



TOWN OF AMENIA  
TOWN BOARD

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**Resolution No. 36 of 2021**

**RE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO CREATE  
AND OPEN A TOWN WORKFORCE HOUSING TRUST FUND**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of the Town of Amenia adopted a Workforce Housing Law in recognition that people with moderate incomes who work in Amenia and/or provide volunteer services to the Town lack opportunity to find housing within the Town that is affordable to them; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of the Town of Amenia, by Resolution 35 of 2014, adopted an Amendment to the Workforce Housing Law establishing a fee to be paid in lieu of providing Workforce Housing (the "Amendment"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Amendment established a fee to be paid into a dedicated Town Workforce Housing Trust Fund as an alternative to the construction of Workforce Housing where such Housing is either mandated or available as a condition of a density bonus; and

**WHEREAS**, the Amendment authorized the creation of a Town Workforce Housing Trust Fund for the purpose of receiving funds from payments and/or fees and/or gifts collected or received by the Town pursuant to the Town's Workforce Housing Law; and

**WHEREAS**, such a Workforce Housing Trust Fund shall be a segregated Municipal Fund administered by the Town Board; and

**WHEREAS**, the Workforce Housing Trust Fund shall be used exclusively to provide for the acquisition, purchase, planning, development, construction, improvement, rehabilitation, sale or resale, rental, subsidy, support, or other legal means of creating or supporting more Workforce Housing for income qualified households within the Town, and/or to provide or make capital improvements to water and/or sewer infrastructure to the Hamlets of Amenia and Wassaic provided the Town Board, after consultation with the Town Housing Board, shall determine that such contribution to such infrastructure substantially advances the Town's goal of increasing the availability of Workforce Housing for the intended beneficiaries of the Workforce Housing Program; and

**WHEREAS**, any interest earned or accrued on monies deposited in the Workforce Housing Trust Fund shall be accredited to and become part of said fund; and

**WHEREAS**, in no event shall monies deposited into the Workforce Housing Trust Fund be transferred to any other account unless such transfer shall be determined by the Town Board, after consultation with the Housing Board, to be in furtherance of the Workforce Housing goals of the Town as set forth in the Workforce Housing Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the costs of administering the Workforce Housing Trust Fund as it is applied towards advancing the Workforce Housing Program shall not exceed ten percent of the average fund balance for each calendar year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, as follows:

1. The recitations set forth above are incorporated in this Resolution as if fully set forth and adopted herein.
2. The Town Board of the Town of Amenia hereby authorizes and directs the Town Supervisor to open and create the Town of Amenia Workforce Housing Trust Fund to be administered by the Town Board in accordance with Workforce Housing Law.
3. The Town Board hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor to execute any and all documentation necessary to open and create said Workforce Housing Trust Fund.

Motioned By: Morris

Seconded By: Doyle

The foregoing resolution was voted upon with all councilwomen/councilmen voting as follows:

Supervisor Perotti	Aye
Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
Councilman Gutierrez	Absent
Councilman Morris	Aye
Councilwoman Somogyi	Aye

Dated: Amenia, New York  
June 17, 2021

  
DAWN MARIE KLINGNER, TOWN CLERK