



TOWN OF AMENIA

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TOWN BOARD MEETING AGENDA
THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 2025
TOWN HALL – 1ST FLOOR
6:00PM

Executive Session: 6:00 pm

- Legal advice regarding matters leading to the appointment, employment and/or dismissal of a particular person or corporation
- Legal advice regarding the proposed acquisition or sale of real property

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Motion to Accept Agenda

Public Comment on Agenda Items

Public Hearings as Required:

- Public Hearing on Local Law Extending Term of Office for Supervisor
- Public Hearing on Map, Plan and Report for Water District #1

Committee/Department Reports

- Supervisor Report
- Town Clerk Report

Discussion on Open Items of Business:

- Food truck regulations
- Hiring up to 4 Lifeguards at \$25/hour for Senior Swim
- Designate a Town electrician for repairs (we have a Town plumber)

Resolutions – Consent Agenda

- Authorizing Contract for Electrical Work to be Performed at the Town of Amenia Town Hall
- Authorizing Contract for Interior Painting to be Performed at the Town of Amenia Town Hall
- Approve Hiring of Planner for CPRC to lead Community Outreach, enter Data & draft Text
- Correcting and Clarifying the Accounting for Town of Amenia Highway Capital Reserve Fund

Resolutions – Non-Consent Agenda

- Public Interest Order Determining that it is in the Public Interest to Make the Increase and Improvement of the Facilities of Water District #1 Pursuant to the Map, Plan and Report;
- A Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of \$3,902,850 Bonds of the Town of Amenia, Dutchess County, New York, to Pay the Cost of the Increase and Improvement of the Facilities of Water District #1, in the Town of Amenia, Dutchess County, New York;
- Adopting “Local Law No. ___ of the year 2025, Extending Term of Office of Supervisor”
- Introducing Proposed “Local Law No. ___ of 2025, Creating a New Chapter Entitled ‘Term Limits’”;

Other Matters as Required

Town Board Comment

Public Comment (on all business)

Adjournment



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Resolution No. _____ of 2025

RE: AUTHORIZING CONTRACT FOR ELECTRICAL WORK TO BE PERFORMED AT THE TOWN OF AMENIA TOWN HALL

WHEREAS, the Town of Amenia is seeking to retain a qualified vendor to perform electrical work in the Town of Amenia Town Hall; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Town of Amenia Procurement Policy, the Town Board made a good faith effort to obtain three written proposals from qualified vendors to perform the electrical work at Town Hall; and

WHEREAS, three proposals were received; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed the three proposals and would like to award a contract to the second lowest bidder, McDermott Electric, as they have previously conducted work at Town Hall, are familiar with the nuances of the building, have a positive history of quality work within the Town, are located closer to Town Hall than the lowest proposer, and their quote was not substantially higher; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board, based upon the above factors, has determined that McDermott Electric submitted the lowest responsible proposal and desires to award the contract to McDermott Electric in the amount of \$4,400.00.

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 awards the contract for the electrical work in the Town of Amenia Town Hall to McDermott Electric.
3. The Town Board of the Town of Amenia hereby authorizes and directs the payment for such services from the Maintenance Budget Line No. 1.016204.01.062.00 in the amount of \$4,400.00 in accordance with the proposal annexed hereto.
4. The Town Board of the Town of Amenia hereby authorizes the Supervisor to execute a contract for such services in accordance with the annexed proposal.

Motion made by _____

Seconded by _____

The foregoing resolution was voted upon with all councilmembers voting as follows:

Supervisor Blackman _____

Councilmember Rebillard _____

Councilmember Hamm _____

Councilmember Ahearn _____

Dated: Amenia, New York
March 6, 2025

DAWN MARIE KLINGNER, TOWN CLERK



TOWN OF AMENIA
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Resolution No. _____ of 2025

RE: AUTHORIZING CONTRACT FOR INTERIOR PAINTING TO BE PERFORMED AT THE TOWN OF AMENIA TOWN HALL

WHEREAS, the Town of Amenia is seeking to retain a qualified vendor to perform interior painting at the Town of Amenia Town Hall; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Town of Amenia Procurement Policy, the Town Board made a good faith effort to obtain three written proposals from qualified vendors to perform the interior painting at Town Hall; and

WHEREAS, three proposals were received; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed the three proposals and has determined that Jaybird Painting LLC submitted the lowest responsible proposal and desires to award the contract to Jaybird Painting LLC in the amount of \$7,940.00.

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 awards the contract for the interior painting of Town Hall to Jaybird Painting LLC.
3. The Town Board of the Town of Amenia hereby authorizes and directs the payment for such services from the Maintenance Budget Line No. 1.016204.01.062.00 in the amount of \$7,940.00 in accordance with the proposal annexed hereto.
4. The Town Board of the Town of Amenia hereby authorizes the Supervisor to execute a contract for such services in accordance with the annexed proposal.

