

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ALBION JOINT FIRE DISTRICT**

Whereas Town Law §189-a authorizes the town boards of more than one town, and the board of trustees of an incorporated village, to establish in such towns and village a joint fire district as provided in the Town Law provided that all of the territory in such joint fire district shall be continuous, and not within the limits of a city; and

Whereas, the Town of Albion, 3665 Clarendon Road, Albion, New York 14411, the Town of Gaines, 14087 Ridge Road West, Albion, New York 14411, and the Village of Albion, 35-37 East Bank Street, Albion, New York 14411, all within Orleans County, New York (municipalities) are continuous, and not within the limits of a city; and

Whereas, a special joint meeting of the Town Board of Albion, the Town Board of Gaines, and the Village of Albion Board of Trustees (The Boards) was held on March 27, 2024, at the Town of Gaines Town Hall, 14087 Ridge Road West, Albion, New York 14411, which was within the proposed joint fire district to determine whether it is in the public interest to pursue the establishment the Albion Joint Fire District, (establishment action), the object and purpose of the proposed fire district is to provide fire protection in such district, and to review and discuss this proposal and to determine whether it be necessary to hold a public hearing to pursue the further establishment of the fire district in accordance with the Town Law; and

Whereas a brief description of the boundaries of the proposed Albion Joint Fire District are as follows:

All that tract or parcel of land situated in the Town of Gaines and the Town of Albion, Orleans County, New York including the incorporated Village of Albion. The Town of Gaines includes the northern part of the incorporated Village of Albion and is bounded on the north by the Town of Carlton, on the west by the Town of Ridgeway and Town of Shelby, on the South by the Town of Albion, and on the east by the Town of Kendall and Town of Murray. The Town of Albion includes the southern part of the incorporated Village of Albion and is bounded on the north by the Town of Gaines, on the west by the Town of Ridgeway and Town of Shelby, on the South by the Town of Barre and on the east by the Town of Clarendon and Town of Murray. Hereby intending to describe the entire Towns of Gaines and Albion, including the incorporated Village of Albion, Orleans County New York.

Whereas in all respects the provisions of article eleven of the Town Law, not inconsistent herewith, shall apply to the establishment, operation and management of any joint fire district provided for by this section, and

Whereas the Town Board of the Town of Albion , The Town Board of the Town of Gaines and the Village Board of the Village of Albion Board (Boards) designated the Town Board of the Town of Albion as Lead Agency in the SEQRA review of the establishment action, the Town Board of the Town of Albion as Lead Agency for the Establishment Action and lead agency for the Dissolution of the Albion Fire Protection District have completed Parts 1, II and III of the Short Environmental Assessment Form (SEAF), which has been reviewed by the Town Board of Albion as lead agency; and,

Whereas the Town Board of the Town of Gaines as lead agency of the Dissolution of the Gaines Fire Protection District, have completed Parts 1, II and III of the Short Environmental Assessment Form (SEAF), which has been reviewed by the Town Board of Gaines as lead agency; and,

Whereas, that the Albion Town Board and the Gaines Town Board as part of its compliance with the State Environmental Quality Review Act, (SEQRA) Article 8, NYS Environmental Conservation Law, and the implementing regulations set forth in Title 6 NYCRR Part 617, that

- 1) regarding the establishment the Albion Joint Fire District, the Town Board of the Town of Albion in accordance with 6NYCRR Part617, determines that based on the information and analysis contained in the SEAF and any supporting documentation, that the proposed establishment action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts, and
- 2) regarding the dissolution of the Albion Fire Protection District (Albion Fire Protection District Dissolution Action) the Town Board of the Town of Albion determines that based on the information and analysis contained in the SEAF and any supporting documentation, the proposed dissolution action will not result in

- any significant adverse environmental impacts, and
- 3) regarding the dissolution of the Gaines Fire Protection District (Gaines Fire Protection District Dissolution Action) the Town Board of the Town of Gaines determines that based on the information and analysis contained the SEAF and any supporting documentation, the proposed dissolution action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts, and

Whereas, the Boards having extensively reviewed and extensively discussed the proposal dated March 27, 2024, (the proposal) and having determined at this special joint meeting by a majority votes of the boards, that it is in the public interest to hold a public hearing to pursue the establishment of the Albion Joint Fire District based upon the proposal approved by all boards at this meeting; and it is further

RESOLVED THAT NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following resolution will be presented to the Town Board of Albion, The Town Board of Gaines and The Village of Albion Board of Trustees for their consideration at a joint public hearing to be held on April 24, 2024, at 6:00 pm, at Albion High School LGI (Large Group Instruction), 324 East Avenue, Albion, New York 14411 for their consideration, which resolution, if adopted, will be subject to a permissive referendum.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ALBION, THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF ALBION AND THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF GAINES, ALL LOCATED WITHIN ORLEANS COUNTY, NEW YORK, TO ESTABLISH A JOINT FIRE DISTRICT TO BE KNOWN AS THE ALBION JOINT FIRE DISTRICT , WHICH FIRE DISTRICT WILL ENCOMPASS THE VILLAGE OF ALBION, THE ENTIRE TOWN OF ALBION AND THE ENTIRE TOWN OF GAINES SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS SET FORTH IN THE PROPOSAL DATED MARCH 27, 2024, WHICH RESOLUTION IS SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM.

and be it further.

RESOLVED , that the clerks of each municipality shall publish and post this notice of public hearing pursuant to Town Law§189-a

Dated: March 27th, 2024