

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

**OF THE**

**SUFFOLK COUNTY LEGISLATURE**

**Minutes**

A regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee of the Suffolk County Legislature was held in the Rose Y. Caracappa Legislative Auditorium of the William H. Rogers Legislature Building, 725 Veterans Memorial Highway, Smithtown, New York on April 22, 2009.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Leg. Vivian Vilorio-Fisher, Chairperson  
Leg. Wayne R. Horsley, Vice Chair  
Leg. Cameron Alden (not present)  
Leg. Lynne C. Nowick  
Leg. Steven H. Stern

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

William J. Lindsay, Presiding Officer  
George Nolan, Counsel to the Legislature  
Sarah Simpson, Assistant Counsel  
Alicia Howard, Deputy Clerk  
Lance Reinheimer, Assistant Director of Budget Review Office  
Jill Moss, Budget Review Office  
John W. Pavacic, Commissioner of Parks  
Tracey Bellone, Deputy Commissioner of Parks  
Brendan Chamberlain, Aide to County Executive  
Steve Tricaraco, Aide to County Executive  
Paul Perillie, Aide to Majority Leader  
Linda Bay, Aide to Minority Leader  
Thomas Ryan, Aide to Leg. Vilorio-Fisher  
Brendan Stanton, Aide to Leg. Horsley  
Greg Moran, Aide to Leg. Nowick  
Deborah Harris, Aide to Leg. Stern  
Debra Alloncius, Legislative Rep for AME  
Dennis Brown, County Attorney's Office  
William Shilling, Aide to Presiding Officer  
Barbara Buscareno  
Bob Santo  
Miles Borden, Parks Trustee  
Gil Cardillo, Parks Trustee  
Alex McKay, Parks Trustee  
Greg Dawson, Parks Trustee  
And all other interested parties

**MINUTES TAKEN BY:**

Diana Kraus, Court Stenographer

## **THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 1:19 PM**

### **CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Good afternoon everybody and welcome to today's meeting of the Parks & Cultural Affairs Committee. Please join us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **SALUTATION**

And just remain standing for a moment of silence. You may have noticed that the flag is at half staff. And that's because Governor Paterson has asked that all flags be flown at half-staff today in the memory of Army Sergeant Raul Moncada, a member the Tenth Mountain Division of Fort Drum who was killed in action on Monday, April 13th near Bagdad, if you could just have a moment of silence.

### **MOMENT OF SILENCE OBSERVED**

Thank you.

### **PUBLIC PORTION**

We have several cards, our first being Mr. Bob Santo. Mr. Santo, if could please come to the podium and check and make sure that your mike is on. There's a button toward the top. Pull it towards you. I think you got it. Thank you.

### **MR. SANTO:**

Thank you. Good afternoon my name is Bob Santo. I'm post commander of American Legion Post 1244 in Greenlawn. I'd like to thank Legislator Stern and the Parks Commissioner Pavacic for considering the American Legion Greenlawn Post as a co-steward of the Elwood School House.

Our post was founded in 1943 and once occupied a small cottage on Broadway and Greenlawn just across from Emily Court. For the past thirty years, however, we have not had a place to call home. And over that time our post membership has dwindled as our membership grew older and became difficult to attract younger members.

In the past five years, we've nearly doubled our membership as well as our activities in the local community. Having a locus at the Elwood School House would enable the American Legion to expand our outreach to the veterans of our community from the World War II era to those men and women currently on active duty.

The American Legion specifically recognizes the importance of our individual obligation to our community, state and nation. Our post provides our members the opportunity to serve the community by our involvement with our young people through our local schools, scouting and other organizations serving our youth.

Some of the programs we currently offer are scholarships for excellence in American governmental studies, essay and poster contests, American Legion Boys State for Junior High School boys, the County Oratorical contest, flag educational programs. And now we've become offering -- we've begun to offer monetary grants for returning needy Iraq and Afghanistan veterans.

We are eager and committed to serve as co-stewards of the Elwood School House, providing physical security of the building by our presence there and acting as guides to any individuals or groups wishing to tour the completed renovation.

In addition to preserving this important piece of our local history for future generations to understand, there is a great need for a gathering place available to the many community groups which contribute so much to the quality of our life in the community. This Elwood School House would provide a gathering place for our community.

