



SARATOGA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

RESOLUTION 176 - 2020

Introduced by Supervisors Lawler, Kinowski, Pemrick, Raymond, Richardson, Schopf and Tollisen

SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE REVIEW OF SARATOGA COUNTY CONSOLIDATED AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT #1 PURSUANT TO AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS LAW SECTION 303-A

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 176-96, the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors approved the consolidation of Saratoga County Agricultural Districts #1, #3 and #4 into Saratoga County Consolidated Agricultural District #1 encompassing all or portions of the Towns of Moreau, Northumberland, Saratoga, Stillwater and Wilton; and

WHEREAS, on the petitions of interested landowners, this Board has modified the boundaries of Saratoga County Consolidated Agricultural District #1 on several occasions to include parcels owned by the requesting landowners within the District's boundaries, with the last such modification being pursuant to Resolution 77-2017; and

WHEREAS, Agriculture and Markets Law §303-a requires this Board of Supervisors to conduct a review of Saratoga County Consolidated Agricultural District #1 every eight (8) years, and to make a determination whether the District should be continued, terminated or modified; and

WHEREAS, the Saratoga County Agriculture Farmland Protection Board and the Saratoga County Planning Board have recommended that Saratoga County Consolidated Agricultural District #1 be continued with modifications to its map boundaries to incorporate assessment information contained in the Saratoga County 2020 tax rolls; and

WHEREAS, as part of its review process, this Board must hold a public hearing as required by Agriculture and Markets Law §303-a(2)(c), and receive public comment on any proposed modifications of the District's boundaries, and any recommendations of the Saratoga County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors shall hold a public hearing pursuant to Agriculture and Markets Law §303-a in conjunction with the Board's eight (8) year review of Saratoga County Consolidated Agricultural District #1, with said public hearing to be held on September 9, 2020 at 4:20 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors at 40 McMaster Street, Ballston Spa, New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, due to public health and safety concerns related to COVID-19, and in accordance with Governor Cuomo's Executive Order 202.1, as last extended by Executive Order

202.55, public comment will be received via email to: publiccomment@saratogacountyny.gov, or by written correspondence addressed to: Clerk of the Board, Saratoga County Board of Supervisors, 40 McMaster Street, Ballston Spa, NY, 12020, which public comment must be received by September 9, 2020 at 4:20 pm; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board shall publish a notice of this public hearing in the official County newspapers; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board shall post the notice of this public hearing on the home page of the County of Saratoga's website; and

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board shall mail a copy of the notice of public hearing to the Towns of Moreau, Northumberland, Saratoga, Stillwater and Wilton, to the New York State Commissioner of Agriculture and Markets, and to those landowners whose land is the subject of proposed modifications to the boundaries of Saratoga County Consolidated Agricultural District #1.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No budget impact.