

TOWN OF CHESTER

A RESOLUTION TO CREATE THE TOWN OF CHESTER CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES TASK FORCE AND COORDINATOR

February 14, 2024

TITLE: A resolution to create the Town of Chester Climate Smart Communities Task Force and Coordinator.

At a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Chester, Orange County, New York, held at the Town Hall, 1786 Kings Highway, Chester, New York, on February 14th, 2024, at 7:00 P.M. prevailing time:

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Holdridge and upon roll being called the following were:

PRESENT:

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Holdridge, who moved its adoption, seconded by _____, to wit:

WHEREAS, on February 14, 2024 the Town of Chester resolved to adopt the Climate Smart Communities pledge;

WHEREAS, the Town of Chester considers the New York State Climate Smart Communities initiative to be a valuable framework to help the Town increase environmental sustainability and lead the community by example; the Town of Chester wishes to obtain certification under the Climate Smart Communities Program.

WHEREAS, establishing a Climate Smart Communities Task Force is a mandated action in the Climate Smart Communities certification program;

WHEREAS, the Climate Smart Communities Task Force is the leadership body responsible for documenting and submitting climate-related actions taken by the Town of Chester to the New York State Climate Smart Communities program, and advising Town officials on additional actions the Town of Chester may take to further its environmental sustainability progress;

WHEREAS, the Climate Smart Communities Task Force will consist of community members and municipal representatives, who will meet at least four times per year and maintain meeting minutes and attendance records for each meeting;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town of Chester establishes a Climate Smart Community Task Force with the initial members as: (1)Town of Chester Supervisor (liaison), Brandon Holdridge, (2)Town Comprehensive Planning Board member, Tracy Schuh, (3)Town resident, William Greene, (4)Town resident, Elizabeth Barrett-Zahn, (5)Town resident, Jane Dysinger, (6)Town resident, EJ Szulwach, (7) Town resident, Helen Flavin, (8) Town resident Susannah Devine, (9) Town resident, Justin George, and (9) the named CSC Coordinator, Grayson Sussman Squires.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Chester appoint Town resident, Grayson Sussman Squires, as the Climate Smart Communities Coordinator.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a roll call vote which resulted as follows:

Yes No Abstain Absent

Dated: _____