Motion made by _____

Seconded by _____

The foregoing resolution was voted upon with all councilmembers voting as follows:

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| Supervisor Blackman | _____ |
| Councilmember Rebillard | _____ |
| Councilmember Hamm | _____ |
| Councilmember Ahearn | _____ |

Dated: Amenia, New York
March 6, 2025

DAWN MARIE KLINGNER, TOWN CLERK



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RESOLUTION No. _____ of 2024

RE: APPROVING PROPOSAL FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATES

WHEREAS, the Town of Amenia previously authorized the formation of the Town of Amenia Comprehensive Plan Review Committee to aid and advise the Town Board with respect to proposed amendments and updates to the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Amenia is seeking to retain professional services to assist the Town of Amenia Comprehensive Plan Review Committee with updates to the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Amenia received a proposal from Nexus Creative Design dated February 17, 2025 to assist the Comprehensive Plan Review Committee in conducting a public outreach and engagement initiative for the update of the Comprehensive Plan, a copy of the proposal is annexed hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Amenia would like to retain the professional services of Nexus Creative Design in accordance with the aforementioned proposal; and

WHEREAS, this is a Type II action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") and therefore not subject to review under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the professional services to be provided by Nexus Creative Design constitute professional services which are exempt from the bidding requirements under General Municipal Law §103 and the Town of Amenia's Procurement Policy.

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 hereby approves the proposal from Nexus Creative Design in the amount of \$37,500.00, in accordance with the proposal dated February 17, 2025, a copy of which is annexed hereto.

3. The Town Board hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor to execute the proposal in substantially the same form as annexed hereto, after the approval of the Attorney to the Town, reserving the right to make amendments as necessary.

4. The Town Board hereby authorizes the payment for said professional services from Planning-Comp Plan Budget Line No. 1.080240.01.162.00.

Motion made by _____

Seconded by _____

The foregoing resolution was voted upon with all councilmembers voting as follows:

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| Supervisor Blackman | _____ |
| Councilmember Rebillard | _____ |
| Councilmember Hamm | _____ |
| Councilmember Ahearn | _____ |

Dated: Amenia, New York
March 6, 2025

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RESOLUTION No. of 2025

RE: CORRECTING AND CLARIFYING THE ACCOUNTING FOR THE TOWN OF AMENIA HIGHWAY CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Amenia (the “Town”) previously conducted an audit of the Highway Capital Reserve Fund and found some procedural irregularities with the formation of the Fund; and

WHEREAS, based upon a historical review of the available records, the Town Board, by Resolution No. 33 of 2013, established a Highway Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to section 6-c of the General Municipal Law; and

WHEREAS, the expressed purpose of this Highway Capital Reserve Fund was to finance all or part of the cost of the acquisition of highway equipment and machinery to be used by the Highway Department; and

WHEREAS, all sums of money so deposited in the Highway Capital Reserve Fund were to be held in a separate bank account to be known as “Highway Department Equipment and Machinery Reserve Fund”; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board thereafter, by Resolution Numbers: 8 of 2014; 54 of 2015; 62 of 2016; 43 of 2017; 19 of 2019; 32 of 2019; and 109 of 2023, created new Highway Capital Reserve Funds with virtually identical names, and for the same purposes, however, no new bank accounts or reserve accounts were ever actually created; and

WHEREAS, upon review of the Town minutes and records, the Town Board has determined that it was the intent of the prior Town Boards to further fund the original Highway Capital Reserve Fund created by Resolution No. 33 of 2013 and not to create new or separate reserve accounts; and

WHEREAS, based upon the aforementioned accounting audit conducted by the Town, no new Reserve Accounts were ever actually created, and all designated funds were transferred in accordance with the resolutions mentioned herein and deposited into the separate bank account known as “Highway Department Equipment and Machinery Reserve Fund”; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that, in the best interest of the Town, the Resolutions set forth above must be clarified and corrected to reflect the apparent intent of the prior Town Boards which was to add additional funds to the Highway Capital Reserve Account created by Resolution No. 33 of 2013.

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; and be it further
2. That the Town Board, by Resolution No. 33 of 2013, properly created a Highway Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to section 6-c of the General Municipal Law.
3. That the Town Board has determined that it was the intent of the prior Town Boards, by all Resolutions subsequent to Resolution No. 33 of 2013 as set forth herein, to further contribute funds to the Highway Capital Reserve Fund and not create new Highway Capital Reserve Accounts.
4. That the Town Supervisor, as Chief Fiscal Officer, and the Town Bookkeeper, are hereby directed to deposit and secure the moneys from the Highway Capital Reserve Fund in the manner provided by section 10 of the General Municipal Law. The Chief Fiscal Officer may invest the moneys in the Reserve Fund in the manner provided by section 11 of the General Municipal Law, and consistent with the Investment Policy of the Town of Amenia. Any interest earned or capital gains realized on the moneys so deposited or invested shall accrue to and become part of the Highway Capital Reserve Fund. The Chief Fiscal Officer shall account for the Highway Capital Reserve Fund in such a manner, which maintains the separate identity of the cash and investments of the Highway Capital Reserve Fund.
5. That except as otherwise provided by section 6-c of the General Municipal Law, expenditures from this Highway Capital Reserve Fund shall be made only for the purposes for which the Highway Capital Reserve Fund is established. No expenditure shall be made from this Highway Capital Reserve Fund without approval of this governing board and without such additional action or proceeding as may be required by section 6-c of the General Municipal Law, including a permissive referendum if required by subdivision 4 of section 6-c.
6. This Resolution shall become effective immediately.

