



ONEIDA COUNTY FARMLAND PROTECTION BOARD



Brymer Humphreys, Chair

Bill Tylutki ♦ Michael J. Cosgrove ♦ Roger Crary ♦ Andy Gale ♦ Paul Snider
Paul van Lieshout ♦ Marty Broccoli ♦ James J. Genovese II ♦ Kathy Pilbeam ♦ George Joseph

OC Farmland Protection Board 11:00 A.M. Thursday March 9, 2023 Minutes

I. Call to order

Humphreys called the meeting to order at 11:05 A.M.

II. Attendance

The following persons were present: Humphreys, Tylutki, Cosgrove, van Lieshout, Joseph, Pawlusik, Broccoli and Baldwin

Guests: Angela Miazaga

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Motion by Cosgrove to approve December minutes as submitted. Second by Broccoli. Motion carried.

IV. NOI Solar, SunEast Flat Stone Town of Verona, Oneida County – A letter was received from Ag & Markets to notify Farmland Protection Board of the proposed solar project in Verona. A letter is set to notify when 30% of ideal soils are impacted in this case it is 100%. The board will not be sending a letter this project only impacts one individual and it's on their terms.

V. Association of Towns – Assessor's Meeting – Pawlusik attends these meetings and Broccoli will accompany him to the next one to clear up confusion around Agriculture Assessment and Agriculture Districts. Due to an increased number of phone calls regarding Agriculture Assessment.

VI. Board Attendance – Joseph will be contacting Tax and Finance and contact will be made to ask Agriculture Business Representative to resign. We continue to look for future board representatives.

VII. Open Enrollment 2022 Applications – Four applications to review

The board reviewed four applications totaling 235 acres.

Motion by Joseph to approve all four applications. Second by Cosgrove. Motion carried.

VIII. Agricultural District 6 Applications (Bridgewater, Paris, Marshall, and Sangerfield)

There are 34,786 acres in Agricultural District 6 since the last reviewed. The board reviewed nineteen new applications totaling 2,267 acres. Zero acres have asked to be removed from the district.

Motion by van Lieshout to approve all seventeen applications. Second by Cosgrove. Motion carried.

Baldwin will contact the Town of Paris to request to hold the Public Hearing for Agricultural District 6 and Open Enrollment. She will report back to the board with a meeting date scheduled for June.

IX. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Broccoli. Second by van Lieshout. Meeting adjourned at 12:15 P.M.

NEXT MEETING: End of June in the Town of Paris.