



## Adirondack Park Agency

**KAREN FELDMAN**  
Acting Chair

**TERRY MARTINO**  
Executive Director

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**Draft Minutes, Full Agency,**  
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**NOVEMBER 8-9, 2018**

### **ADIRONDACK PARK AGENCY MEETING**

**Thursday, November 9, 2018**

#### **AGENCY MEMBERS, DESIGNEES AND EXECUTIVE STAFF PRESENT**

Karen Feldman, Acting Chair  
Chad Dawson, Member  
John Ernst, Member  
Arthur Lussi, Member  
William Thomas, Member  
Dan Wilt, Member  
Lynne Mahoney, Designee, NYS Department of State  
Brad Austin, Designee, NYS Department of Economic Development  
Robert Stegemann, Designee, NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation  
Sarah Reynolds, Acting Counsel  
Terry Martino, Executive Director

#### **LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW BOARD PRESENT**

Jerry Delaney, Executive Director

#### **AGENCY STAFF PRESENT**

Keith McKeever, Public Information Officer  
Amy Hall, Calculations Clerk 2  
Rick Weber, Deputy Director Regulatory Programs  
Molly Jordan, Mapping Technologist 1  
Matt Kendall, Environmental Program Specialist 2  
Matt Brown, Environmental Program Specialist 1  
Bart Haralson, Environmental Program Specialist 1  
Jennifer Hubbard, Senior Attorney  
Colleen Parker, Environmental Program Specialist 3  
Kathy Regan, Supervisor, Natural Resources Analysis

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Acting Chair Feldman called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. She welcomed Mr. Delaney as the new Executive Director of the Local Government Review Board. She congratulated all candidates who ran for office. She said her hope is that the midterm changes draw attention to issues like climate change, invasive species, and clean air and water.

**1. Public Comment**

None.

**2. Approval of September 13, 2018 Agency Minutes**

On motion of Mr. Wilt, seconded by Mr. Lussi, the Agency unanimously adopted the Draft Agency Meeting Minutes of September 13, 2018. A copy of the official minutes as adopted by the Agency is on file at the Agency.

**3. Recusals**

None

**4. Motion for Executive Session**

None

**5. Executive Director's Report**

Executive Director Martino thanked Keith McKeever for covering the Executive Director's Report at the September meeting. She said she missed saying goodbye to Mr. Monroe and welcomed Mr. Delaney.

Ms. Martino recognized the former Wilmington Town Supervisor and US Olympian Jeanne Ashworth who passed away on October 4, 2018. She recalled Ms. Ashworth's many accomplishments.

Ms. Martino commented on the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Report which she said contained scientifically substantiated evidence of the threats of climate change and global warming. She said the report will be presented at a climate change conference in Poland in December. She thanked the Governor for his commitment to addressing climate change. She said the State Complex biomass project that will serve the Agency, State Police, and DEC, will improve energy conservation by using renewable resources.

She reported on the Adirondack Hamlets to Huts Trekking Initiative based in Saranac Lake. She said two groups successfully participated in the initial tours.

Ms. Martino thanked Paul Van Cott and Rick Weber for their ongoing work on internal strategic planning to address the Agency's permitting process and application revisions. She thanked Ariel Lynch and Matt Kendall for their work on creating a place on the Agency website for public viewing of the current project using the new Large-scale subdivision application.

She announced the first meeting for the 2019 Local Government Day Conference would be held Friday morning and encouraged members to participate.

**6. Review of 2019 Agency Meeting Schedule**

On motion of Dr. Dawson, seconded by Mr. Ernst, the Agency unanimously approved the 2019 Agency Meeting Schedule.

**7. Motion to Adjourn into Committees**

On motion of Mr. Wilt, seconded by Dr. Dawson, the Agency unanimously adjourned into committees at 9:30 a.m.

**Friday, November 10, 2018**

**AGENCY MEMBERS, DESIGNEES AND EXECUTIVE STAFF PRESENT**

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Arthur Lussi, Member  
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Rick Weber, Deputy Director Regulatory Programs  
Ariel Lynch, Environmental Program Specialist 2  
Devan Korn, Environmental Program Specialist 1

**Full Agency**

Ms. Feldman reconvened the Full Agency meeting at 10:30 a.m.

**1) Committee Reports**

a) Regulatory Programs Committee

On motion by Mr. Wilt, seconded by Dr. Dawson, the Board unanimously approved P2017-149, Karen and Peter Fardelmann, involving a variance to replace/ expand a single-family dwelling located within the shoreline setback in the Town of Franklin, Franklin County.