Motioned By: _____

Seconded By: _____

The foregoing resolution was voted upon with all councilmembers voting as follows:

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| Supervisor Blackman | _____ |
| Councilmember Rebillard | _____ |
| Councilmember Hamm | _____ |
| Councilmember Ahearn | _____ |

Dated: Amenia, New York
March 6, 2025

DAWN MARIE KLINGNER, TOWN CLERK

STEP II

(202-B)



February 7, 2025

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**DISCUSSION DRAFT
SUBJECT TO IAN
LINDARS' REVIEW**

Re: Town of Amenia, Dutchess County, New York
Water System Improvements (Water District #1)
\$3,902,850 Bonds
Orrick File: 42397-2-701

Dear Charlie:

Enclosed herewith please find the following documents for use now that the public hearing has been called for adoption thereafter.

1. Form of Order determining the project to be in the public interest; within ten days of adoption (by a simple majority vote) a certified copy should be recorded with the County Clerk.
2. Form of bond resolution for adoption by the affirmative vote of at least four of the five members of the Town Board.
3. Form for the publication of the Legal Notice of estoppel.

When available please return the following to us **via pdf** and thereafter by regular mail to our offices:

- a) Certified copy of the Public Interest Order;
- b) Proof of recording of the Public Interest Order in the County Clerk's office;
- c) Certified copy of the Bond Resolution;
- d) Original printer's affidavit of publication of the Legal Notice of estoppel;
- e) Original printer's affidavit of publication of the Notice of Public Hearing, which includes Notice as published.



Charles Miller
February 7, 2025
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- f) Certified copy of the Order Calling the Public Hearing; and
- g) Affidavit of Posting of the Notice of Public Hearing.

Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions.

With best wishes,

Very truly yours,

Douglas

Douglas E. Goodfriend

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Enclosures

cc: Ian Lindars, Esq. (w/encl.) (via email: ilindars@sdglaw.com)
Tom Vouzakis (w/encl.) (via email: tvouzakis@capmark.org)
Dawn Marie Klingner (w/encl.) (via email: townclerk@ameniany.gov)

At a regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Amenia, Dutchess County, New York, held at the Town Hall, in Amenia, New York in said Town, on March 6, 2025, at 7:00 o'clock P.M., Prevailing Time.

PRESENT:

Supervisor

Councilman

Councilman

Councilman

Councilman

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| <p style="text-align: center;">In the Matter of The Increase and Improvement of Facilities of Water District #1 in the Town of Amenia, Dutchess County, New York</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">PUBLIC INTEREST ORDER</p> |
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WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Amenia, Dutchess County, New York, has duly caused to be prepared a map, plan and report including an estimate of cost, pursuant to Section 202-b of the Town Law, relating to the proposed increase and improvement of the facilities of Water District #1, in the Town of Amenia, Dutchess County, New York, consisting of the construction of improvements to and reconstruction of elements of the water system required for regulatory compliance, reliability, and long-term sustainability, including replacement of the Lavelle Road Pump station, reconstruction of the water tank, upgrades to

wells, construction of a new booster pump station, and reconstruction of water mains, together with original furnishings, equipment, machinery, apparatus, appurtenances, and incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith, at a maximum estimated cost of \$3,902,850; and

WHEREAS, at a meeting of said Town Board duly called and held on February 6, 2025, an Order was duly adopted by it and entered in the minutes specifying the said Town Board would meet to consider the increase and improvement of facilities of Water District #1 in said Town at a maximum estimated cost of \$3,902,850, and to hear all persons interested in the subject thereof concerning the same at the Town Hall, in Amenia, New York, in said Town, on March 6, 2025, at 7:00 o'clock P.M., Prevailing Time; and

WHEREAS, said Order duly certified by the Town Clerk was duly published and posted as required by law; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly held at the time and place set forth in said notice, at which all persons desiring to be heard were duly heard; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

ORDERED, by the Town Board of the Town of Amenia, Dutchess County, New York, as follows:

Section 1. Upon the evidence given at the aforesaid public hearing, it is hereby found and determined that it is in the public interest to make the increase and improvement of the facilities of Water District #1, in the Town of Amenia, Dutchess County, New York, consisting of the construction of improvements to and reconstruction of elements of the water system required for regulatory compliance, reliability, and long-term sustainability, including replacement of the Lavelle Road Pump station, reconstruction of the water tank, upgrades to wells, construction of a new booster pump station, and reconstruction of water mains, together

with original furnishings, equipment, machinery, apparatus, appurtenances, and incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith, at a maximum estimated cost of \$3,902,850.

