

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF HAMMOND, OCTOBER 17, 2024

A special meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Hammond, County of St. Lawrence and the State of New York was held at the Town Office Building, 21 South Main Street, Hammond, NY on the 17th day of October 2024.

PRESENT: Ronald Bertram - Town Supervisor
James Tague - Councilmember
James Furgison - Deputy Supervisor
ABSENT: Theodore Elk - Councilmember

OTHERS PRESENT: Town residents, Hiedi Ames of SLC Planning, Village Mayor Youngs and Trustee Phalen, Hammond Planning Board Members; Chairman Pease, Member Demick and Member DeStefanis, Town Clerk Pamela Burton.

Notice of said meeting was duly sent to Watertown Daily Times on October 3, 2024 and posted at www.townofhammondny.com.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. The first public hearing for public comment/discussion on the new Town and Village Comprehensive Plan, which was duly advertised in the WDT on October 3, 2024, opened at 6:30pm.
 - a. Hiedi Ames from the SLC Planning Office, and hired to write the new comprehensive plan, started the discussion and explained the hand-out. The hand-out used the layout of the 2013 Comprehensive Plan and included the ideas from the June 11, 2024 Informational Meeting. Each of seven sections had a description, goal, impediment, and recommendation to discuss. All the comments from this public hearing will be used to complete the new Comprehensive Plan, which will look different from the 2013 plan.
 - b. All participants commented and discussed the sections. Ideas included using grants for Town and Village upgrades, ways to enhance Hammond now and in the future, and preserving natural environments. Hiede emphasized that ideas don't come to fruition without an enthusiastic supporter or group.
 - c. The new Comprehensive Plan should be done before the end of the year will be posted on the Town website two weeks before the last public hearing. The final plan will be adopted by resolution.
 - d. Heidi will still take public comment and asked residents to contact her at the planning office or go through Clerk Burton. Extra hand-outs are available at the town clerk's office.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned the meeting at 8:20pm.

Meeting minutes prepared and respectfully submitted by _____, Town Clerk