

## Support for land donation

From Erika T Reed

Date Wed 8/27/2025 12:55 PM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

Dear Town Board Members,

I urge you to accept the proposed land donation for recreation. This is a rare opportunity that will benefit our community for generations.

As a parent of children who participate, in youth sports and as a community member who has participated in adult recreation programs, additional recreation spaces for the community are vital for the wellbeing of our town, both for individuals and as a collective. We are far behind other local towns in our recreation spaces and offerings to the community.

This land would provide a foundation for healthy, connected recreation in our town. We are committed to being good stewards of the land and respectful neighbors, and there are community groups who stand ready to partner with the town to make this vision a reality.

Please accept this donation and take the first step toward solving a long-standing challenge in our community.

Thank you for your leadership and dedication to creating opportunities.

Sincerely Erika Reed

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Brandon Manheim 4027 Waterburg Road Trumansburg, New York 14886

8/27/2025

Town of Ulysses Board 10 Elm Street Trumansburg, New York 14886

Dear Board Members,

I am writing to express my full support for the proposed acquisition of the Cold Springs Road land being offered with the purpose of developing and dedicating it as a space that youth and adults can utilize for recreation.

I am a lifelong resident of the greater Trumansburg area and currently have two children involved with youth sports. I have watched over the years as other municipalities have developed this type of space for their communities to enjoy. I think to myself each time I go to one of these locations for my kids' games how much of an investment in the future of our community it would be if we had something similar in our town. This acquisition would provide a safe, and accessible location that would show the town's support in the physical, social, and emotional well-being of our community's youth.

Being a coach and parent involved with youth sports, I can see the importance of this type of space not only for our youth but for the interaction amongst parents and community members. I feel that this presents an opportunity for our town to provide a location that isn't just a place to play but also an area that fosters community connection, encourages healthy lifestyles, and provides a location for structured recreational activities for our youth. This type of facility would be an important step in building an even more connected community that would have benefits that are far-reaching and long-lasting.

I urge you to move forward with this land acquisition and development into a space that reflects the needs of our youth and community. Thank you for your commitment to improving the quality of life in the Town of Ulysses. I look forward to seeing this project move ahead!

Sincerely,

Brandon Manheim



# Support for Pritts property donation

From Lanny Joyce

Date Mon 8/25/2025 10:46 AM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

Dear Town staff and officials,

We would like to once again voice, our support of the acceptance of the Pritts property donation to be used to create a first Town of Ulysses park. We are very excited about this possibility and the potential that it presents. We look forward to helping creative vision and make it become real for current and future generations of residence in the town.

Best and thank you for your work.

William S. (Lanny) and Phyllis Joyce 3405 Krums Corners Rd.

W.S. (Lanny) Joyce, PE CEM

Ithaca, NY



## **Support For Land Donation**

**Date** Tue 8/26/2025 1:28 PM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

Dear, Town board members

I am a Trumansburg Varsity soccer player as well as a Taughannock soccer member, and I strongly support the acceptance of the land donation for recreation use. Having more field space is essential for both youth and school programs!

Soccer has been an amazing effect on my life these past years, soccer is became my life and my greatest commitment and the acceptance of support for land donation would allow more students and coaches more opportunities and teaching spaces.

for T-burg recreations.

Please accept this donation and give our community the facilities we need.

Thank you!

Sincerely, Cora Anderson

Sent from my iPhone



# Accept rec land!

From Jennifer Chorba

Date Tue 8/26/2025 2:36 PM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

Hello!

Please accept the rec land donation, let's support kids playing outside!

Warmly,

Jennifer Chorba



# New Public Park Please read during the public hearing

From Christine Feely

Date Tue 8/26/2025 7:26 PM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

#### Dear Town Board Members,

I write this letter in support of accepting the land donation proposed for a community park. Having raised my three children in this community, I have seen the value of outdoor activities and involvement in sports on my children's health and personal growth. Many of the best moments that I recall from their childhoods were are around sports and outdoor events with scouts. As a physical therapist the state of the health of our community's children is important to me. There is no better way to support the health and fitness of our youth than giving them quality outdoor spaces to gather and play. There are very few spaces in this region for people to share. The school grounds are for school activities and barely meet the teams needs. It is clear that the community would benefit from more park space and field availability. Please accept this donation and expand our ability to promote health, fitness and a sense of community in Trumansburg.

Christine Feely, MPT



From jonaferrari

Date Tue 8/26/2025 3:51 PM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

Dear Town Board members,

I fully support accepting the land donation to create a town park.

I am a youth soccer coach, adult rec soccer player, and a parent in Trumansburg.

My whole family participates and volunteers with the Taughannock soccer club.

We desperately need more community rec space for both adults and kids.

As a coach we have often had to use marginal and even dangerous spaces for soccer practice at the school.

