



# TOWN OF DEERPARK

**KARL A. BRABENEC, SUPERVISOR**  
**GARY SPEARS, COUNCILMAN**  
**ARTHUR T. TROVEI, COUNCILMAN**  
**DAVID M. DEAN, COUNCILMAN**

## RESOLUTION #6 OF 2014 OPPOSITION TO HIGH WATER LEVELS IN NEW YORK CITY RESERVOIRS

**WHEREAS**, the Deerpark Town Board, has recently learned the New York City Department of Environmental Protection has allowed reservoirs within its control to reach unusually high water levels, and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Deerpark, is within the State of New York, which by Compact, formed the Delaware River Basin Commission in 1961 to manage water resources of the basin states, and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Deerpark, and its elected officials believe the unusually high water levels within the New York City reservoirs pose a flood danger to our town; we call upon the New York City Department of Environmental Protection and Delaware River Basin Commission to recommend the reservoir water levels be lowered, thus, leaving reasonable voids, and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Deerpark and our residents have already suffered several floods in recent years, the Town Board believes the lowering of the water levels in these reservoirs will create voids at dam heads, thus, lowering overall water levels in these reservoirs, is in the best interest of the public and economic welfare of the Town of Deerpark, and

**WHEREAS**, the Deerpark Town Board adopted a similar resolution in 2010,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** as follows: That the Town Board continues to oppose the unreasonably high water levels contained in the reservoirs in the New York City reservoir system. The Town Board believes these unusually high water levels means there is less water capacity and less ability to absorb inflow from either rain or seasonal melting snow within the reservoirs, which this Town Board believes increases the risk of flooding in our town. Furthermore, this Town Board directs that the Town Clerk forward a certified copy of this resolution to the New York City Department of Environmental Protection, the Delaware River Basin Commission, as well as the appropriate State representatives noting the Town's opposition to these unusually high water retention levels within the reservoirs.

### **Motion by Dave Dean 2nd by Art Trovei**

Roll Call: 5 Ayes:

Councilman: Gary Spears  
Councilman: David Dean  
Supervisor: Karl Brabenech

Councilman: Art Trovei  
Councilman: Ken Smith

### **MOTION CARRIED**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Town of Deerpark this 10th day of February 2014.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Florence T. Santini, Town Clerk

Town Seal