The 21st Annual
Adirondack Park Local Government Day
Conference
Crowne Plaza Lake Placid, New York
April 18 & 19, 2018

Presented by:

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*DOS Consultation Center*
Wednesday & Thursday 1:00PM-4:00PM
-Kate Smith Library-
See Session Descriptions for details.

Be sure to visit with our exhibitors in the Sky Room during the Conference!

Updated March 28, 2018, subject to changes & improvements
# Agenda for Thursday, April 19th

**Adirondack Park Local Government Day Conference Sessions**

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| 8:30AM        | Welcome & Introductory Remarks  
Sherman Craig, APA Chair  
- Olympic Room 1/2 -       |
| 8:45AM - 9:15AM | Keynote: Jeff Allott, Solace Cycles  
- Olympic Room 1/2 -       |
| 9:15AM - 9:45AM | Refreshment Break & Visit with Exhibitors  
- Sky Room -               |
| 9:45AM - 11:00AM | Track A  
Entrepreneurship in the Adirondack Park  
Craft Brewing Industry       |
| 11:00AM - 12:15PM | Track B  
Road Salt  
What Local Officials Need to Know |
| 11:00AM - 12:15PM | Track C - Training  
Planning Board & ZBA Decision-Making to Avoid Legal Challenge |
| 12:15PM - 1:30PM | Luncheon Program  
Presentation of Annual Conference Recognition Award  
Olympians & Paralympians of the North Country  
- Grandview Room - |
| 1:30PM - 2:45PM | Track A  
Alternative Energy and Transportation |
| 2:45PM - 3:00PM | Refreshment Break & Visit with Exhibitors  
- Sky Room -               |
| 3:00PM - 4:15PM | Track A  
Cyber Security for Local Officials  
Track B  
Invasive Species  
Track C - Training  
Enforcement of Zoning and Other Local Laws  
Case Law Update for Planning and Zoning |

Session Descriptions on following pages...
∗ Concurrent Sessions: 1:00PM to 5:00PM ∗

ADIRONDACK FORUM - PLANNING FOR COMMUNITIES, RECREATION, & ECONOMIC SUCCESS

PART 1 - 1:00PM-2:30PM – Facilitator Matt Simpson

1:00PM-1:30PM - Health and Safety Land Account Amendment
▪ Zoë Smith, Common Ground Alliance - Amendment Passage!
▪ Rob Davies & Ken Hamm, NYS DEC - With Voter approval, what is next?

1:30PM-2:00 - Hamlets to Huts
▪ Jack Drury - Phase #1 Report
▪ Joe Daday - Phase #2 Implementation

2:00PM-2:30PM - Adirondack Initiatives
▪ Michelle Clement - Trail Towns
▪ Jason Kemper - Local Planning for Recreational Needs

PART 2 - 3:00PM-5:00PM – Facilitator Bill Farber

3:05PM-3:35PM - Adirondack Bike Strategy (Phase One)
▪ Paul Winkeller, New York Bicycling Coalition
▪ Matt Vanslyke, Cycle Adirondacks
▪ Dan Suraci, TransPro Consulting

3:40PM-4:10PM - Broadband Phase III Award
▪ Jeff Nordhaus, NYS Broadband Program Office

4:15PM-5:00PM - DEC Updates
▪ Ken Lynch, NYS DEC Deputy Commissioner

TRAINING

1:00PM-2:30PM - Agency-approved Local Land Use Program Workshop
Note this session is open only to local officials in Arietta, Bolton, Caroga, Chester, Chesterfield, Day, Edinburg, Hague, Horicon, Indian Lake, Johnsburg, Lake George, Newcomb, Queensbury, Westport, Willsboro & the Village of Lake George. Join APA Local Government Services Staff for an open discussion on Agency-approved Local Land Use Programs. There are eighteen communities in the Adirondack Park that have ALLUPs. Each community is different, but they all share a special working relationship with the Adirondack Park Agency. This workshop will be a chance to discuss the unique challenges and opportunities of administering Approved Programs. Topics for discussion will include the basics of Approved Programs, Jurisdictional Inquiries (JIFs), shoreline structures, variances, and amending local laws.
▪ Robyn Burgess, NYS Adirondack Park Agency

