

# COUNTY OF SUFFOLK



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QUALITY

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## SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY MINUTES

DATE: Tuesday May 15, 2001

TIME: 9:35 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

### PRESENT:

Voting Members - Theresa Elkowitz, Chairperson, Presiding; Larry Swanson, Vice-Chair, Jack Finkenburg, Lance Mallamo, and Nancy Manfredonia

### Staff:

James Bagg, Chief Environmental Analyst  
Kathleen Rigano, Gail Calfa & Penny Kohler, Secretaries

### Departmental Staff:

Suffolk County Executive's Office  
Todd Johnson,  
Suffolk County Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation  
Richard Martin, Director, Historic Services  
Suffolk County Department of Public Works  
Daniel Pendzick, P.E., Director of Bridges & Waterways  
William J. Colavito, Associate Civil Engineer  
Bianca Youmans, Jr. Civil Engineer  
Ralph Borkowski, Landscape Architect

### MINUTES:

On a motion by Larry Swanson, seconded by Nancy Manfredonia, the minutes of the April 18, 2001, meeting were unanimously approved with the following correction: Page 6, subparagraph "c" of the Historic Services Report by Director Richard Martin, should be changed to read: "Donna Eshgi, daughter of the Eshgi family who donated the Big Duck to the County..."

PROJECT REVIEW:

1. Recommended Type II Actions:

a. Ratification of Staff Recommendations for Legislative Resolutions Laid on the Table April 24, 2001 and May 8, 2001.

A motion was made by Larry Swanson to ratify the staff recommendations. The motion was seconded by Nancy Manfredonia and passed unanimously.

2. Proposed Construction of Salt Storage Building, Commack, Town of Smithtown

A presentation was given by Daniel Pendzick, Director, Bridges and Waterways, Department of Public Works, who stated that the project involves construction of a 7,280 sq. ft. salt storage building within a cleared, unpaved bulk storage area with some grass and it is within the existing Public Works west end highway facility.

A motion was made by Larry Swanson to classify the project as an Unlisted Action and that a Negative Declaration be recommended. The motion was seconded by Lance Mallamo and passed unanimously.

3. Proposed Construction of County Alternative DWI Facility (Replacement of), Town of Brookhaven, CP #3044.

A presentation was given by Ralph Borkowski, Landscape Architect, Department of Public Works, who stated that the project involves construction of a 16,000 sq. ft. one story masonry building to replace an existing modular DWI building next to the existing jail.

A motion was made by Larry Swanson to classify the project as an Unlisted Action and that a "Conditional Negative Declaration" be recommended; the conditions being that a site plan and architectural plan be submitted and approved by the CEQ to assure that the project is in character with surrounding land use; the facility will be shielded from the proposed golf courses in Yaphank and that all demolition debris will be disposed of at an approved facility. The motion was seconded by Lance Mallamo and passed by a majority vote.

4. Proposed Intersection Improvements on CR 100, Suffolk Avenue at Brentwood Road/Washington Avenue, Town of Islip - CP #5065

A presentation was given by William Colavito, Associate Civil Engineer, Department of Public Works, who stated that the project involves adding a turn lane and modifying the traffic signal at this intersection which would improve the traffic flow from the railroad station on Washington Avenue.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Larry Swanson to table this project pending modification of the EAF to include information on the impacts associated with the one-way entrance to the railroad station and associated increased traffic volumes on Suffolk Avenue. The motion was seconded by Nancy Manfredonia and was agreed to by a unanimous vote.

5. Proposed Intersection Improvements on CR 67, Motor Parkway at Adams Avenue, Hauppauge, Town of Smithtown (CP #3301)

A presentation was given by Bianca Youmans, Jr. Civil Engineer, Department of Public Works, who stated that the project involves improvement to the intersection of CR 67, Motor Parkway at Adams Avenue. Adams Avenue will be widened to increase traffic flow and eliminate conflicts with turning movements. The traffic signal and pavement markings will be modified to permit a dual left turn on Adams Avenue.

A motion was made by Larry Swanson to classify this project as an Unlisted Action and that a Negative Declaration be recommended. The motion was seconded by Jack Finkenburg and passed unanimously.

6. Proposed Intersection Improvements on CR 31, Old Riverhead Road at CR 104, Quogue/Riverhead Road, Town of Southampton

A presentation was given by Bianca Youmans who stated that the project involves improvements to the intersection of CR 31, Old Riverhead Road at CR 104, Quogue/Riverhead Road which include a realignment, making it a "T" intersection with CR 31 (Old Riverhead Road) running NS and CR 104 (Quogue/Riverhead Road).

