

**WARREN COUNTY  
BOARD OF RECREATION COMMISSIONERS**

500 Mt. Pisgah Avenue, PO Box 179  
Oxford, NJ 07863

**January 12, 2021  
Meeting Minutes**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mr. Tierney opened the meeting at 5:12 p.m. and read the Open Public Meeting Notice.

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Michael Helbing, Charles Fineran, William Hann, John Halmi

**Members Absent:** David Detrick, Raymond Tobaygo, Matthew Davis

**Staff Present:** Corey Tierney, Elizabeth Roy

**REORGANIZATION:**

Mr. Tierney invited nominations for Chairperson. Mr. Hann motioned to nominate Michael Helbing for Chairperson. Motion was seconded by Mr. Fineran. No other nominations were made. Motion approved unanimously; no votes in opposition to the motion or abstentions.

Mr. Tierney turned the meeting over to Chairman Helbing.

Mr. Helbing invited nominations for Vice Chairperson. Mr. Hann motioned to nominate Matthew Davis Vice Chairperson. Motion was seconded by Mr. Fineran. No other nominations were made. Motion approved unanimously; no votes in opposition to the motion or abstentions.

Mr. Helbing invited nominations for Secretary. Mr. Hann motioned to nominate David Detrick for Secretary. Motion was seconded by Mr. Halmi. No other nominations were made. Motion approved unanimously; no votes in opposition to the motion or abstentions.

**MINUTES:** The December 8, 2020 minutes were reviewed. Mr. Hann motioned to approve the minutes of December 8, 2020. Motion was seconded by Mr. Fineran. Motion carried.

**REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

**Morris Canal Committee/Warren Heritage Scenic Byway**

Ms. Roy informed the board that the Morris Canal Committee met the previous night but had some problems with the videoconferencing software so the meeting was truncated. They will be meeting again next month to set goals for the year.

Mr. Helbing asked if staff would like to give an update regarding the Bilby Road bridge. Mr. Tierney stated that he's pleased to report that trail bridge along the canal towpath located off Bilby Road has been installed by the County Bridge Department; they did an amazing job. Mr. Tierney said that the bridge will be painted green in the spring and they are investigating marine grade traction paint for the decking, which he suggested perhaps the Foundation volunteers could help with. Following installation, someone drove their jeep down the trail to the bridge so State Parks and the County are in the process installing signs and gates to keep vehicles out.

this property. The board discussed the property and its focus on preserving portions of the morris canal and properties adjoining existing county parks.

Mr. Hann made a motion to not participate in acquiring this property. Motion was seconded by Mr. Fineran. Motion carried. It was suggested the Borough could seek a grant from the municipal and Charitable conservancy trust fund committee.

**Administrator's Report**

Board had no further questions.

**NEXT MEETING** - The next meeting is scheduled for February 9, 2021.

**ADJOURNMENT** - There being no further business, Mr. Hann motioned, seconded by Mr. Fineran to adjourn the meeting at 6:04 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Corey Tierney  
Director, Land Preservation Dept.