

**TOWN OF NEW LEBANON  
RESOLUTION #12, 2017  
ADOPTING AN ENERGY BENCHMARKING POLICY  
MAY 9, 2017**

At the regular monthly meeting of the New Lebanon Town Board, held at the New Lebanon Town Hall, 14755 NYS Route 22, New Lebanon, New York, duly called and held on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of May 2017, the following Resolution was proposed and seconded:

Resolution by Supervisor Colleen Teal  
Seconded by Councilmember Dan Evans

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF NEW LEBANON  
ADOPTING AN ENERGY BENCHMARKING POLICY FOR CERTAIN  
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS IN THE TOWN OF NEW LEBANON**

**WHEREAS**, New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) has announced a new Clean Energy Communities program which would allow the Town access to significant grant funding to further implement clean energy actions reducing both energy costs and greenhouse gas emissions, and

**WHEREAS**, One of the Clean Energy Communities "High Impact Actions" requires the Town Board to establish a policy which mandates the public reporting of building energy benchmarking, and

**WHEREAS**, Establishing a building energy benchmarking system will benefit the Town and its residents by making available good actionable information on municipal building energy use to help identify opportunities to cut costs and reduce pollution in the Town of New Lebanon, and

**WHEREAS**, The Town Clerk has requested that the Town Board adopt a policy that directs that monthly building energy usage for all fuel types including but not limited to electricity, natural gas, fuel oil, chilled water, steam and diesel fuel be collected and formally tracked for all buildings that are 1,000 square feet or larger that are owned or occupied by the Town, using the EPA Portfolio Manager platform, and

**WHEREAS**, Building reports shall be made available to the Town Board in EPA Portfolio Manager regarding summary statistics for each covered property including Energy Use Intensity, annual greenhouse gas emissions, an energy performance score where available, and other descriptive information as required by EPA Portfolio Manager and for that data to be made available to the public via the internet on an annual basis, and

**WHEREAS**, The Town Clerk may exempt a particular covered municipal building from the benchmarking requirement if the Town Clerk determines that it has characteristics that make benchmarking impractical, and

**WHEREAS**, The Town Clerk or his/her designee shall be the administrator of this local policy and promulgate procedures necessary for the administration of the requirements of this local policy, now, therefore be it

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the New Lebanon Town Board in the meeting duly convened on the above date that the policy outlined in this resolution be hereby adopted and established for the Town of New Lebanon and that the Town Clerk is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate Town officials.

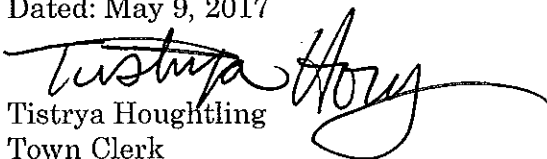
Upon the question of the foregoing Resolution, the following Town Board Members voted "Aye" or "Nay" for said Resolution:

Roll Call Vote:

Councilmember Chuck Gerald	Aye
Councilmember Kevin Smith Sr.	Aye
Supervisor Colleen Teal	Aye
Councilmember Dan Evans	Aye
Councilmember Mark Baumli	Aye

The Resolution, having been approved by a majority vote of the Town Board, was declared duly adopted by the Supervisor of the Town of New Lebanon.

Dated: May 9, 2017

  
Tistrya Houghtling  
Town Clerk  
Town of New Lebanon