Number: 1-866-305-0232  
Guest Passcode: 702075

The following items are included on the Agenda for the meeting:

1. Call to Order – 903<sup>rd</sup> Meeting
2. Reading of Meeting Notice
3. Roll Call
4. Acknowledge the reappointment of Park Commissioners:
  - Mr. Richard Seabury, III for his reappointment to the Park Commission
  - Mr. Jonathan Kalafer for his reappointment to the Park Commission
5. Committee Reports
  - A. Nominating Committee
    1. Commissioner Baron, Chair of the Nominating Committee will report on the Committee’s recommendation for the 2021 slate of officers.
  - B. Finance & Budget Committee
  - C. Promotion and Business Activities Committee
    1. Executive Director Helmer will provide an update and activities at Mennen Sports Arena.
  - D. Cultural and Educational Committee
    1. Review of proposed amendments to the Cultural Exchange Policy.

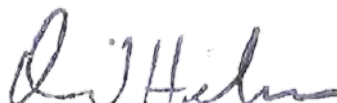
- E. Recreational Trails/Park Maintenance Committee
  - 1. Recommending that an Ad Hoc Park Maintenance & Natural Resources Management Committee be established, with members of Recreational Trails Committee being the Committee members.
  - 2. Reporting on the proposed next phase of Ash Tree Removal.
  - 3. Wildlife Management
    - a) Recommending using Raritan Valley Community College drone White-tailed Deer Survey program for Pyramid Mountain Natural Historic Area, Tourne County Park and Cooper Mill, Kay Environmental Center, Bamboo Brook and Willowood Arboretum.
    - b) Reporting on status of White-tailed Deer Management Program at The Frelinghuysen Arboretum.
    - c) Reporting on significant beaver activity at Lewis Morris County Park and the Elizabeth D. Kay Environmental Center.
- 6. Report of Executive Director
  - A. A review of recently identified encroachments will be provided.
  - B. Review of 2021 Park Commission Meeting Schedule and Committee Meeting Assignments.

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., the following items will be discussed in closed session from which the public will be excluded, since these items may touch upon material disclosures which may constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy; may affect employee relations; may affect receipt of funds from superior government echelons; the acquisition of other relations in respect to real property; and may affect matters concerning attorney-client privilege.

- 7. Executive Session
  - A. Report of Counsel
  - B. Land Matters

Continuation of Public Session

- 8. New Business
  - A. Consideration of Executive Session Business
  - B. Consideration of Resolutions
- 9. Adjournment



David D. Helmer  
Executive Director

MORRIS COUNTY PARK COMMISSION  
RESOLUTION NO. 01-21

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Morris County Park Commission on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January 2021, that:

1. Prior to the conclusion of this regular meeting of the Morris County Park Commission, which regular meeting has been opened to the public, the Morris County Park Commission shall meet in Executive Session, from which the public shall be excluded, to discuss personnel matters, land acquisition, and report of counsel, as permitted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (5), (6), (7), and (8), the pertinent provisions of the “Open Public Meetings Act.”
  
2. The time when the matters discussed pursuant to paragraph #1 hereof can be disclosed to the public is as soon as practicable after the final resolution of the aforesaid matters.

January 12, 2021

MORRIS COUNTY PARK COMMISSION

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Stuart Lasser  
President

<u>Commissioner</u>	<u>Mover</u>	<u>Seconder</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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MORRIS COUNTY PARK COMMISSION  
RESOLUTION NO. 02-21

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Morris County Park Commission on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January 2021, that the following resolutions be adopted in the form attached:

Resolution Nos.

Resolution No. 03-21 through Resolution No. 05-21

January 12, 2021

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MORRIS COUNTY PARK COMMISSION  
RESOLUTION NO. 03- 21

**WHEREAS**, the Morris County Park Commission is required to comply with N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq. the Open Public Meetings Act, **NOW THEREFORE**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Morris County Park Commission on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January 2021, as follows:

1. During the 2021 year, the regular meetings of the Morris County Park Commission shall be held at 7:30 p.m. prevailing time on the fourth Monday of each month, except in the months of August and December. Due to the COVID-19 (“coronavirus”) pandemic, and pursuant to emergency regulations promulgated by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, (codified as N.J.A.C. 5:39-1.1 through 1.7), the Morris County Park Commission may convene meetings remotely and virtually via the WebEx video conferencing platform on the below listed dates convening at 5:00 p.m. prevailing time. The meeting attendance link and sign in details will be posted on the Morris County Park Commission website [www.morrisparks.net](http://www.morrisparks.net) prior to each meeting in accordance with Governor Murphy’s Executive Order 103/104, and as per DLGS promulgated emergency regulations, codified at N.J.A.C 5:39-1.1 to 1.7, Local Finance Notice 2020-21 dated September 24, 2020.