3:00PM-5:00PM - Practical Pointers for Site Plan Review
Join APA staff for a hands-on activity and professional discussion focused on the basics of reviewing site plans. This session is intended to serve as a primer on how to read site plans, what should be included and avoiding potential pitfalls.
▪ Ariel Lynch, NYS Adirondack Park Agency
▪ Devan Korn, NYS Adirondack Park Agency

✉️ Evening Social: 5:00PM to … ✉️
Great Room Lobby
**DOS CONSULTATION CENTER - Wednesday & Thursday 1:00PM-4:00PM**
The Department of State, Division of Local Government Services will have staff available for individual consultations with local government leaders interested in discussing resources available to address specific areas of concern. Conference attendees can drop in or schedule* an appointment to meet with staff. Possible topics for discussion include: how the Department of State may be able to assist them with technical expertise or as a liaison to other State agencies or potential funding. Grant programs include: Local Government Efficiency, Municipal Restructuring Fund, and Northern Border Regional Development. In addition, local government officials can come with other technical requests.

*For information about scheduling a meeting with Department of State staff, please call 518-473-3355.

- Mark Pattison, Deputy Secretary of State for Local Government Services, New York State Department of State
- Kyle Wilber, Local Government Specialist, New York State Department of State

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**THURSDAY**

★ Registration Begins: 7:45AM ★

✉ Refreshments in the Sky Room with Exhibitors: 8:00AM-8:30AM ✉

Welcome & Introductory Remarks
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Sherman Craig, Chairman, NYS Adirondack Park Agency

Keynote
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✉ Refreshment Break: 9:15AM-9:45AM ✉
Visit with Exhibitors in the Sky Room

♦ Session 1: 9:45AM to 11:00AM ♦

1A. Entrepreneurship in the Adirondack Park – The Craft Brewing Industry
Join Rich Lemelson owner of OWL Valley Farm LLC, John Carr owner of Adirondack Pub & Brewery and Drew Cappabianca owner of The Hub to discuss their success in establishing a sustainable business plan centered around the craft brewing industry in the Adirondacks.

- Rich Lemelson, OWL Valley Farm LLC
- John Carr, Adirondack Brewery
- Drew Cappabianca, The Hub, Horicon, NY

1B. Road Salt – What Local Officials Need to Know
This panel will discuss road salt use, what the impacts are and what some areas in the Adirondacks are doing to improve the situation. This panel will also discuss techniques and strategies to improve winter road maintenance, both during the winter months and as part of a general road maintenance program.

- Dan Kelting, Adirondack Watershed Institute
- William Lamy, Former Warren County DPW Superintendent
- Tracy Eldridge, Hamilton County Highway Superintendent
1C. Planning Board & ZBA Decision-Making to Avoid (or at least successfully defend) Legal Challenge
Join Mark Schachner, attorney with ‘Miller, Mannix, Schachner & Hafner, LLC’ for this training session on how to avoid (or at least prevail in) Article 78 litigation. While any decision by a municipal board can be contested, there are many ways local officials can minimize their exposure to lawsuits and ensure their decisions will withstand legal challenge. Mark has extensive experience with and knowledge of the subject, providing guidance to many Adirondack municipalities in their land use actions and decision-making.

- Mark Schachner, Attorney, Miller, Mannix, Schachner & Hafner, LLC

** Session 2: 11:00AM to 12:15PM **

2A. Adirondack Lodging – Encouraging New Lodging in the North Country
This session will discuss the work of the North Country Regional Economic Development Council’s Lodging Task Force’s work to stimulate new lodging/hospitality projects across the North Country. Recent lodging developments undertaken by both established hospitality firms and young entrepreneurs will also be highlighted.

- Fred Roedel, Hotel Saranac
- David Roedel, Hotel Saranac
- Jim McKenna, Regional Office of Sustainable Tourism
- Keir Weimer, Great Pines Inn
- Britta Hennessy, Great Pines Inn
- Devlin Hennessy, Great Pines Inn

2B. Overuse – Managing the “Torrent” of People Coming to the Adirondacks
Efforts to attract more visitors to the Adirondacks have been very successful, however, the large number of visitors is having a negative impact on natural resources, recreational infrastructure, and even communities. This session will provide information on the problems caused by overuse, ideas on how to manage heavily used areas, and technologies that can assist.

