

PUBLIC HEARING
 SEPTEMBER 13, 2022
 GALWAY TOWN HALL

Supervisor Michael Smith called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. The following Town Board Members were present:

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

OTHERS PRESENT: D. Sowle, Youth Commission Chair; T. Gilday, Code Enforcement; J. Trainor, Attorney; T. O'Brien, Dog Control Officer; D. Knizek-Neahr, Deputy Historian; S. & B. Burns; R. Daino, Planning Chair; A. McPherson; T. Fronte, Stewarts Representative; A. Carolus; T. Ceroalo & M. DeFoe, Town Clerk.

Town Clerk stated Legal Notice was placed in the Daily Gazette on August 18, 2022 and posted at Town Hall; Post Office; Bank & on Town Website advising the public of a Public Hearing to be held on September 13, 2022 at 6:45 p.m. The purpose of Public Hearing is to receive comments from the public and take action on Proposed Local Law No. 4 of 2022 a Local Law Rezoning 1775 NYS Route 29. The Clerk stated no written or oral comments were received regarding Proposed Local Law. Attorney, Jim Trainor stated that a Local Law was required to change the Zoning Code. The public is invited to speak on the issue and the Town Board can then take action on Proposed Local Law if they choose. **Supervisor Smith** asked if there were any questions or comments from audience. **Alan Carolus** neighbor on 6027 Dean Lung Road & **Tammy Ceroalo** neighbor with vacant and on Dean Lung Road asked for an explanation of why this is being requested. **Tyler Fronte, Stewart's Representative** explained to neighbors that Stewart's has had an ongoing issue with the septic on their current lot and have tried several times to rectify issue. The only plans that they have for lot at this time is to demo house and extend the Stewart's septic system. **Tyler** stated that they had no plans for a rebuild, store or parking lot expansion. **Alan Carolus** stated that they sometimes have strong odors from current Stewart's septic system. Other issue he has is trash blowing onto his lawn, would like fence put up. There is a steep grade change between properties. **Tyler** was not sure what they could do about garbage, but this zoning change would allow septic smell issue to be addressed and corrected. On a motion of Councilmember JoAnne Grant seconded by Councilmember Fred Arnold the Public Hearing was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

REGULAR MEETING
 SEPTEMBER 13, 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.

Pledge to Flag & Moment of Silence for Chad Jazwinski

A motion was made by Councilmember Fred Arnold seconded by Councilmember Ryan Flinton to approve the minutes of the August 9, 2022 Regular Meeting as submitted.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Communications – Town Clerk stated Legal Notice was placed in Daily Gazette on 8/18/22 advising the public of 2023 Budget workshop dates set for 9/21, 9/28 & 10/5/22 if needed at 7:00 p.m.; Towns of Broadalbin & Providence sent correspondence regarding Planning Board Public Hearing that they wanted forwarded to Galway Planning Board (also forwarded to ZBA & Bldg. Dept.); they were also given information on the annual Planning & Zoning Conference being held by County (Supervisor would like to see as many as possible Planning & ZBA Members attend County Training). Town Board Members received copies of the following correspondence: OSC notification of Local Government Training; September Digital Newsletter from NY Towns; Highway Report for August with Schedule for September; Updated pictures of what the Community Building could look like at Dockstader Fields; Request for proposals was placed in Daily Gazette for misc. work needed at Town Hall. No bids were received by the bid opening time today, but one of the contractor's said he would have something in to us by Friday of this week. Request for Assessor Applications was placed in Daily Gazette, three applications have been received to date; Assessor Report for September; Highway Department has request for Budget Amendment to move money received from Ambulance Corp. for fuel. Supervisor Smith stated that check was just put in bank, resolution would be done next month. Sandy Stanton sent Town Clerk an email regarding an article she saw in the Saratoga Today Newspaper "Galway Looks Back on Community Support & Celebration in 1882" forwarded it on to Sharon to put on Facebook page.

