



DELAWARE AND RARITAN
CANAL COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF JANUARY 16, 2008

TIME: 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM
DATE: Wednesday, January 16, 2008
PLACE: Canal Commission Office
Stockton, New Jersey

ATTENDING:

COMMISSIONERS: Vice Chairman Martin Jessen, Messrs. John Loos,
David Knights, Richard Albert, Ms. Jean Mrosczko and
Ms. Alison Mitchell

STAFF: Mr. Hahn, Ms. Guru and Ms. Holms
Mr. Lewin Weyl, Deputy Attorney General

GUESTS:

Patricia Kalleser, D&R Canal State Park
Bill Bogosian, NJ Water Supply Authority
Howie Glick, Jerry and Stan's Bicycle Shop
Anne Kruimer, East Coast Greenway
Bob Zederbaum, RBZ Enterprises, Inc.
Michael Stickel, RBZ Enterprises, Inc.
Michael Sommer, Cedar Manor
Richard Goldstein, Greenwood House
Jim Ceglia, SiteWorks

Vice Chairman Jessen announced that this was a regular meeting of the D&R Canal Commission and that all provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law of 1976 had been met.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DECEMBER 19, 2007

Mr. Albert moved approval of the minutes of December 19, 2007. Ms. Mitchell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Knights moved approval of the following "A" Zone project applications:

07-3596 Martorana Addition Replacement, Hopewell Township
07-3602 Rockingham Dumpster Fence, Franklin Township
07-3601 Mt. Hope Street Sign, City of Lambertville
08-3513A Bridge Street Water Main Relocation, Stockton Borough

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Mr. Albert seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The Commissioners discussed aspects of several of the "B" Zone project applications, including the proposed stormwater management design for the projects known as Cedar Manor and Greenwood House. Mr. Loos joined the meeting at 10:05 AM. After further discussion and explanations by Ms. Guru and Mr. Hahn, Mr. Knights moved approval of the following "B" Zone applications:

07-3376 Cedar Manor, Franklin Township
07-3070B Franklin Supermarket, Franklin Supermarket
07-3535 Habitat for Humanity Residences, Franklin Township
05-3201 Hidden Orchards Estates, Kingwood Township
06-3401 Millstone Route 33 Retail, Millstone Township
07-3579 Jøgal Warehouse & Office, Ewing Township
07-2750A Furniture Mills Storage Addition, Ewing Township
07-2726A Greenwood House Site Improvements, Ewing Township

Mr. Loos seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Albert then moved approval of a fifth "A" Zone project application:

05-3256A Apple House Landscaping, South Brunswick Township

Mr. Loos seconded the motion; Messrs. Loos, Albert, Jessen, Ms. Mitchell and Ms. Mrosczko voted in favor of the motion. Mr. Knights abstained. The motion passed.

Mr. Hahn presented the following "B" Zone application for concept review:

07-3568 Hillsborough Estates, Hillsborough Township

Mr. Hahn said that the applicant has proposed a buffer averaging plan for encroachment into a stream corridor on a site in Hillsborough. The applicant is proposing to build 17 houses, of which 2 and part of a detention basin would intrude into the stream corridor of Royce Brook. He said an asphalt path is located between the stream and the property site, and that the stream is well protected by an existing vegetation buffer that would not be disturbed. The applicant has proposed a 2:1 mitigation plan which would preserve 1.58 acres of disturbed land within a brick quarry, across the road from the project site. He recommended the mitigation proposal be conceptually approved, adding that the applicant still needed to comply with the Commission's regulations before a final approval could be recommended.

The Commissioners discussed methods of ensuring preservation of the stream corridor, including fence types, signage and monuments. Mr. Loos suggested that the perpetual maintenance of the fence be included as part of the conservation easement. The Commission encouraged the applicant to install a chain-link fence as opposed to the proposed wooden fence. Mr. Knights moved concept approval of the buffer averaging proposal; Ms. Mrosczko seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Hahn reported the staff's monthly work tally. He said staff was completing the first draft of the proposed Regulations, including the Summary, and would be submitting it to DEP for internal comments, before presentation to the public. He said he was working with Hopewell Township and the Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission on two projects; handicapped access at Washington's Crossing, and a replica pedestrian bridge of an historic swing bridge across the canal at Moore's Station. He reported that he found two possible alternative locations for a pedestrian bridge across the canal along Easton Avenue. Mr. Loos mentioned that a Redevelopment Plan for the area was being proposed by Franklin Township.

CANAL PARK SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Ms. Kalleser said that funding was in place to repair roofs of two historic structures; the Bridgetender's House in Griggstown and the Kingston Locktender's House. She said a meeting would be held on January 30th to discuss the status of capitol projects in Griggstown. She also reported that an agricultural lease has been executed for land recently acquired by the State in Alexandria Township.

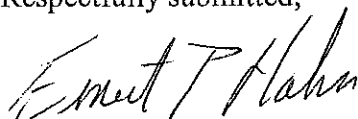
WATER SUPPLY AUTHORITY REPORT

Mr. Bogosian said that maintenance dredging of the canal at Bull's Island was ongoing. He said that consultants for the Parkside Avenue Aqueduct were completing design work for the balustrades, and that a remote control device for the waste gate at Perdicaris Place had been installed. He said the Authority was looking into installing a remote control device at the Scudders Falls waste gate as well.

Mr. Loos moved approval to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Knights seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted,



Ernest P. Hahn
Secretary