Workshop meetings are convened quarterly at 9:30 a.m. on the second Tuesday of the month. The established meeting dates are as follows:

January 12, 2021 (9:30 am Workshop)	July 13, 2021 (9:30 am Workshop)
January 25, 2021 (5:00 pm via WebEx)	July 26, 2021
February 22, 2021	August – No meeting
March 22, 2021	September 27, 2021
April 13, 2021 (9:30 am Workshop)	October 12, 2021 (9:30 am Workshop)
April 26, 2021	October 25, 2021
May 24, 2021	November 22, 2021
June 28, 2021	December 13, 2021
	January 11, 2022 (9:30 am Workshop)
	January 24, 2022

2. All said, regular and special meetings at which formal action may be taken will take place at the Morris County Park Commission Headquarters, 300 Mendham Road, Morris Township, New Jersey, unless otherwise advertised pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.
3. At any of the above-scheduled meetings where an agenda is to be used, said agenda shall be furnished to all persons in attendance at the meeting.
4. All persons are invited to attend all of the meetings here before set forth.

5. The Morris County Park Commission may convene an Executive Session during workshops, regular, or special meetings, as allowed by the Open Public Meetings Act, from which Executive Session the public shall be excluded.
  
6. The Executive Director is directed to prominently post and maintain posted throughout the year upon the bulletin board in the Morris County Park Commission Headquarters, 300 Mendham Road, Morris Township, New Jersey, a copy of the agenda and resolutions. In addition, the Executive Director is directed to mail forthwith a certified copy of this Resolution for publication in the designated official newspapers as follows:
  - A. *Daily Record*
  - B. *The Star-Ledger*
  
7. This Resolution is being adopted in order to comply with N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., the “Open Public Meetings Act.”
  
8. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

January 12, 2021

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MORRIS COUNTY PARK COMMISSION  
RESOLUTION NO. 04-21

**WHEREAS**, the Morris County Park Commission deems it appropriate and in the public interest to establish policies to guide the effective operation of its facilities and programs, **NOW THEREFORE**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Morris County Park Commission on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021, that the appended policy titled “Cultural Exchange Policy” originally adopted 03/93 and revised 03/26/01 by Resolution No. 76-01, is adopted in the form attached, effective immediately on a prospective basis.

January 12, 2021

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Policy and Procedure

<b>Subject:</b>  <b>Cultural Exchange Policy</b>	Effective Date: 03/93	Approval:
	Revised Date: 03/26/01	Approval: Res. No. 76-01
	Revised Date:	Approval:
	Revised Date:	Approval:

A *bona fide* nonprofit cultural organization may hold a public performance with an admission fee at the Haggerty Education Center at The Frelinghuysen Arboretum, the Lodge at Schooley’s Mountain County Park, the Casino at Silas Condict County Park, or the Cultural Center at Lewis Morris County Park, and the Non-Historic Grounds(Upper Fields) at Fosterfields Living Historical Farm, at no rental cost if it also holds a free, open-to-the-public event within three (3) months of the benefit performance or provides in-kind value to support and promote Park Commission programs and facilities.

The exchange is one-for-one and must be of comparable quality and style.

The exchange may take place a maximum of four (4) times per year.

Other costs associated with the use may be charged, such as security, maintenance deposits, etc.

The sponsoring organization is responsible for all ticket sales, artists’ costs, and related expenses.

Publicity materials must recognize that the sites are Morris County Park Commission facilities.

A Certificate of Insurance naming the Morris County Park Commission and the County of Morris as additional insureds may also be required.

A copy of the group’s 501(c) (3) or other applicable tax-exempt certificate and mission statement must be provided.

The Park Commission may determine that a cultural organization be permitted to hold a public meeting at a rental facility, at no cost, if a service is provided to the Park Commission. The request must include the proposed service to be provided, and the estimated value.

**Definitions**

Cultural Organization is defined as a private nonprofit organization or institution or administrative unit thereof having its primary purpose the advancement and preservation of natural history, human/social history, art, music, theater, dance, literature, motion pictures or story-telling.



MORRIS COUNTY PARK COMMISSION  
RESOLUTION NO. 05-21

**WHEREAS**, 40A:4-19 Local Budget Law provides that where any contracts, commitments or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2021 Budget, temporary appropriations be made for the purpose and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided; and

**WHEREAS**, the date of this resolution is within the first thirty days of 2021, and

**WHEREAS**, the total appropriations in the 2020 Budget were \$31,811,860.00, and

**WHEREAS**, twenty-six and twenty-five hundredths of one percent (26.25%) of the total appropriations in the 2020 Budget is \$8,350,613.25, **NOW THEREFORE**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Morris County Park Commission that the following temporary appropriations be made and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Treasurer for this record, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the foregoing appropriations shall be inserted in the annual budget for the year 2021 as required by law.

January 12, 2021

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