Section 2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing order was duly put to a vote on roll, which resulted as follows:

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The Order was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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CERTIFICATION

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.:
COUNTY OF DUTCHESS)

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Town of Amenia, Dutchess County, New York (the “Issuer”), DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

1. That a meeting of the Issuer was duly called, held and conducted on March 6, 2025.
2. That such meeting was a **special regular** (circle one) meeting.
3. That attached hereto is a proceeding of the Issuer which was duly adopted at such meeting by the Board of the Issuer.
4. That such attachment constitutes a true and correct copy of the entirety of such proceeding as so adopted by said Board.
5. That all members of the Board of the Issuer had due notice of said meeting.
6. That said meeting was open to the general public in accordance with Section 103 of the Public Officers Law, commonly referred to as the “Open Meetings Law”.
7. That notice of said meeting (the meeting at which the proceeding was adopted) was given PRIOR THERETO in the following manner:

PUBLICATION (here insert newspaper(s) and date(s) of publication)

POSTING (here insert place(s) and date(s) of posting)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Issuer on this March 6, 2025.

Town Clerk

(CORPORATE SEAL)

BOND RESOLUTION

At a regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Amenia, Dutchess County, New York, held at the Town Hall, in Amenia, New York, in said Town, on March 6, 2025, at _____ o'clock P.M., Prevailing Time.

The meeting was called to order by _____, and upon roll being called, the following were

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

The following resolution was offered by Councilman _____ who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilman _____ to-wit:

BOND RESOLUTION DATED MARCH 6, 2025.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,902,850 BONDS OF THE TOWN OF AMENIA, DUTCHESS COUNTY, NEW YORK, TO PAY THE COST OF THE INCREASE AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE FACILITIES OF WATER DISTRICT #1, IN THE TOWN OF AMENIA, DUTCHESS COUNTY, NEW YORK.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions heretofore duly had and taken in accordance with the provisions of Section 202-b of the Town Law, and more particularly an Order dated the date hereof, said Town Board has determined it to be in the public interest to improve the facilities of Water District #1, in the Town of Amenia, Dutchess County, New York, at a maximum estimated cost of \$3,902,850; and

WHEREAS, the capital project hereinafter described, as proposed, has been determined to be a Type II Action pursuant to the regulations of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation promulgated pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act, which regulations state that Type II Actions will not have any significant adverse impact on the environment; and

RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Amenia, Dutchess County, New York, as follows:

Section 1. For the class of objects or purposes of paying the cost of the increase and improvement of Water District #1, in the Town of Amenia, Dutchess County, New York, consisting of the construction of improvements to and reconstruction of elements of the water system required for regulatory compliance, reliability, and long-term sustainability, including replacement of the Lavelle Road Pump station, reconstruction of the water tank, upgrades to wells, construction of a new booster pump station, and reconstruction of water mains, together with original furnishings, equipment, machinery, apparatus, appurtenances, and incidental

improvements and expenses in connection therewith, there are hereby authorized to be issued \$3,902,850 bonds of said Town pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 2. It is hereby determined that the maximum estimated cost of the aforesaid class of objects or purposes is \$3,902,850, which class of objects or purposes is hereby authorized at said maximum estimated cost, and that the plan for the financing thereof is by the issuance of the \$3,902,850 bonds of said Town authorized to be issued pursuant to this bond resolution.

Section 3. It is hereby determined that the period of probable usefulness of the aforesaid class of objects or purposes is forty years pursuant to subdivision 1 of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law. It is hereby further determined that the maximum maturity of the serial bonds herein authorized will exceed five years.

Section 4. The faith and credit of said Town of Amenia, Dutchess County, New York, are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds becoming due and payable in such year. To the extent not paid from monies raised from said Water District #1 as applicable in the manner provided by law, there shall annually be levied on all the taxable real property of said Town, a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds as the same become due and payable.

Section 5. Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the serial bonds herein authorized, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the Supervisor, the chief fiscal officer. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents, and

shall be sold in such manner, as may be prescribed by said Supervisor, consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 6. The powers and duties of advertising such bonds for sale, conducting the sale and awarding the bonds, are hereby delegated to the Supervisor, who shall advertise such bonds for sale, conduct the sale, and award the bonds in such manner as he shall deem best for the interests of said Town, including, but not limited to, the power to sell said bonds to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation; provided, however, that in the exercise of these delegated powers, the Supervisor shall comply fully with the provisions of the Local Finance Law and any order or rule of the State Comptroller applicable to the sale of municipal bonds. The receipt of the Supervisor shall be a full acquittance to the purchaser of such bonds, who shall not be obliged to see to the application of the purchase money.

