Minutes of the Parks & Environment Advisory Board
Meeting November 2nd, 2016 at the Canale Training Center

In attendance:

**Officers Present** - Richard Colby – Vice Chairman

**Members Present** - Ken Sooy, Jill Miles, Bill Reinert, Steve Fiedler

**Members Absent** - Michael Hogan – Chairman, Michelle Bellinger, Elmer Ripley, James Galvin

**Freeholder Representative** – Alex Marino – absent, Freeholder John Carmen, present

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

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

No Quorum

Our guest speaker for the evening was Vince Jones, Director of Emergency Management. His talk focused on the process the County employs for emergency preparedness procedures. He began with the concept of comprehensive emergency management and discussed the four phases of mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery. These phases are all part of an approach of integrated emergency management. Vince also talked at length about flooding, as this particular natural disaster is one our shoreline and coastal towns continue to experience with greater frequency than most other types of emergencies. The other types of natural and technological disasters the County prepares for include tornadoes, hurricanes, fires, cyber-attacks and events of civil unrest.

Vince also discussed at length the testing and training exercises his office performs throughout the year including both table top exercises and functional, full-scale events as well.

**Discussion topics:**

There was no quorum so previous meeting minutes were not approved.

Steve Fiedler discussed his work with Habitat for Humanity. They will be holding a 50/50 raffle in Atlantic City at the Wonder Bar on Thursday, November 3rd from 6 PM until 11 PM.

Ken Sooy discussed the need for turkey and deer crossing signs on Leeds Point Road. Eric Husta said he would email Ken for more information on the specific locations he is requesting for consideration.

**Next meeting will be Wednesday, January 4th at 7 PM at the Canale Training Center in Egg Harbor Township.**

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