

ANDREW M. CUOMO Governor Executive Director

### June 13, 2019

### ADIRONDACK PARK AGENCY MEETING

### Thursday, June 14, 2019

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

Brad Austin, Presiding Member, Designee NYS Dept. of Economic Development Chad Dawson, Member John Ernst, Member Arthur Lussi, Member William Thomas, Member Dan Wilt, Member Lynne Mahoney, Designee, NYS Dept. of State Bob Stegemann, 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

Keith McKeever, Public Information Officer Colleen Parker, Environmental Program Specialist 3 Kathy Regan, Supervisor, Natural Resources Analysis John Burth, Environmental Program Specialist 3 Robyn Burgess, AP Local Planning Assistance Specialist Beth Phillips, Senior Attorney Christian Blue, Environmental Program Specialist Shaun LaLonde, Professional Engineer 2 Virginia Yamrick, Environmental Program Specialist

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Presiding Member Austin called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. He welcomed everyone to attend the Arbor Day tree dedication honoring Supervisor George Canon.

# 1. Public Comment

None

# 2. Approval of May 16-17 Agency Minutes

On motion of Mr. Wilt, seconded by Mr. Lussi, the Agency unanimously adopted the Draft Agency Meeting Minutes of May 16-17, 2019 as amended by Mr. Austin. A copy of the official minutes as adopted by the Agency is on file at the Agency.

## 3. <u>Recusals</u>

None

## 4. Motion for Executive Session

None

# 5. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Martino thanked Mr. Austin for presiding at this meeting.

Ms. Martino gave a slide show presentation on the 2019 Agency Planning process. She said ideas were gathered from staff on what works well and what improvements could be made. She said there were three strategies for improving Regulatory processes: Delegation of minor projects/ general permits; improving the application process and site visits; and improving permits. She said input was received from staff throughout Agency divisions. She thanked Colleen Parker, Shaun LaLonde, Doug Miller, Kathy Regan, Sarah Reynolds, John Burth, Robyn Burgess, and Ariel Lynch for their work on this planning process.

Ms. Martino encouraged all to attend a tribute to Supervisor George Canon with a tree dedication in the "Forest of Heroes" in the Agency's Arboretum.

Ms. Martino announced the promotion of Kyle Martin to Trade Generalist. She announced the appointment of Robert Lore as Deputy Director, Regulatory Programs. Mr. Lore will start on August 12.

Ms. Martino read a resolution saluting Karen Feldman for her work as a member of the Board. She expressed sincere appreciation and gratitude for her work.

On motion of Mr. Stegemann, seconded by Mr. Wilt, the Agency unanimously adopted the Resolution Saluting Karen Feldman.

## 6. 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.

Mr. Austin reconvened the Full Agency meeting at 3:45 p.m.

## 1) <u>Committee Reports</u>

### a) Regulatory Programs Committee

On motion of Mr. Wilt, seconded by Dr. Dawson, the Board unanimously approved P2019-14, Town of Mayfield, a two-lot subdivision involving wetlands and construction of a 150-foot-tall water tower in the Town of Mayfield, Fulton County, as amended.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, seconded by Mr. Wilt, the Board unanimously authorized the General Permit/ Order for the Replacement of Utility Poles to proceed to public comment.

Mr. Wilt reported on updates to the Minor Permit Application, applications and permitting documents, and a new Agency Application for Commercial Solar Generation Facilities.

## b) Park Ecology Committee

Mr. Ernst reported on the Youth as Catalysts for Community Climate Action presentation by Jen Kretser and Erin Griffin, Wild Center; Dazzle Ekblad, DEC; Jason Leon, Lake Placid Village Trustee; Patrick Murphy, Saranac Lake Village Trustee; Tammy Morgan, Lake Placid High School Science Teacher; and several Lake Placid students.

## c) State Land Committee

On motion of Mr. Ernst, seconded by Mr. Stegemann, the Board unanimously authorized the Primitive Tent Site Guidance to proceed to public comment.

## 2) Interim Reports

## a) Administration

Ms. Martino announced the new kitchen facility was open. She said the old kitchen area will be used as a small conference room.

## b) Public Awareness and Communication

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

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

# 7) Old Business

None

# 8) <u>New Business</u>

None

# 9) Public Comment

Dan Plumley discussed his new business, Totem Adirondack Consulting Group. His complete comments can be viewed on the website address above.

## 10) Local Government Review Board Comment

Mr. Delaney commented on the climate change presentation and said he would like to get more local governments involved.

## 11) Member Comment

Ms. Mahoney commented on the climate change presentation. She congratulated staff for their work on the streamlining process.

Mr. Wilt commented on the moving tree dedication for Supervisor George Canon.

Mr. Lussi applauded staff for their work on the streamlining process. He said it would be very helpful to the public.

Mr. Ernst commended Agency and Department staff on the Primitive Tent Site Guidance work. He said he had enjoyed working with Ms. Feldman and expressed his gratitude for her work on and off the Board.

Mr. Stegemann said Ms. Feldman was a successful leader due to her strong point of view as well as her willingness to listen to others.

Dr. Dawson thanked staff for their work on streamlining processes and said as the review process becomes more efficient, it could leave more time to focus on planning. He commended Ms. Feldman's leadership regarding planning.

Mr. Thomas said he appreciated the tree dedication in remembrance of Supervisor George Canon. He appreciated Mr. Plumley's comments which he delivered in his fireman's uniform out of respect for Mr. Canon's years of volunteer fire fighting.

Ms. Martino commented on the recognition of Supervisor George Canon. She congratulated staff for their success in the strategic planning work. She thanked Mr. Austin for sitting as the Presiding Member.

Mr. Austin thanked everyone for their work. He expressed his appreciation of the recognition of Supervisor George Canon. He thanked Ms. Martino for the Resolution Saluting Karen Feldman and said he would hand deliver it to her.

By unanimous consent, the meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

, Presiding Member

Attachments: P2019-39