

# **County of Albany**

Harold L. Joyce  
Albany County Office Building  
112 State Street - Albany, NY 12207



## **Meeting Agenda**

**Tuesday, September 24, 2024**

**6:00 PM**

**Harold L. Joyce Albany County Office Building  
Cahill Room - First Floor**

### **Conservation, Sustainability and Green Initiatives Committee**

**PREVIOUS BUSINESS:**

1. APPROVING PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

**CURRENT BUSINESS:**

2. PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO  
AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT NO. 2

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## Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, August 27, 2024**

**6:00 PM**

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**Cahill Room - First Floor**

## **Conservation, Sustainability and Green Initiatives** **Committee**

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**PREVIOUS BUSINESS:**

A motion was made that the previous meeting minutes be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**Present:** Merton D. Simpson, Mickey Cleary, Beroro T. Efekoro,  
Susan C. Laurilliard, Matthew J. Miller, Ellen Rosano and  
Jeff S. Perlee

**Excused:** William Reinhardt and Christopher H. Smith

**1. APPROVING PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

A motion was made that the previous meeting minutes be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**2. LOCAL LAW NO. "E" FOR 2024: A LOCAL LAW OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK AMENDING CHAPTER 146 OF THE ALBANY COUNTY CODE TO INCLUDE A PROHIBITION ON THE USAGE OF HAZARDOUS WASTE ASH IN PRODUCTS**

This Local Law was tabled at the request of the Sponsor.

**3. AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF COLONIE REGARDING NON-REFERRAL ITEMS FOR THE ALBANY COUNTY PLANNING BOARD**

A motion was made to move the proposal forward with a positive recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**CURRENT BUSINESS:**

**4. AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE VILLAGE OF RAVENA REGARDING THE ALBANY COUNTY MUNICIPAL PARK IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM**

A motion was made to move the proposal forward with a positive recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**5. AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF WESTERLO REGARDING THE ALBANY COUNTY MUNICIPAL PARK IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM**

A motion was made to move the proposal forward with a positive recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Cleary to group items 6-20 and was passed by a unanimous vote.

**6. AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE VILLAGE OF MENANDS REGARDING THE ALBANY COUNTY MUNICIPAL PARK IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM**

A motion was made to move the proposal forward with a positive recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**7. AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF NEW SCOTLAND REGARDING THE ALBANY COUNTY MUNICIPAL PARK IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM**

A motion was made to move the proposal forward with a positive recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**8. AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF BERNE REGARDING THE ALBANY COUNTY MUNICIPAL PARK IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM**

A motion was made to move the proposal forward with a positive recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**9. AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF RENSSELAERVILLE REGARDING THE ALBANY COUNTY MUNICIPAL PARK IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM**

A motion was made to move the proposal forward with a positive recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**10. AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE VILLAGE OF GREEN ISLAND REGARDING THE ALBANY COUNTY MUNICIPAL PARK IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM**

A motion was made to move the proposal forward with a positive recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**11. AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF ALBANY REGARDING THE ALBANY COUNTY MUNICIPAL PARK IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM**

A motion was made to move the proposal forward with a positive recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**12. AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM REGARDING THE ALBANY COUNTY MUNICIPAL PARK IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM**

A motion was made to move the proposal forward with a positive recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**13. AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF COLONIE REGARDING THE ALBANY COUNTY MUNICIPAL PARK IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM**

A motion was made to move the proposal forward with a positive recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**14. AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF COHOES REGARDING THE ALBANY COUNTY MUNICIPAL PARK IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM**

A motion was made to move the proposal forward with a positive recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**15. AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF KNOX REGARDING THE ALBANY COUNTY MUNICIPAL PARK IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM**

A motion was made to move the proposal forward with a positive recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**16. AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE VILLAGE OF VOORHEESVILLE REGARDING THE ALBANY COUNTY MUNICIPAL PARK IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM**

