**Village of Marathon Board of Trustees**

Meeting on March 19, 2025

Mayor Scott Chamberlin opened the public hearing at 7:00pm for the purpose of naming the Village Board of trustees as Lead Agency as it pertains to the new MAVAC building located at 15 Broome St. The mayor discussed the resolutions that need to be passed and Part 2 of the SEQRA permit and gave the first opportunity for any public comment.

The mayor gave two more opportunities for comment regarding the public hearing. With no comment, the public hearing was closed at 7:05 pm by Scott Chamberlin.

The regular meeting of the Village of Marathon Board of Trustees held at the Village Office, was called to order by Mayor Scott Chamberlin at 7:06 p.m. Present were Trustee Dann, Trustee Canfield, Trustee Light, Deputy Mayor Fralick. Also present was Clerk/Treasurer Padbury

Resolution 25-2

At a regular meeting of the Marathon Village Board of Trustees, held on March 19, 2025, at the Village of Marathon office, at 18 Tannery St, in the Village of Marathon, NY 13803 members of the Village Board being in attendance, the following resolution was introduced by Trustee Light and seconded by Trustee Canfield

Establishing the Marathon Village Board of Trustees as Lead Agency for SEQRA purposes concerning the application submitted by Marathon Area Volunteer Ambulance Corps Inc. for construction of an ambulance station located at 15 Broome St. Marathon NY, Tax map #158.02-13.000

BE IT RESOLVED, the Village of Marathon Board of Trustees will act as the Lead Agency for SEQRA purposes concerning the application submitted by Marathon Area Volunteer Ambulance Corps Inc. for construction of an ambulance station located at 15 Broome Street, Marathon NY, Tax Map #158.02-13.000

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Light, Aye; Trustee Canfield, Aye; Trustee Dann, Aye; Deputy Mayor Fralick, Aye; Mayor Chamberlin, Aye;

Motion approved; All in attendance in favor.

I, Laura Padbury, Village Clerk of the Village of Marathon do hereby certify that the Village Board of the Village of Marathon adopted the aforementioned resolution on March 19, 2025, by roll call vote.

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Mayor Chamberlin read out loud Part 1 of the Short Environmental Assessment Form (SEAF) which was completed by John Tillotson (MAVAC). Mayor Chamberlin gave a copy of SEAF Part 2” Impact Assessment” and Part 3 “Determination of Significance” to the Board of Trustees. As the mayor read the questions listed on Part 2 of the SEAF he asked that all board members answer the questions on the copy that they were given. Once the board members finished answering the questions listed on Part 2 of the SEAF Clerk/Treasurer Padbury polled all of the answers. Based on the answers the following two resolutions were presented to the board.

Resolution 25-3

At a regular meeting of the Marathon Village Board of Trustees, held on March 19, 2025, at the Village of Marathon office, at 18 Tannery St, in the Village of Marathon, NY 13803 members of the Village Board being in attendance, the following resolution was introduced by Deputy Mayor Fralick and seconded by Trustee Dann

Resolution determining that construction of a new ambulance station for the Marathon Area Volunteer Ambulance Corps Inc. at 15 Broome St., Marathon NY. will not have significant adverse impact on the environment.

WHEREAS, the Marathon Area Volunteer Ambulance Corps Inc. is proposing to construct a new ambulance station at 15 Broome St., Marathon NY herein after referred to as “Project”, located in the Village of Marathon, Town of Marathon, Cortland County New York AND

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, as amended, the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) and implementing regulations of 6NYCRR Part 617 (the Regulations), the Village desires to comply with SEQRA and regulations, AND

WHEREAS, the Village of Marathon has established itself as Lead Agency for the Project, AND

WHEREAS, pursuant to the SEQRA regulations, the Village has considered the significance of the potential environmental impacts of the Project by (a) using the criteria specified in section 617.7 of the SEQRA Regulations, and (b) examining the short Environmental Assessment Form (SEAF) for the Project, including the facts and conclusions in Parts 1,2, and 3 of the SEAF, together with other available supporting information, including a public hearing , to identify the relevant areas of environmental concern, NOW THERFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that based upon an examination of the SEAF and other available supporting information, and considering both the magnitude and importance of each relevant area of environmental concern, and based further upon the Village’s knowledge of the area surrounding the Project, the Village makes the determination that the Project will not have a significant adverse environmental impact (negative declaration) and that the Project will not require the preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement, AND BE IT FURHTER

RESOLVED, that all the filing and publication requirements set forth in SEQRA shall be followed with respect to this negative declaration

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Light, Aye; Trustee Canfield, Aye; Trustee Dann, Aye; Deputy Mayor Fralick, Aye; Mayor Chamberlin, Aye;

Motion approved; All in attendance in favor.

I, Laura Padbury, Village Clerk of the Village of Marathon do hereby certify that the Village Board of the Village of Marathon adopted the aforementioned resolution on March 19, 2025, by roll call vote.

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Resolution 25-4

At a regular meeting of the Marathon Village Board of Trustees, held on March 19, 2025, at the Village of Marathon office, at 18 Tannery St, in the Village of Marathon, NY 13803 members of the Village Board being in attendance, the following resolution was introduced by Trustee Light and seconded by Trustee Canfield

Resolution Village of Marathon, Site Plan Review, Marathon Area Volunteer Ambulance Corps Inc. at 15 Broome St., Marathon NY. Tax map #158.02-13.000.

