

At the Farmington Town Board Meeting, held in the Town Hall or by Phone/Video Conferencing on the 22nd day of September, 2021, at 6:30 PM, there were:

PRESENT: Peter Ingalsbe – Supervisor
Mike Casale – Councilman
Steven Holtz – Councilman
Nate Bowerman – Councilman
Ron Herendeen – Councilman
Michelle Finley – Town Clerk

Also present in person: **Dan Delpriore** – Code Enforcement, **Robin MacDonald** – Water & Sewer Superintendent, and **Ron Brand** – Director of Planning and Development.

Also present by telephone/video conferencing were: None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: Adoption of the Town of Farmington Sidewalk Trail Master Plan Map as an amendment to the 2021 Comprehensive Plan

Supervisor Ingalsbe opened the public hearing at 6:30 p.m. The Town Clerk read the legal notice. Mr. Brand, Director of Planning and Development, stated that in 2018 the town submitted their first grant application for TAP under the Federal Highway Administration Program we were not successful and after the submission of the grants and the awarding of the grants he contacted the staff in Albany and went over the weaknesses that were in the program. He stated that one of the outstanding weaknesses is that the Comprehensive Plan is seven years old, and it is time we update it and they have been doing that during the Covid pandemic. He added that they need to show a master plan for where ultimate sidewalks will be placed in the town to show that the town has a comprehensive solution for pedestrian access. Mr. Brand stated that with the help from MRB, the Highway/Parks Superintendent, and staff they have come up with a master plan project that created a map that has been in display in the town hall since early August when they had the first public information meeting on the grant application and the Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Brand stated that the Map on display shows a number of things, it shows the public sidewalks that exists, it shows public sidewalks that in the process of being installed, and it shows the long-term solution for sidewalks such as along New Michigan Road between Auburn Meadows and Monarch Manor.

History: In 2011 there were 39,236 lineal feet of sidewalk which was along Rt. 332 and along the southside of Rt. 96 from the TOPS Plaza to Rt. 332, and currently there are 104,905 lineal feet of sidewalk. In the 10 years since 2011, the town has added almost 66,000 lineal feet of sidewalk as part of projects the town has approved within that corridor area. In 2011, the Auburn Trail link in the town was 2,370 lineal feet, that was from the Victor Townline to County Road 41. Today the total length of trail in the town is 20,070 feet (a little over 3 miles of trail).

Mr. Brand stated that this Comprehensive Map shows in excessive the 17,000 additional lineal feet that the town is applying for funding for in Phase 1, the map shows that the Sidewalk Master Plan links sidewalks in the Town of Canandaigua, the Town of Victor. He added that the town has a Comprehensive Plan that provides them long term solutions to link areas of the town. The grant application identifies the trail connections to the Auburn Trail as well as future trail connections. He added that with the creation of the Master Plan Map and amending it as part of the 2021 edition of the Comprehensive Plan, they have met one of the previous short comings that the had in their grant application in 2018.

Supervisor Ingalsbe closed the public hearing at 6:37 p.m.

Councilman Bowerman thanked everyone for their good work on the plan. Supervisor Ingalsbe thanked everyone too. He also thanked the Town Board for agreeing to commit to the town's share of the grant.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: None.

PUBLIC CONCERNS: None.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION 332-2021:

Councilman Holtz offered the following Resolution, seconded by **Councilman Casale:**

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE TOWN OF FARMINGTON SIDEWALK/TRAIL MASTER PLAN MAP, AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2021 EDITION OF THE TOWN OF FARMINGTON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

WHEREAS, the Town of Farmington Town Board (hereinafter referred to as Town Board) has engaged the Town Engineers, MRB Group, D.P.C., to update the Sidewalk/Trail Master Plan Map which is part of the adopted 2011 Edition of the Town of Farmington Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Town Engineers, on July 27, 2021 provided said master plan map which has been on display to the public in the foyer at the Farmington Town Hall since July 27, 2021; and

WHEREAS, said map was also discussed at a public information meeting held upon a pending 2021-2022 TAP/CMAQ Grant Application that was conducted in the Town Hall, on Tuesday evening, August 3, 2021; and

WHEREAS, said map has also been on display, since August 4, 2021 on the Town's website; and

WHEREAS, said map has been reviewed and updated by the Town Highway Superintendent, the Town Planning Board, the Town Code Enforcement Officer and the Town Director of Planning and Development; and

