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July 9, 2020

At the Newfield Town Board business meeting, held on Thursday June 11, 2020, motion was made by Councilperson James to approve the adoption of the Climate Smart Communities Pledge, seconded by Councilperson Powers.

WHEREAS, the effects of climate change may endanger our infrastructure, economy and livelihoods; harm our farms, orchards, and ecological communities, including native fish and wildlife populations; spread invasive species and exotic diseases; reduce drinking water supplies and recreational opportunities; and pose health threats to our citizens; and

WHEREAS, we believe that our response to climate change provides us with an unprecedented opportunity to save money, and to build livable, energy-independent and secure communities, vibrant innovation economies, healthy and safe schools, and resilient infrastructures; and

WHEREAS, we believe the scale of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reductions required for climate stabilization will require sustained and substantial efforts;

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that Town of Newfield, in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and adapt to a changing climate, adopts the New York State Climate Smart Communities pledge, which comprises the following ten elements:

- 1) Build a climate-smart community.**
- 2) Inventory emissions, set goals, and plan for climate action.**
- 3) Decrease energy use.**
- 4) Shift to clean, renewable energy.**
- 5) Use climate-smart materials management.**

- 6) **Implement climate-smart land use.**
- 7) **Enhance community resilience to climate change.**
- 8) **Support a green innovation economy.**
- 9) **Inform and inspire the public.**
- 10) **Engage in an evolving process of climate action.**

I, Karen Miller Kenerson, do hereby certify that the motion was passed at a meeting of the Newfield Town Board, held on June 11 ,2020, and is incorporated in the original minutes of said meeting,

And that said motion has not been altered amended or revoked and is in full force and effect.



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