Section 7. All other matters except as provided herein relating to the serial bonds herein authorized including the date, denominations, maturities and interest payment dates, within the limitations prescribed herein and the manner of execution of the same, including the consolidation with other issues, and also the ability to issue serial bonds with substantially level or declining annual debt service, shall be determined by the Supervisor, the chief fiscal officer of such Town. Such bonds shall contain substantially the recital of validity clause provided for in Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law, and shall otherwise be in such form and contain such recitals, in addition to those required by Section 51.00 of the Local Finance Law, as the Supervisor shall determine consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 8. The Supervisor is hereby further authorized, at the Supervisor's sole discretion, to execute a project finance and/or loan agreement, and any other agreements with the New York State Department of Health and/or the New York State Environmental Facilities

Corporation, including amendments thereto, and including any instruments (or amendments thereto) in the effectuation thereof, in order to effect the financing or refinancing of the class of objects or purposes described in Section 1 hereof, or a portion thereof, by a bond, and/or note issue of said Town in the event of the sale of same to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation.

Section 9. The power to issue and sell notes to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation pursuant to Section 169.00 of the Local Finance Law is hereby delegated to the Supervisor. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents as may be prescribed by said Supervisor consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 10. The validity of such bonds and bond anticipation notes may be contested only if:

- 1) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said Town is not authorized to expend money, or
- 2) The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this resolution are not substantially complied with,

and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or

- 3) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 11. This resolution shall constitute a statement of official intent for purposes of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2. Other than as specified in this resolution, no monies are, or are reasonably expected to be, reserved, allocated on a long-term basis, or otherwise set aside with respect to the permanent funding of the object or purpose described herein.

Section 12. This resolution, which takes effect immediately, shall be published in summary form in the official newspaper, together with a notice of the Town Clerk in substantially the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

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The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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CERTIFICATION

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.:
COUNTY OF DUTCHESS)

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Town of Amenia, Dutchess County, New York (the “Issuer”), DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

1. That a meeting of the Issuer was duly called, held and conducted on March 6, 2025.
2. That such meeting was a **special regular** (circle one) meeting.
3. That attached hereto is a proceeding of the Issuer which was duly adopted at such meeting by the Board of the Issuer.
4. That such attachment constitutes a true and correct copy of the entirety of such proceeding as so adopted by said Board.
5. That all members of the Board of the Issuer had due notice of said meeting.
6. That said meeting was open to the general public in accordance with Section 103 of the Public Officers Law, commonly referred to as the “Open Meetings Law”.
7. That notice of said meeting (the meeting at which the proceeding was adopted) was given PRIOR THERETO in the following manner:

PUBLICATION (here insert newspaper(s) and date(s) of publication)

POSTING (here insert place(s) and date(s) of posting)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Issuer on this March 6, 2025.

Town Clerk

(CORPORATE SEAL)

LEGAL NOTICE OF ESTOPPEL

The bond resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, has been adopted on March 6, 2025, and the validity of the obligations authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the Town of Amenia, Dutchess County, New York, is not authorized to expend money, or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of publication of this notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

A complete copy of the resolution summarized herewith is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Office of the Town Clerk for a period of twenty days from the date of publication of this Notice.

Dated: Amenia, New York,
March 6, 2025.

/s/Dawn Marie Klingner
Town Clerk

BOND RESOLUTION DATED MARCH 6, 2025.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,902,850 BONDS OF THE TOWN OF AMENIA, DUTCHESS COUNTY, NEW YORK, TO PAY THE COST OF THE INCREASE AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE FACILITIES OF WATER DISTRICT #1, IN THE TOWN OF AMENIA, DUTCHESS COUNTY, NEW YORK.

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| Class of objects or purposes: | Construction of improvements to and reconstruction of elements of the water system required for regulatory compliance, reliability, and long-term sustainability for Water District #1 |
| Maximum estimated cost: | \$3,902,850 |
| Amount of obligations to be issued: | \$3,902,850 bonds |
| SEQRA status: | Type II Action. SEQRA compliance materials on file in the office of the Town Clerk where they may be inspected during regular office hours by appointment. |



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RESOLUTION NO. ___ of 2025

RE: ADOPTING “LOCAL LAW NO. ___ OF THE YEAR 2025, EXTENDING TERM OF OFFICE OF SUPERVISOR”

WHEREAS, a Resolution was duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Amenia introducing Proposed Local Law No. ___ of the Year 2025 entitled “Extending Term of Office of Supervisor” for consideration of adoption by the Town Board; and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was duly advertised in the official newspaper of the Town; and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was held on March 6, 2025, and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition to said proposed Local Law or any part thereof; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board previously determined that the proposed Local Law is a Type II action and the adoption of this Local Law is otherwise exempt from environmental review; and

