

THE MORRIS COUNTY PARK COMMISSION
WORKSHOP MINUTES

300 Mendham Road

Morris Township, New Jersey

President Lasser called to order the 903rd meeting of the Morris County Park Commission at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, January 12, 2021, held “**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

Executive Director Helmer then read the following notice: PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., adequate notice of this meeting held at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday the 12th day of January 2021 has been provided by publication in the *Daily Record* and *The Star-Ledger* by posting said notice in the Administration Building of the Morris County Park Commission, at the County Courthouse, by filing a copy of the same with the Morris County Clerk, and by posting an Agenda on the Morris County Park Commission website.

Executive Director Helmer reported that the Commission’s Public Workshop Meetings do not have a Public Hearing session.

ROLL CALL

The following were present:

Executive Director Helmer	President Stuart Lasser
Deputy Executive Director Vitale	Vice President Richard Seabury, III.
Park Counsel Suminski	Commissioner Anthony Abrantes, Sr.
Chief of the Park Police DiPietro	Commissioner Julie C. Baron
Morris County Assistant Director of	Commissioner Betty Cass-Schmidt
Operations Mary Jones-Schaming	Commissioner William Cogger
	Commissioner Jonathan Kalafer
	Commissioner Edward McCarthy –Absent
	Commissioner Matthew Tal

President Lasser congratulated Jonathan Kalafer and Richard Seabury for being re-appointed as Commissioners for a five year term. Commissioner Seabury has been serving on the Commission for fifty (50) years this week, and the incredible knowledge cannot be measured as he serves as a volunteer for Morris County. (**Attachment No. 1**)

Director Helmer noted that the following Commissioners will also continue to serve on the following Morris County Open Space Trust Fund Program Committees’:

- Open Space Trust Committee – Commissioner Tal
- Trail Program Advisory Committee – Commissioner Lasser, Seabury, Baron, and Cass-Schmidt
- Flood Mitigation Committee – Commissioner Baron and Cass-Schmidt

Nominating Committee

Commissioner Baron, Chair of the Nominating Committee made a motion to nominate the following slate of officers for 2021: (**Attachment No. 2**)

- President – Stuart Lasser
- Vice President – Richard Seabury, III
- Executive Committee – Betty Cass-Schmidt
- Secretary – David D. Helmer
- Treasurer – Morris County Treasurer pursuant to statute

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Abrantes and approved by voice vote:

<u>Commissioner</u>	<u>Mover</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Lasser			✓			
Seabury			✓			
Abrantes		✓	✓			
Baron	✓		✓			
Cass-Schmidt			✓			
Cogger			✓			
Kalafer			✓			
McCarthy						✓
Tal			✓			

Finance & Budget Committee

Assistant Director Vitale reported on the following:

- Closed out the 2020 financials with the anticipated revenue shortfall due to Covid-19 restrictions being less than half a million dollars.
- Recommending that an Ad-Hoc Golf Committee meeting be scheduled with Indigo Golf Partners, formerly Antares Golf/Billy Casper Golf to discuss the proposed 2021 budget and revenue projections.
- Minimum wage increased by \$1.00/hour on January 1, 2021 which will impact operational costs. Permit and use fees will have to be adjusted to reflect the increase. The 2021 fee schedule will be introduced for approval at the January 25, 2021 Commission meeting.
- The Finance & Budget Committee will begin working on the 2021 proposed budget now that final 2020 revenue figures are finalized.

- Furlough questions – In 2020 the Park Commission implemented a 22 week mandatory furlough period from July through mid-December. There is no need at this time for additional mandatory furloughs. A voluntary 10-day furlough option will be offered to employees that are in need of flexibility for child care etc., due to the pandemic.
- Part Time position question – In 2020, due to budget restrictions related to the impact of Covid-19 on revenue streams 97% of part-time positions were eliminated and have retained only part time positions that are funded through grant funding (Historic Sites), and/or are revenue producing facilities to ensure continued operation (Mennen Sports Arena, Lee’s Marina and Central Park) which saw a large increase of usage. We have to retain those positions to allow for compliance with Covid-19 Executive Orders, as well as being prepared to re-open to full capacity.

