

**Urbana Town Board Meeting
Special Board Meeting
May 23, 2019**

The Urbana Town Board held a special board meeting and Community Forum on May 23, 2019 at 6:00 pm at the Hammondsport Central School's Cafeteria.

PRESENT:	Alzina Turner	Councilwoman
	David Shaw	Deputy Supervisor
	John Webster	Supervisor
	Jim Presley	Councilman
	Ed Stull	Councilman
	Deanna Tompkins	Town Clerk

Others Present: Ann Green, Bill Romig, Seven Webster, Wayne Hand, Peter Robbins, Leslie Bowman, John and Gail Bryson, Alan Locey, Lance Locey, Josh Rosenbloom, Heather Milone, Ray Poehlein Brian Snyder, Betty Sutherland, James Gleason, Holley Gleason, Irene Fascher, Tom and Linda Kressly, Don Howard, Joyce Hill, David Drum, Mike Oram, Joan Mayer, Ted Mayer, Charlie Skinner, William Fries, Carol Israel, Tom Israel, DeForest Veley, Barbara Keck, Jim Presley, Bob Kleckner, Cathy Kleckner, Clark Wambold, Judy Peterson, Marion Tunney, Andrew Tompkins, RG Orman, Ed Wightman, David Oliver.

Daniel Shearer, George Turner & Eric Whiting, Saratoga Associates; Wendy Meagher & Rachel Miles, Meagher Engineering; Tiffany Millard & Brian Grose, Fagan Engineering.

Supervisor Webster called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

The purpose of this Public Preliminary Design Meeting on the Town of Urbana's Keuka Lake Waterfront Access & Champlin Beach Infrastructure Improvement Projects, was held to inform and receive input from community members on the projects progression, for future design edits and choices.

Meeting Overview: *(Note... The following notes were provided by Saratoga Associates:)*

Saratoga Associates provided a power point presentation of the preliminary design concepts developed to date. Public input was received during the presentation and afterward as boards showing the design options for each element of the project were on display around the perimeter of the cafeteria. At the easels, the public could dot vote for their preferred choices and also provide written comments on each design.

Saratoga Associates provided the following observations from the public during the meeting:

1. Access Point for First Responders
 - This could potentially be at a location on boardwalk

2. Ballfield Location
 - The current location is well-liked already by many community members
 - Others felt that the ballfields are not at the highest and best use for their location
 - Only keeping the smaller field is not helpful as it is only used for T-ball

3. Parking

- There are too many parking spaces in all schematics

4. Waterfront Center and Other Amenities

- Consider relocation to a higher elevation
 - Doglegging the route to the pier
- The idea of a bandstand was favored as a potential feature
- There is a desire for restrooms at Curtiss park as well as in the Waterfront Center

5. Observation Area

- Multiple observation areas are desired
- An ADA accessible ramp was suggested for the observation deck
- Wetland views are more important to some than views of the water
 - Many want an area for a designated eagle perch

6. Boardwalk

- Option C appears as though it would have better flow for bikes and pedestrian traffic
- Most people prefer the curvilinear paths

7. Kayak Launch

- Kayak launch Option A was found to be more natural
 - The simplicity of Option A was appreciated
- There will have to be some considerations on the usage of riprap as it will most likely not be allowed by the edge of the water.
- Option B may prove more labor intensive as it would have to be removed at the end of every season
 - However, Option B is more easily accessible for those with limited mobility
- Many other state parks have used kayak launches very similar to the wheelchair accessible launch in Option C

8. Pier & Slips

- There were many concerns with the town running the marine
- There was a desire for varied sizes and scales of the rental spaces

On a motion made by Councilman Stull, seconded by Councilman Presley and carried, all voting aye to close the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Deanna Tompkins,
Town Clerk