

Trails & Open Space Committee

Wednesday, November 1, 2023 4PM 40 McMaster Street, Ballston Spa, NY

Minutes

Present: Chairman Joe Grasso; Committee Members Eric Connolly, Ed Kinowski, Matthew

Veitch.

Absent: Tara Gaston

Supervisors Phil Barrett; Steve Bulger, Ridge Harris, Audra Hedden, Stephanie Hodgson, Christine Rush, County Administrator; Michelle Granger, Laurie Vroman, County Attorney; Jason Kemper, Jeff Williams, Kimberly Lambert, Planning; Amanda Kinley, Ed Snyder, Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. (GPI).

Chairman Grasso called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

On a motion made by Mr. Kinowski, seconded by Mr. Veitch, the minutes of the October 4, 2023 meeting were approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Veitch, seconded by Mr. Connolly, to authorize the transfer of funds from the County Open Space Reserve and amending the 2023 County budget in relation thereto. Unanimous.

This is a 2018 project with the Town of Clifton Park.

Ms. Kinley from GPI went over the proposal included in the agenda regarding the extension of the Zim Smith Trail north from Oak Street to the Saratoga Spa State Park. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Kemper reviewed the suggested changes made to the 2024 Farmland and Open Space Grant Application as detailed in the memo included in the agenda. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Kemper provided an update on current Trails and Open Space projects.

On a motion made by Mr. Kinowski, seconded by Mr. Veitch, the meeting was adjourned unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Bridget Rider Deputy Clerk of the Board