



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 18 JANUARY 1983

TIME: 12:00 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.
PLACE: Canal House, Trenton, NJ 08625
DATE: Tuesday, 18 January 1983

ATTENDING:

COMMISSIONERS: Messrs. Kirkland, Jones, Hamilton, Sayen
Holland, Torpey and Myers

STAFF: Messrs. Amon, Kropp and Mrs. Greenwald

GUESTS: Mr. Galley, N.J. Water Supply Authority
Messrs. Guidotti and Stern, State Park Service
Ms. Cathy Drake, Natural Resources
Messrs. Hamilton and Hencheck of Lambertville

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.

The minutes of the meeting of 21 December 1982 were unanimously approved in a motion made by Mr. Jones and seconded by Mr. Sayen.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS - VICE-CHAIRMAN AND TREASURER

The Commissioners were informed that it was time again for the election of a Vice-Chairman and Treasurer. Upon a motion made by Mr. Jones and seconded by Mr. Sayen it was unanimously decided that Mr. Jessen would remain Vice-Chairman. Upon a motion made by Mr. Sayen and seconded by Mr. Torpey it was unanimously decided that Mr. Jones would remain the Treasurer. Mr. Kirkland instructed Mr. Amon to inform all concerned parties.

LEASES

Following a motion made by Mr. Jones and seconded by Mr. Sayen the following leases were unanimously approved:

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**EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR**
James C. Amon

COMMISSIONERS

Benjamin B. Kirkland
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Vice-Chairman

Donald B. Jones
Treasurer

Robert E. Hughey
Bruce A. Hamilton

Stuart Zaikov
Arthur J. Holland

James C. Sayen
Frank J. Torpey

NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
Thomas H. Kean, *Governor* Robert E. Hughey, *Commissioner*

Bannerman, land for use as terrace on rear of home.
 City of Lambertville, land for use a community park.

The above referenced motion also included approval of an exchange of land between the State and Mr. Anthony Tamborro. This property is located in Lawrence Township north of the I-295 crossing of the canal.

Mr. Amon recommended that a comprehensive policy be set for the leases at Scudder's Falls. He said he will meet with representatives of the State Park Service and recommend a policy for the Commission as soon as possible.

Mr. Kirkland said that he had visited the Lambertville Station restaurant (the old railroad station) and felt that the parking lot was excessively large and intrusive on the site. He asked if the Canal Commission could become involved in an effort to make it look better. Mr. Amon responded with the information that the original plans called for more landscaping and a public walk along the river which would give the lot a much better sense of fitting its site. He said he would look into the matter and report back to the Commission.

REVIEW ZONE ACTIONS

Mr. Amon presented the A Zone projects to the Commissioners followed by Mr. Kropp's presentation of the B Zone projects. Following a motion made by Mr. Torpey and seconded by Mr. Holland the following review zone projects were unanimously approved:

82-0156	Camacris Enterprises
82-0163	Daisy Construction Company
82-0164	The Linpro Company
82-0165	E.R. Squibb & Sons, Inc.
83-0166	Princeton Regional Office & Research Center
83-0168	C.S. Johnson Company - Phase I
83-0170	King James Day Care
83-0171	Thaddeus C. Borek
83-0172	Levin Properties
83-0174	Bassett Steel & Tube Corporation

LAMBERTVILLE LEASE - DEVELOPMENT

Mr. Hencheck and Mr. Hamilton were introduced to the Commissioners. Mr. Kirkland asked them about the parking lot at the railroad station. Mr. Hamilton informed the Commissioners that landscaping and a walk along the river were to be installed in the Spring. Mr. Hamilton then presented his development plans for a little park near the lock in the City of Lambertville. Mr. Hencheck said that he estimated a cost of \$9,000.00 for a bridge & footing over a by-pass channel; the landscape work and construction of a small wall would be done by volunteers. He stated that they have enthusiasm and hope to get underway by Spring. Mr. Jones told Mr. Hamilton that he would donate Buttonwood saplings for the project. Mr. Amon said that the Canal Commission could informally express its opinion on the project

now but that formal action could only be taken on an approval prepared by either the Water Supply Authority or the State Park Service. Mr. Holland moved to express the Commission's enthusiasm for the project and to recommend State approval. Following a second by Mr. Sayen the motion was unanimously passed. Mr. Kirkland recommended that both gentlemen be invited to join the Canal Coalition. Mr. Holland felt a letter should be sent to the Historical Society commending them for this project. Mr. Amon was instructed to write this letter.

Mr. Holland left the meeting at 1:45 p.m.

PRESENTATION OF THE DREDGING PROJECT

Mr. Galley passed out booklets to the Commissioners on this project. It will be discussed in full detail at the Commission's next meeting. The Commission will be required to take action the following Commission meeting.

HISTORIC SURVEY PROJECT

Mr. Amon reported that the nominations for the Titusville and East Millstone districts have been approved by the Historic Sites Council. Two other districts -- Lambertville and Griggstown -- are awaiting approval. They were tabled by the Historic Sites Council and given back with several minor revisions requested. Those changes have now been completed. These two districts should, therefore, be acted on at the March meeting of the Historic Sites Council.

Mr. Amon then distributed to the Commissioners and guests in attendance a copy of the Historic Survey Handbook prepared by Mr. Steven Bauer, Mr. David Gibson and Mr. James C. Amon. The Commissioners commented on the excellence of the work. The handbook details all historic homes in the district by styles, age and importance. Mr. Kirkland felt that they should receive some type of credit for a job very well done.

KINGSTON LOCKTENDER'S STATION

Mr. Amon informed the Commissioners of a situation that was occurring at the Kingston Locktender's station. The Bernards, who run a small canoe rental business and lease the locktender's home, have placed a canoe on top of the locktender's station. Mr. Amon questioned the legality of this and asked whose responsibility it would be to have it taken down. Mr. Guidotti said he would take care of this. Mr. Amon also stated that the Bernards pool which was to have a fence around it per Commission approval, has not been fenced. He also reported how sloppy the yard and surrounding areas were being kept and suggested closer supervision of the lease.

MARKING PROGRAM

Mr. Amon stated that he felt the project was a good idea and it was well executed but that since it was a project in the Canal Park it ought to have come to the Commission for review and approval. Mr. Guidotti and Mr. Stern stated that this was not a new project, that the Boy Scouts were re-marking areas that had been previously marked. After some discussion it was agreed that if the project were well done the Boy Scouts should be commended.

TRENTON STORM SEWERS

Mr. Galley was asked by members of the Commission to give them an update on the project to divert the Trenton Storm sewers that now enter the Canal under U.S. Route One. He said that he expected authorization within the next few weeks to begin an investigation of this project.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.