



**Town Board Workshop Meeting
December 30, 2019 7:00 pm
Sand Lake Town Hall**

AGENDA

**CALL TO ORDER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL**

_____ **Councilman Turner**
_____ **Councilman Beebie**
_____ **Councilman Bulmer**
_____ **Councilwoman Erickson**
_____ **Supervisor Nancy Perry**
_____ **Town Attorney Ely**
_____ **Town Clerk Barbara Biittig**

Business

- _____ 1. Authorization and Adoption of a Negative Declaration Under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) for the Adoption of a new Town of Sand Lake 2019 Comprehensive Plan (*Resolution #2019-12-106*)
- _____ 2. Authorization and Adoption of the Town of Sand Lake 2019 Comprehensive Plan (*Resolution #2019-12-107*)
- _____ 3. Year-End Budget Transfers and Amendments (*Resolution #2019-12-108*)

Upcoming Events

- _____ 1. Sand Lake Town Government Reorganizational Meeting – January 1, 2020, 12:00 p.m.
- _____ 2. Recognition of Purple Heart Recipients, January 29, 2020, 7:00 p.m. during the Town Board Workshop Meeting

Adjournment

RESOLUTION #2019-12-106

Authorization and Adoption of a Negative Declaration Under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA)

Moved By: _____	Turner:	Y	N	A
Seconded By: _____	Beebie:	Y	N	A
	Bulmer:	Y	N	A
	Erickson:	Y	N	A
	Perry:	Y	N	A

Whereas, a Comprehensive Plan is a statutorily recognized document under Town Law §272-a for the immediate and long-range protection, enhancement, growth and development in a Town; and

Whereas, the Town of Sand Lake Town Board (the Town Board) identified the need to review and update their 2006 Comprehensive Plan and 2011 Hamlets Linkage Study to properly plan for growth and development in Town; and

Whereas, a new Comprehensive Plan – the Town of Sand Lake 2019 Comprehensive Plan (the 2019 Plan) has been prepared with the assistance of planning consultant, Laberge Group, Albany, New York; and

Whereas, the 2019 Plan incorporates relevant sections of the 2006 Plan and 2011 Linkage Study, and was prepared with extensive public input including a public open house, design workshop, several stakeholder meetings and a public informational meeting to present the Draft Plan and accept comments; and

Whereas, the Town Board forwarded the 2019 Plan to the Rensselaer County Bureau of Planning (Rensselaer County) on November 13, 2019 pursuant to applicable standards of New York State General Municipal Law §239-m; and

Whereas, Rensselaer County issued a December 12, 2019 letter (made part of this Resolution by reference) which stated that the 2019 Plan would not have a major impact on County plans and that local consideration should prevail; and

Whereas, Rensselaer County's December 12, 2019 letter included general observations and informal recommendations for improving the 2019 Plan; and

Whereas, the Town Board reviewed Rensselaer County's December 12, 2019 letter and has agreed to certain revisions recommended by the County; and

Whereas, the changes agreed to do not alter any existing policy or project recommendation in the 2019 Plan; and

Whereas, the Town Board scheduled a public hearing for December 11, 2019 and made the 2019 Plan available for public review at Town Hall, the Sand Lake Public Library and on the Town of Sand Lake official Website; and

Whereas, the Town Board held a properly noticed public hearing on December 11, 2019, pursuant to Town Law §272-a to accept public comments on the 2019 Plan; and

Whereas on November 13, 2019, the Town Board designated themselves as Lead Agency, and acting as the Lead Agency confirmed the Proposed Action as a Type I Action, pursuant to SEQRA 6 NYCRR Part 617; and

Whereas, the Town Board, acting as Lead Agency has reviewed Parts 1, 2 and 3 of the Full Environmental Assessment Form (made part of this resolution by reference) and discussed and set forth the following:

1. The Town of Sand Lake Comprehensive Plan is a guidance document for future decision making and makes recommendations on ways the Town can protect and enhance its natural environment.
2. The Town of Sand Lake Comprehensive Plan will aid the Town in reaching its goals of maintaining and enhancing its parks and recreational resources; protecting and improving neighborhoods; improving the Town's economic climate, enhancing infrastructure, repurposing vacant and underutilized sites and buildings, and protecting environmental resources through a variety of programs, projects, capital improvements, future analyses and updating or the establishment of new land use policies and regulations.
3. The Town of Sand Lake Comprehensive Plan recognizes the need to protect natural and environmental resources, features and sensitive environmental areas and establishes recommendations to protect those features.
4. The Town of Sand Lake Comprehensive Plan was developed with significant public input throughout the process.
5. The intent of the Town of Sand Lake Comprehensive Plan is to promote the safety, health, and well-being of the residents of the Town, and to protect and enhance the Town's natural environment and community character while simultaneously promoting growth and economic development.
6. The adoption of the Town of Sand Lake Comprehensive Plan will positively assist the Town and will not result in significant adverse impacts to environmental resources pursuant to the requirements of SEQRA 6 NYCRR Part 617; now therefore

Be it Resolved, that the Town of Sand Lake Town Board, acting as Lead Agency, hereby declares that the adoption of the Town of Sand Lake Comprehensive Plan, described herein will not have any significant adverse environmental impacts, and that an environmental impact statement will not be required; and

Be it Further Resolved, that the Town Board hereby authorizes filing of a negative declaration (FEAF Part 3, attached hereto) and a notice in the Environmental Notice Bulletin, according to SEQRA 6 NYCRR Part 617.

RESOLUTION #2019-12-107

Authorization and Adoption of the Town of Sand Lake 2019 Comprehensive Plan

Moved By: _____	Turner:	Y	N	A
Seconded By: _____	Beebie:	Y	N	A
	Bulmer:	Y	N	A
	Erickson:	Y	N	A
	Perry:	Y	N	A

Whereas, a Comprehensive Plan is a statutorily recognized document under Town Law §272-a for the immediate and long-range protection, enhancement, growth and development in a Town; and

Whereas, the Town of Sand Lake Town Board (the “Town Board”) identified the need to review and update their 2006 Comprehensive Plan and 2011 Hamlets Linkage Study to properly plan for growth and development in Town; and

Whereas, a new Comprehensive Plan – the 2019 Town of Sand Lake Comprehensive Plan (the 2019 Plan) has been prepared with the assistance of planning consultant, Laberge Group, Albany, New York; and

Whereas, the 2019 Plan incorporates relevant sections of the 2006 Plan and 2011 Linkage Study, and was prepared with extensive public input including a public open house, design workshop, several stakeholder meetings and a public informational meeting to present the Draft Plan and accept comments; and

Whereas, the Town Board forwarded the 2019 Plan to the Rensselaer County Bureau of Planning (Rensselaer County) on November 13, 2019 pursuant to applicable standards of New York State General Municipal Law §239-m; and

Whereas, Rensselaer County issued a December 12, 2019 letter (made part of this Resolution by reference) which stated that the 2019 Plan would not have a major impact on County plans and that local consideration should prevail; and

Whereas, Rensselaer County’s December 12, 2019 letter included general observations and informal recommendations for improving the 2019 Plan; and

Whereas, the Town Board reviewed Rensselaer County’s December 12, 2019 letter and has agreed to certain revisions recommended by the County; and

Whereas, the changes agreed to do not alter any existing policy or project recommendation in the 2019 Plan; and

Whereas, the Town Board scheduled a public hearing for December 11, 2019 and made the 2019 Plan available for public review at Town Hall, the Sand Lake Public Library and on the Town of Sand Lake Website; and

Whereas, the Town Board held a properly noticed public hearing on December 11, 2019, pursuant to Town Law §272-a to accept public comments on the 2019 Plan; and

Whereas, on December 30, 2019, acting as Lead Agency, the Town Board determined that adopting the 2019 Plan will not have adverse environmental impacts, and determined that an environmental impact statement will not be required through the issuance of a Negative Declaration, pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617 (made part of this resolution by reference); and

Whereas, upon due deliberation and taking into consideration all public and agency comments, the Town Board intends to adopt the 2019 Plan; now therefore

Be it Resolved, as follows by the Town Board of the Town of Sand Lake:

1. That the Town Board hereby determines that the 2019 Plan is hereby adopted, and shall be referred to as the Town of Sand Lake 2019 Comprehensive Plan; and
2. That the Town Board shall file a final copy of the Town of Sand Lake 2019 Comprehensive Plan with the Town of Sand Lake Town Clerk and with Rensselaer County as required by Town Law §272-a; and
3. That the Town Board shall cause a full copy of the adopted Comprehensive Plan, including all associated maps and Appendices, to be placed and maintained as accessible on the Town of Sand Lake website.