Just today we were trying to organize a fall adult soccer pick-up, and were told that it was difficult to find space anywhere at the TCSD campus.

Please vote to accept this land donation!

Funds can be raised to develop it once it is secured by the town.

Thanks!

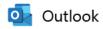
Respectfully,

Jonathan Ferrari, Rana Chen, ZaoHan Ferrari, Zafira Ferrari

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Jonathan Ferrari RA, LEED AP

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From Jackie Cerretani Frank

Date Tue 8/26/2025 12:58 PM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

Dear Town Board Members,

I am on the Board of Directors and Treasurer of the Taughannock Soccer Club. I urge you to accept the proposed land donation for recreation. This is a rare opportunity that will benefit our community for generations and solve the scarcity of space for recreation that has dogged our community for decades.

My son Everett has played soccer with Taughannock Soccer Club since he was six years old, and went on to play on the modified and varsity soccer teams at the Trumansburg schools. My son Rowan has played t-ball, baseball, and soccer in Trumansburg. These sports have given them friendships, built character, helped them feel invested in their schools and community, and helped develop their sense of self.

As long as my boys have played sports, all the community's teams have been squeezed for space. Practices have been pushed into corners of fields or cancelled altogether. Sports are a powerful positive force in the lives of Trumansburg's children. I urge you to accept this land donation and make that positive force accessible to more of them.

This land would provide a foundation for healthy, connected recreation in our town. We of the Trumansburg Soccer Club are committed to being good stewards of the land and respectful neighbors, and we stand ready to partner with the town to make this vision a reality.

Please accept this donation and take the first step toward solving a long-standing challenge in our community.

Thank you for your leadership and dedication to creating opportunities for our children.

Jacqueline Frank Board Member, Trumansburg Soccer Club



#### Land donation

From Erin and Rob kaplan

Date Tue 8/26/2025 12:53 PM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

Dear Ulysses Town Board Members,

We, Erin and Rob Kaplan, are writing to formally propose a land donation to the town of Ulysses. This generous contribution aims to address a critical need within our community: the lack of dedicated green space for recreation and community engagement.

Currently, Ulysses lacks sufficient areas for children to play organized sports and for residents of all ages to enjoy the benefits of outdoor activity. This donation offers a unique opportunity to rectify this situation, creating a vibrant and welcoming space that fosters physical activity, social interaction, and a stronger sense of community. We envision this land being developed into a park, potentially incorporating features such as a playground, walking trails, and open green spaces, depending on the town's resources and preferences. The possibilities for enhancing the quality of life in Ulysses are substantial.

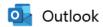
We firmly believe that investing in green spaces is an investment in the future of our community. A well-designed park will not only enhance the physical well-being of our residents but also contribute to their social and emotional well-being, fostering a stronger sense of belonging and shared identity. We are confident that this land donation will be a valuable asset, leading to a more thriving and connected

Sincerely,

Erin and Rob Kaplan

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Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone



# Letter of support for acceptance of land donation

From Tom Knipe

Date Tue 8/26/2025 7:49 PM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

## Good Evening,

I am requesting that this letter be read during public comment at tomorrow night's Town Board meeting.

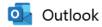
Thanks!

Tom

Town of Ulysses Board,

I write in support of the resolution to accept the donation of land to establish a town park at 5150 Cold Springs Road. Thank you for the thoughtful, open, transparent and fiscally responsible approach that you have taken to evaluate this opportunity. I think the park will be a great addition to the community.

Tom Knipe Garrett Road



# Land donation

From Molly Wadzeck Kraus

Date Tue 8/26/2025 12:12 PM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

Good morning,

I wanted to write in my support for the proposed rec land donation.

Thank you!



# Town Park, Support for Authorization for the Town Supervisor to Enter Into a Donation Agreement

From Cynthia Mannino

Date Tue 8/26/2025 3:06 PM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

Hello Carissa,

Please have my letter read out loud at the Special Town Meeting August 27, 2025.

I am writing in support of the Authorization for the Town Supervisor to Enter Into a Donation Agreement and pursue necessary approvals for the establishment of the First Publicly Owned Park in Ulysses. A park is a place for all to enjoy their peaceful pursuits for generations to come.

Thank you to Marivin and Allison Pritts for their generosity in offering to donate the land to Ulysses.

Thank you to the Ulysses Town Council members for their excellent work in representing all of the people of Ulysses now, and in the future.

Thank you, Cynthia Mannino Ulysses, NY



## Support for Land Donation

From Evelyn Pennock

Date Tue 8/26/2025 1:10 PM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

#### Dear Town Board Members,

I am a Trumansburg varsity soccer player, and I am in strong support of accepting the land donation for recreational use. Having more field space is essential for all youth and school programs, for both current and future seasons. When I joined the soccer team, I immediately felt included, and knew I was in good hands. It has helped me step out of my comfort zone, and be more confident on and off the field. Accepting this donation will allow others to have this experience, and carry on the tradition of excellence and kindness in our town.

