Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District was held in the FI Community Center on **Monday, August 2, 2010** at 5:00 PM.

Present were Commissioners: Brooks, Burnham, duPont and Edwards. 7 members of the community attended.

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, July 6, 2010 were read and approved; Moved by Commissioner Edwards, Seconded by Commissioner duPont; Ayes all.

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, July 21, 2010 were read, amended and approved; Moved by Commissioner Edwards, Seconded by Commissioner Brooks; Ayes all.

A listing of the outstanding obligations of the District was distributed to the Board for audit and discussion. At the conclusion of the discussion, a resolution to pay the outstanding obligations of: \$7,266.92 as represented by vouchers #956 through #977, dated August 2, 2010 was;

Moved by Commissioner duPont,

Seconded by Commissioner Burnham;

Vote of the Board of Commissioners:

Ayes: Commissioners: Brooks, Burnham duPont and Edwards.

Nays: None

Correspondence

- 1. Year round pass request for Jeffrey Davis was tabled as a result of his absence.
- 2. A letter from Peter Strife requesting direct payment for an auto mishap was denied; however it was agreed to pay the auto body shop for the repairs.
- 3. A thank you letter from Alice Maguire was distributed to the board.

Old Business

- 1. A motion to hire tellers for the upcoming commissioner election was approved by the Board. The motion is a part of these minutes.
- 2. A COLA raise for part time employees was discussed. Commissioner duPont moved a 2% increase, Seconded by Commissioner Burnham: Vote of the Board: Ayes: Burnham, duPont. Nays: Brooks, Edwards. Motion did not carry.
- 3. 2011 budget preparations continue. Line item reports were distributed to the Board as well as proposed property budget figures.
- 4. Attorney Knoblauch asked if he should continue filing the forms with the State of Connecticut for the fuel excise tax exemption. The Board asked that he send a letter explaining the process along with a proposed cost of services.
- 5. Asst. Manger Schmid explained that the election process is in full swing and on schedule. There are a large number of absentee ballots being distributed.
- 6. CCG has filled the potholes in the back of the reservation office. They did a great job in backblading and smoothing out the entire area.
- 7. Mark Terry, planner for the Town of Southold, spoke about grants that are available from the Town in order to improve the parking and terminal areas. The Town Board needs to request the funding on the district's behalf and Mark will assist with the writing of the grants. A future meeting will be planned.
- 8. Robert Silverstein has sent a proposal to appraise the district properties for \$4,000.00, which the Board accepted. The motion is a part of these minutes.
- 9. The Board accepted the health insurance plan as proposed by Mary Center of Tzedakah House. The new plan is the Empire Blue Prism which replaces the HealthNet plan which was discontinued. The motion is a part of these minutes.
- 10. A copy of the Airport Crack and Seal II package was submitted for review.
- 11. The District approved the Property and Liability Insurance proposal from Gencorp Insurance of Rhode Island. The premium actually decreased from last year. The motion is a part of these minutes.

New Business

- 1. The past OFF PEAK schedule was distributed to the Board to prepare for the new upcoming OFF PEAK schedule. Discussions will continue at the next meeting
- 2. As the result of a large number of damaged lights, the airport runway lights needed to be repaired immediately. Eighteen lights were fixed, additional materials need to be ordered before the remainder or lights can be repaired.
- 3. A New York State Retirement Incentive was discussed by the Board. The Southold Town Board must accept the package before the District could offer it.
- 4. Two 2010 Budget Modifications were approved by the Board. On was to fund the Airport Repair job with the FAA grant monies. The other was to fund two overdrawn lines in the budget. Both motions are a part of these minutes.
- 5. Captain Easter has suggested having the exterior of the New London Terminal sealed. The Board agreed and asked him to prepare a bid package.

Public Comment

- 1. Paul Giles asked how much will remain in the unexpended balance fund after the proposed \$130,000 will be taken for the 2011 budget. He was told approximately \$80,000.00.
- 2. Paul also asked if Bond Council needs to approve the proposed payment of \$100,000. The Board will find out.
- 3. Commissioner Edwards asked that all employees who volunteered to work a security detail during the night of the fireworks be sent a note of thanks.

Executive Session

The Board entered into Executive Session at 6:37 PM.

The Board exited from Executive Session at 6:55 PM.

Next scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 17, 2010 at 4:30 PM in the Fishers Island Community Center, unless a budget workshop needs to be scheduled.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Thomas F. Doherty Manager/Secretary