

**VILLAGE OF HOOSICK FALLS  
REGULAR MEETING**

**DECEMBER 13, 2023**

**A RESOLUTION ENACTING LOCAL LAW 6 OF 2023 ESTABLISHING A  
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION FOR THE VILLAGE OF  
HOOSICK FALLS**

**WHEREAS**, this Village Board of Trustees introduced Proposed Local Law F of 2023 which would establish a Historic Preservation Commission for the Village of Hoosick Falls, set forth the Commission's powers, and establish terms for its members; and

**WHEREAS**, a Public Hearing was called for as required by law and a Public Hearing regarding the proposed local law was held on December 13, 2023 at which time all interested parties had an opportunity to be heard.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it

**RESOLVED**, that this Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Hoosick Falls does hereby adopt LOCAL LAW No. 6 (2023) as follows:

*Village Code of the Village of Hoosick Falls  
A Local Law Establishing a Historic Preservation Commission*

**Section 1.** Shall be entitled "Historic Preservation Commission" and shall provide as follows:

There is hereby created a Commission to be known as the "Village of Hoosick Falls Historic Preservation Commission."

- A. The Commission shall consist of no fewer than five members, appointed by the Village Board for staggered four-year terms. If the Town Historian is able and willing to serve, preferably the Town Historian or their delegate will serve as one member.
  - (1) Members shall have a demonstrated significant interest in, competence about, knowledge of, or commitment to historic preservation.
  - (2) To the extent possible, Commission members shall be drawn from the disciplines of architecture, history, archaeology, historic preservation, or closely related fields.
- B. The Chairperson of the Commission shall be appointed by the Village Board for a one-

year term expiring at the end of the fiscal year.

C. The purpose of this Commission shall include:

- (1) Conducting inventories of significant historic buildings, structures, objects, sites, and historic districts within the Village. A record of these inventories shall be kept at the Village Offices.
- (2) Recommending to the Village Board the criteria for selection of historic buildings, structures, objects, sites, and historic districts in the Village of Hoosick Falls to be placed on the Village Register of Historic Places.
- (3) Recommending to the Village Board suggested buildings, structures, objects, sites, and historic districts which should be listed on the Village Register of Historic Places.
- (4) Recommendations to the Village Board as to those areas of the Village that should be designated as Village historic districts.
- (5) Increasing public awareness of the value of preserving historic buildings, structures, objects and sites by developing and participating in public education programs, conducting preservation workshops, and providing assistance to owners of historic properties.
- (6) Making recommendations to the Village Board concerning utilization of state, federal, or private funds to promote the preservation of historic buildings, structures, objects, and sites within the Village of Hoosick Falls.
- (7) Serving in an advisory capacity to the Village Board, Building Department, Planning Board and Zoning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, on all matters that affect or impact identified or designated historic places or historic districts.
- (8) Assist the Village in the development and writing of grants relative to historic preservation.

D. Official actions by the Commission shall require an affirmative vote by not less than a majority of the full membership of the Commission.

E. The Commission shall coordinate efforts with other agencies on local, county, state, and federal levels to aid in projects for classifying historical landmarks.

F. The Commission shall meet at least quarterly and a quorum for the transaction of business shall consist of one or more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the Commission's members.

G. Official actions by the Commission shall require an affirmative vote by not less than a majority of the full membership of the Commission.

H. The Commission shall coordinate efforts with other other agencies on local, county, state, and federal levels to aid in projects for classifying historical landmarks.

The foregoing Resolution, offered by Trustee O'Malley and seconded by Trustee Schuttig, was duly put to a roll call vote as follows:

<del>TRUSTEE MEGAN WALREAD</del>	VOTING	<u>Yes</u>
TRUSTEE DEBORAH ALTER	VOTING	<u>Yes</u>
TRUSTEE KEVIN O'MALLEY	VOTING	<u>Yes</u>
TRUSTEE DANIEL SCHUTTIG	VOTING	<u>Yes</u>
<del>TRUSTEE ROBERT DECKER</del>	VOTING	<u>          </u>
TRUSTEE DOUG SAUER	VOTING	<u>Yes</u>
MAYOR ROBERT ALLEN	VOTING	<u>Absent</u>
DEPUTY MAYOR ROBERT RYAN	VOTING	<u>Yes</u>

The foregoing Resolution was/was not thereupon declared duly adopted.

December 13, 2023

*Clara Samang*  
*Village Clerk*