

7 **Section 2**
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9 **RESOLUTION # _____ OF 2025: APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

10 RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board agenda for October 28, 2025 is approved as
11 presented/amended.
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13 **Section 4 OLD BUSINESS** ++++++

14 *See additional resolutions provided on separate pages.*

15 **RESOLUTION #__ OF 2025: Adoption of 2025 Budget**
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17 WHEREAS, the Town Budget Officer presented the 2026 Tentative Budget to the Town Clerk and the Town
18 Board at the September 23rd Regular Town Board meeting, and
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20 WHEREAS, prior to the presentation of the Tentative Budget, there were three public sessions to conduct
21 line-by-line budget review on 9/8, 9/10, 9/17; and
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23 WHEREAS, the Town Board discussed and considered the 2026 Tentative Budget on 9/23/25 in a regular
24 meeting and 10/9 in a regular meeting and made no further changes to the tentative budget; and
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26 WHEREAS, the Town Board accepted the Preliminary Town Budget for 2026 on October 14,
27 2025 and, in accordance with New York State Town Law Section 108, set the Public Hearing
28 date for October 28, 2025 at 7:00PM in person and via ZOOM, and
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30 WHEREAS, notice of the Public Hearing was in the newspaper on October 20, 2025 and also
31 posted on the Town’s website on October 16, 2025, and included in the Town newsletter on October 17 and 24,
32 2025, and
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34 WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was held on October 28, 2025, where all members of the public
35 were able to comment on the Preliminary Budget in person, via ZOOM, telephone, or in
36 writing, and
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38 WHEREAS, the tax levy limit set by the New York State Office of the State Comptroller for the
39 Town of Ulysses for the year 2026 is 3.16%,
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41 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT
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43 RESOLVED that the Town Board accepts the Preliminary Budget for 2026 as the Final Budget for 2026,
44 with a 3.13% increase in the tax levy and a 1.55% tax rate increase for Town residents outside the Village
45 of Trumansburg, and a 0.9% levy increase and a 3.08% tax rate decrease for Village of Trumansburg
46 residents that comes in under the tax cap.
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49 **Section 5 NEW BUSINESS** ++++++

50 **RESOLUTION # _____ of 2025:**

WHEREAS, ambulance services are critical for protecting the health and well-being of Ulysses residents;
and
WHEREAS, ambulance services are an increasingly expensive component of the Town’s tax levy, and the
overall budget cannot sustain routine increases of 7% while staying under the tax cap; and
WHEREAS, more robust county-wide attention to the inadequacies of ambulance service funding and
use would benefit Ulysses taxpayers;
WHEREAS, NY Senate Bill S77501 has been passed by the NY Senate and NY Assembly, but has not been
signed into law; and
WHEREAS, NY Senate Bill S77501 directs counties to develop and maintain comprehensive county
emergency medical system plans;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT
RESOLVED, that the Ulysses Town Board supports advocating for Governor Hochel to sign the legislation,
and authorizes the Town Supervisor to submit a letter to that effect.

Section 7 APPROVAL OF MINUTES+++++

RESOLUTION # ____ of 2025 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RESOLVED, that the Ulysses Town Board approves the meeting minutes, as presented/amended:

**RESOLUTION # OF 2025: DETERMINATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE
FOR DONATION OF LAND**

WHEREAS, the Paleontological Research Institute, owner of property located along Falls Rd in the Town of Ulysses identified as Tax Parcel number 13.-3-1 and known colloquially as “Smith Woods”, has offered to donate said property to the Town of Ulysses for the purpose of continuing the operation and maintenance of said property for the use, education and recreation of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has previously determined that acceptance of this donation will be reviewed as an unlisted action, no other agencies are involved, and that the Town could proceed with an uncoordinated review of this action; and

WHEREAS, having reviewed the completed Short Environmental Assessment Form (SEAF) Part 1 and applicable regulations, the Town Board finds that this action is a Type II action pursuant to 6 NYCRR 617.5(C)(39), as this donation of land includes no other related or subsequent actions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Ulysses, based upon the review and findings above, hereby determines that the Proposed Action is a Type II action that will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts, and as such no further environmental review or determination is required; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved:

Seconded:

Olson
Boggs
Bouchard
Goldman
Weatherby

Vote:

Date Adopted:

RESOLUTION # of 2025: AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF SMITH WOODS DONATION

