# Town of New Lebanon

**Resolution #26, 2022**

**Creation of The historic railroad depot committee**

**July 12, 2022**

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 July 2022, the following Resolution was proposed and seconded:

Resolution by Supervisor Houghtling

Seconded by Councilmember Trainor

***Creation of the historic railroad depot committee***

WHEREAS, there is a historic train depot in New Lebanon on the property with tax map ID# 19.2.-1-71 that the Town of New Lebanon has a vested interest in preserving; and

WHEREAS, the Corkscrew Rail Trail, a local 501C3, obtained the property with the train depot on it on May 23 of 2022 with the intention of preserving the train depot and expanding their ownership of the rail; and

WHEREAS, the Town of New Lebanon’s comprehensive plan updated in December of 2021 talks about historic preservation, recreational resources and the preservation of our natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the Corkscrew Rail Trail and the Town of New Lebanon would like to work together to update the train depot to usable condition at which point it will be utilized by the Town for tourism, recreation and displaying the history of the train depot; and

 WHEREAS, the Historic Railroad Depot station located in the town of New Lebanon on Tilden Road has been saved from foreclosure by a local not-for-profit organization. The town is looking to form a committee to research different ways to obtain grant funding to protect, renovate and restore the depot station. The owner is open to the town and/or local organizations utilizing the depot station in whatever way it best supports the community.  This committee will also be tasked at brainstorming different potential uses for the building once it is renovated and/or restored; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board decided at the June 14, 2022 Regular Town Board meeting to establish a Historic Railroad Depot Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Town sent notice to the public looking for members of the public interested in serving on the Historic Railroad Depot Committee and received 2 letters of interest from members of the public; and

 WHEREAS, the Historic Railroad Depot Committee Chair position shall serve as liaison among committee members and chair all Historic Railroad Depot Committee meetings.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of New Lebanon hereby establishes the Historic Railroad Depot Committee with the following members:

Elizabeth Sheffer-Winig, Historian

Jeannine Tonetti, LVHS

Joe Ogilvie, Corkscrew Railtrail

Fiona Lally, Grow The Valley

Irene Hanna

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

Roll Call Vote:

 Councilmember Britt Buckenroth Absent

 Councilmember Deborah Gordon Aye

 Supervisor Tistrya Houghtling Aye

 Councilmember John Trainor Aye

 Councilmember Marianna Anthonisen Aye

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: July 12, 2022

Marcie Robertson

Town Clerk

Town of New Lebanon