

**Minutes**  
**Cayuga County Planning Board ❖ NYS GML 239 Review Meeting**  
**October 30, 2012**

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM in the Conference Room on the 5th floor of the County Office Building, 160 Genesee Street, Auburn NY 13021.

The following committee members were present: **Steve Lynch, Doug Kierst, Bruce Natale, and Eileen O'Connor**. A quorum was thereby established. Steve Koon was excused.

Others present: Gabriel Holbrow (Staff).

**MINUTES:**

Due to the irregular nature of this special meeting, approval of past minutes was postponed until the next regularly scheduled meeting.

**The following municipal matters were submitted to the Committee for consideration pursuant to GML §§239-l, m, & n:**

**1. Town of Aurelius – Revised Site Plan – Cayuga Ingredients LLC, Eagle Drive**

The Committee carefully considered the site plans and drainage plans provided by the Town related to the proposed dairy ingredients processing facility in the Cayuga County Industrial Park.

The committee reviewed the unusual process that this project took to arrive for its review. The town board had led the state environmental quality review (SEQR) process and issued a finding of no significant impact, the town board had enacted a zoning change, and the town planning board had approved a preliminary site plan, all without coming before the committee because the site did not meet any of the criteria under GML §239-m. However, during the time between the approval of the preliminary site plan and the current proposed site plan, the county adopted a plan to designate the access road, Eagle Drive, as a county highway in order to lead the construction of the road. As a proposed county highway, Eagle Drive now triggers review under GML §239-l and m for this project.

The committee discussed the drainage plan for the site, noting the considerable capacity for retention on site. As nearly all of the surface drainage from the site eventually makes its way to a drainage pipe at the northern edge of the site, and thence into a ditch maintained by the Cayuga County Industrial Development Agency (CCIDA), committee members identified the maintenance of this ditch, which eventually drains to Crane Brook, as an issue that the county and the CCIDA should be monitoring into the future.

The committee found no potential adverse impacts on the character of surrounding land uses, as the site is in a proposed industrial park and adjacent to existing industrial uses of similar appearance and design. The committee also found no potential adverse impacts on traffic from the site, as Eagle Drive is being constructed specifically to handle the traffic generated by the site.

**MOTION BY BRUCE NATALE:** Approve without change

**SECOND BY EILEEN O'CONNOR:** Doug Kierst, Bruce Natale, and Eileen O'Connor vote AYE. Steve Lynch abstained due to potential conflict of interest as the executive director of the CCIDA which owns the site.

**Motion Approved and Carried.**

**Motion to adjourn by Doug Kierst. Seconded by Bruce Natale. All approving.  
Adjourned at 1:35 PM.**

**The next regularly scheduled meeting is 9:00 AM on Thursday, November 15, 2012.**