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MINUTES OF THE REGULATORY PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING April 13, 2016

The Committee meeting convened at approximately 12:15 pm.

Regulatory Programs Committee Members Present

Sherman Craig, Chair, Lynn Mahoney, Dan Wilt and Karen Feldman (Acting Chairwoman).

Other Members and Designees Present

Robert Stegemann, Bradley Austin

Local Government Review Board

Fred Monroe

Agency Staff Present

Terry Martino, James Townsend, Colleen Parker, Sarah Reynolds, and Ariel Lynch

<u>P2012-158A</u> (Ariel Lynch)

Amendment

Town of North Elba and Essex County Lake Placid Vacation Corporation

Village of Lake Placid

Hamlet

Ms. Lynch presented Agency Project 2012-158A, for amendment of a General Permit Certificate authorizing replacement of antennas on the roof of the Lake Placid Crown Plaza Resort and Golf Club. She noted New Cingular Wireless, PCS, LLC (AT&T) is the applicant and Lake Placid Vacation is the landowner. Ms. Lynch stated the project is before the Board because it involves a board member, as a landowner.

Ms. Lynch presented a slide show of the project site and reviewed Agency jurisdiction. She stated the project is a Class A regional project involving construction of structures (antennas and roof gables) over 40 feet in height in a Hamlet land use area.

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Ms. Lynch showed slides depicting the project site before the roof gables were constructed, and discussed the prior Agency approvals for AT&T and Verizon Wireless. She noted Verizon Wireless's antennas have not been built and that permit has expired. Ms. Lynch stated a General Permit Certificate for AT&T (P2012-158) was approved for construction of the same four roof gables and one antenna array behind the south gable. Both approvals included a condition requiring all four gables to be constructed within 30 days of antenna installation. To date, three roof gables have been constructed and no new antennas have been installed. She noted the general permit for AT&T is valid through November 2016.

Ms. Lynch showed a photograph of the current existing conditions depicting the three existing roof gables as seen from Olympic Drive.

She explained the amendment request signed by both AT&T and the landowner seeks two changes to the general permit certificate: 1) to no longer require the fourth roof gable facing north, toward Hillcrest Avenue; and 2) to allow exterior lighting of the three existing roof gables (facing east, toward Main Street).

Ms. Lynch showed slides comparing visual simulations from 2011 from various locations that showed the original proposed gables (four gables) compared to existing conditions with the existing three roof gables.

She showed a photo taken at night of the Crowne Plaza from Main Street/Route 86. The picture showed the proposed lighting for the three roof gables. Ms. Lynch explained the lighting is designed to compliment the lighting on the rest of the building, which was the subject of other Agency permits. She stated Agency staff feels this level of lighting is acceptable in a Hamlet setting and will not illuminate the antenna arrays that the gables are designed to conceal.

Ms. Lynch explained that the North Elba/Lake Placid Joint Review Board (JRB) unanimously approved at their March 7, 2012 meeting that AT&T have until October 15, 2012 to install all three gables and after they are installed, the JRB would review the need for the gable facing Hillcrest Avenue and amend or delete.

Ms. Lynch stated in May 2016 the applicants approached the JRB to extend the deadline of October 2012, which had passed. The JRB unanimously approved to extend the request until March 2016. Ms. Lynch also noted that the JRB has not officially reviewed the need for a fourth gable but informally believes the fourth gable-facing Hillcrest Ave. is not necessary.

Ms. Lynch said staff recommends approval with all the conditions. She highlighted conditions three and four of the proposed General Permit Certificate.

Mr. Wilt made the motion to move the permit to full Agency for approval, seconded by Ms. Feldman.

The Committee vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

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Adjournment: The Regulatory Committee meeting adjourned at 12:45 pm.

Note: The PowerPoint presentations referred to herein are on file at the Agency. Copies are also available for inspection on request and can be viewed at http://nysapa.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=2