

**RESOLUTION TO PREPARE FEAF, CIRCULATE DRAFT LAW AND FEAF,  
AND SET PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING KEEPING OF CHICKENS AND BEES**

Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Moved By \_\_\_\_\_  
Seconded By \_\_\_\_\_

WHEREAS a draft local law to amend Chapter 210 to permit the keeping of chickens and bees has been presented to the Town Board by Councilperson Simpson on behalf of the Zoning Task Force; and

WHEREAS the proposed local law is intended to improve the health and safety of our community by regulating the keeping of chickens and bees in residential zoning districts; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board held a public hearing on May 3, 2022 and since then the Zoning Task Force has amended the proposed law based on Public comments and sought advice from outside Agencies; and

WHEREAS the Zoning Board of Appeals has requested that the regulation of chickens and bees in residential districts be clarified;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE TOWN BOARD HEREBY RESOLVES as follows:

1. The Supervisor has received a draft Full Environmental Assessment Form (FEAF) from the Town’s planner, Nelson, Pope & Vorhees (NPV);
2. Upon receipt of the FEAF from NPV, the Supervisor is authorized to review the EAF and to sign Part 1 if she determines it to be accurate;
3. The Town Clerk is directed to circulate the draft local law, together with the signed FEAF Part 1 and a copy of this resolution, to the Town Building Department, the Town Conservation Advisory Council, the Town Planning Board and the Ulster County Planning Board and the Town of Rosendale Town Board for report and recommendation to the Town Board within thirty days.
4. The Town Board hereby declares itself Lead Agency for the purposes of environmental review with respect to the proposed local law, in accordance with Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law and the regulations promulgated thereunder at 6 NYCRR 617 (collectively “SEQRA”) and determines that the proposed action meets the criteria of a Type 1 Action under SEQRA.
5. Sets a public hearing on the draft local law for September 13, 2022, at 7 pm.
6. Directs the Town Clerk to post notice of the public hearing in the official newspaper, to post notice of the public hearing, the draft local law and FEAF Part 1 on the Town website, to place a paper copy of the same on the Town Hall bulletin board and to post notice of the public hearing, FEAF and local law in the Town online newsletter.

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Jana Martin, Councilperson  
Peter Humphries, Councilperson

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