

**TOWN OF COPEN**  
**RESOLUTION**  
**Number 9 of April 13, 2023**

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN ENERGY BENCHMARKING POLICY  
FOR CERTAIN MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS IN THE TOWN OF COPEN**

**WHEREAS**, Copake's Climate Smart Task Force has completed a Greenhouse Gas Inventory that establishes a baseline for measuring carbon emissions, as well as an initial Benchmarking Report, and

**WHEREAS**, the Town is currently pursuing an Energy Audit, with an eye to saving the Town energy and expenses, and

**WHEREAS**, a Benchmarking Report would track building energy usage for all fuel types, including but not limited to electricity, natural gas, and fuel oil for all buildings that are 1,000 square feet or larger that are owned and occupied by the Town, using the EPA Portfolio Manager, and

**WHEREAS**, Building Reports shall be made available to the Town Board in EPA Portfolio Manager regarding summary statistics for each covered property including Energy Use Intensity, annual greenhouse gas emissions, an energy performance score where available, and other descriptive information as required by EPA Portfolio Manager and for that data to be made available to the public via the internet on an annual basis, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board may exempt a particular municipal building from the benchmarking requirement if the Board determines that it has characteristics that make benchmarking impractical, and

**WHEREAS**, The Town Board, or Climate Smart Task Force as designee shall be the administrator of this policy and insure that the annual task is completed, and

**WHEREAS**, if it is determined by the Supervisor and Town Board that this local policy is not in the best interest of the Town or there is a change in operational structure of the Town government that would make this policy obsolete, they will have the ability to no longer proceed with it, therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the policy outlined in this resolution be hereby adopted and established for the Town Board, and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Clerk is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate town officials.

**Roll Call Vote** The foregoing Resolution, offered by Supervisor Mettler and seconded by Councilperson Judd, was duly put to a roll call vote as follows:

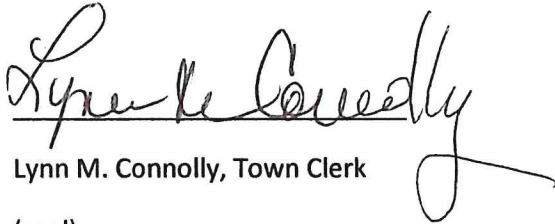
**Resolution No. 9**

Dated April 13, 2023

Copake, New York

Roll Call Vote.

Supervisor Mettler	yes
Councilperson Wolf	yes
Councilperson Gansowski	yes
Councilperson Judd	yes
Councilperson Sullivan	yes

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Lynn M. Connolly", written over a horizontal line.

Lynn M. Connolly, Town Clerk

(seal)

April 13, 2023