

**Town of Olive  
Resolution #28 of 2024**

**Resolution in Support of the Lower Esopus Stream Management Plan**

**WHEREAS**, the Lower Esopus is an important water resource that adds environmental and economic value to the communities through which it passes and the landowners along its banks; and

**WHEREAS**, unilateral actions by the New York City Department of Environmental Protection to release turbid water into the Lower Esopus from the Ashokan Reservoir resulted in an Order on Consent (DEC Case No. D007-0001-11, Appendix A) issued in 2013 that provided funding for the development and implementation of a Stream Management Plan (SMP) for the Lower Esopus Creek; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lower Esopus Stream Management Plan was developed in collaboration with partners across the watershed through a rigorous planning process consisting of a data review, geomorphic assessment, public outreach, and both public and agency comment processes; and

**WHEREAS**, for the Lower Esopus Stream Management Plan and the accompanying Implementation Projects to be successful requires that the efforts of various state agencies, municipal governments, county departments, and nonprofit organizations work collaboratively to towards a unified goal of ensuring that the Lower Esopus is a clean and vibrant creek providing value to all the communities along its route; and to safely enjoy; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Olive is one of seven municipalities sharing the Lower Esopus stream corridor; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lower Esopus Creek is an important community asset cherished by many people; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of Olive supports the Lower Esopus Stream Management Plan;

**AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town of Olive urges those state and federal agencies that provide funding for water quality and recreational resources recognize the SMP and the efforts associated with its development in their decisions regarding funding requests made in accordance with the Plan;

**AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this Resolution be filed with the municipalities through which the Lower Esopus passes, the County and the federal and state agencies with jurisdiction, as well as state and federal representatives.

**AND MOVES ITS ADOPTION**

Motion made by:

Seconded by:

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

Dated this 12<sup>th</sup> Day of November 2024

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Dawn Giuditta, Town Clerk