

FRIENDS OF PASSAIC COUNTY PARKS, INC.
February 12, 2018 Meeting

MEETING MINUTES

Members present :

1. County Administrator Designee: Matthew P. Jordan, Esq.
2. Director of Parks and Recreation Designee: Greg Moore
3. Director of Cultural and Historic Affairs Kelly Ruffel
4. Jeffrey Buonforte (telephonically)
5. Vice-Chairman George Silva
6. Chairwoman Alice Szepietowski

Members Absent :

1. Freeholder Director Designee John W. Bartlett, Esq.
2. Kelly Pascrell
3. Jamie Dykes
4. Robert Spiotti

A roll call brought the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

The announcement of the Open Public Meetings Act was made by Jordan.

A motion was made by Silva and seconded by Buonforte to open the public portion of the meeting.

Motion passed unanimously.

No members of the public were present.

A motion was made by Silva and seconded by Buonforte to close the public portion of the meeting.

Motion passed unanimously.

Chairwoman Szepietowski if they had reviewed the minutes of the January 8, 2018 meeting. A motion was made by Jordan and seconded by Buonforte to approve the January 8, 2018 meeting minutes.

Motion passed unanimously.

The Board considered Resolution 18-03, Resolution authorizing the commissioning of a public monument of General Marquis de Lafayette at the Goffle Brook Park. Chairwoman Szepietowski asked for a full

breakdown of the line items in MARBLECast's proposal. Jordan informed the Board that it wasn't received until after the agenda was emailed, and provided the information to Board. Buonforte asked about the proposals received, and whether there should be concerns regarding MARBLECast's proposal. Ruffel stated that she contacted MARBLECast's references and all had positive experiences. Ruffel also stated that the statute will be made of bronze. Jordan informed the Board that the Lafayette statute was discussed with the Board of Chosen Freeholder's Public Works and Grounds Committee, and they approved of the project. Silva expressed a reluctance with the project and the amount of the expenditure.

A motion was made by Jordan and seconded by Ruffel to approve Resolution 18-03, a Resolution authorizing the commissioning of a public monument of General Marquis de Lafayette at the Goffle Brook Park.

Motion passed with Jordan, Moore, Ruffel, Buonforte, and Szeptietowski voting yes, and Silva voting no.

Jordan informed the Board that Resolution 18-03 will be referred to the Freeholder's Public Works and Building and Grounds Committee for a resolution authorizing the project.

The Board received a full listing of 2018 events being hosted by the Friends of Passaic County Parks, Inc. A brief discussion ensued.

Jordan informed the Board that the Board of Chosen Freeholders considered the Lambert Classic 8K at its last Public Works and Building and Grounds Committee, and will be passing a resolution supporting the event and closing portions of Rifle Camp Road and Weasel Drift Road on the morning of the race.

Silva requested that the brochures for the Memorial Bench and Tree Program be printed. Ruffel stated quotes will be solicited prior to the next meeting.

Jordan referred the Trustees to the memorandum included in the agenda packet regarding a 6-month investment with Sussex Bank of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) at a rate of 1.3%. Interest rate quotes were obtained from TD Bank, Investors Bank, and Sussex Bank. Sussex Bank offered the highest rate.

Buonforte commented that the investment made sense and recommended the Board move forward, so that earnings can be made on assets the Board just has sitting in a business checking account.

Buonforte made a motion that was seconded by Silva to approve an investment of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) in a CD for a period of six (6) months at an interest rate of 1.3%.

Motion passed unanimously.

No new business was discussed.

The next meeting is March 12, 2018 at 6:00 PM at the Dey Mansion.

A motion was made by Jordan and seconded by Buonforte to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 PM.

Motion passed unanimously.