

FRIENDS OF PASSAIC COUNTY PARKS, INC.
March 9, 2017 Meeting

MEETING MINUTES

Members present :

1. Freeholder Director Designee John W. Bartlett, Esq.
2. County Administrator Designee: Matthew P. Jordan, Esq.
3. Director of Parks and Recreation Darryl Sparta
4. Director of Cultural and Historic Affairs Kelly Ruffel
5. Jamie Dykes
6. Jeffrey Buonforte (via telephone)
7. Vice Chairman George Silva
8. Chairwoman Alice Szepietowski

Members Absent :

1. Kelly Pascrell
2. Robert Spiotti

A roll call brought the meeting to order at 5:10 PM.

A motion was made by Dykes and seconded by Buonforte to approve the minutes of the January 11, 2017 meeting.

Motion passed unanimously, with an abstention by Bartlett.

Jordan and Ruffel presented the budget and final schedule for the Movies in the Park program. Chairwoman Szepietowski brought up the idea of running a short film from a local organization regarding sustainability prior to the movies, like what is done with advertisements at a movie theater. Freeholder Bartlett suggested advertising County events and attractions, like the Preakness Valley Golf Course or Dey Mansion. Ruffel will look into the logistics of doing this type of advertisement prior to the movies.

Jordan made a motion which was seconded by Vice Chairman Silva to approve the 2017 Movies in the Park budget and schedule.

Motion passed unanimously.

Parks and Recreation Director Sparta gave an update on the Horizon Foundation grant to install a frisbee disc golf course at Rifle Camp Park. Design is complete and we are now waiting on County Counsel to develop a hold harmless agreement for volunteers to begin the work. The removal of trees is being limited and approved by the County's forester.

Jordan included in the meeting agenda packet the budget and narrative for the two (2) Green Acres Program grant applications submitted by the

Friends of Passaic County Parks, Inc. Grant awards are generally made in September.

Jordan provided an update on the fundraising to date for the 2017 Passaic County Fair, which includes approximately \$11,000 from mostly new donors. Dykes provided an update on his outreach to vendors and confirmed the same amusement ride company for this year's fair.

A motion was made by Dykes and seconded by Silva to approve a contract with International Fireworks, Inc., to perform two (2) fireworks shows at the fair.

Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Dykes and seconded by Silva to ratify Jordan's execution and filing of the 50/50 permit with the City of Paterson for the fair.

Motion passed unanimously.

Jordan informed the Board that a group of people that purchased memorial benches are planning to meet at the Goffle Brook Park on April 23rd at 10:00 AM, and all Board members are invited.

Ruffel presented a grant application proposal to the New Jersey Cultural Trust to restore two monuments associated with the Historic Passaic County Court House. A motion was made by Jordan and seconded by Bartlett to pass a resolution authorizing the application.

Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Bartlett and seconded by Dykes to approve an amount not to exceed two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) to print the Dey Mansion and Historic Court House posters.

Motion passed unanimously.

Jordan reminded the Board that the next meeting is May 1 at 5:00 PM at the Dey Mansion in Wayne.

A motion was made by Jordan and seconded by Silva to adjourn at 5:34 PM.

Motion passed unanimously.