

TOWN OF PHILIPSTOWN

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March 15, 2024

Attn:

Carla Castillo, Executive Director
Hudson Valley Regional Council
105 Ann Street, #2
Newburgh, NY 12550

**Re: Philipstown Commitment for Mid-Hudson Municipal Landfill Emissions Mitigation
Application to the EPA's Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program**

Dear Ms. Castillo:

Philipstown commits to participating in the proposal being submitted by the Hudson Valley Regional Council for the Environmental Protection Agency Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program. As a New York State Climate Smart Bronze Certified Community and NYSERDA Designated Clean Energy Community, the **Town of Philipstown** understands the importance of reducing our community's greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. We are eager to be part of a group of Mid-Hudson municipalities working to significantly reduce emissions from our closed landfill.

The Mid-Hudson Region has a high number of small municipal landfills and is an excellent candidate to implement a biofilter solution to reduce the emissions from these landfills. We are also a region with dozens of small communities that have completed GHG inventories and climate action plans. We understand the sources of emissions in our communities and know that our closed landfill methane emissions are insidious drivers of emissions. These emissions, particularly from small, closed municipal landfills, are often hidden. This project will bring more awareness to this issue and mitigate emissions from our communities – helping us to do our part to stop climate change.

The **Town of Philipstown** also looks forward to having a solar feasibility study completed for our landfill. We hope the study will reveal that the benefits of solar energy can be brought to our closed landfill.

The **Town of Philipstown** supports the goals of Hudson Valley Regional Council's proposal for the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program and we look forward to being part of the project if selected. This proposal has the potential to significantly reduce GHG emissions in our region. Additionally, this multi-municipal effort will help New York State meet the goals of the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act as well as the United States' goal to reduce GHG emissions 50% by 2030.

Respectfully submitted,


Supervisor, Town of Philipstown

RESOLUTION # - 2024

The following Resolution was presented by Councilwoman Farrell, seconded by Councilman Angell and unanimously carried;

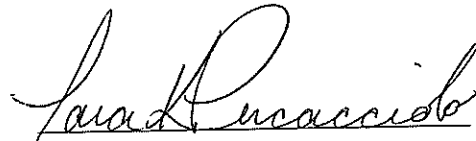
RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes Supervisor Van Tassel to sign the letter of commitment in regard to the Mid-Hudson Municipal Landfill Emissions Mitigation Application to the EPA's Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program.

CERTIFICATION

I, **Tara K. Percacciolo**, the duly qualified and acting Town Clerk of the Town of Philipstown, Putnam County, New York, do hereby certify that attached hereto is a true and correct copy of an extract from the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Philipstown, held on March 7, 2024, and that the Resolution set forth herein is a true and correct copy of the Resolution of the Town Board of said Town adopted at said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that pursuant to section 103 of the Public Officers Law (Open Meetings Law), said meeting was open to the general public.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the said Town, this 7th day of March, 2024.

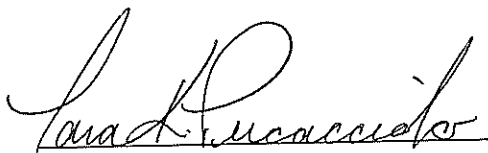


Tara K. Percacciolo

TOWN CLERK

(seal)

A true copy of this Resolution was filed in the Office of the Town Clerk on March 7, 2024.



Tara K. Percacciolo

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