Please accept this donation and give our teams, youth, and community the facilities we need. Thank you,
Evelyn Pennock



From Celeste Shaffer

Date Tue 8/26/2025 1:57 PM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

Dear Town Board Members,

On behalf of the Trumansburg Soccer Club, I urge you to accept the proposed land donation for recreation. This is a rare opportunity that will benefit our community for generations.

It is vital we maintain space for the development for the younger generations, shaping our future with many of the life lessons that can be found only out on the field. This is space that can never be replicated or replaced and one that our community so desperately needs.

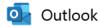
This land would provide a foundation for healthy, connected recreation in our town. We are committed to being good stewards of the land and respectful neighbors, and we stand ready to partner with the town to make this vision a reality.

Please accept this donation and take the first step toward solving a long-standing challenge in our community.

Thank you for your leadership and dedication to creating opportunities for our children.

Thank you,

Celeste N. Shaffer



# Yay soccer!

From ljscherer13@gmail.com

Date Tue 8/26/2025 12:36 PM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

Yes, I support recreational fields!! Please accept the land donation. When it comes to kids playing outside, the answer is always Yes!

Thanks,

Lisa Scherer

Sent from my iPhone



# land donation

From Maggie Scherer

Date Tue 8/26/2025 1:25 PM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

accept the land donation! yay kids playing outside!



## Support for Land Donation

From Ella Simoneau

Date Tue 8/26/2025 11:38 PM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

Dear Town Board Members,

My name is Ella Simoneau, and I am a Trumansburg varsity soccer player as well as a Taughannock soccer player. I strongly support the acceptance of the land donation for recreational use. Having more field space is essential for both youth and school programs.

Soccer has given me so many important things in life—it has taught me passion, friendship, confidence, and determination. I honestly don't know where I would be today without it. I hope every child has the opportunity to experience the same benefits that I have.

Please accept this generous donation and help provide our community with the facilities we need.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Ella Simoneau



From Elizabeth Warner

Date Tue 8/26/2025 12:45 PM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

Dear Town Board Members,

My family and I urge you to accept the proposed land donation for recreation. This is a wonderful opportunity that will benefit our community for generations.

We are active members of our community and our kids participate in soccer through Taughannock Soccer Club and baseball through Trumansburg Travel Baseball/Little League. I have also been an active volunteer and officer for the TCSD PTO for 9 years, and our oldest is now participating in school sports. My husband recently helped start a Trumansburg youth wrestling club in response the strong participation by Trumansburg students at the Four Towns Recreation wrestling program in Ovid. On many fronts, we've experienced firsthand the competition for recreational spaces in the T-burg community.

This land would provide a foundation for healthy, connected recreation in our town. We are committed to being good stewards of the land and respectful neighbors, and we stand ready to partner with the town to make this vision a reality.

Please accept this donation and take the first step toward solving a long-standing challenge in our community.

Thank you for your leadership and dedication to creating opportunities for our children.

Elizabeth and Richard Warner (parents of 5th and 7th grade students at TCSD, and athletes of TCSD, Taughannock Soccer Club, Little Blue Raiders Football, Trumansburg Little League Trumansburg Travel Baseball, Trumansburg Wrestling Club)



#### Land Donation

From Adam Oppenheim

Date Wed 8/27/2025 8:42 AM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

#### To the Town Board Members:

I'm writing as a parent of a children who participate in youth sports to urge you to accept the proposed land donation for recreation. These are rare opportunities - do something memorable with your terms of office! Public infrastructure and works development seem to only happen when ordinary civic participants do something extraordinary. You have a chance to prevent selfish development by a private actor in a beautiful part of the world - don't squander that!

## Adam Oppenheim



# Support for Land Donation

From Taishi Boshart

Date Tue 8/26/2025 11:48 AM

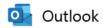
To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

#### Dear Town Board Members,

I am a Trumansburg varsity soccer and Taughannock soccer player. I strongly support the acceptance of the land donation for recreational use. Having more field space is essential for both youth and school programs. Soccer has improved my mental and physical health and I believe more space to participate in this sport should be available. Please accept this donation and give our community the facilities we need.

Thank you,

Taishi Boshart



# **Public Comment in Support of Town Park**

From Isabella M

Date Tue 8/26/2025 11:51 AM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

Hello,

I am a resident of Trumansburg and I am writing this email in support of a Town Park. I would like this letter to be read during the public hearing as a public comment prior to the vote the town board will take on 8/27.

Public parks are indispensable foundations of communities and important aspects to democracy. Parks are spaces for people to gather, exchange ideas, and pursue joyful activities. Therefore, I believe a Town Park would be an immeasurable benefit to the town of Trumansburg.

