



# TOWN OF DEERPARK

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**GARY I SPEARS, SUPERVISOR**  
**DAVID M. DEAN, COUNCILMAN**  
**ARTHUR T. TROVEI, COUNCILMAN**  
**KENNETH SMITH, COUNCILMAN**  
**ALAN SCHOCK, COUNCILMAN**

## Resolution #9-2022

### **Resolution Supporting the Establishment of a Permanent Budget Line in the New York State Budget for the Upper Delaware Council**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Deerpark is one of eight New York Towns (with a combined population of 20,624) included in the 1978 federal designation of the Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River, a 73.4-mile component of the National Wild and Scenic River Systems, and is an actively participating member of the Upper Delaware Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the Upper Delaware Council was created in 1988 to oversee administration of the *River Management Plan for the Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River* and has successfully managed the unique federal-states-local governments partnership for 34 years; and

**WHEREAS**, the operational budget of the Upper Delaware Council was PLANNED at \$300,000 federally and \$100,000 each from the State of New York and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, but the \$100,000 annual funding from the State of New York has never been fulfilled; and

**WHEREAS**, an independent audit of the Upper Delaware Council's fiscal situation calculates that the financial atrophy will render effective operations impossible within a short timeframe, due to neither state honoring its anticipated cost-shares and the federal government having failed to increase the 1988 funding level of \$300,000 which has been diminished by inflation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Upper Delaware River Corridor has been ably conserved and protected for more than three decades through the stewardship of the Upper Delaware Council and its partners, sparing the State of New York the expense of managing this valuable resource, an important regional economic engine and recreational resource of national significance.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Town of Deerpark does RESOLVE as follows:

The Town of Deerpark urge the Governor of the State of New York to create a budget line in the State of New York Budget funding the Upper Delaware Council to the extent of \$100,000 in 2022 and a permanent budget line in succeeding years to enable the Upper Delaware Council to fulfill the goals and obligations required through the enabling legislation for the Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River which New York State agreed to uphold; and

**FURTHER**, be it resolved that a copy of this Resolution shall be sent to Governor Kathy Hochul and to the Legislative members serving the river corridor.

**DATED: April 4, 2022**

Motion by: Arthur Trovei 2<sup>nd</sup> by David Dean

Roll Call 4 Ayes:

Councilman:	Kenneth Smith	Councilman:	David Dean
Councilman:	Arthur Trovei	Supervisor:	Gary Spears

Absent:

Councilman: Alan Schock

**MOTION CARRIED**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Town of Deerpark this

\_\_\_4th\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ April \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

  
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Florence T. Santini, Town Clerk

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Town Seal