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ULYSSES TOWN BOARD

RESOLUTIONS for September 8, 2020

5 RESOLUTION #____ OF 2020: RE-LEVY OF WATER DISTRICT 3 DELINQUENT WATER FEES.

- 6 WHEREAS, Ulysses Town Code Chapter 200-10 C-2 provides for delinquent water bills, taxes, assessments, fees, rents, or other
 7 service charges of Water District 3 to be placed on the ensuing year's tax roll as a re-levy; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Ulysses Town Code Chapter 200-10(C)(2) defines delinquent as "a period of at least 60 calendar days as of October
 9 1 of any year"; and
- **10** WHEREAS, customers with delinquent amounts may still make payments through Sept. 30, 2020,
- **11** NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ulysses Town Board approves the re-levy of any unpaid delinquent water charges
- 12 in Ulysses Water District 3 to the 2021 Town and County Tax Roll; and be it further
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RESOLVED, that after Oct. 1, 2020, a certified copy of this resolution along with a listing of the properties with re-levied water
charges will be sent to the Tompkins County Assessment Department by the Town Receiver of Taxes for the purpose of adding
these delinquent charges to the 2021 Town and County Tax Roll.

18 RESOLUTION #_____ of 2020: SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING ON LOCAL LAW #2 OF 2020 TO OVERRIDE THE TAX LEVY 19 LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW §3-C

RESOLVED, that the attached draft local law, the full text of which the Town Clerk is hereby directed to reproduce in the
 minutes hereof, is adopted as the draft upon which a public hearing shall be held to consider whether or not to adopt the
 Local Law #2 of 2020 to Override the Levy Limit, and be it further

- **23** *RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby schedules a public hearing for* ______ *at* _____ *6:30 PM.*
- Access details for how to participate in the Public Hearing shall be posted on the Town of Ulysses website at
 www.ulysses.ny.us at least 24 hours prior to the date of the hearing. The purpose of the public hearing is for all persons
 wishing to comment in favor or against the proposed Local Law to have an opportunity to provide their comments
 thereon, and be it further
- 28 RESOLVED, that in addition to participation in the public hearing, all members of the public wishing to submit written
 29 comments on the proposed local law may do so in writing addressed to the Town Clerk at 10 Elm Street, Trumansburg,
 30 NY 14886 or by email to clerk@ulysses.ny.us, and be it further
- RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is directed to publish notice of said hearing in the Ithaca Journal as required by law and
 the Town Board authorizes payment of expenses associated with said publications.
- BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Ulysses will hold a Public Hearing on the proposed Local Law #2 of 2020 to
 override the NYS tax levy limit as allowed by General Municipal Law §3-C.
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1 LOCAL LAW # 2 OF 2020: TO OVERRIDE THE TAX LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW §3-C

- **2** Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Ulysses as follows:
- **3** Section 1. Legislative Intent: It is the intent of this local law to override the limit on the amount of real property taxes that may
- 4 be levied by the Town of Ulysses, County of Tompkins pursuant to General Municipal Law §3-c, and to allow the Town of
- 5 Ulysses, County of Tompkins to adopt a town budget for (a) town purposes, (b) fire protection districts, and (c) any other
- **6** special or improvement district, and Town improvements provided pursuant to Town Law Article 12-C, governed by the Town
- 7 Board for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2021 that requires a real property tax levy in
- **8** excess of the "tax levy limit" as defined by General Municipal Law §3-c.
- 9 Section 2. Authority: This local law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law §3-c, which expressly
- **10** authorizes the Town Board to override the tax levy limit by the adoption of a local law approved by vote of at least sixty
- **11** *percent (60%) of the Town Board.*
- Section 3. Tax Levy Limit Override: The Town Board of the Town of Ulysses, County of Tompkins is hereby authorized to adopt a
 budget for the fiscal year 2021 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the limit specified in General Municipal Law
 §3-c.
- Section 4. Severability: If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to
 any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance, shall be adjusted by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or
- 17 unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in
- **18** *its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or in its application to the person,*
- individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be
 rendered.
- 21 Section 5. Effective date: This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.
- 22 AND FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk file this local law with the Secretary of State as required by law.
- 23 SEQR ACTION: TYPE II-20

RESOLUTION # ____ OF 2020: URGING NEW YORK STATE TO ALLOCATE FUNDING TO LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES TO SUPPORT THE PROVISION OF RURAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS)

- WHEREAS, volunteer Fire services and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) in rural New York State have been
 under pressure for many years ongoing declining volunteerism rates which leads to the closure of departments, which
 leads to the expansion of coverage areas for nearby agencies, which themselves struggle with staffing in an
 environment of ever-increasing costs, and
- WHEREAS, efforts to increase volunteerism, particularly in EMS, while noble, are neither sustainable nor effective
 enough to make a meaningful impact, and
- WHEREAS, as a result of these circumstances, many municipalities have been forced to implement paid EMS
 Departments, contract for services with other paid departments, or do without timely EMS coverage for their residents,
 and
- WHEREAS, the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic has highlighted the critical nature of EMS, particularly in rural areas
 where EMS response is the primary source of frontline emergency healthcare to millions of New York residents, and
- **38** WHEREAS, as a subset of the healthcare field, annual EMS cost increases strain the budgets of rural towns and

- 1 villages who are nevertheless morally and ethically obligated to provide these services to their constituents, and
- 2 WHEREAS, Article XVII §3 of the New York State Constitution states that,
- **3** *"The protection and promotion of the health of the inhabitants of the state are matters of public concern and provision*
- 4 therefore <u>shall be made by the state</u> and by such of its subdivisions and in such manner, and <u>by such means as the</u>
- 5 <u>legislature shall from time to time determine</u>." (emphasis added),
- 6 now therefore be it
- *RESOLVED, That the Town of Ulysses calls upon New York State to allocate funding to local municipalities to support the provision of rural EMS,*
- 9 RESOLVED, further, That the Town of Ulysses requests that the New York State Legislature consider a
 10 Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS) or State Operating Assistance (STOA) model of
 11 funding wherein funds will be allocated to municipalities using formulae which takes into account call volume, coverage
 12 area, and funding needs,
- RESOLVED, further, that a copy of this certified resolution be sent to the Town's NYS Assembly and Senate
 representatives and the Tompkins County Legislature.
- 16 RESOLUTION # ____ OF 2020: APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- 17 RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board approves the minutes from the Town Board meeting held August 25, 2020 and
- **18** *for the Special Town Board meeting to adopt resolutions re-establishing reserves on September 2, 2020.*
- 20 RESOLUTION # ____ OF 2020: APPROVAL OF BUDGET MODIFICATIONS
- RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board approves the budget modifications as presented at the Town Board meeting on
 9/8/2020
- 24 RESOLUTION # _____ OF 2020: PAYMENT OF CLAIMS
- **25** *RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board has reviewed and approves of payment of claims for:*
- 26 HA (WD3 Aerator Capital Fund) fund vouchers #_____ in the amount of _____; and
- 27 HB (Cemetery Bridge Capital Fund) fund vouchers _____ in the amount of _____; and for
- **28** All other funds vouchers #_____ in the amount of \$_____
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