

**Town Board Meeting
December 16, 2021**

A regularly scheduled Town Board meeting was held at the Esopus Town Hall, 1 Town Hall Way, Ulster Park, NY immediately following the Continuation of the public hearing on Local Law 13 of 2021 and the Public Hearing of Local Law 14 of 2021. This meeting was also available via zoom and live streamed on Facebook Thursday December 16, 2021, at 7:00 PM with the following persons in attendance:

**Supervisor Jared Geuss - absent
Councilman Kathie Quick
Councilman Chris Farrell
Councilman Evelyn Clarke
Councilman Laura Robinson**

Recording Administrator Holly A. Netter, Town Clerk, RMC

Deputy Supervisor Shannon Harris conducted the meeting without voting privileges.

Deputy Supervisor Shannon Harris called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 8:00 pm immediately following the public hearings on LL 13, Opt Out Cannabis and Local Law 14, Stretch code.

**TOWN OF ESOPUS TOWN BOARD
SEQRA NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND
NOTICE OF DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE
FOR
A LOCAL LAW OF THE TOWN OF ESOPUS ENTITLED OPT OUT OF ALLOWING
RETAIL DISPENSARIES AND ON-SITE CONSUMPTION SITES AS AUTHORIZED
UNDER CANNABIS LAW ARTICLE 4**

WHEREAS, NY Cannabis Law §131 authorizes Towns to adopt local laws, subject to permissive referendum governed by section twenty-four of the municipal home rule law, requesting that the Cannabis Control Board prohibit the establishment of adult-use cannabis retail dispensaries and on-site consumption sites within the jurisdiction of the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board introduced a proposed local law to opt out of allowing the establishment of adult-use cannabis retail dispensaries and on-site consumption sites within the jurisdiction of the Town;

WHEREAS, this determination of non-significance, i.e. negative declaration, is prepared in accordance with Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law: the NY State Environmental

Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”) and its implementing regulations set forth in 6 NYCRR Part 617 (“Regulations”); and

WHEREAS, the Town Board is directly undertaking the Action and is the only involved agency and is therefore the lead agency for the environmental review of the Action pursuant to SEQRA and its implementing Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the name and address of the lead agency is: Town of Esopus Town Board, 1 Town Hall Way, Ulster Park, New York 12487 and the Responsible Officer is Jared Geuss, Town of Esopus Town Supervisor, with a telephone number at (845) 331-0676; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Esopus Town Board, as lead agency, has classified this Action as an Unlisted Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.6 of the Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Esopus Town Board has caused the preparation of a Short Environmental Assessment Form (SEAF) for review of the Action; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board, as lead agency for the environmental review of the Action, has reviewed the Action and all relevant supporting information and documentation, has identified the relevant areas of environmental concern, has compared the reasonably expected results of the Action with the criteria set forth in 6 NYCRR § 617.7 and has determined that there will be no significant adverse environmental impacts associated with the Action; and

WHEREAS, this negative declaration is supported and substantiated by the following conclusions of the Lead Agency:

The proposed legislative amendments included in this action are not inconsistent with the existing Comprehensive Plan of the Town of Esopus.

The act of adopting the proposed local law will not result in any direct or physical adverse environmental impact. It will not result in indirect or secondary effects which threaten adverse physical impacts upon the environment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Esopus Town Board makes the following findings based upon the conclusions identified above:

1. The Action will not result in a substantial adverse change in existing air quality, ground or surface water quality, traffic or noise levels, a substantial increase in solid waste production; or a substantial increase in potential for erosion, flooding, leaching or drainage problems. The Action simply involves the adoption of a local law to opt out of the establishment of adult-use cannabis retail dispensaries and on-site consumption sites within the jurisdiction of

the Town. Such local laws are authorized by NYS Cannabis Law Section 131, subject to permissive referendum. No construction or site disturbance is involved with the Action. These factors have been considered in relation to the criteria recited in paragraphs numbers “2” through “12” below without being re-stated each time.