- Joe Pete Wilson, Town of Keene Supervisor
- Karyn Richards, NYS DEC Forest Preserve Coordinator
- Pete Nelson, Adirondack Wilderness Advocates

2C. Financial Analysis of Shared Services
Working cooperatively with neighboring communities can help local governments implement shared solutions to common problems and generate new service delivery capacities. Cooperation enables local governments to reduce the cost of services without compromising the quality of service delivery. This course will examine the benefits of cooperation through case studies and analysis of the financial implications of actual cooperative projects funded by the New York State Department of State’s Local Government Efficiency Program.

- Kyle Wilber, New York State Department of State

✉️ Luncheon Program 12:15PM-1:30PM ✉️
Grandview Room

Conference Recognition Award
Olympians & Paralympians of the North Country

◆◆◆ Session 3: 1:30PM to 2:45PM ◆◆◆

3A. Alternative Energy & Transportation
Alternative energy sources such as automated wood heating and solar are reducing heating and energy costs for both businesses and municipalities. This session will discuss these alternatives as they are implemented in the Town of Chester and several other municipalities as well as at Gore Mountain. Additionally, electric vehicles
are growing in popularity across the United States. This session will discuss how communities can position themselves to accommodate and attract visitors who drive electric vehicles.

- **Leslie Karasin**, Northern Forest Center
- **Rick Handley**, Rick Handley & Associates
- **Mike Pratt**, ORDA
- **Amanda Lavigne**, ANCA

### 3B. Invasive Species
Invasive species continue to challenge many of our communities by undermining ecological, recreational and financial assets. Much has been accomplished; however, more work is needed, particularly with respect to taking a more pro-active approach, educating the public and building public/private partnerships. This session will feature a review of the state's new proposed comprehensive management plan for Invasive Species and how it affects the Adirondacks, an update of efforts within the Blue Line to combat Invasives, a preview of AWI's plans for this summer's boat washing stations and its marketing efforts to reach out to local government and businesses, chambers of commerce and private stakeholder groups to foster community involvement and awareness.

- **Anthony Eallonardo**, O'Brien & Gere, Plant Ecology and Ecosystem Restoration
- **Justin Perry**, NYS DEC, Bureau of Invasive Species and Ecosystem Health
- **Eric Holmlund**, Adirondack Watershed Institute
- **Tom Williams**, Paradox Consulting Group

### 3C. Enforcement of Zoning and Other Local Laws
Municipalities have various regulations that are an extension of their police power that aren’t necessarily enforced by the police - zoning, property maintenance, and noise regulations, for example. This session reviews how these regulations are enforced, with discussion of the relationship between the enforcement officer and the review boards, the effect of an appeal of an enforcement action to the zoning board of appeals, and judicial enforcement of violations.

- **Catherine Hamlin**, New York State Department of State
- **Natasha E. Phillip**, Associate Attorney, New York State Department of State

#### Refreshment Break: 2:45PM-3:00PM
**Visit with Exhibitors in the Sky Room**

#### Session 4: 3:00PM to 4:15PM

### 4A. Cyber Security for Local Governments
Cyber threats are a real and growing danger. Join Jamie Ward from the Center for Internet Security to learn how you can help protect from and respond to cyberattacks.

- **Jamie Ward**, Center for Internet Security

### 4C. Case Law Update for Planning and Zoning
Recent cases that pertain to land use will be summarized and the implications of them on land use regulation at the local level explored. Opinions by the New York State Attorney General, Office of State Comptroller, and Committee on Open Government that pertain to land use and local governance will also be reviewed.

- **Natasha E. Phillip**, Associate Attorney, New York State Department of State

**Looking for more planning & zoning training?**
NYS DOS has several online training courses available @ [https://www.dos.ny.gov/lg/onlinetraining/interactive.html](https://www.dos.ny.gov/lg/onlinetraining/interactive.html)

**Be sure to visit with our exhibitors and represented state agencies in the Sky Room!**
If you require lodging, please reserve your hotel room by contacting:
Crowne Plaza Lake Placid: (518) 523-2556 or (877) 570-5891
Online Reservation Link: https://aws.passkey.com/go/LocalGovtDayAPA
You may choose to stay one or both nights (4/18, 4/19) at the special rate of $95 + tax.
Please identify yourself to the hotel as a participant in the Adirondack Park Local Government Conference. Reserve early, rates and availability are only guaranteed through April 4th.
Visit: www.lakeplacidcp.com for more information.

Refer to the APA’s website www.apa.ny.gov for updates and conference information