

MINING OVERSIGHT / LOCAL IMPACT COMMITTEE (MO/LIC)
MEETING MINUTES # 13-2010

DATE: September 3, 2010
TIME: 9:30 a.m.
PLACE: Committee Room # 1, 2nd Floor, Oneida County Court House, Rhinelander, WI

PRESENT: Committee Chair David Hintz; Committee Members Tom Rudolph; Gary Baier; Peter Wolk; David Schatzley, Ex Officio; Planning Manager Steve Osterman; Planning & Zoning Director Karl Jennrich; Assistant Corporation Counsel Mike Fugle; Dan Kuzlik, UW—Extension.

OTHERS PRESENT: Alan & Sharon VanRaalte; Kevin Boneske; Bob Berns.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER—Committee Chair Hintz called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m., noting that the meeting had been properly posted in accordance with the procedures set forth by the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

APPROVE CURRENT AGENDA WITH THE ORDER OF AGENDA ITEMS AT CHAIR’S DISCRETION—It was moved by Baier, seconded by Rudolph, to approve the September 3, 2010 agenda, with the order of agenda items at Chair’s discretion. Motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES OF JULY 24, 2010 AND AUGUST 12, 2010 MO/LIC MEETINGS—Wolk noted that on page 2 of the August 12, 2010 minutes that under public comments in the sentence “Pete Wolk feels the Oneida County residents should made decision if Oneida County proceeds with a mining lease.” the word “made” should be changed to the word “make”. Noting this correction, it was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Baier, to approve the minutes of the July 24, 2010 and August 12, 2010 MO/LIC meeting. Motion carried.

ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR—Wolk nominated Tom Rudolph for the Vice Chair position. Chair Hintz called for any other nominations for the Vice Chair position three times. Hearing none, nominations were closed. It was then moved by Wolk, seconded by Baier, to elect Tom Rudolph as Vice Chair of the Mining Oversight / Local Impact Committee. Roll Call Vote: Wolk—aye; Baier—aye; Hintz—aye; Rudolph—aye. Motion carried. Tom Rudolph accepted the Vice Chair position.

UPDATE THE COUNTY BOARD ON MINING OVERSIGHT / LOCAL IMPACT COMMITTEE’S PROGRESS—Dan Kuzlik (UW—Extension) gave a power point presentation that he would update the County Board with, describing the process; data categories; water and other pollution; economic concerns; Tamerlane Ventures Company; Oneida County’s concerns; infrastructure; evaluation statistics. Mr. Kuzlik’s presentation took less than 15 minutes. Chair Hintz thought that the County Board should also be updated on the purpose of the public information / listening session; the history of mining exploration in Oneida County; and the future direction of the County concerning mining exploration possibilities.
(Copy of Mr. Kuzlik’s power point presentation attached.)

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Alan Van Raalte, Town of Little Rice resident, stated his concerns on the finances and stocks background of Tamerlane Ventures Company. Chair Hintz stated that Oneida County would do diligence to any mining company expressing an interest in mineral exploration in Oneida County, via competitive bidding, etc.

2011 BUDGET—Copies of the 2011 Budget for the Mining Oversight / Local Impact Committee were distributed. Discussion was held concerning the use of County Mineral Resource money to pay for consulting services. Baier and Hintz were in favor of using the money to pay for consulting services. Wolk and Rudolph were opposed to using County Mineral Resource money to pay for consulting services. No action taken. The MO/LIC deleted the legal services and other professional services line items, and combined those two line items into one line item described as Legal Fees / Consulting Fees / Services in the amount of \$20,000.00 from General Fund. Also the Other Supplies & Expenses line item was increased from \$200.00 to \$400.00. It was then moved by Wolk, seconded by Rudolph, to approve the 2011 Mining Impact Budget. Rudolph—aye; Wolk—aye; Hintz—aye; Baier—naye. Motion carried.

Baier stated that he had received a letter from the Town of Lynne asking for funds from the Mining Impact Budget—Applied Continuing Appropriations, for a pavilion for the Town of Lynne, for future generations to use. No action taken.
(Copy of letter of request from Town of Lynne attached.)

BILLS / VOUCHERS / LINE ITEMS TRANSFERS (IF NECESSARY)—None.

SELECT DATE FOR NEXT MO/LIC MEETING—Wednesday, September 29, 2010, at 1:00 p.m. NOTE: Meeting Location: Large Meeting Room (UW—Extension); Lower Level; Rhinelander / Oneida County Airport Terminal Building.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS—Results of County Board meeting on the update of the MO/LIC progress; update on availability of consulting services; update by Steve Osterman and / or Tom Evans on the lake bed vs. wetland issue; update on other mining research in the U.S.

ADJOURN—With business completed, it was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Wolk, to adjourn the meeting at 10:42 a.m. Motion carried.

DAVID HINTZ
COMMITTEE CHAIR

CINDY ECKARDT
RECORDING SECRETARY