

Ruth Groff
Supervisor Report
February 2024

- **Meetings of committees:**
 - **Yellow Barn Solar:** January 18, 1:00pm
 - **Trails Committee:** January 23, 11:45am; February 6, 11:30am – the committee is putting together a brochure to be used for public engagement.
 - **Code Revision Committee:** January 25, 10:00am – Discussed 4 revisions to code to be voted on at the February Town Board meeting.
 - **Tompkins County Council of Governments:** January 25, 3:00pm
 - **Highway Building:** January 30, 10:00am; February 15, 10:00am – Kickoff meeting with LeChase (the project management team), Municipal Solutions, and Colliers. The outline of areas that will be covered included: Concept Design, Site/Civil, Building Programming, and Fossil-Free/Carbon Zero/Carbon Neutral/Net Zero Energy Solutions.
 - **Elected Officials:** February 1, 8:30am – The county received the grant to fund the EMS rapid response program. It is slated to start in April 2024.
 - **Group of 6 Sewer Committee:** February 8, 10:00am – Discussed various issues around the county.
 - **Town Supervisors:** February 12, 10:00am – Ithaca eliminated their lighting districts. The committee asked me to contact Martin Stallone, President and CEO of Cayuga Health System (“CHS”), to see if he would meet with the group to share CHS plans and how they will affect our towns. (I followed through with this request, and he has agreed.)
 - **Ithaca Tompkins County Transportation Council (“ITCTC”), Policy Committee:** February 13, 1:00pm – Bike Share will be offering bike repair and bike safety training. Trail maps for Tompkins County are now on the ITCTC website.
- **Meetings with individuals:**
 - **Heather McDaniel**, President, Ithaca Area Economic Development
 - **Chris Pettograsso**, Superintendent, LCSD
 - **John Howell**, Justice of the Lansing Town Court – to discuss process for filling Justice vacancy should Judge Maura Kennedy-Smith win the election in November.
 - **Rich Cunningham**, Senior Consultant, Thoma Development Consultants – to discuss possible grant writing opportunities.
- **Other:**
 - Mike Moseley, Highway Superintendent, gave me a walking tour of the closed section of Ludlowville Road.
- **Association of Towns 2024 Conference: January 18 – January 21, NYC**
 - **Sessions attended:**

- Small Community Success Stories: How to Design and Implement a ‘Funding quilt for Public Infrastructure’
- Funding Stormwater Maintenance and EPA Stormwater Regulations
- Economic Development for Rural Communities
- Solar, Storage, and Land Use: An Introduction to Solar Energy and Storage – with Land Usage Opportunities for Towns
- Siting Large Renewable Energy Facilities: The NYS Executive Law 94-c Process
- How Towns Can Easily Purchase Green Products – The Green Purchasing Communities Program
- Municipal Infrastructure Funding Experience: Uncover Opportunities – Part 1
- Municipal Infrastructure Funding Experience: Welcome to the Funder Games! Part 2
- Drinking Water Source Protection
- Policies and Procedures for Managing your Town