

Draft Resolutions – 2/21/19

1) Training and Conferences – Resolved, that the Code Enforcement Officer, Town Clerk, Town Highway Superintendent, and all members of the Planning Board, ZBA and ZRC are authorized and encouraged to attend training sessions and conferences related to their areas of responsibility to maintain certifications, meet legal requirements and keep current on new developments, issues and trends in their fields, and **be it further resolved** that the Ancram Town Board authorizes reimbursement for program fees, travel, lodging and meals for attending such training sessions and conferences, and **be it further resolved** that the Chairs of the Planning Board, ZBA and ZRC are encouraged to collaborate on the development and implementation of periodic training programs for Planning Board and ZBA members to be held at the Ancram Town Hall.

2) Updated 2019 Comprehensive Plan Public Hearing – Resolved, that the Ancram Town Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed Updated Comprehensive Plan at 10 am on Saturday, March 9, 2019, and be it further resolved that the Town supervisor will submit the Updated Plan to the County Planning Board for review and approval, and will develop a SEQRA analysis for review and approval by the Ancram Town Board at the March 21 Town Board meeting.

3) Cable Franchise Application – Resolved, that the Ancram Town Board will conduct a public hearing on March 21, 2019 at 6:45 pm on an application from Berkshire Cable dba Consolidated Communications to offer cable services in the Town of Ancram on the same terms and conditions as Spectrum Communications.

4) Town Court Annual Audit – Whereas section 2019-a of the Uniform Justice Act requires that town justices annually provide their court records and dockets too their town auditing boards, and whereas the Ancram Town Court presented its records and dockets to and Town of Ancram Financial Advisory Council for audit on February 9, 2019, and whereas the Financial Advisory Council audited Ancram court records and dockets and found them to be in order, therefore, it is **Resolved** that the Ancram Town Supervisor will notify the Office of Court Administration that this audit was performed and will send a copy of this resolution and the audit documents to the Office of Court Administration.

5) Restore AIM

TOWN OF ANCRAM

COLUMBIA COUNTY, NEW YORK

RESOLUTION NO. _____

CALLING ON GOVERNOR CUOMO AND THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO CONTINUE AID & INCENTIVES TO MUNICIPALITIES (AIM) PAYMENTS IN FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 STATE BUDGET

At a regular meeting of the Town Board for the Town of Ancram, Columbia County, New York, duly held on the 21st day of February 2019 at the Town Hall, 1416 County Route 7, Ancram NY 12503, the following Resolution was proposed and seconded:

Resolution by: _____;

Seconded by: _____.

WHEREAS, Governor Andrew Cuomo released his Fiscal Year 2019-20

Executive Budget on January 15; and

WHEREAS, the Fiscal year 2019-20 Executive Budget is a proposed \$176 Billion spending plan; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Budget contains language to make permanent the cap on real property tax levy increases of two percent that is due to sunset in the year 2020; and

WHEREAS, New York State towns, villages and cities scheduled to receive Aid and Incentives to Municipalities (AIM) payments that are less than two percent of their local Fiscal Year 2017 expenditures, as reported to the State Comptroller, will be removed from the program; and

WHEREAS, if the Executive proposal is enacted, more than \$60 million in funding to towns, villages and cities in New York will be eliminated; and

WHEREAS, more than 1300 villages, towns and cities will be impacted, including the town of Ancram; and

WHEREAS, the town of Ancram would stand to lose **\$6500.00** in state AIM payments; and

WHEREAS, aid to localities for local roads and bridges under the state's Consolidated Local Street & Highway Improvement Program (CHIPs) was maintained at 2018-19 levels in the Executive Budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ancram Town Board, respectfully calls on Governor Cuomo to restore AIM payments to the 1300 villages, towns and cities negatively impacted in his 30-Day Amendments to the Executive Budget and state legislative leaders negotiate to make AIM payments permanent to the state's local governments; and therefore, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Ancram Town Clerk is hereby directed to send certified copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew Cuomo, New York State Senator Daphne Jordan, New York State Assemblyman Chris Tague, New York State Assemblyman Jake Ashby, Columbia County Board of Supervisors, and New York State Division of the Budget Director Robert Mujica.

Upon question of the foregoing Resolution, the following Ancram Town Board members voted "Aye" in favor of the Resolution:

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The following Ancram Town Board members voted "No" in opposition thereto:

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The Resolution having been approved by a majority of the Town Board, the same was declared duly adopted by the Supervisor of the Town of Ancram.

Dated: February 21, 2019

Monica R. Cleveland, Town Clerk
Town of Ancram