

MONTCLAIR PARKING AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 28, 2009

Chairman Matthews called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and read the Open Public Meetings Notice. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Chairman Matthews, Commissioner Jacobs, Commissioner Powell, Commissioner Storms, Director Teubner and Attorney Bakari Lee

Absent: Commissioner Silverman and Commissioner Typaldos

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the September 23, 2009 meeting were approved on a motion by Commissioner Powell, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and adopted by a unanimous voice vote. Commissioner Storms abstained.

Executive Director's Report

Permit Renewals

Director Teubner reported the last cycle of permit renewals has just been completed. Renewals are down about 3% from the last cycle and about 9% from this time last year. Overnight permits are up.

There was a discussion about parking permits on Valley Road, near MSU. Apparently Clifton is selling permits to the MSU students, but not really enforcing the parking.

Director Teubner has been meeting with several of the Montclair schools regarding their parking problems. It usually involves dropping off and picking up students.

The Commissioners discussed the pros and cons of having ATM's at the Crescent Deck. Director Teubner had been contacted by a company that would provide them. He will get more information, such as what kind of income would be generated for the MPA. The subject of allowing vending machines at the deck was also discussed.

Holiday Parking

The Township Council passed a resolution at their October 6, 2009 meeting providing for two hours of free Holiday parking at the two-hour meters.

Parking Enforcement

Enforcement is writing about 600 tickets a week. The operation seems to be going quite smoothly. The hand-held ticket machines should be ready for the MPA to transition to in early 2010. There will be instructors coming to train the Enforcement personnel in proper use of the machines.

Director Teubner discussed some problems the Enforcement personnel have been having with the natural gas fueled vehicles.

The Director also announced that the MPA is in the process of purchasing a salt spreader.

Chairman's Report

Chairman Matthews told the Commissioners that the Strategic Plan needs to be revised. This is due to the fact that the MPA has achieved most of its objectives and needs to plan for their future goals.

Committee Reports

Parking Advisory Committee

Since Commissioner Silverman was not present, his report was postponed until the next meeting.

Public Comment

No members of the public were present.

Action Items

A resolution authorizing the Bill List was approved on a motion made by Commissioner Church, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and adopted by unanimous voice vote. (Res. 09-030)

A resolution authorizing the bagging of certain meters for the 2009 Holiday Season was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jacobs, seconded by Chairman Matthews and adopted by unanimous voice vote. (Res. 09-031) The dates will be from Dec. 13 – 26, 2009.

A resolution authorizing the introduction of the 2010 budget was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jacobs, seconded by Commissioner Church and adopted by unanimous voice vote. (Res. 09-032)

Executive Session

There being no items for Executive Session, on a motion made by Chairman Matthews, and seconded by Commissioner Powell, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Gilbertson
Recording Secretary