

Resolution to Hire Gabriella (Ella) Bormet as Clean Energy Planning Intern, Effective March 14, 2022 to March 10, 2023

Whereas, the New York State Energy Research Development Authority (NYSERDA) has offered local municipalities an opportunity to apply for a grant for a Clean Energy Internship, covering 90 percent of the salary; and

Whereas, a portion of a previous NYSERDA Clean Energy grant already received can be applied to the Town of Dryden's 10 per cent match, and

Whereas, the Dryden Town Board approved creation of the internship position on November 18, 2021, and

Whereas, NYSERDA approved the Town of Dryden as an internship employer eligible for the 90% funding, in December 2021, and

Whereas, Tompkins County Civil Service has approved an update to an existing Planning intern position job description for the Town of Dryden internship, and

Whereas, a hiring committee, comprised of representatives of the Planning Department and the Climate Smart/Clean Energy Community Task Force, screened more than 20 applications and interviewed four candidates for this position, and

Whereas, the committee selected Gabriella (Ella) Bormet, a Cornell University sophomore, who is pursuing a bachelors degree in Environment and Sustainability with a concentration in Sustainable Development and a minor in Climate Change, and

Whereas, both Tompkins County Civil Service and NYSERDA have approved Gabriella Bormet's application for the internship, and

Whereas, the intern will work under the supervision of the Town of Dryden Planning Director and the Climate Smart Coordinator, with both remote and on site assignments, now

Therefore be it resolved, that the Town of Dryden Board approves the employment of Gabriella (Ella) Bormet as Clean Energy Planning Intern, at a salary of \$17 per hour, for up to 15 hours per week during the academic year, and up to 30 hours per week during the summer, effective March 14, 2022 through March 10, 2023, which coincides with the 12-month period of the NYSERDA grant.