2. The Action will not result in the removal or destruction of large quantities of vegetation or fauna; substantial interference with the movements of any resident or migratory fish or wildlife species; impacts on a significant habitat area; substantial impacts on a threatened or endangered species of animal or plant or the habitat of such a species or other significant adverse impacts to natural resources.

3. The Action does not involve the impairment of any designated critical environmental area.

4. The Action will not create a material conflict with the community's current plans or goals as officially approved or adopted.

5. The Action will not result in the impairment of the character or quality of important historical, archeological, architectural or aesthetic resources of the existing community or neighborhood character.

6. The Action will not result in a major change in the use of either the quantity or type of energy.

7. The Action will not create a hazard to human health.

8. The Action will not cause a substantial change in the use or intensity of use of land, including agricultural, open space or recreational resources or in its capacity to support existing uses.

9. The Action will not encourage or attract a large number of people to a place or places from more than a few days, compared to the number of people who would come to such place absent the Action.

10. The Action will not result in the creation of a material demand for other actions that would result in one of the above consequences.

11. The Action does not involve changes in two or more elements of the environment, no one of which has a significant impact on the environment, but when considered together result in a substantial adverse impact on the environment.

12. The Action does not involve two or more related actions undertaken, funded or approved by an agency, none of which has or would have a significant impact on the environment, but when considered cumulatively would meet one or more of the criteria in 6 NYCRR 617.7(c).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Esopus Town Board, acting as lead agency, has examined the impacts which may be reasonably anticipated to result from the Action, and has determined that it will not have any significant adverse impact on the environment and that therefore a Draft Environmental Impact Statement need not be prepared; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Esopus Town Board hereby issues this Negative Declaration and notice thereof pursuant to the requirements of SEQRA and its implementing Regulations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the filing of this Negative Declaration and notice thereof pursuant to the requirements of SEQRA and 6 NYCRR § 617.12 of its implementing Regulations.

Resolution offered by : Councilman Kathie Quick

Seconded by: Councilman Evelyn Clarke

The foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote which resulted as follows:

COUNCILMAN LAURA ROBINSON	AYE
COUNCILMAN EVELYN CLARKE	AYE
COUNCILMAN KATHIE QUICK	AYE
COUNCILMAN CHRIS FARRELL	NO*
SUPERVISOR JARED GEUSS	ABSENT

Vote 3 Aye , 1 No MOTION CARRIED

Contact Person:

Holly A. Netter, Town Clerk
Town of Esopus
1 Town Hall Way
Ulster Park, New York 12487
(845) 331-3709

*Chris Farrell voted no - commented it would have an impact on agricultural services and would not be allowed to be grown.

Evelyn Clarke read the following comment: I appreciate the comments from the community and respect the passion of the speakers. Such passion shows the depth of love for our community.

Unfortunately, this has become a divisive issue. Hopefully all sides can come together for the mutual benefit of the Town.

The truth is recreational cannabis use is legal. In the past law enforcement arrested people for possessing recreational marijuana. This had a detrimental impact on many young people of color. In a way, legalization rights that wrong. With legalization the sale of recreational cannabis distilleries is no different than the sale of alcohol in liquor stores or distilleries.

I agree we should opt out at this time while the state is continuing to establish the regulations. We contacted the OCM, Office of Cannabis Management, about the impact of opting-out. The response is there is none, and we can opt-in at a later time, should the Town decide by referendum to do so. We also requested recommendations from the EDC. The EDC proposed opting-out while continuing to research the economic benefits and impacts to the Town.

RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION

Councilman Evelyn Clarke, offered the following Resolution, which was seconded by **Councilman Kathie Quick**, who moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town Board adopted a Resolution of Introduction for a proposed local law to be known as Local Law No. 13 of 2021 of the Town of Esopus, New York entitled A LOCAL LAW OF THE TOWN OF ESOPUS, ULSTER COUNTY, NEW YORK TO OPT OUT OF ALLOWING CANNABIS RETAIL DISPENSARIES AND ON-SITE CONSUMPTION SITES AS AUTHORIZED UNDER CANNABIS LAW ARTICLE 4; and

