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> Draft Minutes Regulatory Programs Committee May 16, 2019

MINUTES OF THE REGULATORY PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING May 16, 2019

The Committee meeting convened at approximately 9:30 a.m.

Regulatory Programs Committee Members Present

Chair Daniel Wilt, Arthur Lussi, John Ernst, and Lynn Mahoney

Other Members and Designees Present

Robert Stegemann, Bradley Austin, Chad Dawson, and William Thomas

Local Government Review Board Present

Gerald Delaney

Agency Staff Present

Terry Martino, Paul Van Cott, Sarah Reynolds, John Burth, Shaun LaLonde, Colleen Parker, Christopher Cooper

Approval of Draft Committee Minutes for March 2019

A motion to approve the draft committee minutes was made by John Ernst and was seconded by Lynn Mahoney. All were in favor.

Regulatory Programs Report (Colleen Parker)

The Regulatory Programs Report was given by Colleen Parker. She briefly reviewed the high-profile report. She noted 32 telecommunication proposals for upgrades are anticipated to be submitted to the Agency for review.

Arthur Lussi recused himself from the following discussion.

Project P2019-39 Olympic Regional Development Authority (ORDA) Thomas Saehrig

Construction of a new four-cable zip line at the ORDA Olympic Jumping Complex and the following modifications to previously authorized improvements: the K64/HS70 ski jump will be relocated to the north of the replacement ski lift, the HS20/HS10 jump will be relocated to an area immediately west of the freestyle jump hill, approximately 0.57 acres of trees will be removed in addition to the clearing previously described in Order P2018-0025, and minor adjustments will be made to the lengths and locations of the landing areas for the HS134 zipline, gondola, and the K64/HS70 and HS20/HS10 jumps.

Mr. Saehrig reviewed the project location and existing conditions.

Mr. Saehrig provided an overview of the June 2018, P2018-25 814 Order and noted changes proposed in the new project. He discussed the second zip line proposed for the Olympic Jumping Complex.

Mr. Ernst asked if the 70k tower was moved because the engineers felt it needed improvement. Mr. Saehrig responded that the addition of the zip line prompted the movement.

Mr. Wilt called for a motion. Motion was made for approval by Mr. Ernst and was seconded by Ms. Mahoney. All were in favor.

Arthur Lussi returned to the room for the following discussion.

Telecommunications Review and Permitting Presentation (Ariel Lynch)

Ms. Lynch provided an overview of the Agency's review and permitting of telecommunications projects including cellular, radio, and emergency towers and antennas.

Ms. Lynch gave examples of past towers projects that have been approved by the Agency. In her presentation, she provided visual assessments of approved towers and discussed the strides taken by applicants to make their proposed towers less visible in all viewing areas.

Mr. Wilt stated the importance of cell communication for the residents as well as the visitors of the Park. Mr. Ernst said that the tower along Route 9 is invisible. Mr. Delaney said the tower in Saranac is also invisible. Mr. Delaney also discussed the importance of communication to hikers and rescue personnel throughout the Park.

Old Business None

<u>New Business</u>

None

The Committee meeting adjourned at approximately 10:45 a.m.