

EVENTS FORUM: ACTION ITEMS

The Lake Placid / North Elba Development Commission hosted a discussion forum on January 26, 2016. This forum provided an opportunity for people in the community to express their opinions regarding the many events and festivals that occur in the area.

About 25 people, many of whom were event organizers, presented their views in a fairly freewheeling discussion. Additional comments were posted on this website. Notes from the evening are available here:

Community Forum Notes:

The Development Commission reviewed these comments and adopted five action items at their February 11, 2016 meeting.

- 1) The Development Commission will contact the former members of the Events Council to determine if the group wishes to reconstitute.** The Commission will serve as host to the first meeting of the group.
- 2) The Development Commission will update the checklist of community concerns used by the former Events Council.** This checklist traditionally provided a guideline for event sponsors regarding community expectations.
- 3) The Development Commission will sponsor a community news site with an e-mail format.** Event sponsors, government agencies, schools, non-profits, and individuals can use this platform to publicize events and activities on a timely basis.
- 4) The Development Commission reaffirms their support of Goal #5 of the Community Facilities and Services section of the Comprehensive Plan.** This section calls on the community to maintain the quality of the Olympic facilities and upgrade their design for multiple uses. The hope is that this restatement will strengthen any grant applications to accomplish those goals
- 5) The Development Commission will contact existing organizations and determine their willingness to create and sponsor events targeted for residents.** These could include arts festivals, music fests, animal parades, winter fests, swimming races, etc.