

Town of Scipio New York

Board Resolution 2021-17

To endorse the Lake Friendly Living Pledge presented by the Owasco Lake Watershed Management Council for advancing pollution reduction strategies for land and water stewardship within the Owasco Lake Watershed.

WHEREAS the OLWMC is looking to advance pollutant reduction strategies and land and water conservation within the Owasco Lake Watershed; and

WHEREAS the Town of Scipio promotes town residents making eco-friendly choices to positively enhance their impact on lake water quality and the health and safety of water consumers; and

WHEREAS the OLWMC's Lake Friendly Living Pledge that aligns with a Finger Lakes Regional pledge effort, is as follows:

I know my choices can affect water quality for Owasco Lake. I pledge to incorporate "Lake Friendly Living" practices to reduce my impacts on Owasco Lake. I will adopt these practices that help reduce pollutants and minimize runoff into Owasco Lake:

1. I pledge to refrain from using excessive lawn fertilizers and chemicals to help prevent Harmful Algal Blooms (HABs).
2. I will only use limited phosphorus-free fertilizers (as governed by NYS law), applied properly.
3. I will maintain my septic system.
4. I will reduce hazardous wastes and dispose of them properly.
5. I will dispose of prescription drugs properly; I will not flush them.
6. I will maintain my vehicles, watercrafts, and other recreational vehicles to reduce fluid leaks as well as the spread of aquatic invasive species.
7. I will use water wisely.
8. I will not dispose of leaf litter or lawn clippings in waterways or ditches.
9. I will strive to work towards practicing recommended Best Management Practices (BMPs) for land use activities within the Owasco Lake Watershed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Scipio Town Board hereby endorses the Lake Friendly Living Pledge led by the Owasco Lake Watershed Management Council. Further, the Town of Scipio will work towards achieving the actions requested in the pledge within the town limits, in solidarity with those making such efforts throughout the Owasco Lake Watershed.

On a motion by Council Member Cunningham, second by Council Member Ferrari This resolution was:

Adopted Yeas 4 Allen, Cunningham, Ferrari, Whitten

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