Local Law _______ of 2017

Title: A Local Law to amend Section 3 of Local Law No. 4 of the year 2000, as amended by Local Law 1 of the year 2004, to Provide for the Appointment of Two Alternate Members of the Conservation Board.

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Dryden as follows:

Section 1. HISTORY. Local Law No. 4 of the year 2000 adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Dryden created the Town of Dryden Conservation Advisory Council (CAC) with 9 voting members. The Town Board has discussed the benefits of appointing alternate members to the Conservation Board who can sit as voting members when a regular member is absent or unable to vote due to a conflict of interest. The Town Board wishes to amend Local Law No. 4 of the year 2000, as further amended by Local Law 1 of the year 2004, to provide for the appointment of two alternate members to the Conservation Board.

Section 2. This local law is adopted pursuant to § 10, Subdivision 1(ii)d(3), of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York. This local law supersedes Sections 239-x(3) and 239-y of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York relating to the appointment of members to the Town Conservation Board to the extent this local law is inconsistent with such sections.

Section 3. Amend Section 3 of Local Law No. 4 of the year 2000, as amended by Local Law 1 of the year 2004, to read as follows:

“Section 3. MEMBERSHIP: The Conservation Board shall consist of nine (9) full members, appointed by the Town Board, who shall serve for terms of three (3) years (four of the initial members shall be appointed for two years and five of the initial members shall be appointed for three years). The Board may appoint two alternate members (designated first and second alternate in order of voting priority) to serve for terms of one year or part thereof ending on December 31st of the year of appointment. One full member shall be the Town representative to the Tompkins County Environmental Management Council. Any person residing within the Town of Dryden who is interested in the improvement and preservation of environmental quality shall be eligible for appointment. Each full member shall be entitled to one vote. The Chairperson shall, consistent with the voting priority established by the Town Board, designate an alternate member to substitute for a full member and vote in the event that a full member is unable to vote due to the full member’s absence or recusal due to a conflict of interest.”

Section 4. The provisions of this local law are severable. If any court of competent jurisdiction decides that any section, clause, sentence, part or provision of this local law is illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect, impair, or invalidate any of the remaining sections, clauses, sentences, parts, or provisions of this local law.

Section 5. This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the New York Secretary of State.