



TOWN OF DEERPARK

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

RESOLUTION #10 OF 2012

COST OF ELECTIONS

WHEREAS, the costs of presidential, primary, and general elections have increased dramatically over the past five years, and;

WHEREAS, these increased costs have become burdensome unfunded mandates to local municipalities in a time of shrinking revenues, and;

WHEREAS, there is no public benefit to holding multiple primaries in New York State due to potential low voter turnout and voter confusion, and;

WHEREAS, many municipalities, including Deerpark have not budgeted for the amount of elections proposed in 2012,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Deerpark Town Board:

1. Opposes multiple primary elections in 2012.
2. Requests financial assistance from New York State and/or Orange County to fund these multiple primary elections and/or to cover any local election budget shortfalls, as a result of the State's decision to have multiple primaries in 2012.
3. Encourages our state leaders to consolidate the federal and state primary elections to the scheduled June primary to lower the amount of proposed primaries, saving taxpayers money.
4. Requests a change in state law to allow for the placement of Election Inspectors by polling location rather than election district which would save taxpayer money.
5. Encourages our state and county leaders to reform election law to allow for more local control

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be send to both Commissioners of the Orange County Board of Elections, Commissioners of the New York State Board of Elections, Orange County Executive Edward A. Diana, Orange County Legislative Chairman Michael Pillmeier, Orange County Legislators Melissa Bonacic and Dennis Simmons, New York State Senators John Bonacic, William Larkin and David Carlucci, New York State Assembly Members Aileen Gunther, Annie Rabbitt, Nancy Calhoun, New York State Association of Towns, and Governor Andrew Cuomo.

DATED: March 5, 2012

Motion by Karl Brabenec 2nd by Art Trovei

Roll Call: 4 Ayes:

Councilman: Art Trovei
Councilman: David Dean

Councilman: David Hoovler
Supervisor: Karl Brabenec

Absent: Councilman: Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Town of
Deerpark this 5th day of March 2012.

Florence T. Santini, Town Clerk

Town Seal