

**Minutes
Cayuga County GML 239-l, m & n Review Committee
March 17, 2022**

The Cayuga County GML 239-l, m & n Review Committee was established in 2005 by Cayuga County Legislature Resolution 413-05 as the agency to conduct mandatory reviews in Cayuga County under sections 239-l, 239-m, and 239-n of the General Municipal Law of New York State. The Committee meets monthly to review local actions for potential intermunicipal or countywide impacts.

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 AM in Caucus Room 1 on the 6th floor of the County Office Building, 160 Genesee Street, Auburn NY 13021 and via conference call using 8x8 software.

The following committee members were present:

Planning Department:	Steve Lynch
Planning Department:	Kari Terwilliger
Health Department:	Ani Fish
Highway Department:	Rich Wheeling

A quorum was thereby established.

Others present:

- Greg Diebold (staff)
- Ryan McCune (Nexamp)
- Christopher Knox (Crawford and Associates Engineering)

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MOTION BY: Ani Fish Recommend approval

SECOND BY: Steve Lynch All vote AYE

Motion Approved and Carried.

At 9:02AM, the following committee member joined the meeting:

Soil & Water Conservation District:	Brian Hall
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The following municipal matters were submitted to the Committee for consideration pursuant to New York State General Municipal Law §239-l, m, & n:

1. Town of Aurelius – Site Plan – Seviar Solar

The Committee carefully considered the materials provided by the Town related to the proposed solar project. Based on the information submitted, the Committee recommends approving the proposed action without change.

MOTION BY: Steve Lynch

Recommend approving the proposed action without change, with the following comment:

- *The Planning Board should consider requiring additional vegetative buffer along the north end of the project near the intersection of Route 326 and Seviar Rd, essentially connecting the other two portions, for additional screening from this viewpoint. A detail for the buffer should be provided in the site plan drawing set (including typical planting schedule, spacing, and elevation view).*
- *The Planning Board should also consider requesting a decommissioning plan which incorporates and formalizes a commitment by the applicant and owner to follow the NYSDAM Guidelines for Solar Energy Projects – Construction Mitigation for Agricultural Lands.*
- *The committee recommends that the town engineer closely review the SWPPP and stormwater management plans, especially for the potential flooding and icing concerns along Rt 326 and areas near the intersection of Rt 326 and Seviar Rd.*
- *The committee also recommends that the planning board makes a condition that access to the site for construction must be limited to the Seviar Road access point to the greatest extent possible.*

SECOND BY: Kari Terwilliger

All vote AYE

Motion Approved and Carried.

2. Town of Aurelius – Site Plan – Half Acre Solar

The Committee carefully considered the materials provided by the Town related to the proposed solar project. Based on the information submitted, the Committee recommends approving the proposed action without change.

MOTION BY: Kari Terwilliger

Recommend approving the proposed action without change, with the following comment:

- *The Planning Board should consider requiring vegetative buffers along at least the north and east sides of the project due to the wide-open nature of the area and to mitigate any visual*

impacts on the rural character of the area. A detail for the buffer should be provided in the site plan drawing set (including typical planting schedule, spacing, and elevation view).

- *The Planning Board should also consider requesting a decommissioning plan which incorporates and formalizes a commitment by the applicant and owner to follow the NYSDAM Guidelines for Solar Energy Projects – Construction Mitigation for Agricultural Lands.*

SECOND BY: Steve Lynch

All vote AYE

Motion Approved and Carried

At 9:36AM, the following committee member left the meeting and was no longer present:

Soil & Water Conservation District: **Brian Hall**

All other committee members remained present, thereby, a quorum was maintained.

3. Town of Sennett – Site Plan – Restaurant

The Committee carefully considered the materials provided by the Town related to the proposed site plan. Based on the information submitted, the Committee determined that the proposed action appears to have no intermunicipal concerns and is of local concern only.

MOTION BY: Steve Lynch

The proposal appears to have no intermunicipal concerns and is of local concern only.

SECOND BY: Ani Fish

All vote AYE

Motion Approved and Carried

4. Town of Moravia – Comprehensive Plan

The Committee carefully considered the materials provided by the Town related to the proposed comprehensive plan. Based on the information submitted, the Committee recommends approving the proposed action without change.

MOTION BY: Steve Lynch

Recommend approving the proposed action without change.

SECOND BY: Kari Terwilliger

All vote AYE

Motion Approved and Carried