WHEREAS, said map has also been shared with the consulting engineering firms (Bergmann Associates, P.C. and Barton & Loguidice, DPC), who have prepared the Genesee Transportation Council's study entitled "State Routes 332 and 96 Sub-Area Transportation Study" (hereinafter referred to as the Sub-Area Transportation Study); and

WHEREAS, said Sub-Area Transportation Study confirms, in several locations within the Study, the need for a Sidewalk/Trail Master Plan Map to be prepared and to be used for identifying policy for the completion of missing sections of sidewalks located within the defined "Community Center Area" of the Town of Farmington; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has tonight conducted a public hearing upon the above referenced map and has given consideration to the testimony received at said hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board classifies the Action to adopt the Town of Farmington Sidewalk/Master Plan Map as being a Type II Action, as defined in Part 617.5 (c)(24) and (26) of article 8 of the New York State Environmental Conservation Law (ECL).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Type II Actions are not subject to review under the ECL, as they have been determined not to have a significant impact on the environment or are otherwise precluded from environmental review.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby adopt the "Town of Farmington Sidewalk/Trail Master Plan Map," prepared by MRB Group, D.P.C., dated September 14, 2021 and further identified as Project No. 0610.13000, as the Official Sidewalk/Trail Master Plan Map for the Town of Farmington.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said Master Plan Map is to be maintained and update as necessary for re-certification and adoption by this Town Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board directs said map to be made part of the 2021 Edition of the Town of Farmington Comprehensive Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is hereby directed to provide a Certified Copy of this resolution to the Town Director of Planning and Development to be used as part of the pending 2021-2022 Town of Farmington TAP Grant Application to the New York State Department of Transportation which is to be submitted on or before September 29, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Director of Planning and Development is hereby directed to have copies of said Sidewalk/Trail Master Plan Map, dated September 14, 2021 made for distribution to Town Departments, and to cause the posting of said Map on the Town's Official website.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby authorize and directs the Town Engineers, MRB Group, D.P.C., to assist the Town Director of Planning and Development in making said copies and the posting thereof on the Town's official website.

All Voting "Aye" (Ingalsbe, Casale, Herendeen, Bowerman, and Holtz), the Resolution was **CARRIED**.

RESOLUTION #333-2021:

Councilman Herendeen offered the following Resolution, seconded by **Councilman Casale**:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CAPITAL PROJECT, IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$450,000.00 TO BE FUNDED OVER THE NEXT TWO-YEAR PERIOD, TO BE IDENTIFIED AS THE TOWN OF FARMINGTON SIDEWALK TRAIL 2021-2022 TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM (TAP) CAPITAL PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Town of Farmington Town Board (hereinafter referred to as Town Board) has by resolution adopted July 27, 2021 authorized the Town Director of Planning and Development (hereinafter referred to as Director) to prepare the Town's 2021-2022 Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) Grant Application to the New York State Department of Transportation under the State's Gateway Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the Director has attended the State's TAP/CMAQ Webinar held on Wednesday, July 14, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Director has submitted a Preliminary Grant Application to the State's Grant Gateways on Tuesday, August 17, 2021 which was accepted and has been reviewed by staff at the State Department of Transportation in Albany; and

WHEREAS, the Director and the Town Supervisor have both reviewed the State's comments on the Preliminary Grant Application; and

WHEREAS, the Director has made adjustments to the project budget and the time line for completing the project as recommended by the State; and

WHEREAS, the Director has obtained all but one (1) remaining easement which is currently being worked on with property owners and is expected to be filed with the County Clerk's Office later this month; and

WHEREAS, the Town's Engineer, MRB Group, D.P.C., has certified the cost estimates prepared as part of the above referenced TAP Grant Application; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has received and reviewed the proposed budget for the TAP Grant Application; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board acknowledges the proposed budget provides funds to complete the installation of the missing sections of sidewalks located within the Phase 1 Area of the adopted Town of Farmington Sidewalk Trail Master Plan Map.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby accept the proposed budget for the Town's 2021-2022 TAP Grant Application and directs the Town's Principal Account Clerk to establish a Capital Project which is to be identified as the "Town of Farmington Sidewalk Trail Transportation Alternative (TAP) Program Capital Project."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes total funds in the amount of \$450,000.00 be placed in this Capital Project that is to be used as the Town's matching share of the 2021 TAP-CMAQ Budget Total Project Cost of \$2,214,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is hereby directed to provide a Certified Copy of this resolution to the Town Director of Planning and Development to be used as part of the pending 2021-2022 Town of Farmington TAP Grant Application to the New York State Department of Transportation which is to be submitted on or before September 29, 2021.

