

**TOWN OF GALWAY
TOWN BOARD MEETING****July 12, 2022**

Call to order – Supervisor Smith

Roll Call – Town Clerk Defoe

Pledge to the flag – All

Approval of the minutes for the meeting held June 14, 2022

Communications Received – Town Clerk Defoe

Thank you from Galway FD for money to use for new scot air pks

Correspondence of the delivery of the second half of the ARPA Funding

Reports of Committees:

Youth Commission

Historian-Phyllis Darby

Community Outreach- Colleen

Budget

Approval of Abstract Fund A

Approval of Abstract Fund B

Approval of Abstract Fund DA

Approval of Abstract Fund DB

Approval of Abstract Fund SL

Supervisor's Report- Jan/Feb/March

Budget Amendments- accepting youth Commission

Resolutions:

Re-Appoint Rebecca Mitchell to the Planning Board

Tax Cap Override approve

Approve the Solar Permit Application

Other Business:

- Discussion about requesting the stretch of county 107 –to be double yellow in front of Ambulance corp and Gregorys
- Alcohol use at Town Park—
- Discuss building plans at Town Park

Priviledge of the Floor:

Adjourn

State of New York,
City and County of Saratoga,
ss.;

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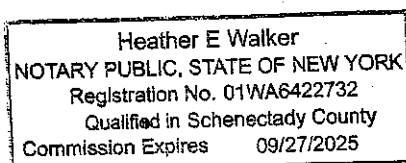
1 insertion: June 16, 2022

_____ (signature)

Randall W. Lewis (printed name)

Sworn to me on this 20th day of June 2022

Heather E. Walker
NOTARY PUBLIC



**TO: TOWN OF GALWAY
RESIDENTS
FROM: GALWAY TOWN
BOARD
RE: WORKSHOP TO
START REVIEW
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
DATE: JUNE 20, 2022
TOWN HALL 7:00 P.M.**

Please be advised that the Town Board along with the Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals & Code Enforcement Officer will hold a workshop on June 20, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall to begin the process of updating the Town of Galway Comprehensive Plan. The public will be allowed to speak at said meeting or submit written comments.

By Order of the Town
Board
Date: June 15, 2022
Margaret L. DeFoe
Town Clerk
6/16

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NOTARY PUBLIC

Heather E Walker
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF NEW YORK
Registration No. 01WA6422732
Qualified in Schenectady County
Commission Expires 09/27/2025

**TOWN OF GALWAY
LEGAL NOTICE
PROPOSED LOCAL LAWS**

Notice is hereby given that the Town Board of the Town of Galway will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday July 12, 2022 to review the following Proposed Local Laws:

6:40 p.m. - Proposed Local Law allowing the Town of Galway's usage of the New York State Unified Solar Permit for Residential Solar PV Permit Applications

6:50 p.m. - Proposed Local Law to override the tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law 3-C

Copies of the Proposed Local Laws are available for inspection by any interested person during Town Clerk office hours: 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursdays. At said hearing any person may be heard in favor or against Proposed Local Law as compiled, or for or against any item or items as therein contained. Proposed Local Laws are available for review on Town of Galway website: townofgalwayny.org on home page under "Important Notices".

By order of the Galway
Town Board
Margaret L. DeFoe
Town Clerk
6/17

PUBLIC HEARING
JULY 12, 2022
GALWAY TOWN HALL

Supervisor Smith called the Public Hearing to order at 6:43 p.m. The following Town Board Members were present:

PRESENT: Supervisor Michael Smith Councilmember Fred Arnold
 Councilmember JoAnne Peregrin-Grant Councilmember Ryan Flinton
 Councilmember J.D. Arnold

OTHERS PRESENT: D. Sowle, Youth Chair; T. Gilday, Code Enforcement; H. Jazwinski; M. Jazwinski; S. Gregory; B. & S. Burns & M. DeFoe, Town Clerk.