A motion was made to move the proposal forward with a positive recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**17. AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE VILLAGE OF ALTAMONT REGARDING THE ALBANY COUNTY MUNICIPAL PARK IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM**

A motion was made to move the proposal forward with a positive recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**18. AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE VILLAGE OF COLONIE REGARDING THE ALBANY COUNTY MUNICIPAL PARK IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM**

A motion was made to move the proposal forward with a positive recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**19. AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF WATERVLIET REGARDING THE ALBANY COUNTY MUNICIPAL PARK IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM**

A motion was made to move the proposal forward with a positive recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**20. AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF GUILDERLAND REGARDING THE ALBANY COUNTY MUNICIPAL PARK IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM**

A motion was made to move the proposal forward with a positive recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

DANIEL P. MCCOY  
COUNTY EXECUTIVE



COUNTY OF ALBANY  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, CONSERVATION AND PLANNING  
112 STATE STREET – ROOM 1310  
ALBANY, NEW YORK 12207-2021  
(518) 447-5670 - FAX (518) 447-5662

Hon. Joanne Cunningham  
Albany County Legislature  
112 State St., Rm. 710  
Albany, NY 12207

Dear Chairwoman Cunningham:

Please find enclosed a Request for Legislative Action to be considered at the Committee meetings.

The Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board has completed an 8-year review of Agricultural District #2. As required by Agriculture and Markets Law 25AA Section 303-a, the County Legislature must publish a public notice announcing a public hearing on the proposed modifications to the District. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 447-5670.

Sincerely,

Laura DeGaetano  
Sr. Natural Resource Planner

cc: Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader  
Frank Mauriello, Minority Leader  
Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel  
Arnis Zilgme, Minority Counsel





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## Legislation Text

**File #:** TMP-5812, **Version:** 1

### **REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION**

**Description (e.g., Contract Authorization for Information Services):**

Requesting a public hearing on proposed modifications to Agricultural District #2

Date: August 21, 2024  
Department: Economic Development, Conservation and Planning  
Attending Meeting: Tom Gallagher  
Submitted By: Laura DeGaetano  
Title: Sr. Natural Resource Planner  
Phone: 518-447-5670

Purpose of Request: Other (State if not Listed)      Public hearing notice

### **CONTRACT TERMS/CONDITIONS:**

Party Names and Addresses:  
Enter text.

Term: (Start/end date or duration)      Enter text.  
Amount/Raise Schedule/Fee:      Enter text.

### **BUDGET INFORMATION:**

Is there a Fiscal Impact:      Yes  No   
    Anticipated in Budget:      Yes  No   
    Spreadsheet attached:      Yes  No

### **Source of Funding - (Percentages)**

Federal:      Enter text.      County:      Enter text.  
State:      Enter text.      Local:      Enter text.

### **County Budget Accounts:**

Revenue Account and Line:      Enter text.  
Revenue Amount:      Enter text.  
Appropriation Account and Line:      Enter text.  
Appropriation Amount:      Enter text.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Mandated Program/Service:      Yes  No   
If Mandated, Cite Authority:      Agriculture and Markets Law 25AA Section 303-a  
Request for Bids / Proposals:

Competitive Bidding Exempt: Yes  No   
# of Response(s): Enter text.  
# of MWBE: Enter text.  
# of Veteran Business: Enter text.  
Bond Resolution No.: Enter text.  
Apprenticeship Program Yes  No

Previous requests for Identical or Similar Action:

Resolution/Law Number and Date: #66, 3/14/22

**DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST:** (state briefly why legislative action is requested)

The Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board has completed an 8-year review of Agricultural District #2, which includes property in the Towns of Rensselaerville and Westerlo. As required by Agriculture and Markets Law 25AA Section 303a, the County Legislature must publish a notice announcing a public hearing on the proposed modifications to the District within, or otherwise readily accessible, to the District. The notice shall be published in a newspaper having general circulation within the District and shall be given in writing to municipalities within the district, persons whose land is the subject of a proposed modification, and to the Commissioner of Agriculture and Markets. The notice shall contain the time, date and place of the public hearing, a description of the District and proposed modifications.

**PROPOSED ADDITIONS - 2024  
AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT #2**

	<b>Parcel #</b>	<b>Town</b>	<b>Acres</b>
Gale Della Rocco-Cramer	126.-2-1.22	Westerlo	3.49
Thomas Della Rocco	126.-2-1.21	Westerlo	19.47
Dan Furia	135.-2-27	Rensselaerville	9
Gregory Hotash	149.-1-32.10	Rensselaerville	73.6
Guy Klob	164.-1-7.11	Westerlo	6.77
Guy Klob	164.-1-7.31	Westerlo	12.5
Guy Klob	164.-1-7.32	Westerlo	9.95
Dawn & Mike Latham	127.-2-14.10	Westerlo	54.2
Dawn & Mike Latham	138.-2-2.4	Westerlo	6.2
Philip Pearson	148.-1-39.1	Rensselaerville	45.8
Philip Pearson	148.-1-39.4	Rensselaerville	6.2
Philip Pearson	148.-1-39.5	Rensselaerville	6.7
Philip Pearson	148.-1-35.60	Rensselaerville	9.26
Golden Acres Charolais LLC	139.-1-8.13	Westerlo	3..75
Golden Acres Charolais LLC	139.-1-8.12	Westerlo	5.22
Ingeborg Boudreau	151.-2-3.10	Westerlo	194.9

**PROPOSED PARCELS TO REMOVE NON-AGRICULTURAL 2024  
AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT #2**

Peters, Lois Holle	176.-2-4	Westerlo
Donovan, Charles R.	176.-1-38.2	Westerlo
Bishop, Daniel	164.-1-11	Westerlo
Day, Sandra E.	163.-1-17	Westerlo
Mahoney, Michael W.	163.-1-9.20	Westerlo
Ragone, Joseph	163.-1-6.30	Westerlo
Williams, Wendell C.	152.-1-21	Westerlo
Williams, Wendell	152.-1-20	Westerlo
Filkins, Ralph&Rosemary	150.-2-14	Westerlo
Crisafulli, Salvatore	150.-1-5	Westerlo
Burnside, Stephen	150.-1-18.1	Westerlo
Herzhaft, Frank	138.-2-33	Westerlo
Leggio-Sherman, Pennie	138.-2-22	Westerlo
Boone, Joseph J.	138.-2-13	Westerlo
Smith, Beatrice	138.-2-34	Westerlo
Brick, Andrew	138.-2-25	Westerlo
Leggio, Pennie	138.2-23	Westerlo
Schaller, Charles	138.-2-36.2/1	Westerlo
Vogel, David	127.-2-27.10	Westerlo
Perrin, Michael C.	127.-2-27.30	Westerlo
Matott, Robert	127.-2-27.20	Westerlo
McFarland, Heidi Jo	127.-2-26	Westerlo
Stone, James	127.-2-20.2	Westerlo
McDermott, Charles Jr	127.-2-33	Westerlo
McDermott, Charles Jr	127.-2-32	Westerlo
Vardabash, James	116.-2-11	Westerlo
Biggs, William E. Jr	115.-2-8	Westerlo
Lyons, William J.	115.-2-11	Westerlo
Feiner, Richard	181.-2-41	Rensselaerville
Borwegen, Ralph	171.-1-6	Rensselaerville
Donnelly, Felix G.	171.-1-8	Rensselaerville
Willis, Cynthia	171.-3-43	Rensselaerville
Willis, Cynthia	171.-3-42	Rensselaerville
Bashwinger, Warren	171.-3-40	Rensselaerville
Walker, James	171.-3-39	Rensselaerville
Dennis, Eleanor H.	161.-2-27	Rensselaerville
Lewis, Rebecca L.	160.-2-11.1	Rensselaerville
Gifford, Kenneth	160.-2-4	Rensselaerville
Hillicoss, Edward Jr	147.-1-11	Rensselaerville
Rappazzo, Charles	136.-2-3.2	Rensselaerville
Fritz, Kenneth D.	136.-2-15	Rensselaerville
Kropp, Jeremy	136.-2-16	Rensselaerville
Marc Avigdor	140.-1-29	Westerlo
Peter Jorgensen	138.-2-6.2	Westerlo

