Minutes of the Meeting of July 7, 2014

WARREN COUNTY MUNICIPAL AND CHARITABLE CONSERVANCY TRUST FUND COMMITTEE

500 Mt. Pisgah Avenue Oxford, New Jersey 07863

Members Present:

Desiree Denker

David Smith

Nancy Miller

Ellen Johnson Demeter

Charles Fineran Todd Tersigni Joel McGreen

Tim Bodine

Jean Smolha Beth Calabrese

Louis Cartabona

Member Absent:

None

Staff:

Corey Tierney

Sue Beall

Others Present:

Brian and Carol McKevitt, interested parties; Joanne and Richard Ohl, Hardwick Historical Society; Louis J. Rossi, Hardwick Historical Society; Lori Dabkowski, Mt. Bethel Church; Polly Newbold, David Morris, Rev. John H. VonHaneghan and Charlotte

Morris, St. James Church; Michael Margulies, Eclectic

Architecture; Robert May, Carol Appleby, Candace Lewis and Jean McMullan, United Methodist Church of Washington; Erika Dulster, Elizabeth Gervari, Carol S. McLain, Jan Swift, Doyle Frank, Rev. David Harvey, Pete Peterson, Jim McLain, Nancy L. Bair, Deborah Albrecht, Gail Weber and Jean O'Brien, First

Presbyterian Church of Blairstown; John Rhein, Andrew Parke and Carrew Thomas, Mt. Bethel Church; Herman Shoemaker, Mayor of Blairstown and Bob Canace, Footbridge Park Expansion.

Chairman Fineran opened the meeting at 7:30 PM and the meeting notice was read into the record. He then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

New member Louis J. Cartabona was sworn in by Mr. Tierney.

Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting of April 7, 2014, were approved, with a correction, on a motion by Mrs. Demeter, second by Mr. Tersigni. Motion carried. Mr. Cartabona abstained.

Correction: Page 1, paragraph 3, should read Mrs. Demeter nominated Mrs. Miller for Vice Chair, seconded by Mr. Tersigni. Motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence:

A letter from the Town of Belvidere requesting that they be allowed to change line items in the grant awarded to the Belvidere Library in 2011 and an extension to 2015 for the balance of \$24,271.25. Mrs. Miller made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bodine, to allow the Belvidere Library to use the balance of the grant in the amount of \$24,271.25 for necessary expenditures to maintain the integrity of the structure and to preserve the work already completed. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business:

There was no Old Business tonight.

New Business:

Chairman Fineran welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked the Board of Chosen Freeholders for their support of the MCCTFC. He then went on to explain the process to both the audience and the new members of the Committee. He advised every one of the limited amount of funding available and emphasized the difficulty that the Committee would be experiencing while deliberating on recommendations for grant funding to the Freeholders. Mr. Fineran further stated that as in the past, requests would be sent out to applicants regarding what is referred to as "60-40." In view of the funding available, applicants are asked to look at their application and recalculate the amount requested to determine what portions of their project can be accomplished with 60% of the total and then 40% of the total. Mrs. Miller made a motion to send the 60-40 letters, seconded by Mrs. Demeter. Motion carried, Mr. Cartabona voted "no." Next discussed was the topic of site visits. Mr. Tierney asked the Committee whether or not they preferred to have full day or half day visits. The consensus of opinion was that with a half day each applicant would receive the same amount of attention. Mr. Cartabona made a motion to have Mr. Tierney set up the site visit days, seconded by Mr. Tersigni. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Tierney discussed various dates and scenarios and suggested site visits for August 23 and September 20, with presentations on September 8 and October 6. Ms. Smolha made a motion to accept the dates, seconded by Mrs. Demeter. Motion carried unanimously.

There was no Public Comment.

Since there was no further business, Mr. Fineran called for a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Demeter made a motion to adjourn, second by Mr. Tersigni.

Mr. Fineran adjourned the meeting at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan W. Beall, Clerk

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