

TOWN OF WEST SENECA



SHEILA M. MEEGAN
TOWN SUPERVISOR

To: Fellow Town Board Members

From: Sheila M. Meegan, Town Supervisor

Date: March 11, 2013

Re: **Amendment of Resolution for Planning Study of Sewer District Consolidation**

Kindly amend the minutes of the March 4, 2013 Town Board Meeting, Agenda Item #10 with the amended attached resolution.

This amendment is due to a change in the name of the grant program.

**Town of West Seneca Local Government Citizens Re-Organization Empowerment Grant
Resolution for Planning Study of Sewer District Consolidation with the Erie County
Division of Sewerage Management**

WHEREAS: the Town of West Seneca, in collaboration with its sewer districts, seeks planning grant monies in an amount not to exceed \$27,000 through the Local Government Citizens Re-Organization Empowerment Grant to study the Town's sanitary sewer system in an effort to consider consolidation and transfer of ownership to Erie County Division of Sewerage Management;

WHEREAS: the Town of West Seneca, in collaboration with its sewer districts, is committed to reducing the cost of municipal services, while remaining committed to increasing the efficiencies of operating a sewage treatment system;

WHEREAS: the Town of West Seneca, in collaboration with its sewer districts, has determined that it may be in the best interest of the Town of West Seneca taxpayers to have the Erie County Division of Sewerage Management take over sanitary sewer infrastructure in the Town of West Seneca, thereby eliminating all future involvement and responsibility of the Town with respect to sanitary sewer facilities within the Town of West Seneca;

WHEREAS: the Town of West Seneca, in collaboration with its sewer districts, is seeking Local Government Citizens Re-Organization Empowerment Grant funds to study this consolidation in order to achieve municipal cost savings and property tax relief;

WHEREAS: the Town of West Seneca, in collaboration with its sewer districts, will share in the decision-making processes related to this consolidation study and consideration of subsequent ownership transfer;

WHEREAS: the Town of West Seneca will serve as the lead agency for the purposes of securing and administering this grant; and

WHEREAS: the Town of West Seneca will provide the required 10% cash match of \$3,000 required by this grant;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Town of West Seneca Supervisor Sheila M. Meegan act as the Lead Applicant Contact Person to represent the Town of West Seneca in all matters related to this grant, and to sign and if funded, execute, the grant, related to the 2012-2013 Citizens Re-Organization Empowerment Grant with the Town of West Seneca and the New York State Department of State to study the possible consolidation and transfer of ownership of the Town's sanitary sewer system to the Erie County Division of Sewerage Management.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Connie Miner, Town of West Seneca Grants Consultant, be directed to prepare and submit a Local Government Citizens Re-Organization Empowerment Grant for the purpose of funding this planning study.