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PARK POLICY AND PLANNING COMMITTEE
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The Committee convened a 1:50 p.m.

Park Policy and Planning Committee Members Present:

Dr. Chad Dawson, Chair, Lynne Mahoney (DOS), John Ernst, and Bradley Austin (ESD)

Other Members and Designees Present:

Karen Feldman, Acting Chair, Art Lussi, Robert Stegemann (DEC), William Thomas, and Dan Wilt

Local Government Review Board:

Frederick Monroe, Executive Director

Agency Staff Present:

Sarah Reynolds, Kathy Regan, Jennifer Hubbard, Keith McKeever, and Annemarie Peer.

Renewable Energy Production, Supply and Conservation (Dr. Chad Dawson, Jennifer Hubbard)

Dr. Dawson reviewed the development of the task force formed approximately 2 years ago to discuss alternative energy projects. Staff were anticipating new projects coming forward and wanted to be prepared for jurisdictional determinations. In the process it became clear that the Flyer needed to be updated.

Jennifer Hubbard then let the Board know that staff has updated the Wind and Solar Power Flyer and the Development in the Adirondack Park (DAP) guidance for applicants. Ms. Hubbard reviewed when the Agency has jurisdiction on wind or solar projects. Updates to the flyer included reformatting to make the flyer easier to read and more understandable for the public.

She gave a brief explanation to the Board of the history of the Development in the Adirondack Park guidance, and how the Energy Project Guidelines section has been revised to accurately reflect how the Agency looks at energy during the project review process. She also mentioned that both documents have been available to the public.

Ms. Reynolds discussed the process for updating a policy. The draft revised Policy on Renewable Energy Production and Energy Supply (Policy 7) must come before the Board three times and must proceed to public comment. A public meeting is not required.

Dr. Dawson suggested that the board review the document at the table. Board members made several suggestions.

Dr. Dawson suggested that a red-line version be sent to the Board for further discussion rather than opening the policy to public comment at this time.

The Committee will bring a revised document back at the October meeting and anticipate requesting public comment at that time.

Dr. Dawson adjourned the meeting at 2:35 p.m.

Old Business

None

New Business

None