Presiding: Supervisor McKnight

Attending: Councilman Boms, Councilman Humphries, Councilman Simpson

The Special Board Meeting was opened at 4:00 PM to discuss the relocation of the Highway Department.

A motion was made by Supervisor McKnight to go into executive session to discuss attorney/ client

Resolution # 2022-

Highway Relocation

Offered by Councilman Simpson

Seconded by Councilman Boms

WHEREAS the Town Highway Garage has been cited by the Public Employee Safety and Health Bureau of the NYS Department of Labor for unsafe conditions, specifically the existence of mold; and

WHEREAS these conditions have engendered concern among Highway Department employees and their union; and

WHEREAS air quality testing at the Town Highway Garage has indicated the existence of mold in excess of acceptable standards; and

WHEREAS the Town Board is therefore desirous of remediating the conditions at the Highway Garage; and

WHEREAS the targeted remediation of the Highway Garage mold infestation is estimated to cost approximately \$259,00; and

WHEREAS the Town Board has been offered a lease for 4975 square feet of a 27,037 square foot building complex located on 43 Basin Road in the Town of Kingston, County of Ulster, and the State of New York, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board wishes to temporarily relocate the Highway Department to allow for construction of a Highway Garage, and desires to enter into said lease for such purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent has agreed to this proposal to lease an alternative Highway Garage; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed the standards for a declaration of significance can evaluated the proposed lease under those standards.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE TOWN BOARD HEREBY RESOLVES as follows:

The Town Board finds that the proposed lease will not have any significant adverse environmental impacts and declares and authorizes a negative declaration under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

The Supervisor is authorized to enter into a lease for alternative premises for the Town Highway Garage at 43 Basin Road in the Town of Kingston, substantially in such form as in the attached Exhibit A.

The Highway Superintendent will relocate the Highway Department to 43 Basin Road in the Town of Kingston promptly after the execution of said lease.

The Supervisor is further authorized to develop plans and proposals for the construction of a Town Highway Garage and associated appurtenances and to present such plans and proposals to the Town Board for approval.

Motion to Adjourn was made by Supervisor McKnight and seconded by Councilman Boms and all voted aye.

Judy Mayhon, Town Clerk