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**New Jersey State Planning Commission
Minutes of the Meeting Held April 20, 2011
Via Conference Call
Department of State
Conference Room 1, 5th Floor
225 West State Street, Trenton, New Jersey**

CALL TO ORDER

Edward McKenna, Chair, called the April 20, 2011 meeting of the New Jersey State Planning Commission to order at 9:35 a.m.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

Deputy Attorney General Julie Cavanagh announced that notice of the date, time and place of the meeting had been given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

ROLL CALL

Members Present

Kenneth Albert, Public Member (arrived on call at 9:41 a.m.)
John Eskilson, Public Member
Monique Purcell, Designee for Douglas Fisher, Secretary, Department of Agriculture
Caren Franzini, Chief Executive Officer, NJ Economic Development Authority
Matt McDermott, Designee for Lt. Governor Kim Guadagno, Department of State
Charles Richman, Designee for Lori Grifa, Commissioner, Department of Community Affairs
Marc Larkins, Chief Executive Officer, Schools Development Authority
Michele Siekerka, Designee for Bob Martin, Commissioner, Department of Environmental Protection
Thomas Michnewicz, Public Member
Andy Swords, Designee for James Simpson, Commissioner, Department of Transportation
Edward McKenna, Chairman, Public Member

Not Present

Shing-Fu Hsueh, Mayor, West Windsor, Public Member

Others Present

(See Attachment A)

PLEDGE OF ALLGIANCE

Chair McKenna asked to forgo the Pledge of Allegiance since the meeting was being conducted via conference call.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair McKenna advised the Commission members that at the advice of the Deputy Attorney General a member need not be present at a meeting in order to approve the minutes; they just have to have read them. Chair McKenna asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2009 and February 16, 2011 meetings. Commissioner Eskilson made the motion and it was seconded by Tom Michnewicz. Chair McKenna asked for a roll call vote. Ayes: (10) John Eskilson, Monique Purcell, Caren Franzini, Matt McDermott, Chuck Richman, Marc Larkins, Michele Siekerka; Thomas Michnewicz, Andy Swords, Edward McKenna. Nays: (0). Abstains (0).

CHAIR'S COMMENTS

Chair McKenna noted that the Commission was meeting in order to appoint members to the Plan Implementation Committee (PIC). He explained that he had spoken with Commissioner Eskilson and asked that he continue to serve as the chair of the PIC and that Commissioner Eskilson agreed. There was a discussion regarding which members of the Commission should serve on the Committee. It was determined that the State agencies that were previously represented continue to serve with the exception of Department of Community Affairs which would be replaced by the Office for Planning Advocacy. Therefore, the PIC was to include the Department of Environmental Protection, Department of Transportation, Department of Agriculture and Office for Planning Advocacy and public members John Eskilson as Chair, Ken Albert and Tom Michnewicz.

Commissioner Franzini left the call to enter a speaking engagement. Chair McKenna thanked her for taking the time to participate on the call.

Chair McKenna asked for a motion to approve the members of the PIC. Commissioner Purcell made the motion and it was seconded by Ken Albert. Chair McKenna asked for a roll call vote. Ayes: (10) Ken Albert, John Eskilson, Monique Purcell, Matt McDermott, Chuck Richman, Marc Larkins, Michele Siekerka; Thomas Michnewicz, Andy Swords, Edward McKenna. Nays: (0). Abstains (0).

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair McKenna asked for public comment. There were no public comments.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS

There were no commissioner reports.

ADJOURMENT

With no further comments from the Commission or the public, Chair McKenna asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Commissioner Purcell and seconded by Commissioner Albert. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Gerard Scharfenberger, Ph.D.
Secretary, State Planning Commission

Dated: May 3, 2011