MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 19 MAY 1981

TIME: 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m.
PLACE: The Canal House
        25 Calhoun Street
        Trenton, New Jersey
DATE: Tuesday, 19 May 1981

ATTENDING:
    COMMISSIONERS: Messrs. Kirkland, Jessen, Jones, Hamilton, and Bridges
    STAFF: Mr. Amon, Mrs. Perilli, Mr. Kropp
    D.G.: Mr. Gray
    GUESTS: David Gibson and Steven Bauer
            Mike Galley, WSFE
            Paul Stern, Div of Parks
            Representatives from the City of Trenton

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Mr. Kirkland called the meeting to order and stated that all applicable provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law of 1976 had been properly met for the meeting of 19 May 1981.

It was moved by Mr. Jones and seconded by Mr. Jessen to approve the minutes of the meeting of 21 April as submitted. The motion was carried unanimously.

Old Business

Historic Photo Project:

Mr. Amon reminded the Commission of the proposed project to purchase a portfolio of historic canal pictures from Mr. Cliff Crawford. He distributed copies of Mr. Crawford's proposed contract for Commission approval.

It was moved by Mr. Jessen to approve the contract with the stipulation that Mr. Amon and Mr. Gray work out the re-printing rights. The motion was seconded by Dr. Hamilton and carried unanimously.
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Mr. Amon distributed copies of the recently printed Design Guide to the members of the Commission.

Review Zone Action

Cogeneration Development Corporation:

The City of Trenton plans to build a central district heating system to service areas of Trenton. The project brought before the Commission is a line from the central plant to the Mercer Medical Center which will cross the canal at the footbridge between Prospect and Calhoun Streets. This project will require a permit issued by WSFE. Action taken by the Commission will be to approve the permit by WSFE. The Commissioners expressed concerns regarding the aesthetic impact of the new pipeline and the concern that the clearance on the canal be maintained. It was moved by Mr. Jessen and seconded by Mr. Jones to authorize the executive director to approve the WSFE permit. The motion was carried with no dissenting votes.

It was moved by Mr. Jessen to approve the following projects as submitted:

80-26-0043  Linpro Townhouses Section 1-A
81-30-0068  Church of Mary, Mother of God
81-15-0070  Ariel P. Abud
81-29-0071  Randolph Brook Sewerage Facilities (with the proviso that the landscape designs be approved by Commissioner Hamilton)

The motion was seconded by Mr. Jones and carried unanimously.

Leases

Dr. Hamilton moved to approve the lease for the Griggstown Bridgetender's House as submitted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jones and carried unanimously.

Budget FY 83

The motion was made by Mr. Jones and seconded by Mr. Jessen to approve the proposed budget for FY 83 as presented. It was carried with no dissenting votes.

Presentation of Historic Survey Project

David Gibson and Steven Bauer delivered a presentation on the Historic Survey project, now nearing completion. Mr. Gibson explained that this project included a nomination to re-define the canal's historic district, and nominations for four communities and four separate districts to be added to the national register. He distributed a copy of the nomination and explained what information is available from the survey and how the information is cross-referenced.

It was moved by Mr. Jessen and seconded by Dr. Hamilton to approve the proposals for nomination to the National Register of Historic Sites. The motion was carried unanimously.

It was suggested that newspapers should be made aware of this survey.
Mr. Gibson also explained that in addition to the full set of survey forms, a handbook will be printed which will contain maps, histories, descriptions, statements of significance and essays on historic styles in the surveyed districts.

Weston Causeway Realignment

It was moved by Dr. Hamilton to allocate excess funds from the FY 81 budget to the Division of Parks for the construction of a septic system or other significant restoration work for the Weston Canal House. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jessen and carried with no dissenting votes.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00.