EXECUTIVE ORDER # 2020.5

Declaration of Local State of Emergency in Response to COVID-19

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020, I issued an Executive Order declaring a local state of emergency in the Town of Amherst; and

WHEREAS, both travel-related cases and community contact transmission of COVID-19 have been documented in New York State and Erie County and are expected to continue; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Brian J. Kulpa, Supervisor of the Town of Amherst, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the State of New York, do hereby issue this Executive Order dated March 29, 2020, and I hereby continue any suspension or modification of law made by this Executive Order for thirty (30) days or until May 1, 2020.

FURTHER, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 24 of Article 2-B of the New York State Executive Law to temporarily suspend or modify any statute, local law, ordinance, order, rule, or regulation or parts thereof, of any agency during a State disaster emergency, if compliance with such statute, local law, ordinance, order, rule, or regulation would prevent, hinder, or delay action necessary to cope with the disaster emergency or if necessary to assist or aid in coping with such disaster, I hereby temporary suspend or modify the following:

- Extend the filing of financial disclosure forms in accordance with the Amherst Town Code, Chapter 19: Code of Ethics, Section 6 until May 1, 2020.
- Under this authority, the Supervisor is hereby authorizing all procurement bid openings to be live streamed on the Town of Amherst Website www.amherst.ny.us.
- Further and under this authority, the Town of Amherst will suspend the issuance of all peddlers’ permits.
- Further under this order, site plan review referrals will be handled administratively for any functions other than Planning Board approval.
- Further under this order, the Town Board Meeting on Monday, April 6th will be recorded at 4:00pm instead of 7:00PM, and the associated work session is hereby cancelled.
- Further under this order, any and all Town departments are authorized to use E-payments for the collection of any fees for Town services.

Given Under My Hand and the Seal of the Town of Amherst, New York on this 29th day of March, 2020.

Brian J. Kulpa, Supervisor, Town of Amherst