

**Joseph Wetmore**  
**Town Board Member Report**  
**July 2022**

**Tompkins County Council of Governments (TCCOG)**  
**Thursday, June 23·3:00 – 5:00pm**

Report from County Administration L. Holmes

The mandatory COVID-19 testing policy for unvaccinated Tompkins County employees ended July 7, 2022.

Executive order #18- preparedness plan to address domestic terrorism definition

Reports

a. Rural Broadband

TCCOG asked for special meeting, a presentation by Hunt Engineers to be scheduled. A Special Tompkins County Council of Government meeting on Tuesday, July 26th at 12:00 pm has been set for the presentation. Municipal broadband and public investment in private networks: competition, cooperation, or both? What are the options? Join us for a presentation by Ryan Garrison, Director of Technology with Hunt Engineers. A Zoom link will be sent out 24 hours prior to the meeting. Contact Katrina McCloy <[kmccloy@tompkins-co.org](mailto:kmccloy@tompkins-co.org)>. If you are unable to attend at that time, the presentation will be viewable on the Tompkins County YouTube Channel!  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WD2kAlcZnPk>

b. Rural Updates

Cyber security

Water Runoff issues

Subcommittee Reports

a. Emergency Planning and Preparedness M. Witmer

Discussed the value of acquiring a fly-car, also known as a RRV (rapid response vehicle), which would be a less expensive option to expanded ambulance service. The fly-car enables the crew (often a lone responder) to bring their equipment quickly to the scene of an emergency, and may carry most of the same equipment as a full size ambulance, although very limited in its capacity to transport patients. The goal is to reduce response time.

b. Energy R. Howe

Education around Electric Vehicles and EV charging station (to include grant opportunities and a mechanism for a green vehicles “show and tell”)

Solar Power forum(s) to share information on solar development that might include:

- Tax incentives

- Challenges/benefits to municipalities and communities
- Taking another look at adopted solar policies
- Hearing from some of the solar developers (e.g., Nexamp, CNS, Renovus, Norbut Solar)
- Battery energy storage
- NYSEG dialogue
- Nodal development

c. Transportation R. Lynch

1. Exploring expanded TDM (Traffic Demand Management) programs
2. Long term location for intercity bus service
3. TCAT
  - Gas Costs have doubled
  - Shortage of drivers
  - Exploring elimination of bus fares

**Planning Board**

**Monday, June 27·6:30pm – 8:30pm**

Farrell Road Tax Parcel numbers 39.-1-20.192 The applicant proposes to subdivide a 6.74 acre lot into two lots. Parcel A is .93 acres (40.537 sf), Parcel B is a flag lot, 5.81 acres in size. The project is located in the Low Density Residential (R1) Zone. Approved

Asbury Hill Lot 27 & 28, Tax Parcel numbers 40.-3-27, 40.-3-28 : The applicant proposes to subdivide the existing Lot 28 into a 2.88 acres lot and combine the remaining 4.404 acres with Lot 27 to the North. The project is located in the Low Density Residential (R1) Zone. Approved

Village Solar, Tax Parcel numbers 39.-1-38.8, 39.-1-38.11, 39.-1-38.13, 39.-1-38.16 The applicant proposes the demolition of four (4) existing apartment buildings, #21, #88, #96, & #28. The applicant proposes the construction of 138 multifamily units within six (6) apartment buildings. The project is located in PDA 1 – Village Circle//Village Solar. Declaration of Lead agency.

Proposed Dandy Mini Mart: 7 Ridge Rd, Tax Parcel No's 31.-6-9.1, 31.-6-10, 31.-6-11, 31.-6-13, & 31.-6-14 . The applicant proposes the consolidation of several lots to form an approximately 4.7 acre parcel. The site plan proposal consists of a 6,100 sf convenient store with a 128'x24' gasoline fueling island, a 48'x22' diesel fuel island, fuel tank storage, and a drive through window. 36 vehicle parking spaces (including 4 tractor trailer parking stalls and up to 4 EV parking stalls) are proposed. The project is located in the B1 – Commercial Mixed Use Zoning District. The Public Hearing was very well attended:



**Town of Lansing Codes Committee  
Thursday, July 7·10:00am – 12:00pm**

Reviewed proposed revised draft Zoning Article VII: Principal, Accessory, and Temporary Uses permitted in the AG Zoning District

Worked on 'Rural Enterprise' definition

Reviewed revised draft Agriculture (AG) Zoning District: Purpose; Uses; Schedule; Activation

Reviewed revised draft Zoning Map

Recommendation to circulate the revised draft Zoning text and map to Fire, Highway, Parks & Recreation

Report on SEQRA coordination / review of proposed updates to schedule of adoption. Hope to have it before the Town Board for final approval at our October meeting.