

Adopted February 22, 2013

CMP POLICY & IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE MEETING

15 Springfield Road

New Lisbon, NJ

January 25, 2013 – 9:30 a.m.

MINUTES

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: *Participating via conference call:* Chairman Mark Lohbauer, Leslie Ficcaglia, Paul E. Galletta, Robert Jackson, Candace Ashmun (1st Alternate) and D'Arcy Rohan Green (2nd Alternate); *Participating in person:* Richard Prickett

STAFF PRESENT: Executive Director Nancy Wittenberg, Larry Liggett, Susan Grogan, Paul Leakan, Robyn Jeney and Betsy Piner.

ALSO PARTICIPATING VIA CONFERENCE CALL: Michael Catania and Anne Heasley with Conservation Resources, Inc. (CRI) and Kirsten Sundstrom,, with the Governor's Authorities Unit.

Chairperson Lohbauer called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

1. Adoption of minutes from the January 4, 2013 CMP Policy and Implementation Committee meeting

Commissioner Ficcaglia moved the adoption of the minutes of the January 4, 2013 CMP Policy and Implementation Committee meeting. Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

2. Pinelands Conservation Fund

(Note: all Committee members, as well as the Governor's Authorities Unit staff, had received a copy of the presentation by CRI in advance of the meeting. Commission staff projected it on the Smart Board for benefit of those present at the meeting.) This presentation is attached to the minutes (Open and Closed sessions)

Mr. Catania reviewed the status of the 13 projects from the 2010B Pinelands Conservation Fund (PCF) Round Allocations, noting that all funded projects had now closed. He said that the Lenape Farms project had been recognized with a well-attended publicity event on January 17, 2013 on site.

Mr. Catania said that of the 3 projects moving forward in the 2012 Round, two were requesting an extension of time to complete the second of the two required appraisals. Further discussion required that the Committee meet in Closed Session.

Commissioner Jackson moved that the Committee meet in closed session to discuss acquisition matters. Commissioner Ficcaglia seconded and all voted in favor. At 9:39 a.m. the one member of the public in attendance left the room and the Committee met in closed session.

At 9:48 a.m., the Committee resumed its open session meeting. Mr. Catania stated that the Committee had voted to approve an extension for two projects (one each in Burlington and Ocean Counties) until May 31, 2013 to complete second appraisals, obtain certification of fair market value and deliver signed contracts with the landowners. In addition, with the conclusion of the 2012 Round projects, all moneys would be spent with the exception of those restricted to the Turnpike Parcels or to Cape May County.

Mr. Catania stated that Ocean County was actively pursuing owners of some of the smaller Turnpike parcels and that he anticipated an application from Cape May County shortly. It appeared unlikely that the funds for Turnpike parcels would be expended by the time the agreement under the MOA was terminated.

3. Public Comment

No comment was offered by the public.

4. Other Items of Interest

Chairman Lohbauer and other Committee members congratulated Mr. Catania for the terrific job in facilitating the Lenape Farms acquisition and said that it symbolized a great day for the State. In addition, he noted his pleasure in having Commissioner Rohan Green participate in the meeting as she had been absent while dealing with the devastation to her home from Hurricane Sandy.

In response, Commissioner Rohan Green thanked all those who had expressed their concern and best wishes.

There being no additional items of interest, the meeting adjourned at 9:51 a.m. (moved by Commissioner Ficcaglia and seconded by Commissioner Jackson.

Certified as true and correct:

Betsy Piner, Principal Planning Assistant

Date: February 7, 2013

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