WHEREAS, the Marathon Area Volunteer Ambulance Corps Inc. has submitted an application for a site plan review, And

WHEREAS, this application was submitted to the Cortland County Planning Board for review on January 28, 2025 AND

WHEREAS, the Cortland County Planning Board did consider and approve the site plan review (with conditions), AND

WHEREAS, the Marathon Village Planning Board recommended approval of the site plan review with the following conditions recommended by the Cortland County Planning Board:

1. That the Village of Marathon will ensure that the signage provided at the entrance of the site be designed in accordance with Village of Marathon Code Section 1560.
2. That the applicant ensures that all requirements of NYSDOT are met and provided for in the final design proposed.
3. Compliance with SEQRA requirements, AND

WHEREAS, the Village of Marathon Board of Trustees did review and complete Parts 2 and 3 of the SAEF and determined that the Project will not have a significant adverse environmental impact (negative declaration), NOW THERFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Village of Marathon Board of Trustees does approve petitioner’s site plan review

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Light, Aye; Trustee Canfield, Aye; Trustee Dann, Aye; Deputy Mayor Fralick, Aye; Mayor Chamberlin, Aye;

Motion approved; All in attendance in favor.

I, Laura Padbury, Village Clerk of the Village of Marathon do hereby certify that the Village Board of the Village of Marathon adopted the aforementioned resolution on March 19, 2025, by roll call vote.

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Motion was made by Trustee Light and seconded by Deputy Mayor Fralick to approve the minutes of the February 19, 2025, meeting. Motion Approved; All in favor.

Public Input:

 Cortland County Legislator William McGovern

* Cortland County sales tax revenue is up 12% from this time last year.
* There is an ordinance in Cortland County to recycle glass. Some municipalities are not recycling glass. The legislators did not take any action at this time, but will revisit this issue in the future.
* Mayor Chamberlin asked Leg. McGovern if there were any penalties to a municipality if they passed a Local Law overriding the tax cap? Leg. McGovern did not know of any such penalties.
* The Cortland County Legislature discussed changing the calculation on which municipalities receive a portion of the county sales tax revenue. Leg. McGovern feels the legislature will pass a resolution to change sales tax revenue disbursement beginning January 1, 2026.

WWTP:

* Interview for the open operator position was scheduled for 3/19/25 and two more interviews are scheduled for Friday 3/21/25.
* WWTP Upgrade – The Federal government has passed a contingent budget, at this point it might not get finalized until September 2025. It looks like we are going to lose the $1.25k grant that was given to the Village by Congressman Molinaro. Jesse Semanchick (B&L) told the mayor that we will not lose the $1.7k Rural Development Grant. Phase 1 of the WWTP has been given to NYSDEC we are waiting for approval.

Playground:

* An inspection of the playground located on Lovell Field was inspected on 3/12/25. The board reviewed the inspection report. The DPW will be able to fix some of the issues that were brought up in the report, but not all. The DPW Dept had to purchase a special tool to fix the playground. The Village cannot buy replacement parts directly for the manufacturer and install. The board needs to decide how much they want to spend on repairing the playground equipment.

Motion was made by Trustee Dann and seconded by Deputy Mayor Fralick to approve the Binghamton Press and Sun Bulletin the newspaper on record for the Village of Marathon. Motion Approved; All in favor.

Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Fralick and seconded by Trustee Dann to approve the waiving of the building permit fee for the New MAVAC ambulance building. Motion Approved; All in favor.

At 8:26 p.m. Trustee Dann made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Fralick to enter executive session to discuss personnel matter. Motion accepted: All in favor.

At 8:45 p.m. Trustee Light made a motion, seconded by Trustee Canfield to exit executive session and return to regular session. Motion approved: All in favor. No decisions or motions were made.

Resolution 24-6:

“WHEREAS, in accordance with the Title VIII Fair Housing Policy of the

Civil Rights Act of 1968 and the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 and,

 WHEREAS, the month of April 2025 has been designated by the U.S.

Department of Housing and Urban Development's Office of Fair Housing and

Equal Opportunity as Fair Housing Month.

 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Marathon

hereby declares and proclaims April as Fair Housing Month in the Village

Roll call vote: Trustee Light Aye; Trustee Canfield Aye; Deputy Mayor Fralick Aye; Trustee Dann Aye; and Mayor Chamberlin Aye. 5 Ayes 0 Nyes; Motion approved, Resolution duly adopted.

Mayor Chamberlin announced that the Village of Marathon was awarded the $4.5m NY Forward Grant. The award ceremony was on Thursday March 13th. Deputy Mayor Fralick attended the award ceremony and said that the mayor gave a very moving speech.

Motion made by Trustee Canfield, seconded by Trustee Light to approve the bills as submitted for payment totaling $156,565.04. Motion approved: All in favor.

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| **Fund** | **Voucher No.** | **Amount** |
| General | 432-440 | $5,458.00 |
| Electric  | 361-367 | $150,454.09 |
| Water | 139 | $237.55  |
| Sewer | 265 | $171.00 |
| Consumer Deposit |  48 | $100.00 |
| T&A |   | 0 |
| Civic Center | 41 | $144.40 |
|  Capital Projects |  | 0 |

Motion made by Trustee Canfield, seconded by Trustee Light to adjourn at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Padbury

Clerk/Treasurer Village of Marathon