



## Adirondack Park Agency

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Draft Minutes, Full Agency 2/22/21

**FEBRUARY 11-12, 2021**

### **ADIRONDACK PARK AGENCY MEETING**

**Thursday, February 11, 2021**

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

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

### **ABSENT AND EXCUSED**

Brad Austin, Designee, Empire State Development

### **LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW BOARD PRESENT**

Jerry Delaney, Executive Director

### **AGENCY STAFF PRESENT**

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[http://nysapa.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view\\_id=2](http://nysapa.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=2).

Presiding Member Matt Tebo called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. Mr. Tebo said the Board was meeting remotely due to the COVID-19 pandemic. He stressed that health and safety continue to be the highest priority. He asked members to identify themselves when speaking. He thanked Governor Cuomo for leading the way with vaccination planning.

## **1. Approval of December 10, 2020 Agency Minutes**

On motion of Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Lynch, the Agency adopted the Draft Agency Meeting Minutes of December 10, 2020. A copy of the official minutes as adopted by the Agency is on file at the Agency.

## **2. Recusals**

Mr. Lussi recused himself from P2020-163, Regan Development.

## **3. Motion for Executive Session**

None

## **4. Executive Director's Report**

Executive Director Martino thanked Mr. Tebo for acting as Presiding Member this month. She thanked Ms. Miller for representing the ESD in Mr. Austin's absence.

She thanked Mr. Zalewski for presenting recognition from Commissioner Seggos for the Agency's work on the Remsen-Lake Placid Rail Trail UMP.

Ms. Martino commented on the Year-End Reports included in the mailing, noting the increase in work activity throughout the Agency. She noted that Brian Ford had reached 4,000 FOIL requests during his career. She congratulated him on his work.

She thanked Keith McKeever, Kevin Prickett, and Leigh Walrath for their work with the Department of Health at the Plattsburgh COVID vaccination site.

She announced that the Local Government Day Conference would not be held in 2021 due to continued COVID health and safety precautions.

## **5. Overview of Amendments to Lake George Park Commission Stormwater Regulations**

Mr. Wick gave a presentation on the proposed Lake George Park Commission (LGPC) Stormwater Regulation amendments followed by a brief question and answer session. The proposed amendments include timber harvesting notification requirements and conservation/erosion control plans, fertilizer application prohibitions within 50 feet of all waterbodies and wetlands in the Lake George Park, and existing property stormwater retrofit requirements for all new development projects that require LGPC stormwater permits. The presentation is available at <https://nysapa.granicus.com/videos/555/player?autoplay=0&start=1190&stop=3900>.

On motion of Mr. Lussi, seconded by Mr. Ernst, the Agency unanimously adopted the draft resolution approving the proposed LGPC Stormwater Regulation amendments.

## **6. Motion to Adjourn into Committees**

On motion of Mr. Hall, seconded by Ms. Miller, the Agency unanimously adjourned into committees at 1:00 p.m.

Presiding Member Tebo reconvened the Full Agency meeting at 4:00 p.m.

### **1) Committee Reports**

#### **a) Regulatory Programs Committee**

Mr. Lussi was recused. On motion of Mr. Wilt, seconded by Ms. Hogan, the Agency unanimously approved P2020-163 involving the construction of a four-story, sixty-unit residential housing building consisting of 40 one-bedroom units and 20 two-bedroom units. The building will have a footprint of approximately 19,000 square feet and an overall height of approximately 60 feet. Site development includes parking for up to 90 vehicles, one new access driveway, stormwater management controls, and landscaping in the Town of North Elba, Essex County.

Mr. Lussi returned to the meeting.

On motion of Mr. Wilt, seconded by Mr. Hall, the Agency unanimously approved P2019-207, New York RSA 2 Cellular Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless, involving the installation of a 120-foot-tall self-supporting monopole tower, concealed as a 125-foot-tall simulated tree, to support cellular antennas at the 116-foot centerline height. An equipment cabinet and generator are also proposed at the tower's base. An access drive 387± feet in length will be constructed to reach the tower location in the Town of Inlet, Hamilton County.

#### **b) State Lands Committee**

On motion of Mr. Ernst, seconded by Ms. Smith, the Agency unanimously authorized the Hinckley Intensive Use Area UMP amendment to proceed to public comment through March 19, 2021.

## **2) Interim Reports**

The Administration, Economic Affairs, Legal Affairs, Local Government Services, Park Ecology, Park Policy and Planning, and Public Awareness committees did not meet this month. Mr. Lussi reminded members that the Enforcement Committee would meet Friday, February 12 for a proceeding on E2019-127 Cotazino.

## **7. Old Business**

Mr. Hall asked when members would be discussing the towers policy. Ms. Martino said that the tower project presentation by Ms. Lynch showed that the current process was working. Ms. Martino stated the Agency was best served to have staff manage the considerable applications that continue before the Agency.

## **8. New Business**

Ms. Smith asked if the Agency could find a way to continue to foster regional cooperation among local governments in the absence of the Local Government Day Conference. Ms. Martino said that Robyn Burgess and Kate-Lynn Knight continue to follow local events and provide outreach.

## **9. Local Government Review Board Comment**

Mr. Delaney said he travels throughout the Park in his work for the Diversity Initiative and finds the lack of consistent cell coverage problematic. He said he would welcome a discussion on the Agency's tower policy.

## **10. Member Comment**

Ms. Smith said the pandemic is challenging and she hopes all are well.

Mr. Lussi commented on the recreational opportunities in the Park.

Mr. Wilt applauded the presentations.

Mr. Hall thanked Mr. Tebo for presiding at the meeting. He said the presentations were great. Mr. Hall suggested the LGD conference could be held in the fall.

Ms. Hogan congratulated Ms. Lynch on her presentation. She said she had ideas for a conference format and would discuss relevant websites with Ms. Martino. She said she appreciated the work staff does.

Mr. Lynch thanked Mr. Tebo for presiding. He said the rail trail momentum was due to the hard work of all agencies and stakeholders involved.

Mr. Zalewski thanked Mr. Tebo for presiding.

Ms. Miller thanked Mr. Tebo. She said she enjoyed the presentations very much.

Mr. Cooper wished everyone to stay safe and be well.

Ms. Martino thanked Mr. Tebo for presiding and Ms. Miller for participating in the meeting. She thanked staff and Mr. Wick for their presentations. She said members' comments during the meeting are duly noted.

Mr. Tebo thanked Ms. Martino and Mr. Cooper for helping to prepare him for the meeting. He said Kisha Santiago has been appointed the primary designee for the Department of State starting next month.

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

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Matt Tebo, Presiding Member