WHEREAS, public hearings in relation to said local law were held on November 4, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. Prevailing Time, November 18, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Prevailing Time, December 2, 2021 at 7p.m. Prevailing Time, and December 16, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Prevailing Time; and

WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was given pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, said local law has been on the desks of the members of the Town Board of the Town of Esopus for at least seven (7) days, exclusive of Sunday;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED and BE IT ENACTED by the Town Board of the Town of Esopus as follows:

TOWN OF ESOPUS LOCAL LAW NO. 13 OF THE YEAR 2021

BE IT ENACTED by the Town Board of the Town of Esopus as follows:

Section 1. Legislative Intent

It is the intent of this local law to opt out of allowing cannabis retail dispensaries and on-site cannabis consumption sites in the Town of Esopus that would otherwise be allowed under Cannabis Law Article 4.

Section 2. Authority

This local law is adopted pursuant to Cannabis Law §131 which expressly authorizes the Town Board to adopt a local law requesting the Cannabis Control Board to prohibit the establishment of cannabis retail dispensary licenses and/or on-site consumption licenses within the jurisdiction of the Town and is subject to a permissive referendum, the procedure of which is governed by Municipal Home Rule Law §24.

Section 3. Local Opt-Out

The Town Board of the Town of Esopus hereby opts out of allowing cannabis retail dispensaries and on-site cannabis consumption sites from being established and operated within the Town's jurisdiction.

Section 4. Severability

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance, shall be adjusted by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 5. Permissive Referendum/Referendum on Petition

This local law is subject to a referendum on petition in accordance with Cannabis Law §131 and the procedure outlined in Municipal Home Rule Law §24.

Section 6. Effective Date.

This local law shall take effect ten (10) days following publication and posting in accordance with the Town Code Section 123-50(D) and filing of the Local Law with the Secretary of State in Accord with Article 3 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

The foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote which resulted as follows:

COUNCILMAN LAURA ROBINSON	AYE
COUNCILMAN EVELYN CLARKE	AYE
COUNCILMAN KATHIE QUICK	AYE
COUNCILMAN CHRIS FARRELL	NO
SUPERVISOR JARED GEUSS	ABSENT

VOTE 3 Ayes, 1 No, 1 Absent MOTION CARRIED.

EAF PARTS 1, 2 & 3 are included as Addendum A

***Chris Farrell** voted no - commented earlier it would have an impact on agricultural services and would not be allowed to be grown. He would vote to opt out on lounges had dispensaries and lounges been separated. Recreational Marijuana is legal. Legalizing it was supposed to right a wrong; many who were arrested were people of color and youth. Dispensaries located 5 miles away will still bring the product in to the town. It would help to have more dispensaries closer for those who are in need and suffering. Recognized how the vote was going and encouraged public who feel otherwise to use their right to petition within the 45-day time frame to petition the referendum.

Evelyn Clarke read the following comment earlier during SEQRA: I appreciate the comments from the community and respect the passion of the speakers. Such passion shows the depth of love for our community. Unfortunately, this has become a divisive issue. Hopefully all sides can come together for the mutual benefit of the Town. The truth is recreational cannabis use is legal. In the past law enforcement arrested people for possessing recreational marijuana. This had a detrimental impact on many young people of color. In a way, legalization rights that wrong. With legalization the sale of recreational cannabis distilleries is no different than the sale of alcohol in liquor stores or distilleries. I agree we should opt out at this time while the state is continuing to establish the regulations. We contacted the OCM, Office of Cannabis Management, about the impact of opting-out. The response is there is none, and we can opt-in at a later time, should the Town decide by referendum to do so. We also requested recommendations from the EDC. The EDC proposed opting-out while continuing to research the economic benefits and impacts to the Town.