We hope that the Elwood School House will become a focal point for many local community activities and serve many civic organizations that are in the area. What drives first aid and CPR, training, child safety programs, disaster and emergency preparedness programs are just a few of the programs that come to mind that we would be prepared to conduct once this restoration is completed.

We are looking forward to working with Legislator Stern, Commissioner Pavacic, Mr. Martin and our other co-stewards, the Greenlawn Civic Association, the Elwood Taxpayers Association and Youth Directions and Alternatives to bring this project to fruition in any way that we can. And we urge you to give the Elwood School House Restoration the support it deserves. Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Thank you very much, Mr. Santo. And I'd like to thank you and your post for all of the work that you're doing. That's really a very robust program you have there. Thank you and good luck with the project.

**MR. SANTO:**

Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Barbara Buscareno.

**MS. BUSCARENO:**

Yes, good afternoon. My name is Barbara Buscareno. And I'm the Vice President of LIDog, the Long Island dog owners group. We're a not-for-profit organization advocating for increasing access to publically owned parkland for dog owners and our dogs.

I just want to say that we strongly support Suffolk County Legislator Kate Browning's bill IR 1273, amending the Suffolk County Parks Board of Trustees' role to be advisory to the Suffolk County Legislature. We have attended many of the Suffolk County Parks Board of Trustees meetings in the past 11 years. Our experiences have been mixed and have been extremely frustrating at times. As the board members are volunteers appointed by their respective town supervisors, they're not available for any in depth discussion on the complexities of some of our issues.

To have these volunteer trustees unaccountable to Suffolk County voters, be able to vote down and override proposals supported by elected officials is opposed to the essence of representative government and clearly needs to change. Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Thank you, Barbara.

Alex McKay. Alex, can you come up, please?

**MR. McKAY:**

You want us to go separately?

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Well, you know what? Yes. Alex, Gil Cardillo and Miles Borden, three Parks Trustees, you may all come up together. And there are three chairs here right at the table. Please identify yourselves when you sit down so that the stenographer knows who is who when you're speaking. And thank

you for being here.

**MR. McKAY:**

Thank you for the opportunity.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Okay, there are four available mikes, or at least three, and four seats. Okay. Just pull it towards you there.

**MR. McKAY:**

Okay, how's that?

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

There you go.

**MR. McKAY:**

Fine. Since you called me first, I'll go ahead first.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Please identify yourself so the stenographer knows.

**MR. McKAY:**

Good afternoon. I will, I will. Mrs. Fisher, members of the Committee, I appreciate the opportunity to address the Committee regarding resolution 1273. My name is Alex McKay. I'm a Park Trustee representing the Town of Huntington. Do you need my address as well?

**MS. KRAUS:**

No.

**MR. McKAY:**

I was first appointed on 7/7/76, the year of the bicentennial. I've been a Trustee for 33 years. For those 33 years the Trustees' Charter authority to approve regulations, use, fees and charges in the County Parks has been unquestioned.

I spoke to Trustee White -- Richard White from East Hampton yesterday. He could not join us today; he wanted to. He was first appointed in 1970. And I reminded him that was the year of the first Earth Day which we're celebrating today, April 22nd. And he said, my God, has it been that long? In his 39 years he could recall no instance of anyone questioning the authority of the Trustees until recently.

We have had a few instances where the Trustees have disagreed with Legislators and members of the community as you just heard. But we have always taken our responsibility seriously and have worked diligently to do what we have collectively thought was best for the parks and the parks' patrons.

I'm going to skip a little bit because they say we have three minutes and I want to make it quick. Talking to Trustee White, we agreed that if it ain't broke, don't fix it. If some of you feel compelled to change the historic Charter authority of the Board of Trustees, I think you should make it absolutely clear what you are doing.

I was an English teacher for many years; taught George Orwell's famous classic essay Politics and the English Language, in which his thesis was that politicians often use the language to conceal and obfuscate what their true purpose is. In the case of 1273, the word clarify appears four times on page one. What you're doing is not clarifying the role of the Park Trustees; you are revising it and limiting it. To say you are clarifying it seems to me to be a disservice to the community who do not understand that that is what you are doing.

We could put it in plain English. The duties of the Park Trustees have been perfectly clear and are perfectly clear in the current article C 28 (3) (a) (4). It is simply to approve all matters having to do with the regulation use, fees and charges with respect to parks and recreation facilities, which matters shall be referred to the rule by the Commissioner and shall become effective only upon its approval.

