

COMPARISON OF COB TO CAP

Citizen Oversight Board (COB)	Community Advisory Panel (CAP)
Empowered by legislation at the State level	No legislative proposal, operates as a CAP under NRC
Funded by the State	No ongoing funding
Made up of 15 voting members Appointed by elected officials for 3-year terms 8 non-voting elected State & local officials, ex officio (lose their seat if not re-elected)	25 voting members: 14 appointees 11 elected local officials, ex officio (lose their seat if not re-elected),
Chair & Vice Chair are elected by the Board Two-year terms; Minutes and administrative support by DPS	Mayor & Supervisor are Chair & Vice-Chair, ex officio; Current Cortlandt Town Secretary appointed as Secretary (no specified term)
No Licensee members	Licensee appoints two members
No members who hold any relationship to, or financial interest in, Licensee or other financial interest in the Plant	No prohibition against members with direct or indirect financial interest
State legislation authorizes access to NRC licensing information, audited financial statements, etc.	Only has access to publicly available info
Funding to hire nuclear & pipeline safety experts for independent analyses is provided by the State	Funding from Licensee for experts Likely also chosen by Licensee
Board meets 10 times per year & for Emergencies	No more than 4 meetings per year
Meetings recorded and publicly available	Minutes publicly available (unclear if recorded)
Meetings open to public and for public comment; Notice 2 weeks in advance	Meetings open to public and for public comment; Notice 1 week in advance
Administrative support by NY State Department of Public Service (DPS) including website	Administrative support by the Town of Cortlandt; Includes website or <i>portion of</i> website
Purpose: To advise and recommend action to State and local officials and the public on decommissioning issues. Produces an annual report; may also participate in State agency decisions	Purpose: communication on decommissioning issues “in an advisory capacity only” with “no role in directing the decommissioning”
Developed over nearly 2 years with community input	Developed quickly without community input
Drafted to avoid pitfalls faced by other communities	Generic provisions; Does not address challenges faced by communities in the past
Long-term rolling stewardship	Scheduled to end in 2027
Drafted to empower local area to play a role in the future of our community	Drafted to explicitly disempower the local community’s ability to exert influence