Town Clerk read legal notice placed in the Daily Gazette on 6/17/22 and posted at Town Hall; Post Office; Bank; Library & on Town Website advising the public of a Public Hearing to be held on July 12, 2022 at 6:40 p.m. The purpose of Public Hearing is to receive comments from the public and take action on a Proposed Local Law to Adopt the NYS Unified Solar Permit for Residential Solar PV permit Applications. At 6:50 p.m. Proposed Local Law to override the tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law 3-C. Trevor Gilday, Code Enforcement Officer advised that this was the Town adopting the NYS Unified Solar Permitting Program which provides the building department with many useful resources. NYS goal is to have all municipalities using the same permitting process for residential solar projects. The Supervisor opened meeting to audience and Town Board. There were no written or oral comments. On a motion of Councilmember JoAnne Grant, seconded by Councilmember Fred Arnold the first Public Hearing was closed at 6:47 p.m.

Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law 3-C was called to order by Supervisor Smith at 6:50 p.m. the same Board Member & Audience were in attendance. Supervisor Smith opened the meeting to the audience and Town Board for discussion. There were no written or oral comments. Councilmember Fred Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Ryan Flinton to close the Public Hearing at 6:51 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING
JULY 12, 2022
GALWAY TOWN HALL

Supervisor Michael Smith called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The same Town Board Members were present. Audience was the same as Public Hearing with addition of D. Knezek-Neahr, Deputy Historian; A. McPherson & D. LeClair.

Pledge to Flag

A motion was made by Councilmember Fred Arnold, seconded by Councilmember Ryan Flinton to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2022 Regular Meeting as submitted.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Town Clerk stated that the Town Board received copies of the following correspondence: Monthly Newsletter from NY Towns; Highway Department request for letter of support for building a salt storage shed, 50/50 grant funding is available for this thru NYS DEC's Environmental Protection Fund & the 2017 Clean Water Infrastructure Act.; Association of towns notification of fall Planning & Zoning School was forwarded to Planning Chair, ZBA Chair & Building Department; Andy McPherson gave the Board a copy of a newspaper article regarding the Town of Niskayuna land acknowledgement statement; Thank you letter from the Galway Volunteer Fire Company's, Chief Russell Deridder for extra funding given to Fire Company to help with the purchase of Air Packs thru COVID funding.; Assessor report for July; Highway Department Report for June with schedule for July; Notification from Highway Superintendent that projector screen replacement parts were not available for purchase, new screen would need to be ordered; Legal notice placed in Daily Gazette on June 16, 2022 advising the public that the Town Board/Planning Board/ZBA & Code Enforcement Officer would be holding a workshop on June 20, 2022 at 7 p.m. to begin the process of updating the Town of Galway Comprehensive Plan. The public was allowed to speak or submit written comments. C & R Restaurant still sends the Town Clerk notification regarding the renewal of their liquor license with NYS, Clerk advised that State removed this notification requirement for renewal's many years ago. Supervisor Smith forwarded Final Certificate of Special Franchise Values or Assessments for the 2022 Roll. Supervisor Smith stated that they received information that the other half of the ARPA Funding should be received within the next couple weeks.

COMMITTEE/LIAISON/DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS: Youth Commission – **Donna Sowle, Chair** advised that Karate is Tuesday evenings outside by track; Jr. Rifle Team is done until September; Trap Shooting just went to a competition, they are done until September; Spring Soccer had about 100 children participate; Family Fun Day was very cold but they had a lot of fun things for kids. Donna thanked Councilmember Fred Arnold for the things he set up with Sheriff's Department & State Police. Activities in the Park started today, went over the schedule. Learn to swim will begin on July 18th, three slots remain. Fall will have soccer; Halloween event on October 29th from 1-4 & then Basketball. **Darby Knizek-Neahr, Deputy Historian** stated that Phyllis's health is failing. Darby is going to start recording stories of Galway told by older residents of the Town. Councilmember Fred Arnold questioned how the scanning project in her office was going. Darby advised that Aidan is currently working on a Preservation Society file cabinet. Things seem to be going well. Supervisor Smith stated that Sybrina is doing a great job scanning building permit files. She still has a few weeks left. Town Clerk stated that she believes Trevor would like to keep her on beyond grant time frame as she is doing so well. **Community Outreach Supervisor Smith** stated that Blueberry Festival will be held on July 30th from 9-5; Red Cross Babysitting class will be held at Town Hall, looking into possibly having another class scheduled; Fields & Pavilion continue to be used; Next Thursday he will present the Seniors with a grant check from the County; Snowmobile Club & PTSA also received grant funding from County; Alzheimer Association will hold programs at Town Hall on 7/12, 8/4 & 9/1/22.

