

TOWN OF LYSANDER  
COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN MEETING  
8220 LOOP ROAD  
Monday, June 21, 2021 @ 4:30 p.m.

The special meeting of the Comprehensive Land Use Planning Committee was held Monday June 21, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. at the Town of Lysander Town Building, 8220 Loop Road, Baldwinsville, New York.

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Corey, Chairman/Planning Board Member; William Lester, Planning Board Member

MEMBERS ABSENT: David Hafner, Joe Alberici and Matt Hunt, Committee Members

OTHERS PRESENT: Glen Silver; Kevin Rode; Dan Kwasnowski, Director, SCOPA; Al Yager, Town Engineer and Karen Rice, Secretary

The meeting was called to order by John Corey at 4:30 p.m.

REVIEW MEETING MINUTES

No amendments, corrections or additions were made to the minutes of the May 24, 2021 CLUP Meeting

I. NEW BUSINESS

Dan Kwasnowski, SOCPA Director, met with the committee to discuss the Onondaga County Farm Land Protection Plan.

Mr. Kwasnowski has been the Director of the Syracuse Onondaga County Planning Agency for three (3) years. Prior to that he spent twenty (20) years as a consultant and zoning administrator. Onondaga County has thirty-five (35) municipalities. 150,000 acres within those municipalities are working farms. The County and State encourage the preservation of farmland, in doing so they strive to keep the family farms in tact and encourage and promote Agri-tourism. Some farm families are finding that their children do not want to continue farming. Individual municipalities can do their part by forming municipal focus groups concentrating on:

- The need for farms to diversify
- Promote Agri-tourism
- Agricultural Conservation Easements
- Encourage development while maintaining the rural character of farmland

The Town of Lysander has been instrumental in preserving farmland. We have crop, which include vegetables, apples, grapes and berries of all types, dairy and beef farmers. We also have a farm brewery on Patchett Road with a storefront in the Village of Baldwinsville. The town has the soils for barley, hops come from elsewhere. The Planning Board recently approved a winery on Plainville Road.

The Planning Board has also approved two solar projects, one in the Agricultural (A) District and one in the Agricultural-Residential (AR-40) District where we balanced the preservation of open space with a somewhat 'commercial' use.

There was some discussion with regard to Ryan McMahon, Onondaga County Executive, and an infrastructure grant. Mr. Kwasnowski suggested municipalities develop 'centers' along a corridor creating work live areas, which in turn creates and encourages mobility (bicycling, pedestrian foot traffic, bike lanes and trails).

Al Yager, Town Engineer, stated that he loves trails and his family use the canal trail near his home, but they have to be kept up and maintained. Most Town's don't have the financing or manpower to do so.

Mr. Kwasnowski stated that the Village of Marcellus has a beautiful park with trails, etc...that is fully maintained by volunteers.

The last item briefly discussed was a Waterfront Redevelopment Grant. The Town is surrounded on three sides by water. Mr. Kwasnowski suggesting the Town put a plan in place for consideration.

## II. OLD BUSINESS

The Committee will continue to finalize suggested changes to be made to the Comprehensive Land Use Plan and how those changes may impact the Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations.

## III. OTHER BUSINESS

Continuation: Modifications to CLUP Documents

Comments, questions & concerns of committee members, staff and invited guests.

The next CLUP Committee meeting will be held on Monday, July 26, 2021 at 4:30 p.m.

## ADJOURN

The June 21, 2021 special meeting of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan Committee adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Rice, Secretary