Kathie Quick - I have been trying to keep an open mind researching and listening carefully to both sides of this issue. My decision is based on facts, economic realities for our town and practical reasoning by seeking input from a diverse array of people in our community. However, I am not immune to the experience of a member of my family who's life potential was detrimentally impacted by the extensive use of cannabis as a young teenager; and the poor decision making that ensued from his choice to opt-in on consuming cannabis. Easing the tax burden for homeowners is a goal most of us have, and is a very seductive argument for encouraging cannabis dispensaries on our town. I don't think it is a silver bullet to reduce property taxes. A cannabis store in Esopus is theoretical. Why? By having one open up or sustainably succeed in Esopus is highly unlikely even if we opt in. Did you know that a Cannabis retail outlet costs a business owner over \$250,000. cash minimum. On a practical level I cannot in good conscience usher in an investment of that magnitude ahead of critical investments needed in retail shops that serve a higher purpose. For example, a grocery store, a dry cleaner store, a bakery, a walk-in medical center; all things that people have been wanting. For well over a decade, I have heard desperate pleas from working parents, the elderly, the disabled, emergency responders and business owners for a local grocery market to open in our town, with no offers. The closest we have to a grocery store is Dollar General. Unless and until the essential quality of life retail shops open up in Esopus that people have been asking for, I am putting aside the sudden demands for a pot shop coming from a small minority. Among the dozens of people I have spoken with including several family members and friends in law enforcement, to get their perspective. Did you know that law enforcement does not have any roadside tools to measure whether someone is driving under the influence of cannabis? That makes it difficult to crack down on people who will be driving high. Having a pot shop nearby increases the likelihood all the more, opening the town up to vehicle accidents and other liabilities. This is another example of the state putting a political decision before the practical implications, supplies and enforcement tools have been determined. We have been waiting for our Esopus Business Alliance to share their opinions on this issue. Of those that responded to their survey, all of them suggested that we wait to opt in. Whenever a new program or business gets started, particularly if the state is involved, there is a learning curve. Mistakes will be made, and then improvements may occur. It looks like some neighboring communities are opting in. The Town of Ulster has opted in for retail dispensaries. Kingston and New Paltz have no intention of opting out by the end of this year. I have not heard from Rosendale. It looks like safe legal cannabis will be available in nearby places for people suffering from chronic pain, sleep disorders and for adults for recreational purposes. Understanding my purpose as an official, I represent YOU. Not just the people in the same political party as me, or a small minority. I must be a voice for all the people, of all ages and persuasions, across the entire town of almost 10,000 people. So for my concluding statement I say that you all should be part of that decision. If you really want a cannabis distribution center in the Town of Esopus, you can make this decision yourself by collecting signatures and votes for a public referendum on the November ballot. At this time my vote is to affirm opting out of cannabis sales and consumption in the Town of Esopus.

Laura Robinson, in the beginning has really thought about how the revenue would be good for our community to help fund programs for children and the summer program. Thought about it

more after listening to others voicing their comments. She said she had a really hard time with this decision and after long consideration, choose to opt out.

LL #14

RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION

The Following Resolution was Offered by Kathie Quick, Seconded by Councilman Chris Farrell:

LOCAL LAW NO. 14 OF 2021 AMENDING CHAPTER 56 BUILDING CONSTRUCTION, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF ESOPUS

WHEREAS, the Town of Esopus seeks to protect and promote the public health, safety, and welfare of its residents by mandating energy efficient building standards; and

WHEREAS, in order to prevent a statewide patchwork of more efficient energy codes, the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) developed the NYStretch Energy Code – 2020 (NYStretch); and

WHEREAS, a stretch energy code is simply more stringent than the minimum base energy code that can be voluntarily adopted by local jurisdictions. NYStretch is a model code that is 10 to 12% more efficient than the minimum requirements of the 2020 Energy Conservation Construction Code of New York State (2020 ECCCNY); and

WHEREAS, some New York State municipalities have adopted stricture energy standards to ensure reduced energy costs for residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NY Energy Law § 11-109, the Town of Esopus is authorized to adopt a local energy code more stringent than the 2020 ECCCNY; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Esopus Town Board is considering amending Chapter 56 “Building Construction” to add provisions for a local energy code that is more strict than the existing requirements in the Esopus Town Code; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on December 16, 2021, at which time all persons either for or against said amendments were heard; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Esopus Town Board is declared Lead Agency for the purposes of environmental review with respect to the proposed resolution, in accordance with Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law of the State of New York, and the regulations promulgated thereunder at NYCRR 617 (collectively, “SEQRA”); and

