

**Ruth Groff**  
**Town Board Member Report**  
**March 2023**

- **Association of Towns (AoT) Annual Training Conference: February 19 – 22**
  - I attended this training, and on the morning of February 22, as the delegate from the Town of Lansing, I voted on AoT resolutions.
- **Capital Improvement Committee:**
  - The committee meeting was cancelled, but I sent out the Capital Plan workbook for members to update with their input as to expected dates of projects over \$500,000.
- **Conservation Advisory Council (CAC): March 2, 6:30pm**
  - John Steinmetz, from Bergmann and Associates, discussed the tool that was developed for the ranking worksheet, which included descriptions of the criteria for each category. This will be worked on, with assistance from members of the council, over the next few weeks, starting with a threshold parcel, to identify the makeup of the areas, e.g., percentage of rare plants and animals.
  - The council agreed that in all the efforts undertaken, they should be always mindful of the concerns of farmers, and to ensure that farmland protection language is included.
- **Ithaca Tompkins County Transportation Council (ITCTC) Policy Committee: March 14, 1:00pm**
  - Since this committee meets the day before the Town Board meeting, out of consideration for the Town Clerk in preparing the agenda, my ITCTC written report will be a month behind for each month going forward.
- **Parks, Recreation, and Trails group: February 23, 4:50pm**
  - The entire team from Cornell Design Connect, met with a few members of the committee for a site visit of properties that were identified in the approved Parks, Recreation, and Trails Plan. The team was enthusiastic about this and posed many questions that exemplified their expertise and understanding of the project.