It's been that way since 1960 when the Charter was adopted. And here we are 49, almost 50 years later now deciding that this is not the way it should operate.

I must admit, I'm going to skip forward, when I received the e-mail last week with this meeting's agenda, I was surprised and angered to read that this was coming before the Legislature. My apologies, Vivian, to you for making my anger evident last Thursday. It was a day after I had read this and I was still somewhat smarting from the impact of it. I took it as a kind of slap on the wrist to myself and to my fellow Trustees.

After a week of thinking about this and brooding, I think right now I'm just sad and disappointed, that after all the Trustees' conscientious service, it comes to this. Do as you must; as the Beatles said, let it be. Celebrate Earth Day. Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

And, Alex, just for the record, I completely understood your feelings at the Park Trustees meeting. I certainly didn't take it personally and I didn't feel it was directed at me.

**MR. McKAY:**

Thank you. I didn't mean it that way.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Gil? Gil Cardillo.

**MR. CARDILLO:**

Miles, did you want to go first?

**MR. BORDEN:**

Fine. I'm speaking on the 1273 resolution clarifying the powers and duties of the Board of Trustees. I'm going to borrow from Dick White and say it's an old axiom. If it ain't broke, don't fix it. I think that recent process to increase the park fees is a prime example that it's not broken. It's working. And if you go back probably, Vivian, three months ago or more when you first appeared about the fee schedule -- in fact at last Thursday's meeting, you and I sat and had lunch together among others and I complimented you in the way you carried the ball on the issue. You really struggled with that issue. You are to be commended. And I see my comrade at arms from Smithtown, Lynne Nowick, sitting over there. When Vivian -- when you first proposed, yeah, some of us agreed, some of us didn't. And some were in the middle looking for more information. I happen to be one of those early on that agreed.

Then when I heard more testimony and so on, I modified my position. But finally agreed to the final proposals and supported it I think quite clearly. Over two meetings, I believe it was probably somewhere around forty residents of Suffolk County who attended park meetings, golfers, campers, dog owners and the like. And I thought it was a great dynamic, the insights that we received from people.

And it shows that the Legislature and the Parks Trustees can work together. And I'd like to say that, you know, we found a good solution. A lot of us walked away not completely happy. And I guess that's the -- any time you get a solution that there's not a lot of unhappy people but nobody's overly happy, I think, that it worked. And I would hope that we can continue in the same vein.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Thank you, Miles. You can speak in whatever order you want.

**MR. CARDILLO:**

Thank you. Hi, Gil Cardillo, Trustee from Riverhead. I'll try not to repeat any of my partners here. I also spoke to Dick White. He's been a great source of information because he has been on the board for so long. And I also polled the other trustees. And I think the same topics kept coming up again and again. And we've always felt that if a proposal has merit, it historically has been passed by the Trustees.

And I will agree with Alex and with Miles regarding the fee increase, I think that was the best example of that because there was spirited discussion regarding the park fees and, you know, to Vivian's credit she was able to turn what -- I think we were somewhat overwhelmingly against the park fees increase and you were able to turn it so that you had a big majority on the other side. So we felt that that made the process work and that indeed I know that the Legislature had some of the people turned afterwards. And they voted no in the beginning and then they came back and voted yes after the proposal was reworked.

There were a couple of other proposals where recently we did not agree. And again we -- it's not something where we just have a position. We are bound by -- upon being trustees on certain rules. Like there was a piece of land purchase that did not meet any of the criteria that we are supposed to purchase land under. So we have don't just have ideas. We have to work within the framework of our duties as Trustees.

I think -- when I spoke to the other Trustees, one of the recurring themes that kept coming up was that times like these, that we needed more oversight rather than less oversight. And we feel that to lose the authority we do have would be a bad thing because then there's no oversight on -- sometimes there are issues that the Legislators need to vote on. And let's face it, we understand how politics works. We would submit that the Trustees sometimes act as a buffer so that if something perhaps is politically unpopular to vote, we can take the heat then on that; because if it's not right for the Parks, if it's not right for the people of the County, then, that's -- the buck stops with us. Because we have a duty. And we have -- you know, our duties are spelled out right in the County Charter, which if you ask Alex anything, he knows the Charter backwards and forwards and sideways.

I just want to look at the notes. I don't want to repeat everything Alex said. One of the other recurring themes that came up when speaking to the other trustees were that an appointment is not something that is unprecedented. Robert Moses was an appointed official. I would submit the supreme court of this land are appointed officials as well. And we feel that we serve just like other appointed officials as a checks and balances in the entire system.

And I guess the other point is, I think Alex may have mentioned, it's somewhat ironic that as we sit here on Earth Day and we talk about stripping the Trustees of our approval authority that we have had for, I guess, somewhat 49 years or someone can correct me if I'm wrong that's, so -- and that's all we have today. Thank you very much for seeing us.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Thank you, Gil. Thank you. Greg.

**MR. GREGORY:**

Thank you. Actually I wasn't really prepared to speak. I just wanted to show up and show my support for my -- I'm sorry, it's Greg Dawson, I'm a Trustee for the Town of Islip. I came to show my support for my fellow Trustees. And I just would like to make one note. I'm sorry that Ms. Buscarino who spoke a little bit earlier felt that she didn't have access to any of the Trustees. That's certainly not our position. I mean I've been called at my house on certain issues and I'll be more than happy to discuss it, if not at a Trustee meeting but any time. I mean I think we're all pretty much available to the public. So I just wanted to make that point.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Thank you.

**MR. CARDILLO:**

I did have one more -- can I go back? One more quick thing. And I know Barbara has been at many, many of our meetings in the last 11 years or whatever. I've only been on the board under four years, but I have been called myself at my office by Ginny Munger Kahn, who is, I think, the President of LIDOG and she has e-mailed me so I don't -- I can't speak for the other Trustees but I can speak for myself that I've always been available. I've given her my business number and I've given her my e-mail and I have corresponded with the President of LIDOG.

So I have to disagree with the fact that, you know, I as a Trustee have been unavailable to talk to them. I stay after the meetings frequently. I don't run right out of there. And I have talked to the LIDOG folks on many occasions. We've done through the walk thru. We've had several meetings at Coindre Hall in Huntington. And, you know, I felt as a whole, as a group the Trustees have always been available. And we considered and considered and considered their proposals. Unfortunately after years of discussing the issue and discussing the issue, we had a resolution and the board felt a certain way. And we're sorry that we disagreed but what LIDOG was doing was creating a de facto dog park in Coindre Hall when it is not -- in the entire County there are no unleashed dogs allowed except in designated dog parks. And they basically were creating a de facto dog park.

I understand it's an act of civil disobedience but we could not agree with something that was against the regulations. Again I go back to our -- you know, what we are there for and what we are supposed to do. And our duties -- our duties are to more or less enforce the rules. And this was something that was absolutely against the rules what is and was going on in Coindre Hall. Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Thank you. Are there any questions from the Committee? Okay. I would just like to tell you that we're required to table the resolution today because there is going to be the public hearing coming up on Tuesday. Of course you're welcome to come back for that. And the public hearing begins at 2:30 in the afternoon. Okay? And it's here as well. All right? Thank you for coming down and thank you for the time and effort and your dedication to the parks.

Okay we'll be going to the agenda. All right.

**TABLED RESOLUTIONS**

The first tabled resolution on the agenda is **IR 1115, authorizing the transfer of property to Suffolk County Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation and creating a new Suffolk County Park. (Beedenbender)** And I believe that the sponsor would like to table this again for further review.

**LEG. STERN:**

Motion to table at the request of the sponsor.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Okay, I will second that motion. All in favor? Opposed? **1115 stands tabled. (Vote: 4-0-0-1. Leg. Alden not present)**

**IR 1203, modifying the investment objective for the Vanderbilt Museum Endowment Trust Fund to preserve the \$8.2 million corpus while maximizing income to provide for the future revenue needs of the museum. (Lindsay)** Is there a motion?

**LEG. HORSLEY:**

Motion to table.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Motion to table by Legislator Horsley.

**LEG. STERN:**

Second.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Seconded by Legislator Stern. Any discussion? All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? **IR 1203 stands tabled. (Vote: 4-0-0-1. Leg. Alden not present)**

### **INTRODUCTORY RESOLUTIONS**

Introductory resolutions, **IR 1225, authorizing the County to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the Town of Brookhaven in connection with the maintenance of a parcel located in Swan Lake County Park. (Eddington)** And is there a motion?