Promotion and Business Activities Committee

Executive Director Helmer provided the following update on activities at the Mennen Sports Arena:

- Thermal Camera System – the system reads the temperature of a person entering the facility and sets off an alarm in the office and at camera anytime a temperature reading over 100.3 occurs. The County Office of Risk Management requested that an official “Procedure” protocol be adopted. A draft Procedure document was previously provided to the Commissioners that outlines the details and usage of the system at the Arena in order to keep staff and visitors safe during the Covid-19 pandemic. If there are any comments regarding the procedures they will be provided to Risk Management. **(Attachment No. 3)**
- Hockey Practices & Games
 - The Morris County Secondary Schools Ice Hockey League began their practices on January 4, 2021 with the season extended through March 6, 2021. Spectators are still not permitted for indoor and outdoor athletic activities, and I have asked Park Police to assist Arena staff in ensure all building use protocols are met in order to be able to remain open. The League has hired Morris Sussex Sports to livestream all league games which can be found on YouTube, a play by play announcer is also part of the package.
 - New Jersey Youth Hockey League(travel hockey), the program that the Colonials are primarily are part of, and is administered by the Atlantic District, which has also adjusted the season schedule starting on January 8, 2021 through March 21, 2021.
 - Morris County Youth Hockey League (Recreation hockey), we are waiting to hear if they intend to extend their season.

The Mennen Sports Arena ended their year surpassing their Covid-19 revenue projections, and have done an outstanding job during the pandemic keeping the ice rinks open and operational.

Cultural and Educational Committee

The Commissioners reviewed the proposed updates for the Cultural Exchange Policy. Concerts in the various park locations that occurred last year that were offered by the Mayo Performing Arts, would fall under this policy in 2021.

Recreational Trails/Park Maintenance Committee

- Recommending that a new Committee be established “Natural Resources Management & Park Maintenance Committee”, consisting of members of the Recreational Trails Committee/Park Maintenance Committee. Under the Park Commission’s By-Laws, Article VII the Commission President may appoint new Committees subject to the approval or direction of the Commission.

The same six 2021 meeting dates, as established for the Recreational Trails Committee, can be used by both Committees alternating established dates/times.

Commissioner Cass-Schmidt made a motion to establish the new Committee, which was seconded by Commissioner Abrantes and approved by voice vote:

<u>Commissioner</u>	<u>Mover</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Lasser			✓			
Seabury			✓			
Abrantes		✓	✓			
Baron			✓			
Cass-Schmidt	✓		✓			
Cogger			✓			
Kalafer			✓			
McCarthy						✓
Tal			✓			

- Reporting on the proposed next phase of Ash Tree Removal. Phase 5 is based on available funding in 2021 and addresses critical areas first within certain parks. Pyramid Mountain Natural Historic Area parking lot, Tourne County Park parking area, Silas Condict County Park parking areas and structures, Lewis Morris County Park parking areas, structures and campground, and the Mahlon Dickerson Reservation parking areas, structures and RV & camping areas. As the increase in failing trees continues the Commission will have to continue to reevaluate priority areas and have a discussion with contact county risk management about potential safety concerns. The current county program removes trees from the county right-of- ways along county roads.
- Wildlife Management
 - a) Recommending using the 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. The areas consist of approximately 9300 acres at a cost of \$4,678.00. This project will take place between February and April of 2021. The ideal number of deer per square mile is twelve to fifteen (12-15).
 - b) Reporting on status of White-tailed Deer Management Program at The Frelinghuysen Arboretum. This year, an NJDEP special wildlife management program permit is in effect allowing for the harvesting of small bucks and extends the program through March 2021, the normal permit season would have ended February 20th. To date 6 deer have been removed.
 - c) Reporting on significant beaver activity at Lewis Morris County Park and along the Black River between the Elizabeth D. Kay Environmental Center and Cooper Mill. Director Helmer provided a power point presentation showing the flooding along

the Blue Spur trail of Patriots' Path along the Black River and the impact on Leddell Pond and surrounding trees at Lewis Morris County Park. Staff will continue to monitor and managing these parks. Of note was that no activity was observed during the fall inspections. Staff have scheduled a trapper for these two areas.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Friends of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum are hosting its Annual Community Garden Conference via a virtual zoom program on Saturday, March 6, 2021 at 9 am. More information can be found on their website <https://www.arboretumfriends.org/Events>.

Caution signs saying, "Snow and Ice will not be removed from trails! Expect slippery conditions on trails" will be placed at paved trail trailheads. Due to the increase in use by new visitors, the signs will remind users that no snow removal will be performed. Of note is that the only paved trail wear snow is removed from the Traction Line Recreational trail as per the original grant funding requirements that was used to design and construct the trail.

Park Police has caught the dumpster bandit at Loantaka Brook Reservation and continues to monitor various locations in the parks where dumping has been or may be an issue.

A section of the trail at Loantaka Brook Reservation will be closed within the next month to allow the 'Enbridge' gas company to remove trees on the property's rights-of-way that are close to the trail.