Councilmember Fred Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant to approve the June 2022 General Abstract of Vouchers (A) for a total of \$13,686.13.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember JoAnne Grant made a motion, seconded by Councilmember J.D. Arnold to approve the June 2022 General Abstract of Vouchers (B) for a total of \$9,137.42.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember J.D. Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Ryan Flinton to approve the June 2022 Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DA) for a total of \$7,666.22.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember Ryan Flinton made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Fred Arnold to approve the June 2022 Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DB) for a total of \$8,977.67.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember Fred Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant to approve the June 2022 Special Lighting District Abstract of Vouchers (SL) for a total of \$153.02.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Michael Smith advised that he has had discussions with the person doing the Town AUD over the last few weeks. Williamson Law had recommended her to the Town for AUD. Town contracted with her back in March. She got behind with some other clients and has told Supervisor Smith that she would have AUD ready for submission to State by the end of month. Monthly reports were not generated due to AUD not being done. Carol is working with Tammy now, so Tammy currently has January thru March done for Supervisor's Reports. Next month she should have everything up to date.

Councilmember JoAnne Grant made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Ryan Flinton to approve the Supervisor's Operating Statement for the periods ending 01/31/22, 02/28/22 & 03/31/22.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #: 30-2022- Budget Amendments. On a motion of Councilmember Fred Arnold, seconded by Councilmember J.D. Arnold the following resolution was ADOPTED:

AYES – 5 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board approve the following Budget

Amendments:

Decrease	B2705	Gifts & Donations	\$2,173.00
Increase	B7310.4	Youth Contractual	\$2,173.00

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #: 31-2022 – Re-Appoint Rebecca Mitchell to Planning Board. On a motion of Councilmember Ryan Flinton, seconded by Councilmember Fred Arnold the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES – 5 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board Re-Appoint Rebecca Mitchell to the Planning Board term to expire 07/01/27.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #: 32-2022- Local Law No. 2-2022. On a motion of Councilmember Ryan Flinton, seconded by Councilmember Fred Arnold the following resolution was ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE:

Supervisor Michael Smith – AYE

Councilmember Fred Arnold – AYE

Councilmember JoAnne Grant – AYE

Councilmember Ryan Flinton – AYE

Councilmember J.D. Arnold – AYE

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board Approve Local Law No. 2 of 2022 entitled "A Local Law Adoption of the New York State Unified Solar Permit for Solar PV Systems 25kW or Less".

LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2022

ADOPTION OF THE NEW YORK STATE UNIFIED SOLAR PERMIT

WHEREAS, The Town of Galway Town Board duly adopted the "NYS Fire Prevention and Building Construction" code to provide minimum requirements to safeguard the public safety; and

WHEREAS, The Town Code Enforcement Officer, who administers and enforces all provisions of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code, the New York State Energy Code, and the Town Code; and

WHEREAS, The Town requires the issuance of a building permit for the construction, enlargement, alteration, repair, removal or demolition of any building or other structure; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code regulates the design, construction, installation, alteration and repair of equipment and systems using solar systems; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Energy Research and Development Authority has developed a New York State Unified Solar Permit that reduces the cost for solar projects by streamlining municipal permitting processes: and

WHEREAS, The Town of Galway Town Board desires to promote the streamlining of the application process for small-scale photovoltaic system installations under 25 kW in size by adopting the New York State Unified Solar Permit application form and implementing the new procedures,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town of Galway Town Board hereby adopts the New York State Unified Solar Permit application form and procedures for the installation of small-scale photovoltaic systems; and it is further

RESOLVED, The Town Code Enforcement Officer is hereby directed to use said New

York State Unified Solar Permit application for and procedures in the issuance of building permits for the installation of small-scale photovoltaic systems; and it is further

RESOLVED, Any further actions required of the Town to effect the foregoing is hereby authorized and the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized to execute and deliver any instruments, documents or the like as required to effect the same.