All Voting "Aye" (Ingalsbe, Casale, Herendeen, Bowerman, and Holtz), the Resolution was **CARRIED**.

RESOLUTION #334-2021:

Councilman Casale offered the following Resolution, seconded by **Councilman Bowerman**:

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF THE TOWN OF FARMINGTON 2021-2022 TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM (TAP) – CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CMAQ) GRANT APPLICATION, IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$2,214,000.00, WITH \$1,771,200.00 BEING FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION FUNDS AND \$442,800.00 BEING TOWN FUNDS, FOR IMPLEMENTING THE CONSTRUCTION OF SIDEWALK AND TRAIL CONNECTIONS SHOWN ON THE ADOPTED TOWN OF FARMINGTON SIDEWALK TRAIL MASTER PLAN MAP, A PART OF THE 2021 EDITION OF THE TOWN OF FARMINGTON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; AND DIRECTING SUBMISSION TO THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION UNDER THE STATE'S GRANTS GATEWAY PROCESS

WHEREAS, the Farmington Town Board (hereinafter referred to as Town Board) has received information from the Town Director of Planning and Development (hereinafter referred to as Director) regarding a pending TAP Grant Application for funding sidewalk trail improvements shown on the adopted "Town of Farmington Sidewalk Trail Master Plan Map;" and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has also received, as part of the pending TAP Grant Application, the project budget which has been reviewed by the Town Engineers, MRB Group, D.P.C., and found to be a reasonable estimate of anticipated project costs; and

WHEREAS, the State's request for the 2021-2022 TAP-CMAQ Grant Applications is now open and will close at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 29, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed and adopted the "Town of Farmington Sidewalk Trail Master Plan Map," a part of the 2021 Edition of the Town of Farmington Comprehensive Plan, finding detailed delineations and distinctions between existing and proposed sidewalks and trail connections, and areas where sidewalks and trails do not exist and are not envisioned in the future; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has also reviewed the Director's report describing the subareas of the community where-in sidewalk/trail connections are envisioned to be installed which are dependent upon the award of TAP-CMAQ Grant funds; and

WHEREAS, the 2021 Edition of the Town of Farmington Comprehensive Plan and the Genesee Transportation Council (GTC) State Routes 96 & 332 Subarea Study both identify the need for connecting the various sub-areas within the community where sidewalks/trail connections do not exist to areas where sidewalks/trail connections have been committed or constructed; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board further understands that a commitment to match a portion of the total proposed TAP-CMAQ Project cost is required; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has established a Capital Project, entitled "Town of Farmington Sidewalk Trail Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) Capital Project;" and

WHEREAS, a total of \$450,000.00 has been established in said Capital Project as the Town's matching share for the proposed TAP Grant award requested; and

WHEREAS, the proposed sub-areas shown on the above referenced master plan map lie within the identified "Community Center" portion of the Town, thereby meeting the State's requirement for awarding funds to projects that are in compliance with the State's Public Infrastructure Investment Policy Act; and

WHEREAS, the action of constructing sidewalks is an Unlisted Action as classified under Part 617.5 of article 8 of New York State Environmental Conservation Law, the State's Environmental Quality Review Regulations, thereby necessitating a determination of significance once detail design plans have been prepared for the construction of the sidewalk and trail connections.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board, does hereby authorize the Director to submit the Town of Farmington 2021-2022 TAP-CMAQ Grant Application for the above referenced Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby request Federal Funds be awarded to the Town for a share of the above referenced Project in the total amount of \$1,771,200.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board reaffirms its' commitment to provide a match of \$442,800.00 to the total TAP-CMAQ Project Cost of \$2,214,000.00.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution are to be provided to the Town Principal Account Clerk and the Director.

All Voting "Aye" (Ingalsbe, Casale, Herendeen, Bowerman, and Holtz), the Resolution was **CARRIED**.

DISCUSSION: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

With no further business before the Board, **Councilman Bowerman** offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:42 p.m., seconded by **Councilman Casale**. Motion **CARRIED**.

Michelle A. Finley, MMC, RMC -Town Clerk