Manager of Park Maintenance Tode has been in contact with the Chatham Township Water Authority regarding their use of a gravel driveway/trail on park property that is used to access the Township's pump house. The issue arose as to who is responsible for the maintenance for the driveway/trail. Of note, is that we have no documentation allowing Chatham Township to use the driveway/trail in our records. Although not opposed to the use the Commission should not bare the cost of improvements if the driveway is only used to access the pump house.

Executive Director Helmer provided a review of recently identified encroachments on park property.

1. Lewis Morris County Park - 80 Tempe Wick Road. A large clearing in the woods on park property with a significant removal of vegetation and grading. The owner will be notified.
2. Mahlon Dickerson Reservation – Saffin Pond building area - 228 Weldon Road. The owner is cutting through the back of his property with landscaping equipment and using the Park Commissions roadway to get back onto Weldon Road. The owner will be notified.
3. Pyramid Mountain Natural Historic Area on the turkey mountain side – 9 Vista Court, G. Rock Real Estate Development. Dumping of vegetation, cutting in a trail, and posting private property signs on park property. The owner will be notified.
4. Schooley's Mountain County Park, 62 Rock Road, Washington Township. The property was sold in November 2020 and we believe the damage occurred prior to the new property owner. A large wooded area was cleared. The new owner will be notified.

Staff will also follow-up on two outstanding encroachment matters that were being addressed:

1. Washington Valley Road - Brought to our attention by Morris Township. Owner had graded and removed trees.
2. Traction Line – 25 Valley Drive Morris Township. Owner was grading their property but may have altered drainage onto county park property and are dumping debris.

The Commission reviewed and approved the proposed 2021/2022 Park Commission Meeting schedule and Committee assignment schedule.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Lasser asked for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 01-21 (**Attachment No. 4**) placing the Commission meeting into Executive Session pursuant to provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (5), (6), (7) and (8), the pertinent provisions of the “Open Public Meetings Act.”

Commissioner Baron made the motion to go into Executive Session, which was seconded by Commissioner Seabury and approved by a roll call vote:

<u>Commissioner</u>	<u>Mover</u>	<u>Seconder</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Lasser			✓			
Seabury		✓	✓			
Abrantes			✓			
Baron	✓		✓			
Cass-Schmidt			✓			
Cogger			✓			
Kalafer			✓			
McCarthy						✓
Tal			✓			

Report of Counsel

Park Counsel Suminski reported on the following matters.

- Treadwell Property/Trust for Public Land – 96 acres in Jefferson Township. The closing occurred on December 30, 2020. A post-closing issue occurred involving the Jefferson Township Tax Assessor regarding the property be removed from the tax roll.
- Assisting Director of Recreation & Visitor Services Biase with an issue at Lee’s Marina. A boater abandoned his boat and trailer that are not registered as required by contract. I will be assisting to persuade the owner to voluntary remove the boat and trailer from the property.
- Land Acquisitions-Being informed by Commissioner Seabury and Russell Felter on various upcoming 2021 land acquisitions.

A. Land Matters

We have before us a New Jersey Green Acres disposal/diversion of park land matter. All park land is encumbered under the New Jersey Green Acres Rules and Regulations. The Commission has to abide by the rules on what is allowed on a property etc. There is a difference between parkland that was acquired with green acres funding and without. The property is 6.5 acre located in Hanover Township and was acquired in 2011 by the Park Commission from the New Jersey Conservation Foundation for \$5,000.00 purchased without green acres funding.

Since 2011 when the property was first acquired the property was left in its natural state and a trail was never constructed due to significant riverbank erosion, which made the area unsafe to direct trail users. The Commission also received numerous calls from the Oak Ridge Condominium Association in 2014 which expressed concerns that the continued erosion would undermine infrastructure on the Association property. A legal opinion at the time was issued on the Park Commission's responsibility to stabilize the embankment.

In 2018 representatives of the owner of the River Park Redevelopment site reached out to the Commission expressing an interest in the 6.5-acre lot to construct a driveway and bridge to cross the Whippany River to access their property, which was the site of the Whippany Paper Board Company. Hanover Township has designated and approved that property as an area in need of redevelopment. I would note as far back as 1998/1999 the Park Commission was in conversations with the then owner of the property to obtain trail easements for Patriots' Path to eventually connect to the Route 10 crossing of the trail. The trail easements were never finalized due to development plans for the property being stalled.

A meeting was held on May 30, 2019 at the New Jersey Green Acres offices to review the proposed request for disposal attended by Morris County administration staff, Commission staff and representatives of the developer. At that time it was determined the Commission would support moving forward on proposed disposal of parkland.

The Green Acres rules identify a minimum compensation for the disposal of parkland which is a 4:1 land acreage replacement for the 6.5 +/- acres. It is also the intent of the developer to construct nearly 5,500 linear feet of Patriots' Path (10'wide/paved) through the property which would replace what would have been 1,000 linear feet of natural tread trail on the Park Commission property if it were constructed. Although not to be identified as compensation the developer will also be responsible for stabilizing the riverbank erosion which will lessen the impact of the silting in the Whippany River and permanently relieve the Park Commission of any future issues with the Oak Ridge Condominium Association.

There are numerous steps in the process, with a first step scoping hearing that is scheduled for January 25, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. The hearing allows the public to ask questions on why the park commission supports public parkland to being sold.

The Park Commission does not make the final determination on this matter that is done by the New Jersey State House Commission as the final step in the process.

CONSIDERATION OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Lasser asked for a motion to return to the public session. Commissioner Baron made the motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Abrantes and unanimously approved by roll call vote:

<u>Commissioner</u>	<u>Mover</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Lasser			✓			
Seabury			✓			
Abrantes		✓	✓			
Baron	✓		✓			
Cass-Schmidt			✓			
Cogger			✓			
Kalafer			✓			
McCarthy						✓
Tal			✓			

The items discussed in closed session will be printed as part of the minutes as soon as practicable.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS

President Lasser asked for a motion to accept Resolution No. 02-21 (**Attachment No. 5**) which adopts Resolution No. 03-21 through Resolution No. 05-21 (**Attachment No. 6 through Attachment No. 8**) as submitted. Commissioner Cass-Schmidt made the motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Seabury and unanimously approved by roll call vote:

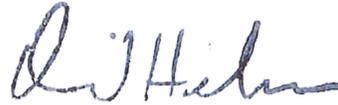
<u>Commissioner</u>	<u>Mover</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Lasser			✓			
Seabury		✓	✓			
Abrantes			✓			
Baron			✓			
Cass-Schmidt	✓		✓			
Cogger			✓			
Kalafer			✓			
McCarthy						✓
Tal			✓			

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Commissioner Cass-Schmidt made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:20 a.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Abrantes and unanimously approved by voice vote:

<u>Commissioner</u>	<u>Mover</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Lasser			✓			
Seabury			✓			
Abrantes		✓	✓			
Baron			✓			
Cass-Schmidt	✓		✓			
Cogger			✓			
Kalafer			✓			
McCarthy						✓
Tal			✓			

Respectfully submitted,



David D. Helmer
Executive Director

**Board of County Commissioners
Morris County, New Jersey**

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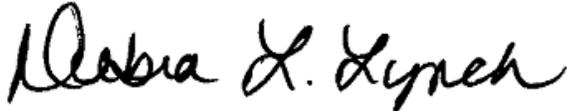
Adopted: January 4, 2021

BE IT RESOLVED that the following be and are hereby appointed to the Morris County Park Commission for a term of five (5) years to expire on December 31, 2025, without salary:

Jonathan Kalafer
Richard Seabury III

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Deborah Smith, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Thomas J. Mastrangelo, Commissioner
AYES:	Cabana, DeFillippo, Krickus, Mastrangelo, Selen, Shaw, Smith

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Morris at a regular meeting on January 4, 2021.



Debra L. Lynch, Clerk of the Board

Report of the Nominating Committee

Date: January 12, 2021

The Nominating Committee, consisting of Commissioners Baron, Seabury, and Cogger met on December 10, 2020 (virtually), and presents the following slate of officers to serve for 2021, to be considered at the January 12, 2021 meeting:

President	Stuart Lasser
Vice President	Richard Seabury, III
Member of the Executive Committee	Betty Cass-Schmidt
Secretary	David D. Helmer
Treasurer	<i>pursuant to Statute</i>

The nominating committee contacted each of the candidates, and each one has indicated willingness to serve in the respective office for which nominated.

Respectfully submitted,

Commissioner Julie Baron
Chairman, Nominating Committee

Commissioner Richard Seabury, III
Member, Nominating Committee

Commissioner William A. Cogger
Member, Nominating Committee

MORRIS COUNTY PARK COMMISSION
Policy and Procedure

Subject: Thermal Camera System at The Mennen Sports Arena	Effective Date: 12//2020	By: K. Biase
	Revised Date:	
	Revised: Date:	
	Revised: Date:	

Purpose:

The Thermal Imaging System has shown to more accurately measure surface skin temperature faster than a typical forehead or oral (mouth) thermometer that requires close distance or physical contact with the person being evaluated. The system does not determine if someone has COVID-19, it only measures the surface temperature of the individual.

Procedure:

There must be a visible notice to inform all individuals* entering the premises, before they pass through the surveillance area that there are thermal camera's in use and the purpose for which we are using it. Once someone has passed the daily self-check information sign they will be read by the scanner as they leave the foyer and enter the lobby.

- The Thermal Imaging System will trigger an audible alarm both in the foyer and in the Main office if someone has a temperature over 100.3 degrees.
- If someone registers as feverish (over 100.3 degrees) the alarm sounds and a Senior Staff Member will look at the screen to see who triggered the alarm and will address the individual at that point.
- The Senior Staff Member must wear the appropriate Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) as directed by the Manager of Safety & Compliance. They must also maintain 6 feet social distancing while addressing the individual/group.
- Staff should escort the individual(s) to the designated area for notification.
- If the individual came with others in the same vehicle (parent, child, skater, etc.), the entire group will be asked to wait in the Lobby, while the Staff Member speaks to the individual with the temperature.
- The individual/group will then be asked to leave the Arena. If they question the temperature reading they can go through the reader one more time. If the reader still alerts, the individual/group must leave the rink.
- If an individual who has registered as feverish or someone in the group refuses to leave, the Senior Staff Member should contact the Morris County Park Police. The individual/group must stay outside if they want to wait for the police, they are not permitted to remain in the building.

* Individuals shall be defined as, but not limited to users listed on Page 2.

If the Thermal Camera alerts on:

1. **MCPC Staff:** Contact your supervisor and then contact Human Resources or the Deputy Executive Director.
2. **Skating Professional:** Follow the information in the agreement that was signed with the Park Commission about COVID-19.
3. **Skater:** Must leave the Arena and cannot return for at least 24 hours. They are to be directed to follow the CDC and the Department of Health guidelines for isolation/quarantine and/or safe return information.
4. **Parent of Skater:** Both parent and skater must leave the Arena and cannot return for at least 24 hours. They are to be directed to follow the CDC and the Department of Health guidelines for isolation/quarantine and/or safe return information.
5. **Concessionaire(s) and/or Customer:** Must leave the Arena cannot return for at least 24 hours. They are to be directed to follow the CDC and the Department of Health guidelines for isolation/quarantine and/or safe return information.

Resources:

- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>
- <https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/app>

MORRIS COUNTY PARK COMMISSION
RESOLUTION NO. 01-21

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Morris County Park Commission on this 12th 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.

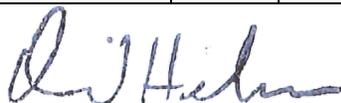
January 12, 2021

MORRIS COUNTY PARK COMMISSION



Stuart Lasser
President

<u>Commissioner</u>	<u>Mover</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Lasser			✓			
Seabury		✓	✓			
Abrantes			✓			
Baron	✓		✓			
Cass-Schmidt			✓			
Cogger			✓			
Kalafer			✓			
McCarthy						✓
Tal			✓			

 , I, David D. Helmer, Executive Director of the Morris County Park Commission, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Morris County Park Commission at a meeting held on January 12, 2021, at the Park Commission offices, 300 Mendham Road, Morristown, New Jersey.

MORRIS COUNTY PARK COMMISSION
RESOLUTION NO. 02-21

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Morris County Park Commission on this 12th 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

MORRIS COUNTY PARK COMMISSION



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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Seabury		✓	✓			
Abrantes			✓			
Baron			✓			
Cass-Schmidt	✓		✓			
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McCarthy						✓
Tal			✓			

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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 12th 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 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

MORRIS COUNTY PARK COMMISSION



Stuart Lasser
President

<u>Commissioner</u>	<u>Mover</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Lasser			✓			
Seabury		✓	✓			
Abrantes			✓			
Baron			✓			
Cass-Schmidt	✓		✓			
Cogger			✓			
Kalafer			✓			
McCarthy						✓
Tal			✓			

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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 12th 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

MORRIS COUNTY PARK COMMISSION



Stuart Lasser
President

<u>Commissioner</u>	<u>Mover</u>	<u>Seconder</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Lasser			✓			
Seabury		✓	✓			
Abrantes			✓			
Baron			✓			
Cass-Schmidt	✓		✓			
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Policy and Procedure

Subject: Cultural Exchange Policy	Effective Date: 03/93	Approval:
	Revised Date: 03/26/01	Approval: Res. No. 76-01
	Revised Date:	Approval:
	Revised Date: 01/12/21	Approval: Res. No. 04-21

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.

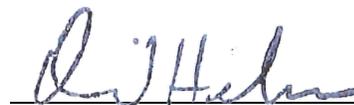
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