

STATE PROPERTIES COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2012

The meeting of the State Properties Committee was called to order at 10:04 a.m. by Chairman Ronald N. Renaud. Attendance of the members was taken by roll call and the following members made their presence known: Robert Griffith representing the Rhode Island Department of Administration; Richard Woolley representing the Rhode Island Department of Attorney General; Lawrence S. Eichler, Public Member; and Andrew Marcaccio representing the Rhode Island Office of the General Treasurer, Ex-Officio Member. Others in attendance were Anthony Robinson from the State of Rhode Island General Assembly; Lisa Primiano, Joseph Dias, Terri Bisson, Larry Mouradjian, Carmino Paliotta and Terry McGuire from the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management; John Ryan, Deborah White and Charles Newton from the Rhode Island Department of Administration; and T.J. Harper from the American Choral Directors Association.

Chairman Renaud stated for the record that the State Properties Committee did have a quorum present.

ITEM A – Department of Administration – A request was made for approval of and signatures on a License Agreement, by and between the Department of Administration and the American Choral Directors Association to allow the Association to utilize the State House on February 18, 2012, to hold its annual Conference Reception. Ms. White indicated that the Association expects approximately three

hundred fifty (350) individuals to attend the event. The reception is being catered and the Association has submitted all appropriate certificates of insurance to the Division of Facilities Management. Chairman Renaud asked if the Association has been fully apprised of all rules and regulation concerning use of the State House. Ms. White stated that the Association is fully aware of all rules and regulations. Mr. Griffith asked if alcoholic beverages will be served during the reception. Ms. White stated that alcoholic beverages will be served during the reception and that the Association has secured liquor liability insurance coverage in accordance with the requirements set forth by the State of Rhode Island. Mr. Eichler noted that the 'holder' named on the certificates of insurance presented to the Committee is often different. Mr. Woolley indicated that in most cases either the Department of Administration or the agency seeking approval of a request is listed as the certificate holder. Mr. Eichler suggested that perhaps a single entity should be selected as the 'holder' and listed as such on all certificates of insurance. Ms. White indicated that generally the Department of Administration, Division of Facilities Management is listed as the 'holder' on the certificates of insurance for events held at the State House and Station Park. Ms. White stated that she forwards all certificates of insurance to Kevin Carvalho of Risk Management for his review and approval before presenting a request for the Committee's consideration. Chairman Renaud thanked Ms. White for her thoroughness in this regard and suggested that all Department of Administration staff should be instructed to submit certificates of insurance to Kevin Carvalho for his review and

approval before presenting a request to the Committee. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Woolley and seconded by Mr. Griffith.

Passed Unanimously

ITEM B – Department of Environmental Management – A request was made for approval of and signatures on a Warranty Deed by and between the Department of Environmental Management and Ashville Corporation for the preservation of 66.77 acres of land located along Canonchet Road in the Town of Hopkinton. Ms. Primiano explained that the subject property is under contract and that the State Properties Committee approved said contract in June of 2011. Ms. Primiano indicated that since that time, the Department acquired a grant in the amount of \$150,000.00 through The Nature Conservancy which reduced the State’s contribution toward the purchase price from \$180,000.00 to \$30,000.00. Ms. Primiano stated that the subject property’s appraised value is \$400,000.00; however, the total acquisition price is \$360,000.00. The Department is prepared to schedule a closing on the property and respectfully requests the Committee’s approval to acquire the subject property. Mr. Woolley stated that he has reviewed the Warranty Deed and is satisfied that everything is in order. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Woolley and seconded by Mr. Griffith.

Passed Unanimously

ITEM C – Department of Transportation – A request for approval of and signatures on a License Agreement, by and between the Department of Transportation and Chevron Land and Development

Company to allow Chevron to utilized 10.1 acres of State-owned land located at 431Veterans Memorial Parkway in the City of East Providence for purposes of conducting remedial activities. Item C is deferred to a future meeting of the State Properties Committee at the request of the Department of Transportation.

The Committee may move to go into Executive Session, pursuant to Rhode Island General Law 42-46-5(a)(5) for the specific purpose of discussion or consideration related to the acquisition or lease of real property for public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held property wherein advanced public information would be detrimental to the interest of the public relating to the following items.

A motion to enter into Executive Session was made by Mr. Griffith and seconded

by Mr. Woolley.

A roll call vote was taken and the votes were as follows: Chairman Renaud voted "Aye," Mr. Eichler voted "Aye," Mr. Griffith voted "Aye" and Mr. Woolley voted "Aye."

After a detailed discussion relating to Executive Session Item EI concluded, a motion to return to the open session of the State Properties Committee meeting and to seal the Executive Session minutes until such time as said matter is resolved was made by Mr. Griffith and seconded by Mr. Woolley.

Passed Unanimously

Upon returning to open session at 11:17 a.m., the Committee proceeded to vote relative to Item E1 presented in Executive Session:

ITEM E1 – Department of Environmental Management – A request was made for permission to negotiate the acquisition of land and buildings located at 1100 Tower Hill Road in the Town of North Kingstown. Mr. Eichler moved to approve the Department’s request to negotiate and submit an offer for the purchase of the subject property in an amount not to exceed the Department’s current available resources and upon the formal cancellation of the Request for Proposals SPLP-155 issued on or about September 13, 2011. Said motion was seconded by Mr. Woolley.

Passed Unanimously

ITEM E2 – Department of Transportation – A request by Chapel Associates, LLC for a pretrial conference with the State Properties Committee regarding litigation pending in the Providence Superior Court as: Chapel Associates, LLC vs. State of Rhode Island, through the Department of Transportation, CA No. 10-5198. Said pre-trial conference is mandatory pursuant to the provisions of Rhode Island General Laws § 37-6-20. Item E2 is deferred to a future meeting of the State Properties Committee at the request of the parties.

There being no further business to come before the State Properties Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 11:22 a.m. The motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Griffith and seconded by Mr. Woolley.

Passed Unanimously

Holly H. Rhodes, Executive Secretary