WHEREAS, the Paleontological Research Institute, owner of property located along Falls Rd in the Town of Ulysses identified as Tax Parcel number 13.-3-1 and known colloquially as “Smith Woods”, has offered to donate said property to the Town of Ulysses for the purpose of continuing the operating and maintenance of said property for the use, education and recreation of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board is grateful for this generous offer, which provides for the continued opportunity for substantial recreational, educational and environmental benefits to the community and future generations; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Ulysses has reviewed the environmental significance of this action pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) and has determined that the action will have no significant adverse environmental impacts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Ulysses hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor, Katelin Olson, to execute a donation agreement with the Paleontological Research Institute for the donation of land located along Falls Rd in the Town of Ulysses identified as Tax Parcel number 13.-3-1 and known colloquially as “Smith Woods” for the express purpose of continuing the operation and maintenance of said property for the use, education and recreation of the community, in the form attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit A; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor is authorized to take all steps and execute all documents necessary to effectuate such donation agreement and accept donation of said property; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved:

Seconded:

Olson
Boggs
Bouchard
Goldman
Weatherby

Vote:

Date Adopted:

RESOLUTION # OF 2025: ADOPTING LOCAL LAW REZONING A PORTION OF DD3 TO RESIDENTIAL

WHEREAS, Chad Dolittle submitted an application to the Town of Ulysses to rezone the western portion of property located at 2012 Trumansburg Rd., Trumansburg, NY 14886, tax parcel no. 20.-3-1, from Development District 3 to Residential leaving the eastern portion of said property as Development District 3; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Ulysses scheduled a public hearing for October 28, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. for a local law implementing such change, entitled “A LOCAL LAW REZONING A PORTION OF DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT 3 TO RESIDENTIAL”; and

WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was duly advertised in the official newspaper of the Town and posted on the Town Clerk’s signboard; and

WHEREAS, the action required GML 239 review, and Tompkins County determined in their comment letter dated October 6, 2025, that the proposal will not have a significant county-wide or inter-community impact; and

WHEREAS, the action was referred to the Town Planning Board for review and recommendation, and their comments have been received and reviewed; and

WHEREAS, said public hearing was duly held at the Ulysses Town Hall, 10 Elm St., Trumansburg, NY 14886 on October 28, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition to said proposed Local Law, or any part thereof; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has previously issued a negative declaration of environmental significance pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act regarding adoption of the Local Law; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board finds that adoption of said Local Law rezoning a portion of Development District 3 to Agricultural/Rural is in the best interests of the Town of Ulysses;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby adopts said local law as Local Law No. ____ of 2025 entitled “A LOCAL LAW REZONING A PORTION OF DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT 3 TO RESIDENTIAL”; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk be and hereby is directed to enter said Local Law in the minutes of this meeting and to give due notice of the adoption of said Local Law to the Secretary of State; and be it further

RESOLVED that this resolution will take effect immediately upon filing with the Department of State.

Moved:

Seconded:

Olson
Boggs
Bouchard
Goldman
Weatherby

Vote:

Date Adopted:

**RESOLUTION # OF 2025: DETERMINATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE
FOR REZONING OF A PORTION OF DD3 TO RESIDENTIAL**

WHEREAS, Chad Dolittle submitted an application to the Town of Ulysses to rezone the western portion of property located at 2012 Trumansburg Rd., Trumansburg, NY 14886, tax parcel no. 20.-3-1, from Development District 3 to Residential, leaving the eastern portion of said property as Development District 3 (the “Proposed Action”); and

WHEREAS, the Town Board previously declared its intent to act as lead agency for the purposes of environmental review of the proposed rezoning, and preliminarily classified this action as an unlisted action; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has conducted a coordinated review of the Proposed Action in accordance with the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, and its implementing regulations at 6 NYCRR Part 617, including review of the Short Environmental Assessment Form (the “SEAF”) Parts 1 and Part 2; and

WHEREAS, having provided an opportunity to contest the Town Board’s intent to act as lead agency and otherwise provide comments to all involved and interested agencies, and having received no objections to the Town Board acting as lead agency and otherwise taking into consideration all comments received to date; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has evaluated the potential environmental impacts of the Proposed Action using the criteria set forth in Part 2 of the SEAF, and adopts the proposed findings as set forth in the SEQRA Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 2 Narrative, a copy of which is expressly incorporated herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Ulysses, based upon the review and findings above, hereby determines that the Proposed Action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts, and a Negative Declaration of Environmental Significance is hereby issued in accordance with Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law and 6 NYCRR Part 617; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor or their designee is hereby authorized and directed to sign the SEQRA Negative Declaration and to take all steps necessary to file and distribute this determination as required by law; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved:

Seconded:

Olson
Boggs
Bouchard
Goldman

Weatherby

Vote:

Date Adopted: