

Minutes of March 12, 2024, Germantown Town Board workshop on LWRP Proposed Local Law, held in the Germantown Town Hall, 50 Palatine Park Road, Germantown, NY and via Zoom, commencing at 6:00pm.

Present: Supervisor Helsley  
Councilman Sullivan  
Councilman Kukon  
Councilmember Suarez  
Councilman Christian  
  
Town Attorney, Corinne Smith

Recorded by: Town Clerk, Joyce Vale

8 residents in attendance.

Supervisor Helsley opened the workshop on LWRP proposed Local Law. Karen Targove said the LWRP met and discussed the comments from DOS. Karen started with Harbor management and said they must have the harbor management plan in order to have an LWRP. Karen said the committee discussed allowing commercial, municipal or science research vessels. Councilman Christian said they are limiting to smaller commercial vessels, research and state vessels are allowed. Councilman Christian added that the committee should clarify the definition. Corinne suggested revisions to harbor management will not be in effect until approval by the Town Board and DOS. Karen then went to shoreline and the committee discussed the shoreline and cliffs. Councilman Christian some wetlands may come under DEC. He thinks protecting all the wetlands. Corinne has concerns about maps in general and should consider an overlay and work on the definitions and what it applies to and what areas that it doesn't apply to. Councilman Christian said there is a list of 7-8 wetlands that all connect to the Hudson River. Karen brought up Barbara Hughey who had said there are more wetlands than shown in the mapping. Corinne clarified the shoreline wetlands. Councilman Christian asked if it is possible to put a map in the Local Law? Corinne answered "yes". Jan Brochert said tidal wetland may change during time.

Motion to close the workshop at 6:37pm made by Councilman Sullivan, seconded by Councilmember Suarez, with all in favor and none opposed.

Respectfully submitted,