



HOUSING ADVISORY BOARD AGENDA
August 20, 2026
5:00 PM – HARRIETSTOWN HALL, 2nd FLOOR

Minutes

5:03 p.m. - Meeting called to order by vice chair Steve Erman

Present Members: Brian Draper, Mark Legeza, Rich Loeber, Jodi Gunther, Steve Erman, Peter Waldt, Doug Haney, Jeremy Evans, Bayle Reichert

Approval of July 16 Minutes

- Rich Loeber 1st
- Jodi Gunther 2nd
- Approved Unanimously

Guest Presentation

- The advisory board heard a preliminary presentation from a regional developer interested in constructing a multi-unit apartment building within the Village of Saranac Lake.

Community Fund Enhancement Program

- The board discussed requesting access to these funds, and it was decided not to pursue in favor of seeking outside funding.
- Goals for use of outside funding included:
 - Hiring a consultant to research what other regional communities of have done to discourage homeowners from leaving existing properties vacant and unoccupied.

Studio A Meeting

- The board agreed to set a virtual meeting with Studio A to continue its discussion about redevelopment of the Village sand pit. The meeting was set for 4p on August 27.

Future Business

- Trustee Evans invited members to attend a public hearing on Monday, August 24 regarding the village's desire to seek CDBG grant funding in cooperation with Adirondack Roots.
- The board discussed drafting a letter of support
 - Peter Waldt – 1st
 - Brian Draper – 2nd
 - Unanimously Approved
- Bayle Reichert agreed to draft the letter

6:13 p.m. Meeting Adjourned

- Jodi Gunther – 1st
- Brian Draper – 2nd
- Unanimously Approved

Next Meeting

September 17 at 5p, Harriestown Hall Second Floor