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 **Tuesday, September 7, 2010** at 5:00 PM.

Present were Commissioners: Brooks, Burnham, duPont, Edwards and Rafferty. 6 members of the community attended.

Minutes of the meeting held on August 20, 2010 were tabled for revision. Moved by Commissioner Edwards, Seconded by Commissioner Burnham; Ayes all.

A listing of the outstanding obligations of the District was distributed to the Board for review and discussion. All invoices were declared to abide by the Procurement Policy. At the conclusion of the discussion, a resolution to pay the outstanding obligations of: **\$40,465.25** as represented by vouchers **#1016 through #1046**, dated September 7, 2010 was; Moved by Commissioner duPont,

Seconded by Commissioner Brooks;

Vote of the Board of Commissioners:

Ayes: Commissioners: Brooks, Burnham duPont, Edwards and Rafferty.

Nays: None

Correspondence

- 1. Year round pass request for Chris Haas was presented and approved.
- 2. Bids for sealing the exterior of the New London Terminal were distributed to the Board. A motion to accept the bid of French Masonary for the amount of \$4,500.00 was accepted by the Board. The motion is a part of these minutes.
- 3. An anonymous letter concerning recycling was distributed to the board.

Old Business

- 1. The Board approved the recommendation of C&S Engineering to award the Elizabeth Airport Sealing and Crack Repair #2 to Axtell's Inc of Jermyn, PA in the amount of \$172,796.00. The motion is a part of these minutes.
- 2. Attorney Knoblock is continuing the pursuit of a tax exemption from the Fuel Excise Tax in the State of Connecticut.
- 3. Eligible employees to the New York State Early Retirement Incentive Program, 2010 have been polled and it appears that none are interested. The Board agreed not to take part in this program. The motion is a part of these minutes.

- 4. The lease/appraisal project will be undertaken in the very near future. Appraiser Robert Silverstein indicated that he would start right after Labor Day.
- 5. The Uniform Contract expires on May 5, 2011. The Board does not want to renew the contract and will send a letter of non-renewal to the UniFirst Co. immediately.
- 6. The Island Habitat Committee was discussed by Commissioner Edwards, including future plans for revitalizing the waterfront area of the Ferry District. Joe Henderson spoke to improving the ecosystem of the airport and parade grounds. He has asked the Board to support the upcoming plans of the Fire Department for correctly burning the fields as well as the seeding and replanting that will be undertaken as necessary. The Board agreed to support the project pending the evaluation of detailed plans, financing obligations and other considerations as they might appear. Possible FAA funding will also be investigated.

New Business

- 1. A pay increase of 10% for Russell Smith for successfully obtaining his Captain's License was tabled to review previous personnel increases. The Board would like to review the Advancement Ladder policy.
- 2. A request by Nick Espinosa to use 10 days of his accrued sick time was approved by the Board.
- 3. The computer reservation/ticket process was reviewed. Some questions and complaints have been received, but most are not attributed to the system itself.
- 4. The Board is investigating the possibility of hiring new legal representation. Information was distributed to the Board members for future discussion.
- 5. Revenue numbers associated to the Southold Town paving project were distributed to the Board. The project has yet to be completed so final numbers will be available at the end of the month. Traffic numbers through August were also distributed, revenue is above last year. The Board would like a monthly budget/actual review on the second meeting of every month.

Public Comment

1. It was stated that the schedule could not be printed from the web page. This problem will be investigated.

Executive Session

The Board entered into Executive Session for the discussion of personnel at 6:40 PM. The Board exited from Executive Session at 6:51 PM.

Next scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 21, 2010 at 5:00 PM in the Fishers Island Community Center.

The meeting adjourned at 6:52 PM.

Thomas F. Doherty Manager/Secretary