Thank you and Kind Regards,

Isabella Mannino



# Support for land donation!

From Eleanor Ouckama

Date Tue 8/26/2025 11:39 AM

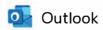
To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

Dear Town Board Members,

I am a Trumansburg varsity soccer player and a Taughannock Soccer Club player, and I strongly support the acceptance of the land donation for recreational use. Having more field space is essential for both youth and school programs. Soccer has had a significant impact on my life, allowing me to develop and strengthen friendships as well as my own confidence. Having access to proper facilities is an essential part of connecting youth athletes and developing team environments.

Please accept this donation and give our community the facilities we need.

Thank you, Eleanor Ouckama



## **Support for Land Donation**

From Alaina Stockwell

Date Tue 8/26/2025 11:43 AM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

## Dear Town Board Members,

I am a Trumansburg varsity soccer player, and I strongly support the acceptance of the land donation for recreational use. Having more field space is essential for both youth and school programs. Soccer is an outlet for many young kids. There are numerous positive effects that come out of the game. You build so many friendships, while also keeping your body and mind healthy. Not to mention the amazing coaches who are role models for the kids. Soccer is fun, but it also makes us better people.

Please accept this donation and give our community the facilities we need.

Thank you,

Alaina Stockwell



## Comment for park discussion

From Rachel Ostlund

Date Wed 8/27/2025 10:50 AM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

#### Hi Carissa -

The statement below is in support of the Town accepting the land donation, could it please be read at the meeting? I am not able to attend in person. Thank you!

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I am writing in support of the town accepting the generous land donation from the Pritts family, in order to create a community park.

It's incredibly important that we prioritize the creation of free, accessible parks, and the land donation is providing the town with the rare opportunity to do just that.

We need safe, free spaces that everyone can access in order to spend time outdoors, as well as spaces where kids can run around, play sports and be outside.

Everyone, regardless of income, deserves equitable access to green space - and having a Town park in a central location means that the myriad benefits of outdoor recreation will be available to everyone in our community. It also is a symbol of the Town's commitment to shared resources and creating welcoming spaces for all.

Easy, equitable access to parks and green spaces not only gives people access to space that improves their mental and physical well-being, but free community parks are an essential part of creating the social infrastructure necessary for healthy, vibrant and interconnected communities.

Parks are egalitarian spaces where informal encounters and new connections bolster and build community - and as our community continues to grow and change over time, having spaces where both new and long-time residents and families can interact and build social connections are an important way to develop and create a sense of community identity.

I am so excited for the tremendous possibility that this space holds!

- Rachel Ostlund



From Mark Boshart

Date Wed 8/27/2025 2:02 PM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

## Dear Town Board Members,

I am the father of 2 teenage boys that are active in sports, particularly soccer, tennis and track. The acceptance of this land donation would be a huge benefit to our T Burg community. It would be easily accessible for the T Burg community and would provide needed practice field space for our youth sports. The accessibility of this site makes it more desirable to me verses the previous Jacksonville area site that was rejected previously.

Thank you for accepting my input. Mark Boshart 2 Whig St



From Kate Krueger

Date Wed 8/27/2025 2:36 PM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

Dear Town Board Members,

On behalf of our family and the Trumansburg Soccer Club, I urge you to accept the proposed land donation for recreation. This is a rare opportunity that will benefit our community for generations.

We, the Krueger family is comprised of two active community-minded adults and two T-Burg elementary school student-athletes who participate in multiple outdoor sports, including soccer, baseball, and track at this time. Even though our boys are only 6 and 8 years old, we've witnessed the density of activity in the available space at the school campus on most weekday evenings in both the spring and fall seasons. We are very excited by the opportunity presented by the acquisition of this land for sports and recreation use to help reduce that congestion and relieve the pressures of space and scheduling on everyone involved. We are happy to see opportunities open up for other recreation activities as well.

This land would provide a foundation for healthy, connected recreation in our town. We are committed to being good stewards of the land and respectful neighbors, and we stand ready to partner with the town to make this vision a reality.

Please accept this donation and take the first step toward solving a long-standing challenge in our community.

Thank you for your leadership and dedication to creating opportunities for our children.

The Krueger Family (Kate, Jeff, Henry (8) and Sam (6) Krueger) 4243 Waterburg Rd, Trumansburg, Town of Ulysses, NY 14886 and Trumansburg Soccer Club



#### Rec fields

From Bruce White

Date Wed 8/27/2025 4:25 PM

To Carissa Parlato <clerk@townofulyssesny.gov>

Hello,

I am reaching out as I won't be able to make the meeting tonight. I and my wife (Kelly White), support this initiative. We think this will go a long way to helping the community come together and give access to our youth that so many other communities already have.

Please let me know if there is more to be done to reflect my vote of approval.

Thank you,

Bruce White

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