## Minutes of the Work Session Meeting Of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Larchmont, N.Y.

## Held on Monday, October 2, 2023

**PRESENT:** Mayor Sarah Bauer

Trustees Dana Post
Peter Fanelli
Brigid Brennan

**ABSENT:** Trustee Charles Manice

Also Present: Administrator Datino, Asst. Administrator Katzin

On motion of Trustee Brennan, seconded by Trustee Manice, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CLIMATE EDUCATION AND ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Village of Larchmont is working to achieve a bronze certification for New York State's Climate Smart Communities initiative; and

WHEREAS, education, outreach, and engagement are critical to preparing communities for the effects of climate change and to enlist the public in taking steps to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions; and

WHEREAS, public engagement initiatives are often most effective when local governments partner with regional planning organizations and/or outreach specialists who can help them reach a wide range of community stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Larchmont wishes to embark on a series of events and communications to engage the residents and visitors to the Village of Larchmont in an appreciation of the importance of both mitigation of GHG emissions as well as the importance of building resilience to the effects of climate change, and

WHEREAS, PE9 Action: Climate Change Education & Engagement is designated by New York State as a priority action for Climate Smart Communities bronze certification; and

WHEREAS, PE9 Action: Climate Change Education & Engagement requires the establishment of a program to facilitate climate education and engagement;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED that the Village of Larchmont shall establish a Climate Change Education and Engagement Program for the purpose of educating the public about climate change mitigation and adaptation; and be it further RESOLVED that the program shall be headed by two individuals, one of whom shall be the Village of Larchmont Climate Smart Task Force coordinator, and one of whom shall be a member of the Village of Larchmont Climate Smart Task Force; and be it further RESOLVED that the program shall act in accordance with the requirements of PE9 Action: Climate Change Education and Engagement and keep records of all efforts to complete the aforementioned action.

## **RESOLUTION**

Adopt <u>Climate</u> <u>Education &</u> <u>Engagement</u> Program