

## IABA meeting minutes July 7, 2026

The meeting was held at Daiker's and was called to order at 6:40pm by Jill Marsh. In attendance were: Jill Marsh, Adele Burnett, Holly Koeppe, Janet and Ray Cardella, Karen and Brad Gorea, Linda Goldsworthy, Joanne Kelly, Karen Kelsey, Connie Perry, Miriam Doud and Tim Brownsell. No new attendees were present.

### Regular Reports:

Chair: Jill reports she attended the AEDC 50th Birthday Conference in June in support of the economic development corporation and businesses. The DisrUpstate summit in June was "motivating". CBIT survey is available-contact Robin Hill or Miriam Doud at [LivingADK.org](http://LivingADK.org)

ROOST will meet with Jill and Adele in September for updates.

Treasurer: Jane not present. Jill reports that all is well with \$12,321 in the checking account and \$35,000+ in CDs. She states that more has been spent than is coming in compared to previous years, and she is researching that.

Secretary: Holly reports nothing new. The minutes for the June meeting were approved.

Membership: Janet reports there are now 115 paid members for 2026.

Inlet Information: Adele reports that the Planning Board has accepted a subdivision application for property on Seventh Lake Road and will hold a Public Hearing on 7/15 at 6:30 pm. They are expecting further discussion on the proposed site plan for The Woods Inn soon.

### Prior Business

Old Forge will hold a meeting for Adirondack Innovation Initiative (A2i) on 7/28 to create a community for remote workers. We've agreed to promote.

Sponsors are still needed for the Inlet Summer Concert series. The engagement of Sydney Richards and Chris Simons was announced at the first concert on July 4th.

### General Topics

Treasurer's Role: Jill announced that Jane is retiring as of the end of the year and we will need to find a new treasurer. An executive Board meeting was held to discuss qualifications for this position. Anyone who knows of a qualified person should talk to Jill or another board member before nominations are made in November.

ICE and J1s: There will be an informational meeting on 7/10 at 9 am regarding rights and responsibilities, permits versus Visas.

IABA Directory: This was suggested by several members, but after some research, Jill states that it is more trouble than it is worth, and would be very difficult to keep updated. Most businesses have access to a membership list already.

Inlet USA 250th celebration: More events to come including a Boat Parade at 6:30 on July 18. Don't forget to vote for your favorite decorated business; 500+ votes have already been cast!

CAA-no report

BFC- everything went great!

Business Highlight: Wood's Inn was scheduled, but Russell was unable to attend due to a family emergency.

Living ADK Community Outreach: Contact Miriam at MDoud@LivingADK.org for information. Services are available from Woodgate to Raquette Lake.

Public Comments:

5th annual walk to end Alzheimer's-Linda reports that it was very well attended and \$1795 was raised. She discussed the difficulties in organizing this event and asked for ideas and assistance in planning for the future.

On August 8, there will be a Pet Parade and event with pet adoptions at Fern Park from noon to 6 pm. This is a fundraiser for regional animal shelters. There will be food and entertainment. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

The next meeting will be held on 8/4 at 6:30 pm at the ArtHouse.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Holly Koeppel, IABA Secretary