

A Special Meeting of the Village of Potsdam Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, August 13, 2019 at 4:30 p.m., in the Civic Center Board Room, Park Street, Potsdam, New York.

PRESENT: Mayor Reinhold Tischler
Trustees Warr & Lee

ALSO PRESENT: Greg Thompson, Village Administrator
Fred Hanss, Planning Director
Kevin McAuliffe, Barclay-Damon
Pat Kelly, SLC IDA

Mayor Tischler opened the meeting at 4:30 p.m., and took the roll and stated that all members were present with the exception of Trustee Goliber & Trustee McKenna.

NEW BUSINESS:

Presentation from Vecino Group on its application for a Payment-In-Lieu-Of-Taxes (PILOT) Agreement for the adaptive re-use of Old Snell Hall.

Special Counsel McAuliffe provided the Village Board of Trustees with an overview of the tax-exempt status of the proposed project noting that the 420-A exemption enjoyed by Clarkson University would be discontinued if the Vecino Group's plans to lease the property for 65 years to be developed as an affordable housing and commercial property. He noted that the SLC Industrial Development Agency can provide a Payment -In-Lieu-of-Taxes Agreement that includes both the affordable housing project and space that may be leased back to Clarkson University for the Shipley Center, the SLC Arts Council and theater.

Molly Chiang and Rick Manzardo from the Vecino Group made a presentation on the proposed Quarry Project (attached). Potential issues to be addressed in the PILOT negotiations and the process for the negotiations were identified and discussed.

The developers propose to meet with representatives of the Industrial Development Agency and local taxing jurisdictions in hopes of having each take affirmative action on a 30-year PILOT agreement. The developers hope to have a decision from the local jurisdictions in September or October 2019.

Trustee Lee Moved and Trustee Warr Seconded a resolution to adjourn the Special Meeting of August 13, 2019 at 5:23 p.m.

Ayes 3 (Mayor Tischler)
 (Trustee Warr & Lee)

Nays 0

The undersigned was not in attendance at this special meeting. Information was provided by the Planning Director.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori S. Queor
Village Clerk