

Draft Resolutions – 8/19/2021

1. Investments in the Environment: Whereas, CPL Engineering has been retained to develop a request for proposal for an Air Source Heat Pump (ASHP) HVAC system to heat and cool two thirds of the Ancram Town Hall, and **whereas,** CPL Engineering has estimated the cost of designing and installing an ASHP HVAC system to heat and cool two thirds of the Ancram Town Hall will be approximately \$200,000 and will reduce propane use by 2000 gallons annually, and **whereas,** CPL Engineering has estimated that the installation of two additional Heil PDD4 dual fuel HVAC units to heat and cool two thirds of the Ancram Town Hall, which will cost approximately \$30,000, will reduce propane usage by 1200 gallons annually, and **whereas,** CPL Engineering has estimated that the ASHP system will increase electrical usage by 5,000 kWh more than the Heil dual fuel units, and **whereas,** the Ancram Town Hall is part of the downstate NY electrical grid which uses electricity generated 77% by fossil fuels, which will reduce the environmental benefit of the incremental 800 gallons of propane saved by the ASHP, **therefore, it is resolved,** that the Ancram Town Supervisor will direct CPL Engineering to stop work on the development of an ASHP RFP, **and it is further resolved,** that CPL Engineering be asked to confirm the cost and environmental benefits of the Heil PDD4 dual fuel units, and to determine if there are any HVAC alternatives that may be suitable for the Ancram Town Hall which have more attractive financial and environmental benefits than the Heil PDD4 units; and **be it further resolved,** that the Ancram Town Board will use the approximately \$170,000 saved by installing the Heil PDD4 HVAC units or an alternative HVAC system rather than the ASHP to invest in environmental projects that have significantly better environmental and financial benefits than the ASHP system.

2. Extend 35 mph Zone on 82 Approaching Ancram – Whereas, the 35 mph zone for traffic approaching the 82/7 intersection in Ancram from the north begins at approximately 2222 State Rte 82, and, **whereas,** traffic approaching the 82/7 intersection in Ancram from the north does not begin to decelerate to the 35 mph speed limit in enough time to achieve the 35 mph desired speed through the hamlet, and **whereas,** if the 35 mph zone were to begin further away from the center of the hamlet at 2259/2261 State Rte 82 there would be more time for vehicles to decelerate, and **whereas,** there here are already a series of yellow 30 and 35 mph warning signs posted between 2259/2261 State Rte 82 and the beginning of the current 35 mph zone at 2222 State Route 82, and **whereas** there are numerous unmarked hidden private driveways between 2259/2261 State Rte 82 and the beginning of the current 35 mph zone at 2222 that are a risk for cars exiting these driveways, **therefore it is resolved,** that the Town of Ancram requests that the NYS DOT extend the 35 mph zone on State Rte 82 in both directions from 2222 where the 35 mph zone currently begins to the area of 2259/2261 State Route 82, and to conduct the necessary traffic study to establish a

35 mph speed limit from 2259/2261 State route 82 to the 82/7 intersection in Ancram in both directions.

3. Ancram Historic Marker – Resolved, that the Ancram Historic Marker will be placed on County Route 7 just south of the Fire House driveway on the edge of Blass Field

4. Enhanced Enforcement Patrols (EEPs) – Resolved, that the Town Supervisor is authorized to arrange with the County Sheriff's Department to expand the number of EEP shifts from two a week to six a week and to extend the EEPs to the end of December 2021, **and be if further Resolved**, that the EEPs will be requested to place a special emphasis on controlling the speed of large trucks on 82 through the hamlets of Ancram and Ancramdale and on County Routes 8, 8a and 3..

5. Highway Salaries – Resolved, that effective with the first payroll after July 15, 2021, the per hour salary of the Ancram deputy highway superintendent will be increased to \$27/hr, and the per hour salaries of MEOs will be increased based on years of service or experience as follows: over 10 years - \$26/hr; over 5 years - \$25/hr; under 5 years - \$24/hr.

6. Health Insurance – Resolved, that effective with the first payroll after July 15, 2021, the Town of Ancram will pay 100% of employee and family health insurance premiums for eligible employees.

7. 2022 Tentative Budget Public Hearing – Resolved, that a public hearing on the 2022 Tentative Budget will be held at 6.45 pm on Thursday, September 16, 20221 at the Ancram Town Hall.

8. Workers Compensation Program – Resolved, that the Ancram Town Supervisor is authorized to enter into an agreement with the Public Employer Risk Management Association (PERMA) to enroll the Town of Ancram in the Columbia County Mutual Self-Insured Workers Compensation Program.