COMMITTEES/DEPARTMENT HEADS/LIASON – **Youth Commission** – Donna Sowle advised that Summer Programs in the Park took place different days & times during July & August; Karate is back in school on Tuesday's & Thursday's in the High School Cafeteria, Chris Malley is contact person; Junior Rifle will take place at the Galway Fish & Game Club on Wednesday evenings for youth 12 & older, Kyle Donnan is the contact person; Trap Shooting is also held at Fish & Game Club for youth 12 & older, Heather Tillson is the contact person; Fall Rec. Soccer started September 10th thru October 15th Pre-K thru 6th grade, Samantha Price is contact person; Donna is waiting for an update from Colleen on flag football & cheerleading; Halloween Event will be held on October 29th at Dockstader Fields; Basketball will take place in November & Donna & Samantha worked on 2023 budget. Councilmember Fred Arnold stated that the Trap Shooting Club had their Fund Raiser about a month ago. Attendance was down they believe due to extreme heat. Will change date for fundraiser to either earlier in season or later in season to address weather concerns. Supervisor Smith stated that he needed to reach out to Heather for budget information. Donna stated that Heather was doing a great job with Trap Shooting there were 40 youth the 1st year and 32 this year. **Historian** – Darby Neahr advised that she would be working with Amy David to do the display cases in honor of the Fire Department Anniversary. Darby received the Denison & Hudson Family Bibles last night. Aidan gave Supervisor Smith a list of improvements they were

requesting at the Historian's Office some of which were painting; flooring; sign; window & display case. Supervisor Smith stated that it was budget time now, they would look at what could be incorporated into budget at this time. Supervisor Smith advised that Phyllis Keeler has gone back to Florida with her daughter, looking into selling house. He advised that Phyllis's time as Historian has come to an end, he feels Darby is a great candidate for Historian. Supervisor Smith stated that when they get someone in to do misc. repairs at Town Hall, he will take them to Historian's office to look at window.

Community Outreach – Supervisor Smith stated that they had 34 participants confirmed and 25 still pending for Harvest Festival; workshop on Alzheimer's in November; school donated soccer balls & cheer gear; coaches needed for fall/winter Cheer; Colleen attended a Rotary Meeting, they will be contributing to Harvest Festival & Christmas happenings; pavilion & field usage continues to be busy.

RESOLUTION #: 39-2022 – Appointment of Darby Knizek-Neahr as Historian. Board went into discussion regarding Historian position and decided that Darby needed to be appointed now to fill that vacancy. 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 appoint Darby Knizek-Neahr Town Historian in full capacity at this time.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Donna Sowle stated that she was very happy to see the Supervisor's pictures on wall. Last row will be put up once Supervisor Smith's picture is received.

Councilmember Fred Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant to approve the August 2022 General Abstract of Vouchers (A) for a total of \$55,377.89.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember JoAnne Grant made a motion, seconded by Councilmember J.D. Arnold to approve the August 2022 General Abstract of Vouchers (B) for a total of \$7,945.51.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember J.D. Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Ryan Flinton to approve the August 2022 Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DA) for a total of \$10,439.77.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember Ryan Flinton made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Fred Arnold to approve the August 2022 Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DB) for a total of \$31,681.95.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember Fred Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant to approve the August 2022 Special District Abstract of Vouchers (SL) for a total of \$177.57.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember JoAnne Grant made a motion, seconded by Councilmember J.D. Arnold to approve the August 2022 Tri-Town Abstract of Vouchers (TT) for a total of \$1,013.30.
All ayes. MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember Ryan Flinton made a motion, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant to approve the Supervisor's Report for the periods ending 07/31/22 & 08/31/22.
All ayes. MOTION CARRIED

TOWN OF GALWAY
2022 RESOLUTION NO. 40
A Resolution Making a SEQRA Determination
Regarding Proposed Local Law No. 4 of 2022,
a Local Law Amending the Zoning Code

Introduced by: Supervisor Michael Smith

WHEREAS, the Town of Galway wishes to consider the environmental impact of rezoning 1775 NYS Route 29 (SBL 172.-2-35) from Agricultural-Residential ("A-R") to Commercial Retail ("C-1"); and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was held on September 13, 2022 to consider the proposed Local Law and its potential environmental impacts; and

Now, therefore, be it

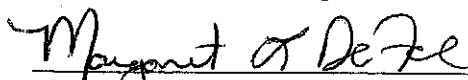
RESOLVED, the Town Board has reviewed the Short Environmental Assessment Form ("EAF") prepared for the application, classifies it as an Unlisted Action, has answered each of the eleven (11) questions in Part 2 of the EAF in the negative, has considered the potential environmental impacts of adopting the legislation and has determined that it will not have any significant environmental impact, and hereby issues a negative declaration pursuant to 6 NYCRR section 617 regarding the rezoning of 1775 NYS Route 29 (SBL 172.-2-35) from Agricultural-Residential ("A-R") to Commercial Retail ("C-1").

