

TOWN OF NEW LEBANON
RESOLUTION #___, 2019
REQUEST TO PAVE NYS ROUTE 22
MARCH 12, 2019

Proposed

At the regular monthly meeting of the New Lebanon Town Board, held at the New Lebanon Town Hall, 14755 NYS Route 22, New Lebanon, New York, duly called and held on the 12th day of March 2019, the following Resolution was proposed and seconded:

Resolution by Councilmember _____
Seconded by Councilmember _____

**CALLING ON THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION (NYS DOT) TO REPAIR - MILL and PAVE/ RESURFACE
STATE ROUTE 22 BETWEEN PEACEFUL VALLEY ROAD IN CANAAN, NY
AND STATE ROUTE 20 IN NEW LEBANON, NY**

WHEREAS, the New Lebanon Town Board recognizes that State Route 22 between Peaceful Valley Road in Canaan and State Route 20 in New Lebanon has not been paved in 25 years and is in a deplorable and an unacceptable condition with multiple dangerous potholes and eroded pavement, and

WHEREAS, NYS DOT continually has to patch the damaged pavement at a substantial annual cost to the taxpayers, and

WHEREAS, there have been multiple accidents and motorists experiencing flat tires, bent rims and axles, particularly at night when they cannot see the condition of the road, and with limited cell phone reception in the area to seek assistance, and

WHEREAS, motorists and truckers have been avoiding this section of State Route 22 and diverting their vehicles to local Town and County roads thereby contributing to those roads' depreciation, and

WHEREAS, Town of New Lebanon officials receive numerous and time consuming misdirected phone calls, letters and e-mails from motorists asking the Town of New Lebanon to do something about the condition of State Route 22, and

WHEREAS, the residents on this section of State Route 22 have to bear the continuous depreciation on their own vehicles and have posted signs, at their cost, along State Route 22 warning of the road's condition to motorists, and

WHEREAS, officials from the Towns of Canaan and New Lebanon have for the last few years repeatedly been in contact and met with DOT officials pleading for the repair of State Route 22, and

WHEREAS, State Route 22 is a major New York north/south route from downstate to upstate supporting tourism and economic development for NYS, and

WHEREAS, most importantly, the conditions for a serious or fatal accident currently exist and if State Route 22 is not properly repaired the probability of a serious or fatal accident will keep increasing.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of New Lebanon does hereby call on the New York State Department of Transportation to repair - mill and pave/resurface State Route 22 between Peaceful Valley Road in Canaan, NY and State Route 20 in New Lebanon, NY, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Clerk shall send a copy of this resolution to those in positions at NYS DOT Region 8, Poughkeepsie and Hudson, who are involved in the decision process on this issue, and the Columbia County Board of Supervisors.

Upon the question of the foregoing Resolution, the following Town Board Members voted "Aye" or "Nay" for said Resolution:

Roll Call Vote:

Councilmember Norman Rasmussen	___
Councilmember Kevin Smith	___
Councilmember Jesse Newton	___
Councilmember Mark Baumli	___
Supervisor Colleen Teal	___

The Resolution, having been approved by a majority vote of the Town Board, was declared duly adopted by the Supervisor of the Town of New Lebanon.

Dated: March 12, 2019

Tistrya Houghtling, Town Clerk
Town of New Lebanon