WHEREAS, the Town Board, as Lead Agency, has advised that the proposed action meets the criteria of a “Type II Action” under SEQRA and that no further action is required under SEQRA; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Local Law No. 14 of 2021 is hereby adopted as follows:

LOCAL LAW NO. 14 OF 2021

A LOCAL LAW LOCAL LAW NO. 14 OF 2021 AMENDING CHAPTER 56 BUILDING CONSTRUCTION, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF ESOPUS

BE IT ENACTED by the Town Board of the Town of Esopus as follows:

Section 1. That Chapter 56, entitled “Building Construction” of the Code of the Town of Esopus, as amended, is further amended by adding the following:

56-1.A(1). Legislative Intent

The Town of Esopus seeks to protect and promote the public health, safety, and welfare of its residents by mandating energy efficient building standards. In 2019, the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) developed and published the NYStretch Energy Code 2020 (hereinafter referred to as NYStretch), a more energy efficient building code than the 2020 ECCCNY. This proposed code amendment seeks to modify the Esopus Town Code to adopt NYStretch and to enact more restrictive regulations as they relate to new or substantially renovated buildings.

56-1.A(2) Adoption of NYStretch Code

Effective January 1, 2022, the NYStretch Energy Code 2020, published by the NYSERDA (hereinafter referred to as “NYStretch”), shall be applicable to all new construction and substantial renovations in the Town of Esopus.

56-1.A(3). Authority

This local law is enacted pursuant to New York Energy Law §11-109(1), and Municipal Home Rule Law §10 and in accordance with the procedures detailed in Municipal Home Rule § 20.

Section 2. Severability

If any section or subdivision, paragraph, clause, phrase of this law shall be adjudged invalid or held unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, any judgment made thereby shall not affect the validity of this law as a whole or any part thereof other than the part or provision so adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 3. Filing Required.

This local law shall be filed with the state fire prevention and building code council within thirty days after its adoption.

Section 4. Effective Date

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State pursuant to New York Energy Law §11-109(1) and the Municipal Home Rule Law.

DATED: Ulster Park, New York
December 16, 2021

HOLLY A. NETTER, TOWN CLERK, RMC

The foregoing resolution was voted upon with all councilpersons voting as follows:

COUNCILMAN LAURA ROBINSON	AYE
COUNCILMAN EVELYN CLARKE	AYE
COUNCILMAN KATHIE QUICK	AYE
COUNCILMAN CHRIS FARRELL	AYE
SUPERVISOR JARED GEUSS	ABSENT

ALL TOWN BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

DATED: Ulster Park, New York
December 16, 2021

HOLLY A. NETTER, TOWN CLERK, RMC

EAF PARTS 1, 2 & 3 are included as Addendum A

WATER DEPARTMENT SAFETY EQUIPMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN CHRIS FARRELL TO AUTHORIZE THE PORT EWEN WATER SUPERINTENDENT TO PURCHASE THE NECESSARY CONFINED SAFETY EQUIPMENT FROM GRAINGER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,316.93. THE MOTION WAS SEONDED BY COUNCILMAN KATHIE QUICK. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

EQUIPMENT TRAILER FOR HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN LAURA ROBINSON TO AUTHORIZE HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT MIKE CAFALDO TO PURCHASE A 2022 T-40T TOWMASTER TRAILER TILT 24' DECK LENGTH 4' STATIONARY 16 TOTAL TIE DOWNS, 2 SPEED JACK ALLUMINUM 8 BOLT WHEELS, LED LIGHTS INCLUDING DELIVERY, TIRE FEE AND INSPECTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$31,703.40 FROM A. MONTANO CO. INC. (STATE CONTRACT). THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN CHRIS FARRELL. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR: MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION TO SCHEDULE THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING DATE

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN KATHIE QUICK TO SCHEDULE THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING DATE FOR JANUARY 1, 2022 AT NOON AT THE ESOPUS TOWN HALL, 1 TOWN HALL WAY ULSTER PARK. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN EVELYN CLARKE. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION TO APPROVE SPCA 2022 CONTRACT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN CHRIS FARRELL TO AUTHORIZE THE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN THE 2022 UCSPCA CONTRACT. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN KATHIE QUICK. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Miscellaneous

Stop sign in Connelly Discussion

Deputy Supervisor Shannon Harris shared the opinion of the Highway Superintendent for the placement of the signs.