A motion by Councilmember Ryan Flinton seconded by Councilmember J.D. Arnold to adopt Resolution No. 40 of 2022.

A roll call vote was taken on Resolution No.40 of 2022 as follows:

Supervisor Michael Smith - Aye
Councilmember Fred Arnold - Aye
Councilmember JoAnne Grant - Aye
Councilmember Ryan Flinton - Aye
Councilmember J.D. Arnold - Aye

Resolution No.40 of 2022 was adopted at a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Galway duly conducted on September 13, 2022.


Margaret L. DeFoe, Town Clerk

TOWN OF GALWAY
2022 RESOLUTION NO. 41
A Resolution Adopting Local Law No. 4 of 2022,

a Local Law Amending the Zoning Code

Introduced by: Supervisor Michael Smith

WHEREAS, the Town of Galway wishes to consider rezoning 1775 NYS Route 29 (SBL 172.-2-35) from Agricultural-Residential ("A-R") to Commercial Retail ("C-1"); and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was held on September 13, 2022 to consider the proposed Local Law and its potential environmental impacts; and

WHEREAS, the action was referred to the Saratoga County Planning Board for its review pursuant to General Municipal Law section 239-m; and

Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the Town Board has reviewed the Comprehensive Plan, the Town Zoning Code as well as the Local Law regarding the rezoning of 1775 NYS Route 29 (SBL 172.-2-35) from Agricultural-Residential ("A-R") to Commercial Retail ("C-1") and hereby makes the following findings:

1. Pursuant to the Town's authority under NYS Municipal Home Rule Law Article 10, NYS Town Law 264, and Town Code section 115-79, the Town Board is empowered to rezone single parcels of property under certain circumstances.
2. The parcel is located in the middle of a busy commercial zone on a state highway where nearby parcels to the east, west and south are currently designated as Commercial Retail (C1) and utilized for commercial purposes, as is evident from the zoning map attached hereto;
3. The parcel in question is under contract to be sold, consolidated with and used for commercial purposes by the adjoining parcel owner immediately to the east, which parcel is zoned as C1;
4. The Town is in the midst of an update to its Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Code whereby it is probable that the corridor along NYS Route 29 where the parcel is located will be completely rezoned to C1, thereby making this an exercise of the Town Board's discretion to interim zoning of the affected parcel;
5. The redesignation of the parcel's zoning classification is in reality an extension of the existing C1 district to its east, west and south; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Local Law No. 4 of 2022 is hereby adopted and the parcel located at 1775 NYS Route 29 (SBL 172.-2-35) is hereby rezoned from its current designation of Agricultural-Residential (A-R) to its new zoning classification as Commercial Retail (C1) pending Saratoga County Planning Board Approval and on the condition that it be consolidated by deed with 1841 NYS Route 29 (SBL 172.-2-13.121), to be effective on the filing of this Local Law with the New York Secretary of State.

A motion by Councilmember Fred Arnold, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant to adopt Resolution No.41 of 2022.

A roll call vote was taken on Resolution No. 41 of 2022 as follows:

Supervisor Michael Smith - Aye
Councilmember Fred Arnold - Aye
Councilmember JoAnne Grant - Aye
Councilmember Ryan Flinton - Aye
Councilmember J.D. Arnold - Aye

Resolution No. 41 of 2022 was adopted at a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Galway duly conducted on September 13, 2022.


Margaret L. DeFoe, Town Clerk

RESOLUTION #: 42-2022 – Authorization for file storage purchase. On a motion of Councilmember Fred Arnold, seconded by Councilmember JoAnne Grant the following Resolution was adopted: AYES – 5 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board authorize the archive storage system be ordered now under state contract at a price of \$35,631.40 as it will not be available for installation until 2023 which will allow Town Board time to allocate funds in the 2023 budget for this purchase out of 1620.4 Town Hall Contractual.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Other Business – Supervisor Smith stated that no bids were received regarding the misc. work needed at Town Hall. One of the local contractors stated that he would get a bid in for work by Friday.

With reference to Building Plans at Ball Field, Supervisor Smith met with National Grid have not received a price from them for power yet. Will need to talk to neighbor across the street an easement is needed to construct a “Guide Anchor” that would cross road from there and go up the north side of drainage ditch approximately 830 feet. Supervisor Smith was disappointed that he didn’t get any prices back on building either for tonight’s meeting.

