



Bruce E. Young
Chairman

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Executive Director

MEETING MINUTES

MEETING NO. 492

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2019

FORT WILLIAM HENRY CONFERENCE CENTER, LAKE GEORGE, NY

PRESIDING: Kenneth W. Parker, Vice-Chairman

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

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: Bruce E. Young
John McDonald

COMMISSION STAFF PRESENT: Dave Wick, Executive Director
Joseph Johns, Director of Law Enforcement
Roger Smith, Conservation Operations Supervisor III
Joe Thouin, Environmental Analyst I
Molly Gallagher, Environmental Analyst II
Michelle Way, Office Assistant III
Justin Luyk, Park Ranger

COMMISSION COUNSEL PRESENT: Karla Buettner

OTHERS PRESENT: Walt Lender Brian Epstein Tim Condit
Gwen Craig Steve Tamm

Item #1 — Introductions, Roll Call, Minutes of Previous Meeting: Kenneth W. Parker, Vice-Chairman

The meeting was called to order at 10:08 a.m. and the roll call was taken.

Joe Stanek made a motion to approve the November meeting minutes which was seconded by Marc Migliore; all members present voted unanimously.

Item #2 — Fiscal Actions Report for November 2019: Kenneth W. Parker, Vice-Chairman

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

Item #3 — Presentation: Silver Bay YMCA, Cutting Edge Environmental Upgrades: Steve Tamm, Chief Executive Officer, Silver Bay YMCA

Steve Tamm gave a brief overview of the Silver Bay YMCA. He said that the Silver Bay YMCA was founded in 1902 and that they are included on the Interior Registry of Historic places. The Boy Scouts of America had their first encampment there in 1910.

Mr. Tamm said that the Silver Bay YMCA can handle 1,000 guests at any given time. He spoke further about some of the awards and certifications that they have received and spoke further about their involvement with the community and free programs they offer to people who may not afford to get away for a relaxing vacation with family. This program is called Vacations Made Possible and it is paid for by donors.

Mr. Tamm spoke further about the MBR Wastewater Treatment System that was installed at the Silver Bay YMCA. This is a new system that came on line in June 2019. He explained that this is an expensive system so it may not be feasible for a residential home owner but may be a good system for areas like Arcady Bay. This system has no odor and does have to be maintained on a daily basis. For additional details on the presentation, please see the meeting video on our website at www.lgpc.ny.gov.

Item #4 — Project Review, Acceptance of the Project Review Actions Report: Molly Gallagher

Resolution 2019- 54— Project Review Actions Report

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

WHEREAS the Commission has received and reviewed the Project Review Actions Report prepared by staff and dated December 3, 2019.

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 & Tour Boat Application Submitted by Christine Shawn Associates, d.b.a., Adirondack Camp, Town of Putnam, Washington County

Joe Thouin introduced the application submitted by Christine Shawn Associates, a.k.a., Adirondack Camp. He explained that the applicant has requested to be a Class A Marina to operate charter boats and provide water based recreation and instruction for their existing children's camp. Application has also been made for construction of five new docks.

Tim Condit spoke on behalf of the Adirondack Camp. He said that they are trying to replace the 1986 dock structure that has been used for sailing activities. He said that they had several small floating docks but their age has stopped the use of these docks.

Joe Thouin explained that the Adirondack Camp is an existing use and the facility is compliant with Class A Marina requirements for parking, restrooms and garbage receptacles.

Joe Stanek read and moved to approve Resolution 2019-55 which was seconded by Dean Cook; all members present voted unanimously.

WHEREAS the applicant has applied for Tour Boat, Class A Marina, and Dock Modification permits; and

WHEREAS the Lake George Park Commission has reviewed the applications, 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 activity complies with the Tour Boat requirements of 646-1.4(d)(2); and that the facility complies with the Class A Marina requirements of 6 NYCRR 646-1.2; and

WHEREAS the applicant has requested a variance from dock regulation 6 NYCRR 646-1.1(c)

(5) The maximum width of any pier shall be 8'

WHEREAS the applicant has demonstrated that strict conformance with the dock regulations will cause unnecessary hardship due to unique and peculiar circumstances which impose substantial financial, technical or safety burdens; and

WHEREAS the Commission finds that there is no reasonable possibility that the applicant's property, or if no property is involved, the continuation of the applicant's business, enterprise, use or activity will bring a reasonable return following conformance with the dock regulations; 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

The Lake George Park Commission hereby resolves to approve the above applications as proposed.

Item #5 — Law Enforcement Committee Report: Kenneth W. Parker, Vice-Chairman

Kenneth Parker spoke about the Law Enforcement Committee meeting that occurred this morning. He said the Committee met at 9:00 a.m. where they discussed that

there is still one boat in the water for emergencies. He said they also discussed on going enforcement cases with plans to proceed.

Kenneth Parker read and moved to approve Resolution 2019-53 which was seconded by Cathy LaBombard; all members present voted unanimously to approve the application.

Resolution 2019-53 — Law Enforcement Committee Report

WHEREAS the Law Enforcement Committee met November 26, 2019 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

William Mason said that he knows that herbicides were mentioned regarding use in New York State. Do we have any plans for future use of these herbicides?

Dave Wick explained that the Commission has no immediate or pending plans for herbicide use in Lake George.

Item #7 — Adjournment

Joe Stanek made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by William Mason; all members present voting affirmatively. The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

SECRETARY'S NOTE: The next Commission meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, January 28, 2020**