**LEG. STERN:**

I'll make a motion to approve.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

And it sounds like you want to make the motion and then have discussion?

**LEG. STERN:**

And then have discussion.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Okay. Seconded by Legislator Horsley. Commissioner is here for questions. Legislator Stern you have floor.

**LEG. STERN:**

Yes, thank you, Madam Chair. What would be the responsibilities of the County in this agreement?

**COMMISSIONER PAVACIC:**

To conduct full maintenance of this parcel. It is adjacent to County Parks owned parcels so that would include mowing, litter clean up, erection and maintenance of fencing and other ancillary duties required to maintain the property.

**LEG. STERN:**

Do I have it correct, Commissioner, that there is currently a structure on the property but that's going to be removed so that by the time we have this agreement and we are responsible for maintenance that there will be no structure?

**COMMISSIONER PAVACIC:**

Deputy Commissioner Bellone is familiar with that particular issue.

**MS. BELLONE:**

Good afternoon. There is a structure on the property but part of the agreement it has to be taken down and the property has to be in pristine condition before it's turned over to the County. The property is landlocked by Suffolk County Park property. It's less than an acre. It's minimal for us regarding maintenance. We already maintain the two adjoining properties.

**LEG. STERN:**

Okay, thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Yeah, I'm seeing that it's point one four of an acre so basically we're running those ride-on lawn mowers, we can just go right across that piece.

**MS. BELLONE:**

Correct. We did ask the sponsoring Legislator to remove the clause about it being fiscally -- I don't have it in front of me -- the WHEREAS clause, we did ask them to remove one of them before he submitted it.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Okay, Counsel is representing that we did.

**MR. NOLAN:**

It was amended.

**MS. BELLONE:**

Okay, sorry.

**MR. NOLAN:**

No problem.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Okay. So there's a motion and a second to approve. All in favor? Opposed? **IR 1225 is approved. (Vote: 4-0-0-1. Leg. Alden not present)**

**1239, authorizing a cell tower at the Vanderbilt Museum. (Cooper)** Madam Clerk, am I listed as a cosponsor? I don't see it here but I think that we had -- yeah, my name should be as cosponsor. That's authorizing a cell tower at the Vanderbilt Museum. I'll make a motion to approve.

**LEG. HORSLEY:**

Second.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Seconded by Legislator Horsley.

**MS. HOWARD:**

I do show you as a cosponsor.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

You do show me as a cosponsor, okay. You know, we've been trying to find ways to raise funds at the Vanderbilt Museum. And I have to credit -- I want to credit -- give a good deal of credit to Trustee Noel Gish who has done a great deal of research on it as to not only the revenue side of having a cell tower there but the critical importance to public safety in having a cell tower in an area where signals are lacking or unavailable. And I'm very, very happy that the Vanderbilt Museum Trustees worked with our County Attorney's Office and with the Legislature in putting this together. So I fully support it and was happy to be a cosponsor. Legislator Horsley has a question.

**LEG. HORSLEY:**

Thank you, Madam Chair. Just quickly, what is the revenue that would be produced? Would the revenue go the park itself or does it go to the General Fund?

**MR. NOLAN:**

The resolution doesn't identify how much revenue is going to be generated. That is still to be determined. It's not in the resolution the amount. And the money would go to the museum --

**LEG. HORSLEY:**

To the museum? That's okay.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Legislator Stern.

**LEG. STERN:**

Just maybe through the Chair to Legislator Horsley, the FIS, I think, is it 50 to \$100,000?

**MR. REINHEIMER:**

Well, it depends on how many providers you have. The County has a standard contract that \$1750 per month per provider. There was some discussion in the museum Board of Trustees' meeting that possibly the museum could go outside that contract and could get as much as around 2,000 per month per provider. And they were looking at, you know, several providers which would approach almost \$100,000.

**LEG. STERN:**

Thank you. Thank you, Madam Chair. Question for Counsel. George, we approved this resolution and this would authorize the museum to seek -- to install a cell tower. But what if any other procedure would they have to go through specifically with the town in order to get the actual approval?

**MR. NOLAN:**

I don't think it's clear whether or not -- that's always a tricky issue in terms of whether a public entity like this where it's a county-owned property would be subject to local zoning requirements. Typically that's resolved by a very complicated balancing task in the courts. But the museum is going to have to receive all approvals that are required. It's going to be in their court to get the approvals they need to do the cell tower.

