



PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMITTEE

Time: 1:30 PM

Location: WebEx and 3019 County Complex Dr., Room 204

September 21, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT

In Person: Supervisors Singer, Bateman, and Wickham.
Via WebEx: Supervisors Guard, Hicks, Lightfoote, and Venuti.

OTHERS PRESENT

In Person: Interim County Administrator Brian Young, County Attorney Holly Adams, Public Health Director Mary Beer, Finance Director Mary Gates, Sustainability and Solid Waste Director Carla Jordan, and Deputy Clerk to the Board Diane Foster.
Via WebEx: Chairman Jack Marren, Supervisor Vedora, Planning Director Tom Harvey, Sr. Planners Regina Sousa and Maria Rudzinski, Economic Developer Michael Manikowski, Associate Planner Tim Jensen, Outside Counsel J. Stravino, Cornell Cooperative Extension Director Tim Davis, Sr. Fiscal Manager Michael Wojcik, Casella General Manager Brian Sanders, Finger Lakes Visitor Connections Secretary Julie Maslyn, Economic Developer Mike Manikowski, Economic Development Specialist Sue Vary, Grants Coordinator Peter Brown, Clerk to the Board Kristin Mueller.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Planning & Environmental Quality Committee was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Chair Singer.

MINUTES

Supervisor Bateman made a motion to approve the minutes of the Planning and Environmental Quality Committee meeting on August 31, 2020. Supervisor Wickham seconded the motion. The motion carried.

COVID-19 UPDATE

Public Health Director, Mary Beer, gave an update of the COVID-19 Pandemic, noting the following:

- 453 Positive total cases
- 2 New cases today
- 35 Cases have been from Hobart & William Smith
- 8 Cases are from other college students that have come back to Ontario county to isolate
- 2 Cases are FLCC students
- 3 People are hospitalized
- 0 New deaths
- 30 People are being monitored in isolation
- 238 People are under mandatory quarantines

CASELLA

♦ Update

Mr. Brian Sanders presented the following updates:

- 90% of the East slope now has vegetation on it

- They have submitted plans to the DEC for approval for additional gas work
- This additional gas work will not create new odors as the work will be in clean dirt and they will not be excavating any garbage
- They are still fine tuning the leachate lagoon aeration system

Ms. Jordan also noted that Casella will be helping with the tire recycling day this weekend.

SUSTAINABILITY AND SOLID WASTE

♦ *Department Update*

Ms. Jordan reported that the DEC comments regarding odors in their reports are only due to garbage during work hours especially at the end of the day. These are working face odors.

The backyard composter sales are still on going until 9/23. They may extend this sale if they still have composter available if they still have units.

They have received the draft transfer station consolidation report. They will be reviewing this and reaching out to municipalities to make sure that the information is accurate. We continue to move forward with the strategic plan. They are planning on holding two meetings prior to the next committee meeting.

♦ *2019 Infographic*

Ms. Jordan spoke about what programs the department provided by 2019. They plan to also do this for 2020.

♦ *NYSDEC Call*

Ms. Jordan talked about the latest NYSDEC call they had with them and Casella. They believe that this will be the last meeting for a while since Casella has completed all most all their items. They are working still on finalizing the reduced monitoring agreement. DEC will be on site this week to agree on where an additional 24/7 monitor will be installed. Casella will be submitting a plan for a final cap on the east slope. This cap would be installed in the next construction season.

TOURISM

♦ *Resolution: Re-Appointment to the Ontario County Four Seasons Local Development Corporation*

Ms. Maslyn presented a resolution to re-appointment members to the Ontario County Four Seasons Local Development Corporation.

Supervisor Bateman motioned to approve the reappointments as presented to the Ontario County Four Seasons Local Development Corporation. Supervisor Wickham seconded the motion. The motion carried.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

♦ *Resolution: Ontario County Agriculture Enhancement Board Appointment of Jared L. Martin*

Ms. Rudzinski presented a resolution to appoint Jared L. Martin to the Ontario County Agriculture Enhancement Board.

Supervisor Lightfoote to approve the appointment of Jared L. Martin to

the Ontario County Agriculture Enhancement Board. Supervisor Bateman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

♦ *Census Update*

Mr. Harvey updated the committee on the census. Staff has been working hard collection data and distributing signs and banners. He shared the updated census map and noted we are making some progress in responses.

♦ *Presentation: Route 364 & County Road 11 Active Transportation Corridor Plan*

Ms. Rudzinski and Mr. Harvey presented a Power Point presentation regarding the final Route 364 & County Road 11 active transportation corridor plan.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

♦ *Updates*

Interim County Administrator, Brian Young, gave the following updates:

- Thanked the Planning department for all the work on the Census
- The NYSAC fall conference will be held virtually this year
- There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony held prior to the October 1st Board meeting at 6:00 pm

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

♦ *Update*

Mr. Manikowski reported that Zotos International company in Geneva is now the primary Northeast manufacturing center for the Hankel Corporation that purchased them a few years ago. They are having a drive thru job fair tomorrow.

The Economic Development department is still working on their strategic plan. They will have this plan completed by the end of the year.

CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

Mr. Davis shared that Cornell has come out with a new best practice for Ag. tourism. This has been sent to everyone listed in the local food guide. In the composting survey 97% of the participants are using them and 12.935 tons of food waste has been diverted from the landfill.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Supervisor Lightfoote seconded by Supervisor Bateman, the meeting was adjourned at 2:38 pm.

Respectfully Submitted
Kristin A. Mueller,
Clerk to the Board