A motion was made by Nancy Manfredonia to classify this project as an Unlisted Action and that a Negative Declaration be recommended. The motion was seconded by Jack Finkenburg and passed unanimously.

7. Proposed Intersection Improvements on CR 46 at Surrey Circle, Mastic, Town of Brookhaven - CP #3301

A presentation was given by William J. Colavito, Associate Civil Engineer, Suffolk County Department of Public Works, who stated that the project involves improvements to the intersection of CR 46 at Surrey Circle, Mastic, by widening Surrey Circle to increase traffic flow and eliminate conflicts with turning movements. The traffic signal and pavement markings will be modified to permit a dual left turn on William Floyd Parkway.

A motion was made by Larry Swanson to classify this project as an Unlisted Action and that a Negative Declaration be recommended. The motion was seconded by Lance Mallamo and passed unanimously.

8. Proposed Intersection Improvements on CR 13, Fifth Avenue at Candlewood Road, Brentwood, Town of Islip - CP #3301

A presentation was given by Bianca Youmans, Jr. Civil Engineer, Suffolk County Department of Public Works, who stated that the project involves improvements to the intersection of CR 13, Fifth Avenue at Candlewood Road, Brentwood, Town of Islip, which would mitigate the potential for traffic conflicts. This project would provide exclusive right turn lanes in the east and westbound directions on

Candlewood Road. The signal phasing is also to be modified to provide an adequate level of service for all movements.

A motion was made by Larry Swanson to classify this project as an Unlisted Action and that a Negative Declaration be recommended. The motion was seconded by Jack Finkenburg and passed unanimously.

9. Proposed Drainage Improvements on CR 40, Three Mile Harbor Road, Town of East Hampton - CP 5542.

A presentation was given by William Colavito, Associate Civil Engineer, Suffolk County Department of Public Works, who stated that the project involves drainage improvements on CR 40, Three Mile Harbor Road, Town of East Hampton, which would provide for replacement of the existing box culvert on CR 40 between the LIRR and CR 41, Springs Fireplace Road. This project will replace the culvert, modify or replace individual drainage structures and patch the pavement as required.

A motion was made by Nancy Manfredonia to classify this project as a Type II action. The motion was seconded by Larry Swanson and passed unanimously.

10. Proposed Demolition of Concrete Arch Bridge Over C.R. 4, Commack, Town of Huntington

A presentation was given by Daniel Pendzick, P.E., Director of Bridges and Waterways, Suffolk County Department of Public Works, who stated that the project involves the demolition of a concrete arch bridge over C.R. 4, Commack, Town of Huntington, to improve traffic safety on the heavily travelled road.

A motion was made by Larry Swanson to classify this project as an Unlisted action and that a Negative Declaration be recommended. The motion was seconded by Nancy Manfredonia and passed by a majority vote. (1 Abstention by Lance Mallamo)

11. Proposed Resurfacing of Parking Area in Deepwells Farm Field, St. James, Town of Smithtown

A presentation was given by Richard Martin, Director of Historic Services, who stated that the project involves resurfacing the parking area with crushed concrete in the field at Deepwells Farm. During the past year, several cars and a bus became stuck in the mud after heavy rains.

A motion was made by Nancy Manfredonia to classify this project as a Type I action and that a Negative Declaration be recommended. The motion was seconded by Jack Finkenburg and passed by a majority vote. Larry Swanson and Lance Mallamo opposed the project and stated that they did not think that the local community would support the proposal.

12. Proposed Removal of Circa 1960 Shed Additions at Brookside County Park (I.H. Green Estate) Sayville, Town of Islip

A presentation was given by Richard Martin, Director of Historic Services, who stated that the

project involves removal of circa 1960 additions to the circa 1900 shed which obstructs scenic vistas of woodlands and open fields surrounding the gatehouse.

A motion was made by Larry Swanson to classify this project as an Unlisted Action and that a Negative Declaration be recommended. The motion was seconded by Nancy Manfredonia and passed by a unanimous vote.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Chairperson Elkowitz took this opportunity to officially nominate Lance Mallamo as Chairman of the Historic Trust Committee replacing Barbara Van Liew.

The Historic Trust Committee is scheduled to meet at Deepwells at 9:30 AM on Tuesday, May 22, 2001. Following this meeting will be a brunch and short reception where Mrs. Van Liew will be presented with a proclamation and a brass nameplate naming a room in her honor.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15.