Supervisor Smith stated that three applications had been received for the Assessor position. Councilmember JoAnne Grant & Councilmember J.D. Arnold will work with Supervisor Smith on the interviewing of these candidates.

Newsletter is out, should be in people’s mailbox within the next couple days.

RESOLUTION #: 43-2022 – Authorization for advertisement of RFP for Comprehensive Plan. Supervisor Smith stated that he had some dates to fill in on RFP but would have that to Town Clerk with advertisement within the next few days. Would like to get figures back by next meeting so funding can be allocated in 2023 budget for this. On a motion of Councilmember J.D. Arnold, 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 J.D. Arnold – Aye

Councilmember Ryan Flinton – Aye

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS
Development of a Comprehensive Plan Update
for the Town of Galway, NY
issued by
Town of Galway, New York
September 13, 2022

The Town of Galway New York is seeking qualifications from qualified individuals, consulting firms or teams to provide technical assistance in the preparation of an Update to the 2006 Comprehensive Plan pursuant to Article 16 Sec. 272-A of NYS Town Law.

Study

Purpose

The purpose of this Comprehensive Plan is to help guide the Town's future vision and develop the tools necessary to shape desired future land use. This purpose will be achieved through an open participatory process that provides the community with an understanding of how the Town's future development and growth should occur.

Background/General

The Town of Galway is located in Saratoga County, New York. It has been over a two decades since the Town of has updated its Comprehensive Plan. Through a community planning process, the Town desires to balance future development, plan for infrastructure, modify and revise current and existing code and zoning issues and identify strategies to assist with the realization of a community vision for the future.

The pressing issues facing the Town today require a confirmation of the Town's future land use vision for this area utilizing a productive, open and extensive public involvement process. The Town desires to use this process to raise the knowledge level of town residents, officials, volunteers and board members regarding land use development issues and management options and techniques.

Comprehensive Plan Elements

The goal of the Comprehensive Plan is to provide a documented community-wide vision to guide the growth, development and redevelopment of the community, improve the stability, physical condition and economic wellbeing of the Town, and make Galway a more livable and sustainable community of choice. Based on this goal, the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee – a diverse group of stakeholders will work with the chosen consultant to guide the development of the plan. The following is a list of Comprehensive Plan elements that will form the foundation of the Plan.

Potential Components

- Community Profile and Demographics
- Sustainability and the Environment
- Economic Development and Job Creation

- Agricultural Preservation
- Neighborhood Preservation and Enhancement
- Housing Revitalization, Rehabilitation and Reconstruction
- Transportation and Mobility
- Culture, Art and Historic Resources
- Community Services, Facilities, and Institutions
- Public Safety
- Land Use
- Parks, Recreation and Open Space
- Infrastructure
- Goals, Recommendations, and Strategies
- Implementation Plan

To accomplish this goal, the Town is looking for the process, content, and structure of a Comprehensive Plan that achieves the following:

- Builds upon previous plans while identifying areas of improvement.
- Incorporates and promotes the principles of Smart Growth and Sustainability.
- Identifies how to facilitate better connections within facets of the community, complements the current efforts of citizens, neighborhoods, businesses and other stakeholders, and ensures that the most is made of their resources and energy.
- Promotes participation by all segments of the community by offering a wide range of communication media, including press releases, public displays, surveys, and interactive web-based tools.
- Minimizes cost and waste by making information easily and efficiently available, by providing electronic media and making printed copies available at the local library, government offices, and other publicly accessible outlets.
- Fulfills the requirements of SEQRA.

Submission of Qualifications

Qualifications will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

1. Relevant experience, including that related to advising municipalities on land use relevant to comprehensive planning, zoning and other land use regulations. (25%)
2. Familiarity with the region and knowledge of the Town of Galway. (15%)
3. Qualified personnel to be assigned to this project. (15%)
4. Comprehensive Planning experience of firm and proposed staff. (15%)
5. Experience with public participation. (15%)
6. Success with grant development and implementation. (15%)

Qualifications are due by 4:00 pm on October 11, 2022 at the Town Supervisor's Office, Town of Galway 5910 Sacandaga Road, Galway, New York 12074. Five (5) copies of the Statement of Qualifications shall be furnished.

The Town of Galway reserves the right to reject any or all submissions associated with this work.

Additional Information:

