



Adirondack Park Agency

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JULY 15, 2021

ADIRONDACK PARK AGENCY MEETING

Thursday, July 15, 2021

AGENCY MEMBERS, DESIGNEES, AND EXECUTIVE STAFF PRESENT

Brad Austin, Presiding Member, Designee, Empire State Development
John Ernst, Member
Mark Hall, Member
Andrea Hogan, Member
Arthur Lussi, Member
Ken Lynch, Member
Zoe Smith, Member
Dan Wilt, Member
Matt Tebo, Designee, NYS Dept. of State
Joe Zalewski, Designee, NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation
Christopher Cooper, Counsel
Terry Martino, Executive Director

LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW BOARD PRESENT

Jerry Delaney, Executive Director

AGENCY STAFF PRESENT

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Presiding Member Brad Austin called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. He said there were sections in the audience for both the vaccinated and unvaccinated public.

PUBLIC COMMENT

White Lake residents Louanne Cossa, Joanne Isgro, Joseph Isgro, Virginia Vorhs, and Ralph Cossa spoke in opposition to APA project 2021-0075, Thomas Sunderlin, and requested that APA hold an adjudicatory hearing.

Upper Saranac Lake commenters Guy Middleton, Howard Kern, and Margaret Carrillo Sheridan spoke in opposition to an amendment to permit 1987-0074E, Lot 9 of the

Deerwood Subdivision (Santa Clara). Margaret Carrillo Sheridan spoke at the end of the meeting prior to Local Government Review Board Comment.

Video and audio recordings of the proceedings, including public comment, are available in their entirety via webcast at http://nysapa.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=2.

1. Approval of May 13-14 and June 10, 2021 Agency Minutes

On motion of Mr. Lussi, seconded by Mr. Hall, the Agency adopted the Draft Agency Meeting Minutes of May 13-14 with Mr. Wilt and Mr. Lynch abstaining. On motion of Mr. Ernst, seconded by Mr. Tebo, the Agency adopted the Draft Agency Meeting Minutes of the June 10, 2021 minutes with Mr. Lussi abstaining. A copy of the official minutes as adopted by the Agency is on file at the Agency.

2. Recusals

None

3. Motion for Executive Session

None

4. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Martino reported that due to space requirements, supporting staff would not be in the building but meeting remotely and would be available to answer questions.

Ms. Martino commented on the Protect the Adirondacks! snowmobile lawsuit against the Department of Environmental Conservation and the Agency regarding Class II connector snowmobile trails. She said the Department and Agency are in consultation about the State Land planning process and future UMP amendments.

Ms. Martino commented on and thanked the Adirondack Experience Museum for its series APA@50.

She congratulated Walt Linck on his retirement and wished him the best.

5. Motion to Adjourn into Committees

On motion of Mr. Wilt, seconded by Ms. Hogan., the Agency unanimously adjourned into committees at 12:15 p.m.

Presiding Member Austin reconvened the Full Agency at 2:15 p.m.

1) Committee Reports

a) Regulatory Programs Committee

On motion of Mr. Wilt, seconded by Mr. Hall, the Agency authorized the Parkview Development involving construction of an approximately 3,000-square-foot building, 47 feet in height, containing professional office space and six residential units; as well as construction of a four-story, 17,100-square-foot residential building containing 63 residential units with an overall height of 56 feet. The project includes on-site parking with vehicle and pedestrian access to Broadway and Depot Street. The development will be served by municipal water and sewage infrastructure in the Town of Harrietstown, Franklin County with Mr. Austin, Mr. Ernst, Mr. Hall, Ms. Hogan, Mr. Lynch, Ms. Smith, Mr. Tebo, Mr. Wilt, Mr. Zalewski voting for; Mr. Lussi against.

On motion of Mr. Wilt, seconded by Ms. Hogan, the Agency unanimously approved P2021-0054 Homestead Development Corporation involving construction of six, two-bedroom, single-family dwellings and four multiple-family dwellings containing four, two-bedroom units each. The development will be located on a 3.09-acre lot, include a single access from Wesvalley Road, on-site parking for 36 vehicles, and be served by municipal sewer, water, and electrical infrastructure in the Town of North Elba, Essex County.

2) Interim Reports

a) Local Government Services

On motion of Mr. Hall, seconded by Ms. Hogan, the committee adopted the Draft minutes of its May meeting, with all in favor and Mr. Wilt abstaining.

a) Park Policy and Planning Committee

On motion of Mr. Ernst, seconded by Mr. Austin, the committee unanimously adopted the Draft minutes of its May meeting.

b) State Land Committee

On motion of Mr. Ernst, seconded by Mr. Hall, the committee unanimously adopted the Draft minutes of its May meeting.

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

7. Old Business

Ms. Smith asked when VUM would be revisited. Ms. Martino said it would probably be in late fall.

8. New Business

None

9. Local Government Review Board Comment

Mr. Delaney said he appreciated the Board training being offered.

10. Member Comment

Mr. Zalewski said he appreciated the in-person meeting.

Ms. Smith thanked staff for accommodating the in-person meeting. She congratulated Walt Linck on his retirement. She suggested stormwater issues for projects should be discussed prior to Board meetings. She expressed concerns with road salt with developments.

Mr. Wilt said he was glad to have in-person meetings again. He said he would like to have a stormwater discussion.

Mr. Lynch commented that the Agency should have a role in stormwater and road salt concerns with projects.

Mr. Lussi said the Board should review stormwater guidelines. He thanked Mr. Linck for his service.

Mr. Tebo welcomed the new members to the table for the in-person meeting. He suggested training on permeable pavement.

Ms. Hogan thank staff for their work. She said she would also like to have stormwater and road salt planning.

Mr. Hall asked for long-range planning training.

Mr. Ernst thanked Mr. Linck for his work on carrying capacity work on UMPs.

Mr. Cooper clarified that stormwater setbacks are site specific.

Ms. Martino expressed her appreciation to staff for the technology to meet in-person.

Mr. Austin thanked staff for their work.

By unanimous consent, the meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Brad Austin, Presiding Member