

Resolution

Village Trustee Philip Smith moved and Village Trustee Steven Lawton seconded that

WHEREAS, the Village of Montour Falls (hereinafter “local government”) believes that climate change poses a real and increasing threat to our local and global environments and is primarily due to the burning of fossil fuels; and

WHEREAS, the effects of climate change will 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; and

WHEREAS, we believe that even if emissions were dramatically reduced today, communities would still be required to adapt to the effects of climate change for decades to come,

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Village of Montour Falls, 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, a 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.**

AYES: Trustee Chicone, Trustee Lawton, Trustee Smith. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

I, ALYSSA HAMMOND, Clerk-Treasurer of the Village of Montour Falls in the County of Schuyler, State of New York, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing annexed extract from the minutes of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of said Village duly called and held on June 21, 2018 has been compared by me with the original minutes as officially recorded in my office in the minute book of said Board of Trustees and is a true, complete and correct copy thereof, and of the whole of said original minutes as far as the same relate to the subject matter referred to in said extract.

Alyssa Hammond, Clerk-Treasurer
Village of Montour Falls
Dated: June 25, 2018