Louis Curschmann	138.-2-34	Westerlo
NYS	147.-1-7	Rensselaerville
NYS	159.-1-16	Rensselaerville
Wendell Williams	152.-1-20	Westerlo
Wendell Williams	152.-1-21	Westerlo
Diana Robert	127.-2-37.12	Westerlo
Susanna Freidmann	125.-1-16.20	Rensselaerville
Timothy Bohler	135.-1-4.2	Rensselaerville
Michael Flynn	180.-2-12	Rensselaerville
Brookside cemetery	171.-3-2	Rensselaerville

**ADDITIONS RESULTING FROM PARCEL BOUNDARY OR NUMBER CHANGES**

<b>Owner</b>	<b>Parcel #</b>	<b>Town</b>	<b>Acres</b>
Daniel Furia	135.-2-31.1	Rensselaerville	148.6
Ryan Ricci	183.-2-18	Rensselaerville	26.95
Austin Egan	127.-2-34.31	Westerlo	28.48
Austin Egan	127.-2-34.32	Westerlo	6.41
Austin Egan	127.-2-34.33	Westerlo	42.42
Roger Gifford	125.-1-29	Rensselaerville	37.17
Anthony Santoro	176.-2-12	Westerlo	16.07
Lynda Ann Witt	176.-2-1.1	Westerlo	116.58
Ryan Ricci	183.-2-18	Rensselaerville	26.95
Earl David Potter	171.-1-1	Rensselaerville	67.8
Jonathan Wilber	161.-1-2.12	Rensselaerville	47.93
Paul Baitsholts	126.-1-13.1	Rensselaerville	59.32
Jeffrey Brown	126.-1-11.10	Rensselaerville	46.28

## CLERICAL REMOVALS

<b>Parcel #</b>	<b>Reason</b>
124.-1-10	parcel # no longer exists
124.-1-8	parcel # no longer exists
171.-1-2	parcel # no longer exists
126.-1-13	parcel # no longer exists
161.-2-15	parcel # no longer exists
150.-1-16	parcel # no longer exists
150.-1-18	parcel # no longer exists
183.-2-11.1	parcel # no longer exists
171.-1-2	parcel # no longer exists

**RESOLUTION NO. 66**

**PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT NO. 1**

Introduced: 3/14/22

By Conservation, Sustainability, and Green Initiatives Committee:

WHEREAS, Section 303-a of the Agriculture and Markets Law mandates the review of an agricultural district every (8) eight years, and

WHEREAS, Such review is presently being conducted in connection with Agricultural District No. 1, and

WHEREAS, In connection with such review, a proposal for the modification of Agricultural District No. 1 has been submitted by the Agricultural Farmland Protection Board in conjunction with the Albany County Planning Board, and

WHEREAS, In conducting such review, Section 303-a of the Agriculture and Markets Law requires this Honorable Body to hold a public hearing at a place within or readily accessible to Agricultural District No. 1 upon notice as prescribed therein, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature, that the Clerk of the County Legislature shall cause notice to be posted in the designated local newspapers of a public hearing to be held on March 29, 2022, with participation instructions included therein, for the purpose of receiving the comments of any interested persons regarding the proposed modifications to Agricultural District No. 1, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That notice of said public hearing be given in accordance with the requirements of the Agriculture and Markets Law, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.