Stop Signs:
Spring @ 1st Street
Center @1st Street

Children in area Sign:
By the park

Speed limit Signs:
1 Plantasia
1 First Street

MS4

The town was just awarded a CFA (Consolidated Funding Application) grant award of \$59,000 for MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems) GIS mapping and management of the storm drainage system. The project scope includes an inventory, inspection, and evaluation of all 87 of the Town's outfalls. The goal is to improve the town's detection of illicit discharges and compliance with present and future MS4 permit requirements.

It is especially good timing for us to receive this grant. The DEC recently completed a surprise audit of the town's MS4 capability and wrote a letter with recommended modifications and improvements. The total project cost is estimated at \$65,000 with a 10% (\$6,000) match requirement utilizing town labor as in-kind services.

UPDATES

1. COVID Rapid Test Kits to be distributed via Town Hall next week.
2. Organizational Meeting & Swearing-in Ceremony to be held January 1 at 12pm at Town Hall.
3. Local Water Revitalization Plan Expo to be held January 12 at 12pm-8pm at Town Hall.
4. Reminder: Water Department Operator or Trainee for hire.
5. Call for volunteers for all Committees and Boards.
6. Recognitions

Deputy Supervisor Harris acknowledged Supervisor Geuss and read a plaque that was issued to Supervisor Geuss from The Ulster County Supervisors association for his service.

Thanks, were also given to Councilman Chris Farrell for his years of service to the Town.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

Be It Resolved, by the Town Board of the Town of Esopus, County of Ulster as follows:

Whereas, the Town of Esopus has been presented with budget adjustments and the adjustments have been examined and approved by the Town Board.

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the following budget adjustments be approved for payment:

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT FOR DECEMBER 2021

AO 0599.000	Fund Balance	AO 1420.400 Attorney fees	\$1,815.00
		AO.1620.405 Building telephone	\$ 906.07
		AO 5182.401 ESOPUSOL	\$6,513.16

A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE THE BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS.

OFFERED BY: COUNCILMAN CHRIS FARRELL

SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN LAURA ROBINSON

COUNCILMAN LAURA ROBINSON	AYE
COUNCILMAN EVELYN CLARKE	AYE
COUNCILMAN KATHIE QUICK	AYE
COUNCILMAN CHRIS FARRELL	AYE
SUPERVISOR JARED GEUSS	ABSENT

ALL TOWN BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS DECEMBER 2021

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Esopus, County of Ulster as follows:

WHEREAS the Town of Esopus has been presented with vouchers for payment and these vouchers have been examined and approved by the Town Board,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following vouchers be approved for payment:

GENERAL FUND	211626 - 211686	\$55,079.84
HIGHWAY FUND	212217 - 212247	\$28,954.53
STREETLIGHTS		\$0
PORT EWEN SEWER FUND	213131 - 213136	\$ 3,401.72

PORT EWEN WATER	214251 -214262	\$11,233.93
Capital Water	210010	\$17,297.00
ARPA	217000- 217002	\$12,798.75
		\$128,765.77

OFFERED BY: COUNCILMAN CHRIS FARRELL

SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN LAURA ROBINSON

COUNCILMAN LAURA ROBINSON	AYE
COUNCILMAN EVELYN CLARKE	AYE
COUNCILMAN KATHIE QUICK	AYE
COUNCILMAN CHRIS FARRELL	AYE
SUPERVISOR JARED GEUSS	ABSENT

ALL TOWN BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN CHRIS FARRELL TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:55 PM. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN LAURA ROBINSON. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

*Respectively submitted,
Holly A. Netter
Town Clerk, RMC*