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ULYSSES TOWN BOARD

RESOLUTIONS for APRIL 28, 2020

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5 **Section 6b** ++++++

6 **RESOLUTION # OF 2020: Responding to Proposed Zoning Amendment**

7 *WHEREAS, the Zoning Law adopted on December 10, 2019 in Resolution 2019-211 included provisions that several*  
8 *members of the Town Board wanted to re-visit in 2020 based on feedback from the Public Hearing held November 12,*  
9 *2019 and*

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11 *WHEREAS, the Town Board wished to consider alternative strategies that balance property rights with our environmental*  
12 *stewardship when protecting steep slopes and Unique Natural Areas in the Lakeshore and Conservation zone rather than*  
13 *a zone-wide limit of 2000sq ft footprint and*

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15 *WHEREAS, on February 11, 2020 the Ulysses Town Board charged the Ulysses Planning Board with:*

- 16 • *reviewing the current number of undeveloped parcels and acreage in the two zones and*
- 17 • *recommending a proposal to amend the Zoning Law Sections Section 212-47. N and Section 212-54 in ways that*
- 18 *address the options identified by the Town Board and/or*
- 19 • *recommending other strategies to achieve the Town Board’s policy goal and*

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21 *WHEREAS, the Ulysses Town Planning Board has reviewed the zoning and the guidance from the Town Board and has*  
22 *transmitted their recommendations and rationale to the Town Board, now therefore be it*

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24 *RESOLVED, that the Ulysses Town Board acknowledges receipt of the recommendations and extends its appreciation to*  
25 *the members of the Planning Board and further*

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27 *RESOLVED, that before voting on a local law to amend the Zoning Law, the Town Board will take the following steps:*

- 28 1. *Review and discuss the proposal and agree on language for a zoning amendment;*
- 29 2. *Schedule a public information meeting to be held by videoconference and advertised to the land owners in the*  
30 *affected zones as well as to all Town residents for the purpose of informing those affected and the wider public of*  
31 *the proposal under consideration and to invite questions and comments about the intent and wording of the*  
32 *proposed amendment;*
- 33 3. *Review and discuss the specific comments shared at the Public Information meeting and any comments*  
34 *submitted in writing and then adopt final language for the proposed amendment;*
- 35 4. *Introduce the draft local law to Amend the Zoning Ordinance*
- 36 5. *Conduct a State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) review on the proposed action;*
- 37 6. *Schedule a Public Hearing with sufficient time to request and receive comments from Tompkins County Planning*  
38 *(239 Review), other regulatory bodies to be identified;*
- 39 7. *Post the notice of public hearing and notify neighboring municipalities as required.*
- 40 8. *Conduct the Public Hearing and depending on comments, vote to adopt the local law amendment and submit the*  
41 *change to the NYS Department of State **OR** consider changes that will require the process to be repeated.*

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1 **Section 8a** ++++++

2 **RESOLUTION # \_\_\_\_ OF 2020 Appointment of Code Enforcement Officer**

3 *WHEREAS, the Town of Ulysses Code Enforcement Officer Tom Myers has given notice of his resignation to pursue a full-*  
4 *time position with the Village of Trumansburg and*

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6 *WHEREAS, Code Enforcement is an essential service to the Town and to New York State, the Town of Ulysses wishes to*  
7 *appoint a new code enforcement officer to fill the part-time position and*

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9 *WHEREAS, the Town advertised through the Tompkins County Human Resources website and advertised the availability*  
10 *of the position multiple times in electronic newsletters to residents and on our Town’s website and*

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12 *WHEREAS, a sub-committee of the Town interviewed several qualified applicants for the position, now therefore be it*

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14 *RESOLVED, that the Ulysses Town Board appoints \_\_\_\_\_ to the Code Enforcement Officer position at a*  
15 *salary rate of \$\_\_\_\_\_/hour for \_\_\_\_\_ hours/week effective \_\_\_\_\_ . Class B positions involving 20*  
16 *or more hours/week but less than 30 hours/week are eligible to receive pro-rated fringe benefits as outlined in the Town*  
17 *of Ulysses Personnel Policy. The probationary period for this position will be 12 months, per the Town’s Personnel Policy*  
18 *and continued employment is contingent upon completion of required New York State certifications or updates within*  
19 *eighteen months from the time of appointment*  
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21 **Section 8b** ++++++

22 **RESOLUTION # \_\_\_\_ OF 2020 Updating 2020 Liaison and Committee Appointments**

23 *WHEREAS, the Ulysses Town Board appointed Town Board members as liaisons to various boards and committees and*  
24 *community members as members and alternates to the Planning Board at its January 6<sup>th</sup> Organizational Meeting as*  
25 *required and*

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27 *WHEREAS, there have been changes in the composition of the Town Board since January 6, 2020, now therefore be it*

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29 *RESOLVED, that the Ulysses Town Board approves the liaison assignments as updates to RESOLUTION #\_\_\_\_ OF 2020 as*  
30 *outlined on the attached chart, and further*

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32 *RESOLVED, that the Ulysses Town Board appoints \_\_\_\_\_ as an Alternate to the Planning Board for the*  
33 *balance of the one-year term ending December 31, 2020.*  
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35 **Section 8c** ++++++

36 **ESOLUTION # \_\_\_\_ of 2020 In Support of Federal Funding Assistance for Local Governments, and School Districts in**  
37 **New York State Adversely Impacted by COVID-19**

38 *WHEREAS, the spread of COVID-19 in New York resulted in Governor Andrew Cuomo declared a State of Emergency on*  
39 *March 7, 2020 and closed non-essential businesses by executive order on March 20, 2020; and*

40 *WHEREAS, President Donald J. Trump approved a Major Disaster Declaration for New York State on March 20, 2020; and*

1 *WHEREAS, New York State is the most adversely impacted in the United States by the COVID-19 pandemic; and*  
 2 *WHEREAS, Tompkins County is an economic hub in Upstate New York and attracts residents and visitors from all over the*  
 3 *world to live, work and shop; and*  
 4 *WHEREAS, all non-essential businesses in Tompkins are closed and sales tax revenue is projected to be upwards of 50%*  
 5 *below original projections for 2020; and*  
 6 *WHEREAS, the Town of Ulysses relies on sales tax revenue for approximately 20% of its budget; and*  
 7 *WHEREAS, the Town of Ulysses and other regional municipal governments and school districts with populations less than*  
 8 *500,000 continue to provide essential services during these difficult times; and*  
 9 *WHEREAS, the Town of Ulysses and other regional municipal governments and school districts have expanded their*  
 10 *service provisions to meet the necessary responsibilities created by this global pandemic; and*  
 11 *WHEREAS, the State of New York is projected to have a \$10-15 billion budgetary shortfall for 2020 and has indicated it*  
 12 *may withhold its normal fiscal support to municipalities and school districts; now, therefore, be it*  
 13 *RESOLVED that the Town of Ulysses requests that our federal representatives—Senator Chuck Schumer, Senator Kristen*  
 14 *Gillibrand, and Representative Tom Reed—strongly advocate for municipalities and school districts in New York to*  
 15 *receive direct monetary support from the federal government in the Phase 4 aid package.*

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17 **Section 9 ++++++**

18 **RESOLUTION # \_\_\_\_ OF 2020: APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

19 RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board approves the minutes from the Regular Town Board meeting held  
20 4/14/20.