WHEREAS, said Local Law has been on the desks of the members of the Town Board of the Town of Amenia for at least seven (7) days exclusive of Sunday prior to the adoption of this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Amenia after due deliberation, finds that it is in the best interest of the Town to adopt said Local Law subject to a mandatory referendum in accordance with the provisions of Municipal Home Rule Law § 23; and

WHEREAS, a proposition shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the Town at the next general election of the Town to be held on November 4, 2025, in the form attached hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The recitations above set forth are incorporated in this Resolution as if fully set forth and adopted herein.
2. The Town Board of the Town of Amenia hereby adopts Proposed Local Law No. ___ of the Year 2025, entitled “Extending Term of Office of Supervisor”, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part of this Resolution.
3. The Town Board hereby directs the Town Clerk to prepare an abstract of this Local Law together with a Ballot proposition, with the advice of the Attorney to the Town, to be submitted to the qualified electors of the Town at the November 4, 2025 General Election in accordance with the provision of Municipal Home Rule Law § 25.
4. The Town Clerk is directed to transmit the Abstract of the Local Law No. ___ of the Year 2025 and the Ballot Proposition to the Dutchess County Board of Elections so that it may be placed on the ballot at the November 4, 2025 General Election for the vote the duly qualified electors of the Town.
5. The Attorney to the Town, the Town Clerk and the Supervisor are directed to take all necessary steps to place the attached Ballot Proposition before the qualified electors of the Town at the November 4, 2025 General Election.
6. This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon its filing with the Secretary of State after its approval by an affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of the Town in accordance with the provisions of Section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Motion made by _____

Seconded by _____

The foregoing resolution was voted upon with all councilmembers voting as follows:

Supervisor Blackman _____

Councilmember Rebillard _____

Councilmember Hamm _____

Councilmember Ahearn _____

Dated: Amenia, New York
March 6, 2025

DAWN MARIE KLINGNER, TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF AMENIA

Local Law No. ____ of 2025

A Local Law entitled “Local Law No. ____ of 2025, Extending Term of Office of Supervisor”.

BE IT ENACTED by the Town Board of the Town of Amenia as follows:

Section I: TITLE.

This Local Law shall be known and cited as Town of Amenia “Local Law No. ____ of the Year 2025, Extending Term of Office of Supervisor”.

Section II: LEGISLATIVE INTENT.

The Town Board has determined that for purposes of continuity and efficiency in Town government, it would be in the best interest of the Town and its citizens to change the term of office of the Office of the Supervisor to four years.

Section III: AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 29. TERMS OF OFFICE.

Chapter 29 of the Code of the Town of Amenia shall be amended and read as follows:

“Chapter 29: TERMS OF OFFICE

ARTICLE II. SUPERVISOR

§29-7. Term.

The term of office of elective Town Supervisor of the Town of Amenia shall be four years. Such four-year term shall commence on the first day of January following the first biennial Town election after the effective date of this Article.

§ 29-8. Election.

At the biennial Town election next following the effective date of this Article, and every four years thereafter, the Town Supervisor shall be elected for a term of four years.

§ 29-9. Supersession.

This Article shall supersede in its application to the Town of Amenia § 24 of the Town Law of the State of New York and any inconsistent local law, ordinance, or resolution with respect to the term of office of elective Town Supervisor.

§ 29-10. Mandatory referendum.

This Article shall be submitted for approval by mandatory referendum to the electors of the Town of Amenia at the next general election to be held on November 4, 2025.

§ 29-11. Statutory authority.

This Article is submitted pursuant to the authority vested in the Town pursuant to Municipal Home Rule Law § 10(1)(ii)(a)(1) and Municipal Home Rule Law § 10(1)(ii)(d)(3).

§ 29-12. Effective date.

This Article shall take effect immediately upon filing with the New York State Secretary of State after approval of a majority of the electors voting thereon in accordance with the requirements of § 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.”

Section IV: SEVERABILITY.

- A. If a court of competent jurisdiction finds any provision(s) of this law invalid, in whole or in part, the effect of such decision shall be limited to those provisions which are expressly stated in the decision to be invalid, and all other provisions of the law shall continue to be separately and fully effective.

- B. If a court of competent jurisdiction finds the application of any provision of this law to any building, other structure or tract of land to be invalid, in whole or in part, the effect of such decisions shall be limited to the person, property or situation involved in the controversy, and the application of any such provision to any other person, property or situation shall not be affected.

- C. The provisions of this Local Law are separable and if any provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part thereof is held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional, or inapplicable to any person or circumstance, such illegality, invalidity, or unconstitutionality, or inapplicability, shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, clauses, sentences, subsections, words or parts of this Local Law or their application to other persons or circumstances. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent of the Town Board of the Town of Amenia that this Local Law would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part had not been included therein, and if such person or circumstance to which the Local Law or part thereof is held inapplicable had been specifically exempt therefrom.

