



Bruce E. Young
Chairman

Dave Wick
Executive Director

MEETING MINUTES

MEETING NO. 477
TUESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2018
HAGUE TOWN HALL, HAGUE, NY

PRESIDING: Bruce E. Young, Chairman

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Kenneth Parker
Marc Migliore
Joe Stanek
Catherine LaBombard
Dean Cook
Dave Floyd
William Mason

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: John McDonald
James Kneeshaw

COMMISSION STAFF PRESENT: Dave Wick, Executive Director
Molly Gallagher, Environmental Analyst II
Joseph A. Thouin, Environmental Analyst I
Joseph Johns, Director of Law Enforcement
Roger Smith, Conservation Operations Supervisor III
Justin Luyk, Park Ranger
Constance Harris, Environmental Permits Aide

COMMISSION COUNSEL PRESENT: Karla Buettner

OTHERS PRESENT: Steve Ramant Bill Wells
Sally Freud Ray Freud
Buzz Lamb Joshua Patchett
Scott Olson Pat Dowd

Item #1 — Introductions, Roll Call, Minutes of Previous Meeting: Bruce E. Young, Chairman

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. and the roll call was taken.

Joe Stanek made a motion to approve the July meeting minutes which was seconded by Dave Floyd; members present voted unanimously.

Item #2 — Fiscal Actions Report for July 2018: Bruce E. Young, Chairman

Joe Stanek made a motion to approve the July Fiscal Actions Report which was seconded by Dave Floyd; all members present voted unanimously.

Item #3 — Project Review, Acceptance of the Project Review Actions Report: Molly Gallagher

Resolution 2018-36 — Project Review Actions Report

Joe Stanek read and moved to approve the Project Review Actions Report which was seconded by Dave Floyd; all members present voted unanimously.

WHEREAS the Commission has received and reviewed the Project Review Actions Report prepared by staff and dated August 14, 2018.

WHEREAS the Project Review Committee recommends acceptance of the Project Review Actions Report.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Commission directs that the Project Review Actions Report be incorporated in the minutes of the full Commission meeting.

Class A Marina Modification Submitted by Schroon Lake Marina, Town of Hague, Warren County

Joe Thouin introduced the Class A Marina Modification application submitted by Scott Olson of the Schroon Lake Marina.

Mr. Thouin said that Mr. Olson is here to represent the marina which has been in existence on Decker Hill Road. They currently have authorization for outdoor storage of 70 vessels. They have made application to increase outdoor storage to 156 vessels

and the construction of a 4800 square foot building with indoor storage for 20 additional vessels.

Scott Olson spoke on behalf of the application. He said that the marina has been in operation for many years now and they started out as a small marina which has grown substantially.

Mr. Olson said that the application is pretty straight forward and he is willing to answer any questions.

Kenneth Parker said that the Commission members visited the site this morning and they questioned the long range stability of the soils on the hill where the boat and trailers are proposed to be stored.

Mr. Olson indicated that grass would be grown there to help stabilize the area. He also said that he has a great stormwater plan designed.

A discussion followed regarding the stormwater plan, the stone access road and the possibility of erosion problems.

Mr. Thouin indicated that the stormwater plan is relatively straight forward. Mr. Olson hired Winchip Engineering to design their plan. The plan includes a swale which is located at the rear of the site so that anything that comes off the hill where the boat storage area is will be directed to a stormwater control device at the bottom of the lot and along the entirety of the drive in.

Chairman Young asked Mr. Thouin for his opinion on the boats and trailers being located on the slope.

Mr. Thouin said that it is not a good idea to have them located on the face of the slope. The area will erode as the soils start to get beat up. He said that adding a condition makes sense.

Joe Stanek made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-37 which was seconded by Dean Cook; all members present voted unanimously.

WHEREAS the applicant has applied for a permit to expand a Class A Marina to provide outdoor winter storage for up to 156 vessels and construct a building for indoor winter storage for up to 20 vessels; and

WHEREAS the Lake George Park Commission has reviewed the application, supporting documents, comments received and other information which appears in the record; and

WHEREAS the Commission has made a determination that the project is an Unlisted action pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act 6NYCRR 617.5 and, as Lead Agency for the purposes of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, has made a determination that the project will have no significant impact on the environment; and

WHEREAS the action is considered to be a Major project pursuant to 6 NYCRR 645-5.3 and public notice has been published and distributed as required; and

WHEREAS the applicant has demonstrated that the facility complies with the Class A Marina requirements of 6 NYCRR 646-1.2; and

WHEREAS the Commission finds that the project will have no adverse impact on the health, safety or welfare of the public, the environment or the resources of the Park; will not alter the essential character of the area in which it is proposed; will not lead to congestion in the Park and will not have an undue visual, cultural or audible impact on the neighborhood or the Park.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Lake George Park Commission hereby resolves to approve the above application, with the following modifications or conditions: Access road is crushed stone and only trailers are allowed to park on the slope.

Item #4 — Law Enforcement Committee Report: Kenneth Parker, Vice-Chairman

Vice-Chairman Parker said that a Law Enforcement meeting was held at 9 a.m. where they met and discussed on going enforcement cases. He said that they spoke about the need for new equipment as well as the schedule and funding for it and they also spoke about Log Bay Day.

Resolution 2018-38 — Law Enforcement Committee Report

Kenneth Parker read and moved to approve Resolution 2018-38 which was seconded by Catherine LaBombard; all members present voted unanimously.

WHEREAS the Law Enforcement Committee met August 28, 2018 to review matters pertaining to the Lake George Park Commission's Marine Patrol and the Commission's Law Enforcement Program, and

WHEREAS active Law Enforcement cases and their status were reviewed in Executive Session, and

WHEREAS the Law Enforcement Committee has reported on the results of that committee meeting at this full Commission meeting, and

WHEREAS the Law Enforcement Committee recommends acceptance of this month's Law Enforcement Report.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Commission accepts the report of the Law Enforcement Committee.

Item #6 — Public Comments

Steve Ramant of Hague Spoke about buoys and channel markers and thanked the Marine Patrol for helping to make the Open Water Swim a successful and safe event.

Mr. Ramant spoke again about mandating that small craft such as canoes and kayaks be required to add a flag to their vessel so that they can be seen while out on the lake. He said that he was happy to see that one of our very own Commission members, William Mason, has done this. Thank you Bill!

Item #7 — Adjournment

Joe Stanek made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Marc Migliore, all members present voting affirmatively. The meeting was adjourned.

SECRETARY'S NOTE: The next Commission meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 23, 2018 at the Fort William Henry Conference Center, Lake George, NY.**