Minutes of a *Special* Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Ellicott held at the Administration Building, 215 S. Work Street, Falconer, N.Y. on May 31, 2018 at 9:00 A.M.

Present: Supervisor McLaughlin, Councilwoman Bowman, Councilman Tyler, Town Clerk Erlandson. Absent: Councilman Heitzenrater, Councilwoman Whitmore.

Supervisor McLaughlin opened the meeting at 9:05 AM and led the Town Council in the *Pledge of Allegiance.* Town Clerk Erlandson called the roll.

Supervisor McLaughlin stated that the purpose of today's meeting is to adopt a resolution approving the application of herbicides to certain areas of *Chautauqua Lake.* He explained that the purpose of the herbicide application is to control or eliminate aquatic vegetation on *Chautauqua Lake*. He reminded the Town Council that the permits to apply the herbicides were obtained from the *New York State Dept. of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC)* by the *Chautauqua Lake Partnership (CLP).* He added that the *Town of Ellery* is the "lead agency" for the project. (Minutes 3/1/18 et. seq.) Mr. McLaughlin explained that one of the areas of the lake specifically approved for herbicide application is the *Burtis Bay* area which borders the Town of Ellicott. *CLP* members James Wehrfritz and Frank Nictra were in attendance at the meeting. They updated the Council re the permit process and discussed the logistics of the proposed plan to apply herbicides to the *Burtis Bay* area. Mr. Wehrfritz indicated that the cost of applying the herbicides to *Burtis Bay* would be approximately $33,000.00 including restocking fees. He stated that the *CLP* would like to apply the herbicides next week. He asked the Town for financial assistance. Mr. McLaughlin explained that although the Town Council supports the herbicide treatment, the Town of Ellicott has no funding available to allocate for the project. The Council discussed the matter.

RESOLUTION #69-18
Accept Findings Statement for Herbicide Application

MOTION by Councilman Tyler, seconded by Councilwoman Bowman to approve the application of herbicides to the *Burtis Bay* area of *Chautauqua Lake;* and, further, that no monies associated with the herbicide application shall be allocated by the Town of Ellicott.

Adopted. **Ayes - 3** **Noes - 0** **Absent - 2**

MOTION by Councilman Tyler, seconded by Councilwoman Bowman to adjourn at 10:03 AM.

Carried. **Ayes – 3** **Noes - 0** **Absent - 2**

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Michael C. Erlandson, Town Clerk