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MINUTES

Herkimer County Planning Board
Monday, April 20, 2026

The Herkimer County Planning Board (HCPB) met in person on April 20, 2026, and the meeting was called to order at 12:01 p.m.

The following were present:

Les Stephens, HCPB Chairperson
Bob Drummond
Frank Mendl

Donna Salamone
Robyn Cadwell
Hanna Sauberan, HOCCPP Staff

Minutes

Minutes from the March 16, 2026 meeting were unanimously approved, following a motion by Bob Drummond and second by Donna Salamone.

New Business

Starview Storage LLC – State Route 28, Town of Columbia

HCPB reviewed a special use permit to construct four storage buildings on State Route 28 in the Town of Columbia. The HCPB did not identify any significant countywide or intermunicipal impacts but did mention that since the proposed project disturbs more than one acre, a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) is required. Citing no likely countywide impact, Frank Mendl motioned for “No Recommendation”, and to also include a comment about the SWPPP requirement. Donna Salamone seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Arts Guild of Old Forge d/b/a View – State Route 28, Town of Webb

HCPB reviewed a conditional use permit to allow the old arts center building to be used as a museum on State Route 28 in the Town of Webb. Members agreed the potential for intermunicipal and/or countywide impacts would be minimal. Donna Salamone motioned for “No Recommendation”. Bob Drummond seconded, and the motion passed with all in favor.

Stewart’s Shops Corp – West State Street, Village of Dolgeville

HCPB reviewed a site plan review, special use permit, and subdivision proposal to allow for the expansion of Stewart’s Shops in the Village of Dolgeville. Members agreed the potential for intermunicipal and/or countywide impacts would be minimal. Donna Salamone motioned for “No Recommendation”. Bob Drummond seconded, and the motion passed with all in favor.

Ferris – Military Road, Town of Russia

HCPB reviewed an area variance regarding road frontage on Military Road in the Town of Russia. Members agreed the potential for intermunicipal and/or countywide impacts would be minimal. Bob Drummond motioned for “No Recommendation”. Donna Salamone seconded, and the motion passed with all in favor.

Stewart’s Shops – North Main Street, Village of Dolgeville

HCPB reviewed an area variance regarding canopy height and the separation of the canopy and building from the residential district at Stewart’s Shops in the Village of Dolgeville. Members agreed the potential for intermunicipal and/or countywide impacts would be minimal. Donna Salamone motioned for “No Recommendation”. Bob Drummond seconded, and the motion passed with all in favor.

Other Business

The next meeting of the Herkimer County Planning Board is scheduled for May 18, 2026, at noon. The meeting will be held in person at the Herkimer County Chamber of Commerce (420 East German Street, Herkimer, NY 13350). There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:18 p.m.