5 – AYES 0 – NAYS

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #: 33-2022 – Local Law No. 3 of 2022. On a motion of Councilmember JoAnne Grant, seconded by Councilmember Fred Arnold the following resolution was ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE:

Supervisor Michael Smith – AYE

Councilmember Fred Arnold – AYE

Councilmember JoAnne Grant – AYE

Councilmember Ryan Flinton – AYE

Councilmember J.D. Arnold – AYE

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board Approve Local Law No. 3 of 2022 entitled “A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law 3-C”.

5- AYES 0 – NAYS

MOTION CARRIED

Other Business

RESOLUTION #: 34-2022 – Request for restriping road. Supervisor Michael Smith stated that the County is currently in the process of repaving east bound section of County Road 45. Supervisor Smith has had many discussions with concerned neighbors, including Ambulance regarding the passing allowed in this section of road. Supervisor Smith has had discussions with Chad at the County and he stated that Town Board should send letter requesting that road be restriped with no passing. Board and neighbors went into discussion regarding this. Supervisor will contact village to have them send a request for village section to also be addressed in restriping. On a motion of Councilmember Fred Arnold, seconded by Councilmember J.D. Arnold the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES – 5 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board request that the County restripe County Road 45 east bound as a no passing zone (double solid lines) from the town line outside village to where it meets the no passing zone prior to Crane Road.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Smith stated that a request has been made to allow renters of pavilion to have alcohol usage. Supervisor stated that this has come up at different times, currently no alcohol is allowed. Discussed with insurance provider and it could be allowed if renters bring in the alcohol and the Town has nothing to do with serving, selling or distributing Town’s insurance carrier would cover Town not renter. The renters’ homeowners, individual or business insurance policy would have to be in place to cover renter. Board went into lengthy discussion regarding this and determined that at this time, policy will remain the same with no alcohol allowed on premises.

RESOLUTION #: 35-2022 – Letter of support. Supervisor Smith stated in correspondence Town Clerk read there was letter from Highway Superintendent asking

for a letter of support & resolution for grant process regarding the building of a salt storage shed at highway department. On a motion of Councilmember Fred Arnold, seconded by Councilmember J.D. Arnold the following resolution was ADOPTED:
AYES – 5 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board show their support in the developing of a plan for the construction of a salt storage shed at the Galway Highway Department at an estimated cost of \$361,321. Dustin Lewis, District Manager of Saratoga County Soil and Water District is authorized by the Town of Galway to seek grant funding for this project thru NYS DEC's Environmental Protection Fund & the 2017 Clean Water Infrastructure Act.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Smith gave an update on proposed building at ballfield, primarily in support of youth commission (bathrooms; concessions; well; power; septic system, etc.). Supervisor Smith estimates cost to be around \$600,000. He has reached out to Mary Beth's Walsh & Jim Tedisco's Office for possible funding help. Bathrooms will be heated for winter. Supervisor would like to keep the size of building under the mandatory sprinkler requirement size for cost purposes. He would like to see size appropriate for a regulation size basketball court with ability to be split for multiple usages.

Supervisor Smith & Trevor Gilday, Code Enforcement Officer have been working on putting and RFP together for Comprehensive Plan. Workshop was very successful.

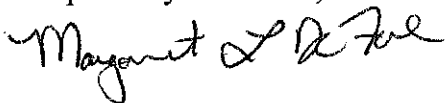
Privilege of Floor – None.

On a motion of Councilmember Ryan Flinton, seconded by Councilmember Fred Arnold the meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,



Margaret L. DeFoe
Town Clerk