Section V: NUMBERING FOR CODIFICATION.

It is the intention of the Town of Amenia and it is hereby enacted that the provisions of this Local Law shall be included in the Code of the Town of Amenia, that the sections and sub-sections of this Local Law may be re-numbered or re-lettered by the Codifier to accomplish such intention; the Codifier shall make no substantive changes to this Local Law; the word "Local Law" shall be changed to "Chapter", "Section" or other appropriate word as required for codification; and any such rearranging of the numbering and editing shall not affect the validity of this Local Law or the provisions of the Code effected thereby.

Section VI: EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the New York State Secretary of State after approval of a majority of the electors voting thereon in accordance with the requirements of § 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

ABSTRACT OF LOCAL LAW ENTITLED
"EXTENDING TERM OF OFFICE OF SUPERVISOR"

BALLOT ABSTRACT FOR GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 4, 2025

Adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Amenia, New York, on March 6, 2025, to be submitted as PROPOSITION NO. 1 and voted upon in the Town of Amenia at the general election to be held on November 4, 2025.

The duties of the Town Supervisor are very technical in nature so the Town Board has determined that a longer elective term of office is desirable to retain the experience and knowledge of the Supervisor. The purpose and effect of this Local Law is to supersede the term limits of section 24 of the Town Law of the State of New York to provide that the term of elective office of the Supervisor of the Town of Amenia shall be four years commencing the first day of January following the biennial Town election next following the effective date of this Local Law.

The foregoing abstract, together with a proposition herewith submitted, has been prepared by the Town Clerk of the Town of Amenia, New York, with the advice of the Attorney to the Town of Amenia, pursuant to section 25 of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York.

STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF DUTCHESS, TOWN OF AMENIA

This is to certify that I, DAWN MARIE KLINGNER, Clerk of the TOWN OF AMENIA in the said County of Dutchess, have compared the foregoing copy of the Ballot Abstract of the Town of Amenia Proposed Local Law No. ___ of the year 2025 with the original now on file in this office, and that the same is a true, correct and complete transcript of said original and the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Town of Amenia this ___ day of _____, 2025.

DAWN MARIE KLINGNER
Town Clerk of the Town of Amenia

(SEAL)

IAN C. LINDARS, Esq.
Attorney to the Town of Amenia

PROPOSITION NO. 1, submitting a Local Law for the year 2025 to the electors of the Town of Amenia.

To be voted upon at the General Election of the Town of Amenia, to be held on November 4, 2025.

SHALL THERE BE APPROVED AND ADOPTED IN THE TOWN OF AMENIA, NEW YORK, A LOCAL LAW ENTITLED "EXTENDING THE TERM OF OFFICE OF SUPERVISOR", WHICH EXTENDS THE ELECTIVE TERM OF OFFICE OF THE SUPERVISOR FROM TWO YEARS TO FOUR YEARS, AS ENACTED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF AMENIA ON MARCH 6, 2025.



TOWN OF AMENIA
TOWN BOARD

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RESOLUTION NO. ____ of 2025

**RE: INTRODUCING PROPOSED “LOCAL LAW NO. ____ OF THE YEAR 2025,
CREATING A NEW CHAPTER ENTITLED “TERM LIMITS””**

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Amenia intends to expand participation in the electoral process and bring new ideas to governance in the Town of Amenia; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board is desirous of enacting a local law to limit terms of office for elected officials in the Town of Amenia; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that the Proposed Action is a Type II Action as determined in 6 NYCRR 617.5(c)(33) and, accordingly, the Town Board hereby expressly determines that this action is not an action that requires review pursuant to the provisions of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The recitations above set forth are incorporated in this Resolution as if fully set forth and adopted herein.
2. The Town Board hereby introduces for consideration of its adoption proposed “Local Law No. ____ of the Year 2025, Creating a New Chapter entitled “Term Limits”” in the form annexed hereto.
3. The Town Board has determined that the Proposed Action is a Type II Action as determined in 6 NYCRR 617.5(c)(33) and, accordingly, requires no further review pursuant to the provisions of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA).
4. The Town Board hereby schedules a Public Hearing regarding the proposed adoption of the annexed Local Law for 7:00 P.M., on the 3rd day of April, 2025, to be held at Town Hall, 4988 Route 22, Amenia, New York, and the Town Clerk is directed to post a Notice of Public Hearing in the Town’s official newspaper, the Millerton News, and on the sign board maintained by the Town Clerk in Town Hall not less than ten (10) days prior to said public hearing date, and that such notice shall be in the following form.