On motion by Mr. Wilt, seconded by (the second was not heard) , the Board unanimously approved P2015-119, K&C Land Holding, LLC, as amended and clarified by staff, authorizing the establishment of a new commercial use excavation contracting business, including the construction of a new 6,000 square foot building with on-site wastewater treatment system and well water supply, use of an existing storage building, storage of construction equipment and materials, and site improvements for stormwater management, noise control and mitigation of off-site visual impacts in the Town of Fort Ann, Washington County.

b) State Land Committee

On motion by Mr. Ernst, seconded by Mr. Stegemann, the Board unanimously adopted the Eagle Point Public Campground UMP resolution on APSLMP conformance.

On motion by Mr. Wilt, seconded by Ms. Mahoney, the Board unanimously adopted the Brown Tract Pond Public Campground UMP resolution on APSLMP conformance.

On motion by Mr. Stegemann, seconded by Mr. Lussi, the Board unanimously adopted the Generic Campground UMP Amendment resolution on APSLMP conformance.

On motion by Mr. Wilt, seconded by Mr. Stegemann, the Board unanimously adopted the Grass River Wild Forest UMP resolution on APSLMP conformance.

Department staff presented a public draft of the Blue Ridge Wilderness UMP Amendment. The Department will seek public comment.

Department staff presented a public draft of the Hammond Pond Wild Forest UMP Amendment. The Department will seek public comment.

c) Public Awareness and Communication Committee

Mr. Thomas commented on the NYSDEC Overview of Adirondack Park Conservation Easements. He said the presentation was well done and very informative.

d) Park Policy and Planning Committee

On motion of Dr. Dawson, seconded by Mr. Wilt, the Agency unanimously accepted the DSEIS for the Town of Westport/ Consolidated Mortgages, LLC map amendment and authorized the amendment to proceed to public comment.

On motion of Dr. Dawson, seconded by Mr. Lussi, the Agency unanimously authorized the Agency's Policy on Renewable Energy Production and Energy Supply to proceed to public comment.

## **2) Interim Reports**

The Administration, Economic Affairs, Enforcement, Legal Affairs, Local Government Services, and Park Ecology committees did not meet this month.

## **3) Old Business**

None

## **4) New Business**

None

## **5) Public Comment**

Ron Konowitz, Adirondack Powder Skiing Association, commented on renewable energy. He thanked Mr. Basil Seggos for his public service. He spoke about the economic benefits of backcountry skiing. His complete comments can be viewed on the website address above.

Craig Leggett, Town of Chester Supervisor, said his town has been working on two projects. He said he was working with Dan Kelleher on economic development, and with Robyn Burgess on updating the Town's land use law. He said Agency staff have been very helpful and he appreciated working with the Agency.

## **6) Local Government Review Board Comment**

Mr. Delaney thanked the Board for welcoming him. He commented on the future of solar farms and their impact on local governments. He said future APSLMP amendments can reflect the Park's changing users.

## **7) Member Comment**

Dr. Dawson congratulated the Department on the success of the conservation easement and monitoring program.

Mr. Austin said he learned a lot from the conservation easement program. He commended Ariel Lynch on her variance presentation.

Mr. Stegemann commented on the upcoming departure of DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos. He said Mr. Seggos was a true leader in the Park and thanked him for his

service. He thanked Department and Agency staff for their work. He said the conservation easement presentation captured the dedicated work of staff.

Mr. Ernst applauded Rob Davies and his staff for an enlightening presentation on conservation easements. He said he found it very useful and encouraging.

Mr. Lussi commented on the conservation easement presentation. He said Ariel Lynch and staff did a great job on the variance presentation. He said Devan Korn's project presentation was also well presented. He appreciated the fact that staff was working with the applicants to make these projects work.

Mr. Wilt thanked staff and presenters. As chair of the Regulatory Programs Committee, he thanked Ariel Lynch, Devan Korn, and Rick Weber for their work.

Ms. Mahoney welcomed Mr. Delaney. She thanked staff for the presentations.

Ms. Martino said it was rewarding to hear the positive feedback on staff from Board members and Supervisor Leggett. She thanked Kathy Regan for bridging the work of State Land. She commented on the conservation easement presentation. She said DEC Commissioner Seggos knows the State, the Adirondack Park, and the Agency and would be missed. She wished all a Happy Thanksgiving.

Ms. Feldman thanked the Board and staff for working together. She said the teamwork is reflected in the quality of the product being generated. She congratulated staff on their presentations and appreciated that they were problem solving with applicants. She thanked Department staff for the conservation easements presentation. She thanked Venetia Lannon for having been an incredible resource to the Agency. She said she would be missed. She thanked DEC Commissioner Seggos for being a great partner to the Agency. She thanked Rose Harvey for her public service. She said she is participating in a Diversity in the Adirondacks group and will report back to the Board. She wished all a Happy Thanksgiving.

By unanimous consent, the meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

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Karen Feldman, Acting Chair

Attachments: P2017-149  
P2015-119