I'd also just like to mention there is a clause in the resolution that any agreement that the folks at the museum reach would have to come back here for approval again.

**LEG. STERN:**

Okay.

**LEG. HORSLEY:**

(Inaudible - Donna sitting in for me couldn't hear because Leg. Horsley was not on mike)

**MR. NOLAN:**

But that's not really addressed in the resolution. I don't know if there's going to be a problem with the town.

**LEG. STERN:**

Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Thank you. There is a motion and a second to approve. All in favor? Opposed? **IR 1239 stands approved. (Vote: 4-0-0-1. Leg. Alden not present)**

**1240, authorizing use of Smith Point County Park property by the Montauk Highway Merchants' Association and the Chamber of Commerce of the Mastics and Shirley, for a Summer Youth Program. (Browning)** I'll make a motion, second by Legislator Horsley. All in favor? Opposed? **IR 1240 stands approved. (Vote: 4-0-0-1. Leg. Alden not present)**

**IR 1252, appropriating funds in connection with the removal of toxic and hazardous materials in County parks. (Co. Exec.)** Okay, this is \$200,000. And Peconic Dunes, Sears

Bellows and a couple of other places?

**COMMISSIONER PAVACIC:**

This fund is used for such things as a removal of underground storage tanks including gasoline and heating oil, fuel tanks, removal of lead paint when restorations are done. As some people know basically paint before the mid-1970's, even in these more modern times had lead in it. And in addition, removal of asbestos containing materials such as in floor tiles and in shingles on the outside of buildings. So it covers a wide range of issues that we have to encounter and insure the proper removal in accordance with EPA and New York State DEC standards.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Counsel, I just have a question about the underground storage tanks. Isn't there money set aside for the specific purpose of underground storage tanks and their removal? I mean don't we actually have money that we grant to private owners to remove their storage tanks?

**MR. NOLAN:**

I think that was a resolution passed a number of years ago that set up a program where we -- and appropriated some money so that people who were removing an underground tank that was unsafe and replacing it we would give them a \$100 or \$250. That was a number of years ago. I don't if that is still an active program.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Oh, so we haven't continued to set aside money in our budget?

**MR. NOLAN:**

I don't know. I don't know. That was through the Department of Health Services. I think that's something we can ask them. I just don't know if we've continued to include that money. I don't know if Budget Review would know that offhand.

**MR. REINHEIMER:**

(Shaking head no)

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Okay. Thank you. I was just trying to save our Parks Department some money.

**COMMISSIONER PAVACIC:**

We appreciate that.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

They wouldn't get it. It's just for private, okay. All right. So did we make a motion on that yet? Okay, I'll make a motion to approve, seconded by Legislator Horsley. All in favor? Opposed? **IR 1252 stands approved. (Vote: 4-0-0-1. Leg. Alden not present)**

**IR 1254, authorizing use of Southaven County Park by Contractors for Kids Inc for their picnic and barbecue fundraiser. (Co. Exec.)** I'll make a motion, seconded by Legislator Horsley. All in favor? Opposed? **IR 1254 stands approved. (Vote: 4-0-0-1. Leg. Alden not present)**

**IR 1255, authorizing use of Blydenburg County Park by Almost Home Animal Rescue and Adoption for its dog Walkathon Fundraiser. (Co. Exec.)** Same motion, same second, same vote, okay, all right for 1255. **(Vote: 4-0-0-1. Leg. Alden not present)**

**1256, authorizing use of Blydenburg County Park by the Care Center for its annual walkathon fundraiser. (Co. Exec.)** Same motion, same second, same vote. **(Vote: 4-0-0-1. Leg. Alden not present)**

**And IR 1273, adopting Charter Law to clarify powers and duties of the Board of Trustees of Parks, Recreation and Conservation. (Browning)** And this has to be tabled for a public hearing. I will make the motion to table, seconded by Legislator Horsley. All in favor? Opposed?  
**IR 1273 stands tabled for public hearing. (Vote: 4-0-0-1. Leg. Alden not present)**

Is there any further business or comment? Commissioner, we're okay? All set?

**COMMISSIONER PAVACIC:**

All set. Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON VILORIA-FISHER:**

Okay. Thank you very much and thank you to everyone. Meeting's adjourned.

**THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 1:54 PM  
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