Motion made by _____

Seconded by _____

The foregoing resolution was voted upon with all councilmembers voting as follows:

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|-------------------------|-------|
| Supervisor Blackman | _____ |
| Councilmember Rebillard | _____ |
| Councilmember Hamm | _____ |
| Councilmember Ahearn | _____ |

Dated: Amenia, New York
March 6, 2025

DAWN MARIE KLINGNER, TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF AMENIA

Local Law No. ____ of 2025

A Local Law entitled “Local Law No. ____ of 2025, Creating a New Chapter entitled ‘Term Limits’”.

BE IT ENACTED by the Town Board of the Town of Amenia as follows:

Section I: TITLE.

This Local Law shall be known and cited as Town of Amenia “Local Law No. ____ of the Year 2025, Creating a New Chapter entitled ‘Term Limits’”.

Section II: LEGISLATIVE INTENT.

It is the intent of the Town Board of the Town of Amenia to expand participation in the electoral process and to bring new ideas to governance in the Town of Amenia. To these ends, the Town Board of the Town of Amenia adopts this Chapter to limit terms of office for elected officials in the Town of Amenia.

Section III: STATUTORY AUTHORITY.

This Local Law is enacted under the authority of Municipal Home Rule Law § 10.

Section IV: CREATION OF NEW CHAPTER ____ .TERM LIMITS.

Chapter ____ . “Term Limits” is hereby created and added to the Code of the Town of Amenia and shall read as follows:

“Chapter ____: TERM LIMITS

§__-1. Definitions.

TOWN BOARD MEMBER.

For the purposes of this Chapter, Town Board Member shall mean the Supervisor and Town Councilperson.

§__-2. Term limits established.

The term of any elected Town Board Member in the Town of Amenia elected in a regular election after January 1, 2027 shall not exceed twelve (12) consecutive years.

§ __-3. Partial term of office.

Nothing contained herein shall prohibit a Town Board Member in the Town of Amenia from holding either an elective or appointive partial term as a Town Board Member, immediately prior to election to that elective public office for a full term. In that event, the partial term shall not be counted for purposes of the term limitation imposed by this Chapter.

§ __-4. Other elective office.

Nothing contained in this Chapter shall prohibit a Town Board Member from seeking, being elected to, or holding another and different elective public office in the Town of Amenia at the conclusion of a term of public office as required by this Chapter.

§ __-5. Exclusion.

Nothing contained in this Chapter shall apply to any other public office of the Town of Amenia.”

Section V: SEVERABILITY.

- A. If a court of competent jurisdiction finds any provision(s) of this law invalid, in whole or in part, the effect of such decision shall be limited to those provisions which are expressly stated in the decision to be invalid, and all other provisions of the law shall continue to be separately and fully effective.
- B. If a court of competent jurisdiction finds the application of any provision of this law to any building, other structure or tract of land to be invalid, in whole or in part, the effect of such decisions shall be limited to the person, property or situation involved in the controversy, and the application of any such provision to any other person, property or situation shall not be affected.
- C. The provisions of this Local Law are separable and if any provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part thereof is held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional, or inapplicable to any person or circumstance, such illegality, invalidity, or unconstitutionality, or inapplicability, shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, clauses, sentences, subsections, words or parts of this Local Law or their application to other persons or circumstances. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent of the Town Board of the Town of Amenia that this Local Law would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part

had not been included therein, and if such person or circumstance to which the Local Law or part thereof is held inapplicable had been specifically exempt therefrom.

Section VI: NUMBERING FOR CODIFICATION.

It is the intention of the Town of Amenia and it is hereby enacted that the provisions of this Local Law shall be included in the Code of the Town of Amenia, that the sections and sub-sections of this Local Law may be re-numbered or re-lettered by the Codifier to accomplish such intention; the Codifier shall make no substantive changes to this Local Law; the word "Local Law" shall be changed to "Chapter", "Section" or other appropriate word as required for codification; and any such rearranging of the numbering and editing shall not affect the validity of this Local Law or the provisions of the Code effected thereby.

Section VII: EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Local Law shall become effective upon filing with the Secretary of State.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
TOWN OF AMENIA**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Amenia will conduct a PUBLIC HEARING on the 3rd day of April, 2025, at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall, Town of Amenia, 4988 Route 22, Amenia, New York 12501, at which time all parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard as to whether the Town Board of the Town of Amenia shall adopt “Local Law No. ___ of the Year 2025, Creating a New Chapter entitled ‘Term Limits’”.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the purpose and intent of the proposed Local Law is to limit terms of office for elected officials in the Town of Amenia.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Proposed Action is a Type II Action as determined in 6 NYCRR 617.5(c)(33) and, accordingly, the Town Board hereby expressly determines that this action is not an action that requires review pursuant to the provisions of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA).

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a copy of the proposed Local Law No. ___ of the Year 2025 is available for review and inspection at the Office of the Town Clerk during regular office hours, at the Town Hall, Town Hall, 4988 Route 22, Amenia New York and on the Town’s website at www.ameniany.gov.

Dated: Amenia, New York
March ___, 2025

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD

DAWN MARIE KLINGNER, TOWN CLERK