

**Minutes of the Parks & Environment Advisory Board  
Meeting October 3<sup>rd</sup> , 2018 at the Canale Training Center**

In attendance:

**Officers Present** - Bill Reinert – Chairman

**Members Present** - Mike Hogan – Vice Chairman, Steve Fiedler, Dick Colby, Ken Sooy,  
Heather Warburton, Jill Miles

**Members Absent** - Elmer Ripley, James Galvin

**Freeholder Representative** – James Bertino – absent

**County Staff** - Greg Brookins, D.H.P.W - present

**Secretary** - Eric Husta – C.P.S. - present

The meeting opened with the flag salute.

**Presentation:**

Kris Ohleth of Ørsted gave an informative presentation on her company's potential off shore wind project. The presentation featured a Power Point slide show highlighting some of the company's work as well as their goals for a 160,500 acre lease area 10 miles off the coast of Atlantic City. If the project is realized to its full potential, it could possibly generate enough power for approximately 1.8 million New Jersey residents. She discussed not only the process by which they choose particular sites but the current trends in off shore wind technology being developed today.

**Roundtable Discussion topics:**

There was only limited round table discussion once the presentation concluded but Steve Fiedler mentioned his recent success in developing a Friends Along the Mullica group. This will be a multi-municipality effort aimed at keeping the Mullica River clean.

Mike Hogan highlighted recent changes at the State level with a new parks director. He also mentioned his recent walk went well with over 35 people in attendance and the success of his recent exhibit at ACCC's plein air display housed in their art gallery.

Dick Colby updated the group on his efforts to locate the remnants of the electric plants used to service individual municipalities. He sometimes finds remnants of coal piles and/or some of the contaminants they leave behind.

Bill Reinert discussed an excellent documentary about the oyster farming industry. He will pursue a copy to be viewed by the group in the coming months.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

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**The next meeting will be held Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> 2018 , at 7 PM at the Canale Training Center in EHT.**

cc: Dennis Levinson, County Executive  
Jerry DelRosso, County Administrator  
Diana Rutala, Dep. County Administrator  
Frank D. Formica, Chairman - Board of Freeholders  
James Bertino, Board of Freeholders – PEAB Representative  
Greg Brookins, Dept. Head Public Works  
All Advisory Board Members