

Town of Olive
Resolution #9 of 2023

Request NYS DOT to Reduce the Speed Limit on NYS Route 28 in Boiceville

WHEREAS, the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Design and Construction project, identified as CAT- 252, will redesign and relocate the intersection of NYS Routes 28 and 28A in Boiceville, NY creating new traffic lanes and sightlines on both highways in both directions; and,

WHEREAS, The Ashokan Rail Trail termination will be relocated from its present location on the west side of the Esopus Creek over a new RT 28A Esopus Bridge to the east side of the Esopus Creek in Boiceville terminating at the intersection of NYS Route 28 and 28A; and

WHEREAS, the NYS Department of Transportation will be extending a pathway on the east side of NYS Route 28 at the termination of the Ashokan Rail Trail northward on NYS Route 28 to a newly located crosswalk near the Onteora High School; and

WHEREAS, the results of the Safe Routes to School survey conducted in March of 2023 at the Onteora High School located in Boiceville indicated most students would like the opportunity to have safer walking and biking access throughout the hamlet of Boiceville, and

WHEREAS, the Onteora High School and Onteora Middle School, both located on NYS Route 28 in Boiceville, use the Ashokan Rail Trail for athletic activities throughout the school year; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Olive and NYC DEP are acquiring flood buyout properties along this same section of NYS Route 28 in Boiceville to eventually be used for outdoor recreational activities and will have parking areas for such uses creating additional new traffic and traffic patterns on NYS Route 28 between the new Rt 28A intersection and Onteora High School; and

WHEREAS, the existing businesses along this section of NYS Route 28 include a busy supermarket, liquor store, pharmacy, post office, gas station, two restaurants, a bank, and retail stores; and

WHEREAS, a new motel located on Route 28 between Onteora High School and Winne Road has created additional traffic and traffic patterns of drivers who may not be familiar with the area in the immediate vicinity north of the high school; and

WHEREAS, there has been many automobile accidents, including one fatal accident, at the intersection of NYS Route 28 and Old Route 28 where traffic enters and exits from the newly expanded Bread Alone Bakery;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Olive requests the New York State Department of Transportation reduce the speed limit to 45mph on NYS Route 28 in Boiceville from the intersection of Lohrer Road to the intersection of Winne Road,

AND FURTHER BE RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Olive requests the New York State Department of Transportation further reduce the speed limit to 35mph on Route 28 in Boiceville from the intersection of Route 28A to the intersection of Piney Point Road.

AND MOVES ITS ADOPTION

Motion made by:

Seconded By:

A Vote was Duly Taken:

	Aye	Nay
Jim Sofranko, Supervisor	_____	_____
David Edinger, Board Member	_____	_____
Andrew Boggess, Board Member	_____	_____
Scott Kelder, Board Member	_____	_____
Victoria Read, Board Member	_____	_____

Dated this 11th day of July, 2023

Dawn Giuditta, Town Clerk